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The Cross

By Dora Byron

His cross was but
A common thing
Of cypress wood.
Upon a tired hill,
Desolate, it stood;

And yet its arms have reached from sea to sea,
Arms so strong that they have set man free;
And love so bright burning long ago
Changed the cross to gold with its glow.

My cross sometimes
Is a weary thing,
Too hard to bear,
A tiny ugly thing;
It floods my life
In hopeless care;
But with His love
I, too, will make
That cross of gold,
And pour the dark
Tear-stained wood
Into His mould.
My cross can never
Stretch its arms
From sea to sea,
But it can raise
My heart to God,
And set me free.



SERMON OF THE MONTH

Repent or Perish

By Olen Bachler

Luke 13:1-9. There were present at that season some that told him of the Galileans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And Jesus answering said unto them, "Suppose ye that these Galileans were sinners above all the Galileans, because they suffered such things? I tell ye nay; but, except you repent, you shall likewise perish. Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower of Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwell in Jerusalem? I tell you, nay: but except you repent you shall all likewise perish." He spake also this parable; A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; And he came and sought fruit and found none. Then he said to the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I came seeking fruit on this fig tree, and found none, cut it down; why cumber it in the ground? And he answered, saying unto Him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it; And if it bear fruit, well; and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down.

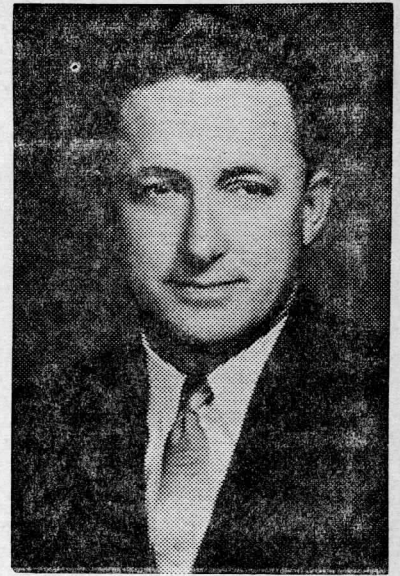
The Approach to Salvation

There is a divine element in repentance. One who is wrong or sinful cannot just calmly decide in his own strength to engage in scriptural repentance, and get right with God. We are taught that God gives us the opportunity of repentance. The Holy Spirit never fails to convict or plant this sorrow in the heart, when the individual is willing to give up his sins and is secure in his desire to get right with God. Every responsible soul must come this way before he can find pardon and forgiveness. This, is a necessary step in reaching God. It is not a question of how dark and disgraceful ones sins may have been. It may be the sins of children who are just old enough to know the moral law. It may be the sins of moral men and

women who have been trained to live lives of integrity and decency. We must understand that sin dooms and damns the soul to eternal death, regardless of the magnitude of the sin. It is an impressive fact that the scripture never refers to sins as great or small. It all must be repented of. When we mean to let God have his way and the soul is in earnest, it is not difficult to repent, and when one truly repents, the heart finds it easy to trust the pardoning love of God and accept Christ as Savior.

The Repentance Route

By repentance, we come to God. In repentance one repudiates the evil world to which he belongs, Eph. 2:3. He seeks a changed life in harmony with God and Gods will. Before man could make this approach to God, it was necessary for God to "see him" bowed down by sin, "unable to lift himself." God had to make the first move, that our move to God in repentance become possible. Thus the circumstances of the healing of the woman in Luke 13:12 becomes a striking illustration of the divine side, which makes repentance possible. As Jesus called the sick woman to Him, so all who are sick with sin have His call. Jesus could have gone to her more easily than she came to Him, but that is not Gods way. God takes the first step by calling, we in turn must take the second step by answering that call. Humbleness and Godly sorrow for sin go hand in hand with True repentance. People may vainly elect themselves as Christs disciples upon their terms and own making. Some may hurry in with the popular rush, or some may avoid the days when it means sacrifice and true penitence. But the only way to peace of mind and an assurance of sins forgiven is to repent. It is Gods way and no other way will meet the conditions. Some years ago, I heard a preacher state, "If one had not repented he was not saved," it seemed



OLEN BACHLER

a little absurd at first, but that is Gods way. **Repent or Perish.**

Repentance and Faith

The scripture contains several plain statements, to the effect that justification or pardon and deliverance from guilt may be received by simple faith in God. We see it in Rom. 5:1, and it is the answer Paul gave to the penitent jailer. But the wise preacher will warn his audience that repentance is necessary before faith is possible. Wilful sin, or the unwillingness to give it up deadens faith. It may even result in a condition of spiritual blindness, that will prevent an otherwise intelligent person from seeing the Gospel of truth. Nothing will clear our sky and help our spiritual understanding better than to make a full statement of the sin question, separating ourselves from it, which is one of the meanings of repentance. We must confess and forsake our sins. The confession is to God, of course, unless we have sinned against an individual, then that too must be gotten out of the way. Actually Repentance is a MUST for everybody. A little girl was heard to say to a playmate, "I'm sorry I hurt you; let's make up." Repentance is being deeply sorry we have sinned and want pardon from the Father.

A Foundation On The Rock

Repentance is a gospel funda-

mental. Without it, the house is built on the sand; with it the sin question is settled, down to the solid rock. It sometimes means getting into the ditch and throwing out dirt, and then throwing out more dirt, and then more dirt. Until every sin has been repented of. No profession can possibly last unless it is founded on something solid. It is said that a contractor signed up to construct a building for a certain price, digging down to the flint rock which underlay the town. Finding that the layer of flint was farther down than he had supposed when he made his bid, he stopped at a layer of soapstone, to save expense, or perhaps a loss of his contract. But the architect, defending the owner refused to settle for soapstone. "When you have excavated down to the flint rock," he said, "bring me a piece of the rock, then I will give you the go sign." He told the men who were digging, that their steel tools would flash fire when they struck the flint rock. Our whole religious effort is wasted if we fall by the wayside. The trials that will come will require a sound experience, based on true repentance in order to stand. So that brings us back to our text, we must either **Repent or Perish.**

Results of Repentance

Perhaps the conversion of Saul of Tarsus is one of the most significant facts of Apostolic History. His conversion was a demonstration of the power of the gospel as it was intended to affect all people. It is said two English lawyers set out to disprove Christianity. One determined to prepare a case disproving the resurrection of Christ. The other set himself to the task of disproving the reality of the conversion of Saul. Having completed their investigations they met to compare results. In both cases the evidence converted them to the very thing they had set out to disprove.

One thing about Saul, he was always an honest and conscientious man. There seems to be some irony in this when we read that, following the death of the first martyr in which he played some part, he breathed out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples. In humble penitence he states it himself before

STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA—

Dear Brother and Sister Schultz:

Greetings in the Name of Jesus! Just a few lines this evening. We enjoy the Apostolic Faith Report very much.

We were in Modesto for a two weeks revival in the new church with Brother and Sister Girouard. The meeting was good. God blessed in the services.

We are now pastoring the church in Stockton for awhile. We had 66 in Sunday school the last two Sundays and are having some good services. God is blessing. We would be glad for the ministers of the Faith to come by and be with us in service.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hosler, pastors

Agrippa. Acts 26:10,11. He states he shut up the saints in prison, and gave his voice against them when they were put to death. His every act was to try to destroy this new sect which were called "Christians." But Paul, as an honest man, though radical and wrong, was pursued by the Holy Ghost and given the wonderful vision near Damascus where he heard the voice of the Savior. This turned Paul's life completely about. Here as Paul later wrote, "Old things passed away, and all things became new." His heart was changed, his sins forgiven, his way of thinking and acting was reversed. When he finally reached Damascus he was a member of the group he had set out to destroy. Here was a man truly converted, his, is the example of the power of God brought about by repentance. Salvation is a real experience, it is not just a "white wash" but something that will alter and change lives black with sin into living examples of the change brought by repentance. Conversion is just as real an experience in 1956 as it was in Paul's day. Any profession of faith in Christ that doesn't change the way we live, and altar our desires is no good. We can have the same kind of experience Paul had and there is no reason to settle for less. We close this message with a plea for unsaved to seek God until the wonderful peace of mind and soul is ours. Again we repeat our text, it's either **Repent or Perish.**

ENGLISH THEME—

Why I Chose to Come To Bible School

By Royce Gene Grant

The year of 1956 is a great highlight of my life. This is the year I chose to come to the Apostolic Faith Bible School. I would like to relate some of the reasons I came.

First of all may I say, the thing that kept ringing in my mind over and over were these words, "to attend Bible School is a privilege and not a requirement." We go through life doing things that are required, and to me, things that are required are not as easy to put your all into as those things which come as a privilege. For an example, it is easier to begin the day with a fishing trip planned, than it is to be at your job at a required time, though it be mid-morning.

I realize studying Gods word in a place where there are qualified teachers, one can receive in three months the knowledge of the Bible that otherwise would possibly take even years to attain.

This school is a wonderful place to receive wisdom of the word of God, as well as spirituality. When an instructor has in his heart what he is teaching, it is going to radiate out to those who are under his teaching.

To realize your need, such as I **have, of more wisdom** of the word of God, helps in applying yourself to the fullest extent. I came with this prayer in mind, "Lord help me to take full advantage of this wonderful privilege you have given me.

May I say in conclusion, a person cannot go wrong in choosing Bible School names as a means for attaining more knowledge of Gods word.

TIPTON FORD—

The Lord is still blessing in this community church located about 10 miles southeast of Joplin. Your editor had a nice service with these people Sunday night, February 19th. Brother and Sister Carl Pitts are pastors. Pray for them and that the Lord will make possible a revival for them soon.

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From My Viewpoint

EDITORIAL

By Gail Schultz

PLEASE EXCUSE ME FRIENDS, but this time I will only have a few remarks, as I seemingly have not had an anointing to write. Then too the days have been and still are full to the brim. We all want a good Bible School, and classes filled with interesting information, but all this takes time. Now the closing days and plans for them are on us. Besides this I stand in need of healing so that I feel more up to the work that is demanded of me.

We are looking forward to the close of school and hope that each of you can be with us. Of course the Easter Service is of most importance, if not in your own services be with us here if possible. However, where ever you are, be there to worship the Risen Lord in Spirit and in Truth.

We have enjoyed hearing from many of you by letter, keep writing. Thank you too, every one, for sending offerings to the Apostolic Faith Report. Let us keep the message in

NOTICE

Financial Statement of The Apostolic Faith Bible School building fund:

Receipts \$ 650.00
Balance Due \$1350.00

THX KXY PXRSON

Evxn though my typxwritxr is an old onx, it works quitx wxll xxxcpt for onx kxy. I wish many timxs that it workxd pxrfxctly. It is trux that thxrx arx othxr kxys that function wxll xnough. But just onx makxs a big diffxrxncx.

You may say to yoursxlf, "Wxll I am only onx no onx will miss mx!" It makxs a diffxrxncx if you arx absxnt from thx church mxxtings or othxr activitixs. Thxrx arx lots of othxrs who comx vxxy wxxxk, but you arx missxd if you do not comx at all or just comx onx in awhilx. If you do not takx part in thx work of your church, othxrs will sxx that thx work is donx, but you arx nxxdxd. If you think that you arx only onx pxrson and will not bx missxd, rxmxxbxxr my old typxwritxr and say, "I am thx kxy pxrson; thx spiritual, social and civil rxsponsibilitixs of thx community arx my rxsponsibilitixs, too."

DONIPHAN, MISSOURI—

Brother C. O. Bard of Joplin, Mo., has been with this people for a revival and there has been several saved, and others received deeper blessings. We are happy for this victory and for the pastors of this work. Brother and Sister George Hintergardt.

printed form rolling on. This month we have some Salvation thoughts for you. Next month the Lord willing, we want the message of sanctification discussed.

May God bless you richly and keep you holy until that day of His soon return.

Look at the names of our Graduation Class. Can some of these fine young talented men and women be a blessing to you? If so let us know. Help them to get on their way with the good old Apostolic Faith Message.

ENGLISH THEME—

The Value of Bible School

By Lodema Meeks

Value means the worth of something, on the degree of worth. Each of us agree that the privilege we have of being in Bible School will be worth much to us in the future as we have the opportunity to speak to others about the Lord.

Our first thought is the Bible and the scriptures within. We are taught their meaning, and the value of memorizing the Word of God. For us to get the greatest benefit from the Word of God we must have it hid in our heart as well as in our mind.

We may not be able to grasp all that is being taught in school, but if we apply ourselves, we will learn enough to be of eternal value to us, and we can have a solid foundation to stand on when this school year has ended.

We also gain much in the prayer meetings and church services. It is encouraging and stimulating to see the victory others gain, and know the victory we have in our own lives through prayer. And too, we learn the value of praying one for the other.

Each faculty member is certainly of value to all of us. If we did not have capable teachers with a God given burden for teaching, we would not get very far.

Here we learn how to be of value to the Lord and humanity.

SPRING VALLEY, CALIF.—

We still hear from the work at this place, and they are still asking the Lord to give them a building there for services. While the Lord is blessing in the services in the home at 3015 Washington street, Lemon Grove, there is still the church need. There has been several saved in their work. They enjoy the fellowship of the Pal City church Brother and Sister Wiles are pastoring. The Apostolic Faith Report is a blessing to them and they use it in home visitations. You may write these people at Box 67. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Long, pastors.

What Is Our Personal Attitude?

By Sister Edna Schultz

There is a great deal being said today about deception. Perhaps some preachers may leave the impression that they, or their particular group of believers are the only ones who are not deceived. This is far from the truth and I'm sure no honest hearted minister believes it, for there are a great many in this Christian race who do not see eye to eye on all doctrinal points.

However, deception is in the land and according to Jesus will continue so, for evil men shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.

Does this thought frighten you? Are you fearful lest you be deceived, and yet ignorant of the fact that there is protection from deception under the blood of Jesus? The attitude of our heart determines whether we have access to the protection of that blood or not. For what is in our heart will govern our lives.

What is our attitude? How are we thinking in regard to our work for the Lord? Just what is the motive that urges us on to success? Do we want a ministry as great as that of some one we admire, and if so, why do we desire that kind of ministry? Are we thinking of Christ and lost souls first and our ministry secondarily, or is our personal ministry in the foreground?

Do we want to be **great** for God, or do we want to do **great work** for God? Are we able to work and sacrifice for an eternal reward, or do we grow discouraged if we are not acclaimed by man? What would be the reaction if we served and the credit was given to another? What is our attitude?

If we can work in obscurity with the same zeal and self sacrifice as we can when the public is viewing our labor, then we can truly say we are working for God alone. I know this is hard saying, and maybe all of us wonder if it can be done, but the question comes to me, "will we be eternally rewarded for those things for which we are rewarded here?" Jesus said of those who do alms, who pray and who fast to be

seen and heard by men, "Verily, they have their reward." Matt. 6.

What is our attitude toward humility? Are we humble and proud of it? Yes, we desire to be humble, but are we willing to pay the price of humility? Can we do good for Christ and forget it, or must we boast of our achievements? Paul admonished us in I Cor. 1:31, "He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord."

False prophets, teachers of false doctrines, will impose themselves upon the weak, riding high on the tide of humility; but true love of God is not puffed up, vaunteth not itself, is longsuffering, seeketh not her own.

Perhaps even on a smaller scale we may deceive ourselves. The Lord said to preach the truth in love. Is it possible to speak the truth with a selfish attitude? Are we willing to decrease if Christ can increase? Do we love the truth of God's Word more than we love ourselves or our popularity? Remember, delusion comes because there is no love of the truth. I know there may be difference of opinion as to all the truth may contain, but our attitude toward our convictions remain the same. Are we willing to preach all the truth that has come to us, or do we want to use that portion that will further our cause and term the rest as unimportant? Remember — the disciples rejoiced because they were worthy to bear shame for the sake of Jesus. Stephan died without resentment toward his tormentors, for the sake of the truth he loved.

It has been said that great preachers cause humanity to see the man, but great sermons cause them to see God. Are we working with an eye on our eternal reward, or building an earthly ministry?

Surely, if we love the Lord with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, we can forget personal ambition, in that we can meet with success and keep humble and pure; or meet with defeat as far as this life is concerned, and still work untiringly among humanity. Love the truth for itself and not for what it can do for us. Give ourselves unceasingly in a labor of love. Then we have a right to expect the protection of the blood against deception of any kind, from false doctrines

LOMITA, CALIFORNIA—

We were delighted to hear from Brother and Sister John Smith that used to live at Cave Springs, Ark. We have had many fine services with them and wish that they could be again in some of the Holy Ghost revival days. They desire your prayers as they travel on for the Lord.

ALIEF, TEXAS—

The work here is nearing completion on a new parsonage and Brother and Sister Bennie Stanberry plan to move to Alief, from Katy, to be closer to their flock and continue their fine work among them. They have a nice radio program too, let us not forget to pray for its continued success.

GALENA, KANSAS—

Rev. and Mrs. Ted Jackson held a ten day meeting at Empire Union Mission in Galena Heights at Galena, Kansas. The weather was bad but the church was greatly blessed. Rev. Ralph Tankersley, pastor of the church extends an invitation to all ministers.

BOKCHITA, OKLAHOMA—

Rev. and Mrs. Ralph E. Tankersley have recently closed a seven day meeting at Bokchita, Okla. Five were converted and one sanctified. The church was greatly blessed and several were seeking the Holy Spirit. Plans are being made for a return meeting in the near future.

Moral Courage

When you are so devoted to doing what is right that you press straight on and disregard what men are saying about you, there is triumph of moral courage.—(Phillip Brooks).

that damn the soul, to the deception of thinking ourselves to be something when we are nothing.

In this class of Evangelism we are endeavoring to keep this precious truth in mind. If we can go through life with the right attitude toward God and man, yes, and toward ourselves, we have nothing to fear. Let us search our hearts with honesty. What is our attitude?

As you read these lines they become your personal invitation to attend all the closing services of the Apostolic Faith Bible School.

Commencement Service

Of The

Apostolic Faith Bible School

Baxter Springs, Kansas

Thursday, April 5th, 1956, 7:30 P. M.

Special Closing Services

Tuesday night, April 3, 7:30 O'clock

Wednesday, April 4, All Day

Thursday, April 5, All Day

All Services Conducted at the
Apostolic Faith Chapel
 1009 LINCOLN AVE.

I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.
 Psalm 122—1.

Class Roll

Homer Allen
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 Helen Arnold
 Marie Arnold
 Fay Austin
 LaMoyne Barker
 Naomi Benson
 Bobbie Bishop
 Wilburta Bollinger
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 David Brening
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 Royce Gene Grant
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 James Johnson
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 Ione Martin
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 Mendota Scott
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 Anna Stroyick
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 Vonda VanBenthusen
 Francis Gene Waterbury
 Eugene Webster
 Lucy Webster
 Doris Ann Welsh
 Steve Welsh
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 Cynthia Cotter
 Kanell Ehrlich
 Mike Long
 Alfred Lee Moses
 Charles Moses
 Sharon Moses
 Donnie Scott
 Craig Waterbury
 Mike Waterbury

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on thee. Isaiah 26—3.

Special Services

Tuesday night April 3 7:30 P. M.
 — A WELCOME AND SALUTATION TO ALL —
 Wednesday April 4 10:00 A. M.
 Wednesday April 4 2:30 P. M.
 Wednesday April 4 7:30 P. M.

We desire this day to be Evangelistic in nature.
 Seek and ye shall find; Knock, and it shall be opened unto you. Luke 11—9
 The special singers and speakers will be selected from the visitors,
 by the faculty, as the Lord leads.

Ordination Service

Thursday April 5 10:00 A. M.
 Master of Ceremonies Rev. Leonard Turner
 CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
 Song Solo
 PRAYER
 Song Duet
 Song Mixed Quartet
 Sermon Rev. Gail W. Schultz

ORDINATION
 Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. Heb. 10—9

Homecoming Service

Thursday April 5 2:30 P. M.
 Master of Ceremonies Harold J. Bollinger
 CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
 PRAYER
 Special Singing Former Students
 Speaker Jerry McClenagan

“From every class of every term, we admonish you,
 make full proof of your ministry.” II Tim. 4:5.

Commencement

Thursday April 5 7:30 P. M.
 CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
 INVOCATION
 Song Duet
 SCRIPTURE READING
 Song Trio
 Song Male Quartet
 Presentation of Speaker Supt. R. D. Wooster
 Speaker Rev. Jack Barker

BENEDICTION
 Here am I; Send Me. Isaiah 6—8.

EASTER SERVICE

We, the Supt. of the Apostolic Faith Bible School would like to take this opportunity to invite you to attend an all day Easter service, on April 5th., here at the Apostolic Faith Church, 1009 Lincoln St. We wish to extend a welcome to all churches to be with us on this day for a wonderful time in the Lord. The day will begin with a sunrise at 5:48 A. M. in the city park. Sunday School will begin at 10:00 A. M., at the church, with the morning worship at 11:00 A. M. There will be a basket dinner served in the School dining hall. The afternoon service will start at 2:00 P. M., it will include wonderful singing and inspirational preaching. The day will close with a 6:30 P. M. Youth meeting and the regular 7:30 P. M. Evangelistic service. We trust that the Lord will meet with us on this day and make it a glorious day as we keep in mind the wonderful resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We appreciate this opportunity to have this Easter service during the term of Bible School. We will be looking forward to seeing you.

R. D. Wooster, Supt.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS—

Brother and Sister J. O. Ferry of 6030 So. Mayfield Ave., Zone 38, write us that they have services in their home. Come worship with them. The Lord has been blessing and healing some in their midst. Just this past week two saw the light on sanctification and gave themselves to the Lord in this respect. The Apostolic Faith Report proves a blessing to this people. The Lord Jesus is going before them and they seek to know His complete will in all things.

BAYARD, NEBRASKA—

Brother and Sister Charles Mahan are now caring for the work in the absence of the pastor, Brother Amos Harris, who is conducting a revival in Enid, Okla. The folk at Bayard are building a new parsonage near the church, however it will be some time before it is finished. The services are well attended and receiving due blessing from the Lord at this time.

SALVATION

By Gail Schultz

A BIBLE LESSON (SYNOPTIC FORM)

The saving of man from the spiritual consequences of sin. Deliverance through the atonement of Christ. Isa. 53rd, Chp. is a word picture of Christ. Save me, and I shall be saved, are the words of Jeremiah. Jer. 17:14. The followers of Christ were first called Christians at Antioch. Acts 11:26.

THE PROMISE

Gen. 3:15. The first promise — The seed of women.
Isa. 7:17. A sign from the Lord — A virgin shall conceive.
Isa. 9:6. Unto us a child is given — The Prince of Peace.
Matt. 1:21. Jesus shall save His people from their sins.
Luke 2:11. The Saviour, of city of David, is Christ the Lord.
Rom. 6:23. The gift of God is eternal life, through Jesus.
John 3:16. God so loved the world that He gave His Son.
Heb. 5:8,9. Jesus is the author of eternal salvation.
Heb. 2:9, 10. Jesus is the Captain of our salvation.

THE SOURCE

John 6:68. The Lord has the Words of Eternal life.
Luke 20:17, 18. The rejected stone of salvation is Jesus.
Acts 4:10, 12. There is no other Name for salvation, but Jesus.
Rom. 5:6, 8. Christ died for the ungodly and sinners.
I Cor. 15:3. Christ died for sins, according to Scriptures.
Heb. 9:22, 28. No remission of sins, without Shedding of Blood.
I Pet. 3:18. The Just (Christ) suffered for the unjust.
I Tim. 9:15. Christ came into the world to save sinners.
II Cor. 5:17, 18. We are new creatures in Christ, by reconciliation.
Luke 19:10. Jesus came to seek the lost.

THE CONDITION

Matt. 4:17. Jesus — Repent for the Kingdom is at hand.
Matt. 7:7. Ask — seek — knock — that ye may enter in.
Matt. 11:28. Come unto Jesus, all that labor, for rest.
Mark 1:15. The time is fulfilled, Repent, Believe the Gospel.
John 6:44, 47. To believe upon the Son brings everlasting life.
Acts 2:38. Repent and be baptized for remission of sins.
Acts 8:35,38. Believe that Jesus is the Son of God.
Acts 16:30, 33. What must I do to be saved? Believe.
Isa. 55:6. Seek ye the Lord, call upon Him while He is near.
Acts 15:11. We are saved through grace, not works.
Rom. 3:24, 26. We are justified freely by grace and Blood.
Eph. 2:5. We are saved, and quickened (made alive).
Acts 10:43. The prophets witness — Of His saving grace.
II Pet. 3:9. God is willing that all should come to repentance.
Rom. 10:10, 13. Confession is made unto salvation. Rich to all.

SINS AND LAWS

Matt. 26:28. This is my blood, shed for the remission of sins.
Heb. 10:12. Christ offered one sacrifice for sins forever.
I Tim. 5:24. Some men's sins are open, or forgiven.
James 5:20. Save a sinner from death, hide a multitude of sins.
I John 2:2. Propitiation for the whole world for sins.
Matt. 5:23,24. Be reconciled to fellowmen, to be forgiven of God.
Col. 3:13. Forgive one another, in order to be forgiven.
Rom. 8:2. The law of Spirit of Life made us free.
II Cor. 3:6. The letter kills, the Spirit gives life.
Rom. 2:7. We seek, glory, honor, immortality, eternal life.
I Pet. 4:17, 18. Where shall the ungodly and sinner appear?

SUNSET THEN THE DAWN

II Pet. 3:8, Beloved, 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.

Counting time Gods way, we had four thousand years before Christ. B. C. We are now closing two thousand years this side of Calvary. 1956 A. D. means it is almost time for the dawning of the new day. The Day of our Lord which He Himself sanctified.

Since we are nearing the dawn of this wonderful day in which the meek will inherit the earth for one thousand years or one day, the seventh day, it is indeed a great privilege to dwell here on earth to see the signs and wonders in our world. They are everywhere, on land, sea and sky. Last but not least, the revelation that is in God's people.

Nothing can compare to the Holy Spirit to show you clearly and direct your paths. It is in Him we move and have our being. Now we have the Dead Sea Scrolls, which I'm sure will reveal many wonders. Scrolls are being discovered over by the Dead Sea. What does this mean? We are running out of time. This old world is rocking, crying for a reign of righteousness.

How often I've wondered how nice it would be to be privileged to make a trip to the Holy Land and view the writings of ages past.

Somehow it helps me catch a vision of how wonderful it will be when we enter into the marriage supper of the Lamb.

Praise and Glory to our Christ who made it possible that whosoever will may come and drink freely of the wine which is the New Testament. Drink all of it "He said."

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.

"If you cannot on the ocean sail
Among the swiftest fleet,
Rocking on the highest billow,
Laughing at the storm you meet;
You can stand among the sailors,
Anchored yet within the bay,
You can lend a hand to help them,
As they launch their boats away."

—Mary Lucille Gaines

UTOPIA, TEXAS—

The Gospel services are still going forward at this point of worship, with Brother and Sister J. W. Clanton in charge. At the present time they are having some lessons on "God's Plan of the Ages" on Friday nights. The young people's rallies are a blessing to this section of the country. One was conducted on February 4 at Center Point, Tex., and March 3rd, was the date for the rally at Camp Wood, Tex.

PERRYTON, TEXAS—

The Full Gospel church in Perryton, Texas recently enjoyed a revival meeting with Rev. Bob Palmer as evangelist. The church was greatly blessed and benefited by the good services, and attendance was good. Several professed to be saved during the revival.

At the present time the Perryton church is preparing to begin a building program which will add some badly needed Sunday school classrooms to the present building. The new addition will be 26 by 32 feet with a basement. The ground level will have three classrooms and a pastor's study, all connected by a hall. The basement will be one large room with built-in storage facilities. Enough lumber for the building has been already donated, Also enough concrete for all the cement work. The entire congregation is enthused about the project and is looking forward to the completion of the building. Brother and Sister Floyd LaMunyon are the pastors.

CAVE SPRINGS, ARK.—

We are happy to say the Lord has been very good to all the church at Cave Springs, Ark. We are glad to say that we are praying for a revival of the entire church and also the community.

There has been a lot of sickness but the Lord has proven Himself and most of them are progressing nicely.

We are very fortunate to get Brother and Sister Alford Whitely to take the services for us the last month of the Bible School. Be sure to pray for the church that God will increase the burden for souls.

With Love and prayers,
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Turner

BOOKER, TEXAS—

The gospel work is still growing in this church under the present leadership of Brother and Sister Bob Russell as pastors. They have had some special services lately with Brother and Sister Aubrey Muray and Brother and Sister Harrol Waterbury. You as ministers and believers of the Apostolic Faith have an invitation to come by for services and a visit.

ATTRIBUTES OF SALVATION

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| Psa. 89:26. Christ the rock of our salvation. | (Foundation) |
| II Cor. 6:2. Now is the accepted day and time. | (Present) |
| II Sam. 22:3. God is the horn of salvation. | (Strength) |
| Isa. 61:10. There are garments of salvation. | (Covering) |
| Isa. 59:17. A helmet for the head. | (Protection) |
| Heb. 3:8. The Chariots were salvation | (Transportation) |
| Isa. 60:18. Walls of salvation, gates of praise. | (Dwelling) |
| Isa. 12:3. Joy from the walls of salvation. | (Refreshing) |
| Psa. 116:13. There is a cup of salvation. | (Satisfying) |
| Psa. 118:15. The voice of salvation. | (Instruction) |
| II Tim. 3:15. Known the scriptures from youth. | (Wisdom) |
| Heb. 1:14. The heirs of salvation. | (Inheritors) |
| I Pet. 1:9. The end in salvation. | (Consummation) |

Sinner repent, backslider return to your God. Christian remain steadfast. Contending for this common or universal salvation, as requirements are met. Remember we have a soul to save, a Christ to serve, a Judgement to face. When I think of Jesus, and all He has done for me, then I am determined to go on to the end.

SALVATION

By Mrs. Robert Feagin

Isa. 1:18, Come now and let us reason together, saith the Lord; though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

Notice the different classes to whom salvation is offered: To the weary and heavy laden, to the hungry and thirsty, to the lost, and to whosoever will come. God has done His part in giving His son to die for our sins. Will you do your part and come honestly and confess your sins?

Let us go back and see the cost, the sorrow, the shame by which this blessing was wrought. One day a virgin was called to make a sacrifice of name, virtue and prestige in the eyes of her people. She did not falter nor question the angel but humbly surrendered her body and soul unto the Majesty of God. She walked among her people questioned, for she was not married. She carried the secret in her heart, went her way and an angel spoke to her espoused husband to be and said, "Fear not to take Mary as thy wife, for that, that is in her womb is Holy unto the Lord." And he took her.

They went to pay tribute as was their custom, and while there, Mary was taken to the most humble of all places, a stable, and there she dipped her feet in the celestial waters of death to bring forth her first born son, "the Saviour of men." Lowly was their station, and if you and I can bring our proud, haughty spirit down to this level, we can have all the blessings God gave through His only begotten Son.

What does it mean? To the weary—Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matt. 11:28. The joy of the Lord is our strength. To the hungry and thirsty—Isa. 55:1, Lo every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye buy, and eat; Yea come buy wine and milk without money and without price. And He said, "Freely ye have received, freely give." You know Salvation grows by giving,

not hording it up, for the more you pour out His wonderful words of power, the more abundantly He pours in. To the lost—For the Son of Man is come to save that which was lost. We must receive Christ as a Saviour. For as many as receive Him to them gave He the power to become the Sons of God, even to them that believe on His name. If we meet these conditions, Gods word says we shall be saved.

With the heart believe unto righteousness and confess, or repent. Obey Christ in your life. Follow this man called Jesus through His life up until He was called unto His three and one half years of ministry. He sought not to save Himself, but He thought of others. The birds of the trees had nests, the foxes had holes to live in, but He, the Son of God had no where to lay His head, remember? Because He was to dwell in human hearts. He was to live through human agencies.

That was excellently observed "say I" when I read a passage of an author when his opinion agrees with mine. When we differ, then I pronounce him to be mistaken. There are no mistakes where we take Jesus, for He is the author and finisher of our salvation, through faith. The highest manhood resides in disposition, not in mere intellect. They that deny a God, destroy mans nobility, for man is of kin to the beasts by his body, and if he is not of kin to God by his spirit, he is an ignoble creature.

Let each man think himself an act of God, his mind a thought, his life a breath of God. An honest man is the noblest work of God. One cannot always be a hero, but one can always be a man. Titles of honor add not to his worth, who is an honor to his title. What higher title can one wish than to be called "a son of God." Salvation brings this title to all who receive Him.

But it is not too simple a thing to be able to receive this. To some it is too high a price to pay. To acknowledge we are nothing is difficult to some, if not impossible, for we think very highly of ourselves.

He who is lord over himself and exists upon his own resources is a noble but rare being. It is better to be nobly remembered than nobly

born. A ruler once came to Jesus by night to ask Him the way of salvation and light. The Master made answer in words plain "Ye must be born again." We never are satisfied with our opinions, what ever we may pretend, till they are ratified and confirmed by the suffrages of the rest of mankind. We dispute and wrangle forever. We endeavor to get men to come to us, when we do not go to them.

If all but myself were blind, I should not want fine clothes, fine houses nor fine furniture, for none could see them but me. Let our pleasure be taken as Daniel took his prayer, with his windows open. Pleasures which need not cause a single blush on an ingenious cheek. The purest pleasures lie within the circle of useful occupation. Mere pleasure sought outside of usefulness is fraught with poison. Let us be sure that our delights exclude not the presence of God. We may please ourselves as long as we do not displease Him. Herein Salvation deals in our lives in ways we know not, nor do we see how He leads, but He does.

His hands paint the flowers,
He puts leaves on the trees,
At His whisper birds start singing,
When my heart needs melodies.
When I stray from all His goodness,
I don't seem to understand,
But He will lead to paths celestial
By His nail pierced hand.

What must I do to be saved? The Holy Ghost comes to reprove of sin, of righteousness and of judgment.

Only trust Him, He will save you now. Bring your burdens to the Lord and leave them there. See the blood as it flowed down when the stripes were laid upon Him, forty stripes less one. See Him led as a sheep to the slaughter, He who knew no sin. Hear Him cry "It is finished" and His head falls on His breast. Salvation at an awful price, but He went willingly giving His all for you and me.

How can we escape if we neglect so great salvation? We will not escape, but God is everywhere. The God who framed man kind to be

OBITUARY

Thomas Randel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Huff of Oklahoma City was born March 31, 1954 and passed away in his sleep of pneumonia at 22 months on January 21, 1956.

He leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Huff, two brothers, Dennie and Fred and one sister, Carol Ann. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Huff of Arnett, Okla.

KATY, TEXAS—

Brother and Sister Harold D. Wills were in the convocation and planned to be in revivals all of this year, however they were delayed during the illness of Sister Wills' mother, Sister W. B. Wooster, (We are glad that she is much improved at this writing). Brother Wills is now open for calls for revival meetings or other work for the Lord. Contact them, for here you will find a team that will work faithfully for the Lord. Again I say, let us put forth every effort to stay busy, and you who have or know of an open door, let ministers know.

SUNRAY, TEXAS—

More building is going on here too, as well as at other points. They have just completed an addition of an entrance way and rest rooms on the front of the church. To the outside a coat of Oriental Stucco has been added. They are still working on the interior. The attendance has been running around 30. They are asking the Lord to increase their number and they covet the prayers of the Movement in behalf of their work.

Brother and Sister J. D. Ray,
pastors

one mighty family, Himself our Father, and the world our home.

Oblivion is a second death which great minds dread more than the first and to grow old is a master work of wisdom and one of the most difficult chapters in the great art of living. Let us live this great salvation.

IF ANY MAN DRAW BACK, MY SOUL SHALL HAVE NO PLEASURE IN HIM

By Aubrey Lee Murray

Every person with any knowledge of the Bible whatsoever realizes we are in the sifting time that the Bible speaks of. A time when many false prophets are on the rampage and a time when we are being persecuted if we really preach and teach the whole truth of God's Word.

God's Word warns us in many places to beware of such things of vain deceit, spiritual wickedness in high places, etc. Yet with all these warnings and with all the plainness of God's word yet we see people being taken in by the same things that God has warned us about. We are often tempted to hold back or draw back certain truths of God's Word in order to escape persecution from the Church world. The disciples of old told their tormenters that they could "but speak the things that they had seen and heard" and they also asked the question "which was right to listen to man or to God.

If we draw back from the truths of the gospel that we know are truth and reality, God's Word condemns us.

The power of God is the only thing that can save a soul and all the programing that is so popular with our Church world today will never save a soul but instead is dooming many souls to a devils hell because it offers soothing of the conscience instead of true repentance that brings salvation. The church world today with it's program of church federation is rapidly coming under the dominion of Old Mother Babylon. People by the thousands are being swept into this without realizing what it is all about, and I fear in many cases not wanting to know. This not only is true of the modernistic churches but is also becoming alarmingly prominent in Full Gospel ranks.

The Bible teaches us what this is and what it is leading into and is plain enough for anyone to understand what it means. The leaders of the church and also I'm sorry to say the ministers say we must go along

OBITUARY

Memorial services for Claud Melvon Walls, 56, who died February 24, were held February 29 at the Bonham Brothers Mortuary in San Diego, Calif., with the Rev. Doyle Wiles and the Rev. Allen Long officiating. Music was by the Apostolic Faith church trio from Palm City. Interment was in Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery.

Surviving are the wife, Florence Walls; four sons, Claud, Alfred, Jack and Albert, and one sister, Opal Carston of Webb City, Mo.

UNION CHAPEL—

Brother and Sister W. O. Nunn, address Neosho, Mo., route 5, are the pastors of this work and the Lord is blessing in the services from week to week. There has been a special burden along the line of healing and several have gained victory. They are putting in new hardwood flooring. We are looking forward to a few services with these people very soon. Editor.

HINTON, ALABAMA—

Brother and Sister Leon Smith are the pastors of this work. They are fixing new seats for the church and doing some inside painting. They are looking forward to a revival. We are praying for them that everything will work out just right for them. Address these pastors at Box 281. Pine Hill, Alabama.

with the idea so that we will be recognized and retain our social standing. Will we also draw back on God's Word to retain our social standing by indorsing things that according to God's Word are wrong? Christ warned the disciples to beware of the Pharisees and Saducees and of their doctrine. The disciples did not draw back on God's Word and if you and I expect to make heaven our home neither can we draw back on God's Word. I want to close this with a scripture found in Hebrews 10-35 which is as follows: "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward."

OSAGE CITY, KANSAS—

Dear Brother and Sister Schultz:

I guess you will be surprised to hear from us again, but we still love the Lord, His work and His People. Our hearts go out also for the lost. O how we need to pray for them as we see the day of the coming of the Lord approaching. We are trying to get a work started here. We have prayer meeting every Friday night and the Lord willing we plan on having Sunday school and Sunday services too. We are using our house for the purpose.

In our first service last Friday night there were 14 of us. There isn't a Full Gospel work here. We have been praying for a revival and have the promise of a tent space, if we can get the tent in the right season. It seems the Lord may be leading for a revival in our house. If any of the Faith feel led to come by we will be more than glad to welcome them. It is the last days and what we do for the Lord must be done quickly. Christian love and prayers,

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Beckmon

HEIDEBERG, MISSISSIPPI—

Brother and Sister A. L. Wisnoski, Rt. 1, Box 186, report that they are still living for the Lord with a vision of working for Him. Brother Wisnoski is now working in Laurel, Miss. However they would appreciate your prayers that the Lord will open up a place of Gospel labor for them. They may be in evangelistic meetings this summer or some tent meetings. Let us pray that the Lord will make it possible for them to see a new work established in Mississippi. Our hope, as I see it, is in new fields, and new churches, for the truth must go forth.

ELKINS, ARKANSAS—

Route 1 is the present address of Brother and Sister Alford Whiteley. They have resigned their pastorate at Ralls, Tex., and are now open for calls. They will be glad to serve you as the Lord leads, as pastors, evangelists, or to "fill in" while another pastor is away for awhile. Let us all be up and doing with all our might, for while the powers of the enemy are strong, the grace of God is stronger still.

FORT SUMNER, NEW MEXICO—

Dear Folks:

We are still trying to keep the work going here, but have just a few coming. We need a revival so badly. Do you know of anyone who would be interested in coming here for a revival?

If anyone wishes to call us about a revival, our number is 3325. We are always glad to have anyone of the faith to come by for services and to visit us.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hickman,
Box 103.

Fort Sumner, New Mexico

LEROY, KANSAS—

We are glad for a report from brother and sister V. E. Blythe who are faithfully working as pastors and are able to see the work grow. God has not failed them, and they would like the ministers of the Faith to come by for services when they can.

HEMPSTEAD, TEXAS—

Brother and Sister Donald, as pastors of the Apostolic Faith church are still doing all they can for the Gospel and the Lord is blessing in the services. We are glad to hear from them and for the fine articles that Brother Dibbens sends for the "Report."

RALLS, TEXAS—

At this writing the church at Ralls, Texas is in need of a pastor. Brother Alford Whiteley resigned as pastor. His last service was February 19th. The church is praying that the Lord will send a pastor our way, and we ask the prayers of the entire movement. The church still stands for the truth upon which it was founded. We extend a special invitation to all ministers of the Apostolic Faith to come by for services.

DICKINSON, TEXAS—

The Lord is working with this people and has made it possible for them to purchase four well located lots, upon which they plan to build a house of worship, as the Lord provides and time permits. A few more have been added to their number, and they witnessed a gracious baptismal service a few Sunday's ago. Brother Herman Hoke, pastor.

MIDWAY COUNTRY CHURCH—

March 11th is the date set for the starting of the revival conducted by Brother and Sister Bob Russell. Brother Russell has carried a long time burden for this place and is looking forward to a great victory. Brother and Sister Tommy VanMeter will fill the pulpit at Booker for Brother Russell.

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