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Strength for This Day

"As thy days, so shall thy strength be."—Deuteronomy 33:25.

Only one day, dear heart,
To carry the heavy load,
Only this one short day
To travel the rugged road,
Then rest for our weary feet,
And strength a new day to meet.

Strength for another day,
Whatever the day may bring,
Strength if we follow Him,
And e'er to His promise cling.
No trial we have to face
Outmeasures sustaining grace.

Trials are steps to God,
For climbers of faith and prayer,
The greater we feel our need,
The more we seek His care,
The more do we prove His power,
And strength for the trying hour.

What of our weakness then?
And why should we doubt and fear?
Stronger than earth or hell.
Is he who is ever near.
The strength of the Lord is sure,
If only our faith endure.

Worry and fret no more,
Because of foreboding ills,
Nothing will come to us
Except what the Father wills;
Sufficient to meet one day,
And trust for our future way.



—By Mrs. Lt. Commander Arrold

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Onal Nunn

John 21:20 "Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, and what shall this man do (22) Jesus saith unto him, if I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? Follow thou me." We see by this scripture the curiosity of a man as to what some one else is to do, and the Lord's answer. It is true that too many people of our day are always wanting to know what some one else is to do, but are not willing to ask what they are to do.

It seems to me as I write that we should begin to examine our own lives. The scripture has said to examine ourselves as to whether we are in the faith. In a world such as we live in today we need to be very sure where we stand before God. We are to meet an appointment some day that nothing else will matter, but only if our heart is right with our maker. There is so much to do and so little time to do it that our heart cries out to God—"awaken your people to their need." My brother, my sister, we need to shoulder the cross that is laid out for us today for the Bible has said the night cometh when no man can work.

Personal responsibility is something we can not dodge, God has a job for every one of us, and to shirk is to leave the work of God short of its goal. Many souls are in danger, and we cannot say let some one else do the work that is ours. What is that to thee, follow thou me. So many times we are like the man who wanted to report a wrong that some one had done. When asked if he would witness, his answer was that he did not want to be mentioned he did not want to be involved. My friend, there is no way to keep from becoming involved in this race for our lives, there is no neutral ground on which to stand.

When Job had made all his complaints, then God gave him a chance to answer. Job 40—5 Job said once I have spoken but I will not answer: yea twice but I will proceed no farther. When Job had his chance, then he found that the words of a man are not much defense in the presence of an almighty God.

We are to be a daily witness to

the things of God. We have the most wonderful opportunity of any people in the pages of history, this is the end time. I am well aware of the fact that many are saying, where is the promise of His coming, for since the fathers fell asleep all things are the same, and go on their way happy that they can push that day of reckoning a little farther away. But my friend, whether it be tomorrow or a hundred years away, we shall all stand before God to answer for the things we have done whether they be good or bad.

God has promised life only to those that believe, all others are condemned. Cain brought an offering to God but was not accepted. Abel also brought an offering and was accepted. Cain was not willing to let God be the judge but slew his brother, but God demanded an answer and Cain said my judgement is greater than I can bear.

Pilate ask the question what then shall I do with Christ. When we have God to deal with there is only one cleansing power to wash away our sins and that is the precious blood of Jesus. There is no use, friends, to wash our hands in water, no use to blame our brother as so many are doing today, but we need to get down on our knees before God and pray until we know that our hearts are clean. No need to make excuses as God knows our hearts. I have men say "I will take my chance." My friend, we have no chance whatsoever without first applying for a pardon.

It is our belief that the rapture will take place in the not too distant future, and many believe this along with me. There are many promises for the believer if they should live until that day. Many are awaiting that time to get ready and are saying perhaps ten years, or twenty years, and are living pretty careless lives thinking I have plenty of time. But suppose that God should say, thou fool this night shalt thy soul be required of thee, then what will the answer be?

It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of a living God. Another thing, my friend, though the rapture

would be yet another ten years away and we today were not striving to live perfect before God, how can that man or woman expect to be in the first resurrection. No, we are to live today as though we thought the Lord would call tonight, with our lives clean. Then and then alone can we plan on being in that first resurrection.

There are so many promises made to the people of God that are so wonderful that it makes our heart rejoice in these good things of God, but God has demanded of us get ready, God has given us a plan and the way is open to all, whosoever will, but it has to be God's way.

We must first repent and be baptised to receive forgiveness of our sins. Then we must dedicate our lives to God, give up everything to the will of God, not a portion, not half, but all if we expect to receive the inheritance that God has promised remember, my friend, it cost Christ his life. How then do men think they are going to receive the same reward if they only give a little, compared to those who are willing to go all the way. No, my friend, there is an inheritance to them that are sanctified and to be sanctified you must submit your all to God. There can be no hatred, envy, or strife in our lives if we expect to make it.

The thing that is hurting the church world today is so many self-centered christians in the church. Instead of seeing Christ they can see only themselves, their little wrongs, and therefore become a reproach unto the gospel. The Bible says lay aside every weight and the sin which does so easily beset us and run with patience the race that is set before us. Are we willing?

The transforming power of Christ is so great that I have always been amazed when I behold what God's power has done for me and for so many others that I suddenly begin to realize how much I owe to my God. My friend, God gave his son. Christ gave himself so I could be free. So many are asking today to have a lot of material things, but it takes more than worldly goods to make a man happy. I believe it is that inner man crying out today

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In these the closing days of time . . . I'm thinking, wondering. . . do we know our day? Have we sealed our fate in faith or doubt? Are we building on sinking sand or the solid rock? I trust that Jesus is the Rock of my Salvation.

The consequences of sin are dreadful, because the wages of sin is death. The confirmation of a life well filled and well spent in Christ is duly justified and rewarding. This brings me to the thought of my assemblage. Do you go to church regularly? We are commanded not to forget 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. Heb. 10:25.

From the Old Testament we read, "Then they that feared the Lord spoke often one to another: and the Lord harkened and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord, and that thought upon his name." Mal. 3:16. Empty pulpits . . . empty pews. . . all add up to empty hearts. May we seek to rid ourselves of this faultiness.

Be not ashamed of your salvation. Paul writes, "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the

We have come again to another printing of this glorious gospel through the pages of the Apostolic Faith Report. You, its readers, are the ones who make this possible through your continued support each month.

Sister Kathryn Cornell has resigned as editor of the children's page. She did an outstanding job and we certainly thank her for her faithfulness to this burden each month. May the Lord richly bless and repay her. The page will be written by different ones for a few months until a new editor is secured for this responsibility.

Today completes four weeks of Bible School. By the time this paper reaches you, it will be half gone. Have you remembered to pray and back the Bible School? I feel we have some wonderful teachers this year in our different classes. Don't forget them; they are working hard. They would like to know that we are behind them in our prayers and material things. There are some of the teachers that the Bible School

power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first and also the Greek." Yet again Paul was bold to advise, "Be not thou therefore ashamed of the Testimony of our Lord. Nor of me, His prisoner." II Tim: 1:8.

Are you ashamed of the status of your brethren? Let not the false values of life cripple your position in Christ. It is rewarding to be ONE in Christ. Thus Jesus prayed, "That they all may be one: as thou, Father art in me, and I in thee, that they (we) also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me." David reflected, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Psa. 133:1.

is their sole support. Let us not forget to do our part as the Lord leads us.

I was reading some scripture in the book of Amos the other day that put me to thinking. In Amos 7:8, ". . . I will not again pass by them anymore." Then in 8:11, "Behold the days come saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord."

How these should stir our hearts. We have a wonderful gospel that I feel will be carried until the Lord comes. It has been entrusted in our hands and if we're not faithful, the Lord will send a famine to us and raise up others to carry His Word. Let us be faithful to the vocation wherein He has called us . . . to BE Christians.

May the Lord bless each of you and guide you in His steps daily. Don't forget to remember us in your prayers that the Lord will guide us and lead us in our work for Him.

Howard Whiteley

In closing I want to thank the Lord for our Bible School, and for a place in it to work for Him. I want to leave again my testimony that it pays to serve Jesus. That it pays to patiently wait for, and look forward to the Coming of Jesus.

May God bless you, and fill your lives with such love and Christian peace that will reflect His glory and be rewarding in Eternity.

In Christian Love,
Gail Schultz

GEM OF TRUTH

"But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed."

James 1:6

Pens

of the
Editors



Children's Hour . . .

— Lois Riley



TEN LITTLE CHRISTIANS

Ten little Christians, standing in a line,
 One disliked the preacher, then there were nine.
 Nine little Christians stayed up very late,
 One slept on Sunday morning, then there were eight.
 Eight little Christians, hearing about heaven,
 One lost interest, then there were seven.
 Seven little Christians a bike trying to fix,
 One stayed to ride it, then there were six.
 Six little Christians liked to swim and dive,
 One went swimming Sunday, at church there were five.
 Five little Christians at the church door,
 One left to play ball, then there were four.
 Four little Christians, looking at TV,
 One forgot to go to church, then there were three.
 Three little Christians, learning what is true,
 One liked movies better, then there were two.
 Two little Christians, both liked to run,
 One ran with bad boys, then there was one.
 One little Christian alone was no fun,
 He said, "If I leave, the church will have none",
 So one little Christian tried God's

will to do,
 And the very next week again there were two.
 Two little Christians led another to see
 That Jesus loved him, and then there were three.
 Three little Christians said, "Our Lord needs more,"
 So they prayed daily, and soon there were four.
 Four little Christians their own time did tithe,
 And God gave the increase, and then there were five.
 Five little Christians with other folks did mix,
 They told them about Jesus, and next there were six.
 Six little Christians learned sin is like leaven,
 Then showed one Christ's cross, and behold, there were seven.
 Seven little Christians told a sinner his fate,
 He turned to Jesus, and then there were eight.
 Eight little Christians, knowing Christ is divine,
 Taught it to another, and then there were nine.
 Nine little Christians, like Daniel in the den,
 Were faithful to God, and then there were ten.
 Ten little Christians, standing back in line,
 Said, "We'll never leave again, because we are Thine."
 Charles Baird



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(Matthew 5:5)
 shall inherit the earth.
 2. Blessed are the meek; for they
 (Romans 10:17)
 hearing by the word of God.
 1. Faith comes by hearing, and
ANSWER:

BIRTHDAY CALENDAR OCTOBER

- 1 THERESA HODGES
- 2 GREG MORGAN
- 2 PAMELA MOOREHEAD
- 4 BELINDA REYNOLDS
- 6 ERIC WATERBURY
- 7 SHERRI WATERBURY
- 8 HUE RAY HELMS
- 9 DAVID WAGGONER
- 15 EARL WHITELY
- 17 LESLIE JOHNSON
- 20 JACQUELINE CORNELL
- 21 JOANIE WALKER
- 24 CURTIS REDDICK
- 29 BRAD FORBES



OBJECT LESSON

SUCCESS IN LIFE

AND FOR CHRIST

ITEMS NEEDED: A BRICK AND A PAPER SACK

Here on the table is a brick and a paper bag which I think will give the secret of being successful in our life work, whatever that may be. Now a brick is heavy . . . do you think I can move this brick by blowing on it? (demonstrate)

It didn't move at all did it? Why? My breath is too scattered, but if I direct my breath on the brick by the means of this paper bag, let's see what happens. (Demonstrate. Place brick on part of paper bag. Blow in bag). The brick is not only moved, but is pushed off the table.

This shows us that if large objects are to be moved, there must be a real concentration of effort. So it is with the things in life and for Christ. To be a growing church and see things accomplished for the Lord, we must all work together in a big concentration of our talents. It takes all of us working together . . . one visiting, one praying, one teaching, etc. (these could be illustrated by pictures to impress it on the students).

Some of you are fitted for one thing and some for another. God has a plan for each life. (Rom. 12:1, 2; I Cor. 12:12-31) Seek His guidance in choosing your life work and when He has made His will plain to you, begin preparing yourself in the best possible way to accomplish His plan. The same is true in one's spiritual life. The secret of success is the same, a concentration of one's

efforts and desires to please Him.

Paul was a great example of this. In Phil. 3:13 he says, "This one thing I do". He had a great objective and his life counted for Christ and he placed this first in importance. (Phil. 3:4-8).

Make your life count for Christ and then you'll succeed in this life. John 2:5, Col. 1:18. Then there must be a daily practice of the teachings of the Word. "Be ye doers of the Word and not hearers only". James 1:22. It will take time and real determination but the "Well Done" spoken to us by our Father in Heaven will make it worth all our efforts here.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

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and so many fail to recognize that the need is for God to take his rightful place in our lives. Yet we must come to see that there is more to a man than just the natural. There is the soul that is being forgotten today and we only try to meet the needs of the man that we see.

Let us remember that God formed man of the dust of the earth. We then have a body. Then God breathed into him the breath of life and man then became a living soul, and the soul that sinneth it shall die. Do we today doubt God's word? The most dangerous thing we can do is to doubt the things that our God has said, because to doubt is to die.

The book of Hebrews has said, while it is said, "today if ye will hear his voice harden not your hearts." Today is the day we deal

Teacher's

Notebook

How Others Do It

Classroom decorations are IMPORTANT . . . even in the adult classroom. Are you keeping your room attractive and inviting with frequently changed decorations? These serve as a teaching aid also.

1. Are you using bulletin boards for lesson-related pictures, missionary displays, etc?
2. Do you frequently (at least once a quarter) change the pictures on the walls of your room? (Perhaps a student committee could work with you on this)
3. Do you use greenery or floral arrangements to emphasize the season? (Artificial plastic flowers make this practical).
4. Do you get to Sunday School early enough to arrange chairs and other furniture attractively?

with, tomorrow never comes, yesterday is gone forever and cannot ever be recalled. What will God's day of judgment be to us if all we have is regret as to the kind of life we have lived. If we have done our best I am sure there will be nothing but joy when we stand before God.

As we have heard so many times in the last few years, not what our country can do for us but what can we do for our country. Not so much what we can receive from God but how can we serve Him best? Not, "What shall the other fellow," but, "Lord what shall I do?" My friend, how can we be better Christians? Let us look to our own lives and be sure there isn't any mote in our own eye then we can see to cast the beam out of our brother's eye.

NEWS from the CHURCHES

PAMPA, TEXAS—

Our recent services have been very good, and we have felt the presence of the Lord to convict of sin. We were so happy to see a man who has been away from the Lord for many years and for whom we have all been praying, come in our Sunday night service to repent and turn back to God. God proves again that He does answer prayer.

Our pastor and the members of our Board have been working diligently to try to secure a loan so that we may begin building our own church as soon as the Lord makes it possible. We have, of course, been having services for the past three and a half years in the Seventh Day Adventist Church, and we have been so thankful for the privilege of using this fine church, but as God makes it possible for us to have our own building, we feel that this will indeed be a blessing. Pray with us that the perfect will of the Lord will be done in our continued effort.

Mrs. Paul Simmons, reporter
Amos Harris, pastor

CAVE SPRINGS, ARKANSAS—

We were glad to have Bro. Schultz Sept. 10th for both morning and night services. An invitation is extended to all ministers of the Faith to come by.

Elmer Christenson, pastor

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA—

We are settled here in Midwest City and have enjoyed getting acquainted with the people. They seem eager to work for the Lord. Remember our work in prayer that God will bless and give an increase.

Edwin Waterbury, pastor

GALENA, KANSAS—

We are looking forward to our revival which begins October 15th with Rev. and Mrs. Jack Barker; we're praying and asking God for a real revival in our midst. Pray with us that this will be a time of real soul-searching among the Christians and that we will see sinners born into the Kingdom of God.

We miss Miss Barbara Henderson from our midst as she is enrolled in Bible School and Sis. Linda Williams who is the school secretary this year. However, we're praying that God will bless them and make them a blessing to us when they return.

Our men are very busy at present trying to finish the addition on the front of our church before cold weather arrives. Two rooms and a new entry is being built. At present the rooms will be used for classes until the new classroom addition is built in the spring after which one will be a pastor's study and the other a nursery. We deeply appreciate Bro. Ted Jackson overseeing this work.

Howard Whiteley, pastor

JOPLIN, MISSOURI—

God has been very good to us in the weeks we have been with the Joplin church. Our services have been good, some reports of healings, also attendance has been good. We had a work day this month with the men painting the church and putting on a new roof, and the ladies working on the inside. We have a number of young people in college. Let us pray for them, as well as all our young people.

Onal Nunn, pastor

PERRYTON, TEXAS—

School is in session again and once more we are settling down from vacations and the busy activities of summer. Looking back, the Lord blessed us all this summer . . . with the VBS, Youth Camps, and Camp Meeting. It is good to see our attendance on the rise though. The past two Sundays we have had 115 in Sunday School.

The Perryton Ladies' Group began their new year Thursday, September 14, with election of new officers. This past year they took as their project the finishing of the new church basement, among other activities, and it looks very nice now that it is completed. Not only have they worked, but also have some outstanding services in their devotionals. Certainly the Ladies' Group is a real blessing to the whole church.

Rev. Jack Barker, assisted by Rev. and Mrs. Jimmie Wallis, will begin a revival here September 24. There are many unsaved in our regular attendance. Pray with us that these souls will be reached in the revival.

Mrs. Bill Cornell, reporter
O. A. Busch, pastor

PROSPERITY, MISSOURI—

In a very wonderful way God's rich blessings are being made manifest in our services. Our first service here as pastors was September 10th. We feel that the Lord has a great and open field work for us to do. As we endeavor to accomplish the Will of God, we desire your prayers as a movement and as people of God.

Earl Malone, pastor

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SNYDER, TEXAS—

August 30th Rev. and Mrs. Jack Barker began a revival here with us. Our crowds were not outstanding but the blessings of the Lord were. We are so often told that we no longer hear the old fashioned gospel preached as in days gone by, but we heard that same gospel preached each night under the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

It was a time of spiritual uplifting for the entire church. Many received definite victory in their lives and were encouraged to press on. We feel honored to have had these children of God with us.

Louise Sutton, pastor

GUYMON, OKLAHOMA—

We have enjoyed "Back to School" services with Bros. Delvin Wiles, Dewey Flock, and Ronnie Martin. Although there were no souls brought to the Lord, the Christians were strengthened and brought closer to God. Helping with our special singing each evening were Sisters Wilma Glidden and Carolyn Quensenbury of Hardesty. They were also in charge of "Children's Revival" services each evening.

We were privileged to have Bro. Ronnie Martin as our speaker Wednesday evening. He brought an outstanding message on the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Our attendance has been down during the summer months, but we are hopeful that it will increase now that school is in session again. Pray for our church that we may be on fire for Christ.

Loyce Morgan, reporter
Edwin Modrick, pastor

FULL GOSPEL MISSION CHURCH, BELLVILLE, TEX.—

We do want to say we enjoy reading the Apostolic Faith Report. The Lord has richly blessed the church here in many ways. We are so happy to give the report that Debbie Scruggs was filled with the Holy Spirit.

Do pray for our church that the Lord will give people a desire to attend the house of God. Bro. Olen Bachler and Bennie Johnson were with us in our Sunday morning and Sunday night services Sept. 11th. We enjoyed these services and the Lord blessed us.

We're thankful that Bro. Scruggs will be with us for another year.

Della Krummy, reporter
John Scruggs, pastor

HINTON, ALABAMA—

Greetings from the beautiful heart of Dixie. I have been taking care of the church here this summer, and last Sunday (Sept. 3) I officially announced that I would accept the pastorate of the church for the coming year. Our attendance averages 20-25.

I'm very encouraged over the new interest that is being shown. I certainly ask an interest in your prayers with the acceptance of this responsibility. I extend a very cordial invitation to all ministers and gospel workers of the faith.

Myrtle Carney, pastor.

FAITH COUNTRY CHURCH, SHATTUCK, OKLAHOMA—

The Lord is still blessing and we seem to be growing in interest and in number. We have grown in number in each department recently and the past two Sundays we have had 37. We are looking forward to gaining beyond our record attendance of 40.

Two weeks ago we had a dedication service for the new son of one of our new families. The Lord did bless this service.

The Malones were called to a new field of work after being with us 18 months. We surely do miss them but pray for them that God will bless in their new work.

Pray for us that we will continue to see our work grow in this new field. There is much to be done here and we're praying that God will send us a real revival soon.

Florence Fields, reporter
L. J. Ehrlich, pastor

A Vision

Sometimes the road is rough.

We can't go on in our own strength.
Then a vision flashes on our mind's eye.

God has our hand in His.

And is leading us to the land of peace.

—Unworthy

OBITUARY**WALTER LEWIS**

Funeral services for Walter Lewis were held at 10 a. m. Friday, September 1, at the Apostolic Faith Church, in Bayard, Nebraska. Mr. Lewis passed away Monday, August 28 at Long Beach, California, where he was visiting. He was 61 years of age.

He was born June 5, 1906, in New York and came to Bayard about 1930, living here until 1958 and then moving to Kimball, returning to Bayard in May of this year.

He was married to Mollie Wilhelm at Bridgeport on July 31, 1932.

Mr. Lewis was a carpenter by trade. He was a member of the Apostolic Faith Church.

Left to mourn his death are his wife, Mollie; two sons, Walter, Jr., of Las Cruces, New Mexico, and Robert of Westminster, California; two daughters, Mrs. Esther Barker, of Houston, Texas, and Mrs. Mona Christy, of Omaha; four brothers, Alex of San Francisco, and Tony, John, and Albert, all of Greensburg, Penn.; three sisters, Mrs. Josephine Kaatz of Emporia, Va., Mrs. Ann Szarama of Colonial Heights, Va., and Mrs. Genevieve Wilkerson of Greensburg, Penn., and eleven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son and a sister.

The Rev. Bill Patterson, pastor of the Apostolic Faith Church, officiated at the services. Interment was made at the Bayard Cemetery. Plummer Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Merle Chapman, Henry Kildow, Sr., Jake Siegfried, Alonzo Dickerson, Don Gueck, and Conrad Wilhelm.

How Big Is God?

Heaven is His throne;
Earth is His footstool,
He can hold the Earth in one hand.
He can see what everyone is doing.
He can hear everything that is said.
He's as big as we let Him be!

—Unworthy



Crusaders for Christ

JOURNEY OF ABRAHAM . . . ALL the words listed below are related to Abraham and his journey to Canaan, from Ur of the Chaldees. Can you fit them into the puzzle pattern? CANAAN has been completed to get you started.



- 3 LETTERS**
Cry
Die
End
Lot
War
- 4 LETTERS**
Balm
Fall
Fear
Herd
Name
Word
- 5 LETTERS**
Angel
Haran
Isaac
Hagar
Mamre
Prays
Sarah
Sodom
Tribe
- 6 LETTERS**
Burial
Canaan
Israel
Faiths
Father
- 7 LETTERS**
Chaldea
Ishmael
New Race
Nomadic
Promise
- 8 LETTERS**
Gomorrah
Herdsman
Lot's Wife
- 9 LETTERS**
Beersheba
Machpelah
Palestine
Sacrifice
- 11 LETTERS**
Melchizedek
Ur of Chaldea

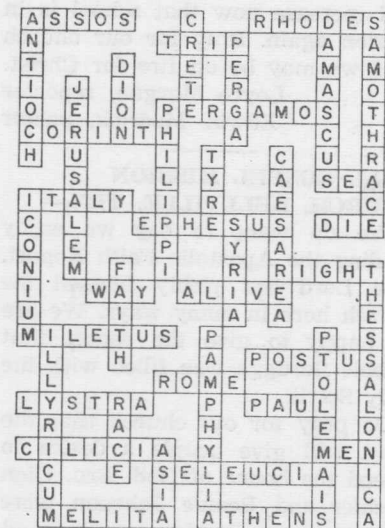


A LITTLE CHILD

Mrs. Clarence Dodd

I am only a little child,
but Jesus said one day,
The smallest hand, some work
Can do, and the youngest heart
can pray.
And oh I am so glad to know that
this is true,
God has in Harvest field some-
thing I can do.

Some little corner where my little
hands may glean
So I may bring a golden sheaf
when the grain is gathered in,
I am only a little child Lord, give
me every day,
New grace to work for Love of
thee.



Answer in next month's issue.

**Answer To Last
Month's Puzzle**

ARTICLE VII

THE DREAM OF HISTORY

Daniel 2:31-45

By Robert Girouard

The Anti-Christ will be aided in his evil work by another beast who is represented as coming up out of the earth. Revelation 13:11-16. This beast is elsewhere called the false prophet, Revelation 19:20, and he will surely be the head of the World Federation of Churches as seen in Revelation 17:1-7.

The false prophet will work miracles through Santanic power. Revelation 13:13-15. That is perhaps the reason that he is said to come out of the earth. His inspiration and power will come from the underworld rather than from heaven.

"And he had two horns like a lamb and he spake as a dragon." Horns are a symbol of power. Deuteronomy 33:17. In his case ecclesiastical and temporal power. For a short time the false prophet as head of the harlot church will exercise more power than any other man on earth. This is seen by the fact that the church he heads is represented as sitting upon a scarlet colored beast having seven heads and ten horns. Revelation 17:1-3. The false prophet in addition to his religious power will also share temporal power with the Anti-Christ. Revelation 13:12.

After the Anti-Christ shall claim to be God at the beginning of his forty two months reign, the ten kings associated with him will destroy the false church. II Thessalonians 2:2, 3; Revelation 17:15-17. After the destruction of the harlot church which he heads, the false prophet will continue to be the right hand man of the Anti-Christ and will do everything he can to cause people to worship him. Revelation 13:12; Revelation 19:20.

THE KINGS OF THE NORTH AND

THE KINGS OF THE SOUTH

In the eleventh chapter of Daniel much is said about these kings. It is vital to the correct interpretation of prophecy that one understands who these kings represent.

For a period of about 175 years, history has a record of twelve kings of Syria who ruled from B. C. 301 to B. C. 125. In the eleventh chapter of

Daniel they are called Kings of the North, because Syria is north of Palestine.

Russia is said to come from her place out of the north parts, Ezekiel 38:15; but her ruler is not called The King of the North. For a period of about 200 years from B. C. 323 to B. C. 117, history has a record of nine kings who ruled Egypt. In Daniel the eleventh chapter they are called Kings of the South because Egypt is south of Palestine. There are yet to appear on the world political scene a King of the North and a King of the South. They will not be engaged in combat against one another but will both fight against the Anti-Christ who is represented as exalting himself, and magnifying himself above every god, and shall speak marvelous things against the God of gods. This no doubt has reference to the assumption of deity on the part of the Anti-Christ when he as God will sit in the temple of God, claiming to be God. II Thessalonians 2:3, 4. Daniel 11:36-45. The last King of the South and King of the North will be the political heads of Egypt and Syria, respectively. Daniel 11:40. Both Syria and Egypt will be part of the ten federated nations in the kingdom presided over by the Anti-Christ. Why then this rebellion on their part, and their attack on him? It will be remembered that sometime after the ten nation federation is formed, a little horn, who will be the Anti-Christ, will subdue three of them. Daniel 7:7, 8. What nations are subdued, and why? The Bible is silent on this point so we cannot speak with authority. But it is a well-known fact that the Arab nations are of the Moslem faith and hate the Jews. It is also a well-known fact that when the Anti-Christ first comes to power, he will greatly favor the Jews. Daniel 9:27. He is sure to grant them political security and religious freedom for a period of three and one half years. This will greatly enrage the Arab nations. Syria and Egypt will consider that they have sufficient provocation for war against Anti-Christ and in concert will fight

against him but they both will be defeated. Dan. 11:36-45.

Near the end of the great tribulation when the Anti-Christ, who is completely controlled by Satan, is in Egypt he hears something that greatly troubles and infuriates him. Daniel 11:44. "Out of the east and out of the north." This is the Bible way of saying northeast. Our understanding of this statement is that something happens at Jerusalem which is northeast of where the Anti-Christ is, which so enrages him that he decides to call for the armies of the world to come to Jerusalem and to Palestine to wipe out the nation of Israel Revelation 16:13-16. Armageddon is located on the southern rim of the plain of Esdraelon, or the Valley of Jezreel which was a great battlefield in Old Testament times. The northern-most point of this battle line is Armageddon. The southernmost point is Bozrah in Edom. Isaiah 63:1-6, Jerusalem lies between these two points. Zechariah 14:1-3. The battle line will be about 200 miles long, our measurement. Rev. 14:20.

(This is correct if our reference books are right in saying a furlong is $\frac{1}{8}$ of a mile. However, the actual distance from Megiddo near Mt. Carmel by way of Jerusalem to Bozrah in Edom is about 160 miles.)

Let us make no mistake about it, the armies of the world will come in Palestine to fight against Jerusalem and against the nation of Israel to destroy them. Zechariah 12:1-9. Zech. 14:1-3, 12-16.

When the Anti-Christ and the armies of the world are gathered to Palestine to exterminate the nation of Israel, they will see the sign of the return of Christ and will seek to make war against Him but will be utterly destroyed. Revelation 19:19-21; Revelation 17:14.

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Gem Of Truth

"Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him."

James 1:12

SAUL OF TARSUS — PAUL FOR CHRIST

ARTICLE IV

By Marcus Adair

They went again to Derbe and Lystra. At Lystra Paul received a warm welcome, especially from a young man named Timothy. This man Timothy was to become a life-long companion and secretary for Paul. Throughout Asia Minor he preached the Gospel that Jesus is the Christ, Savior of Jew and Gentile.

Coming to the Aegean Sea, he stopped at Troas. It was here that Paul had the vision in the night. A Macedonian stood appealing to him, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." Paul's response to the call of God is reflected in the following verse: "Immediately we endeavored to go into Macedonia, gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the Gospel unto them." This was probably one of the greatest steps Paul had ever made. Christianity had thus far been in Asia in the vicinity of Jerusalem, but now it was to go to Europe, a new continent. Even though only divided by the Aegean Sea, it had been thought of as a complete, different continent.

They landed in Macedonia at Neapolis, the port for Philippi. Finding no synagogue, they went to the Jewish place of prayer on the bank of a river. Here they talked to a group of women. One of special note, Lydia. She believed on the Lord and invited the party to her house where Paul gathered each week to read the Greek version of the Old Testament, sing hymns, and proclaim God's word. Their work was interrupted because of the deliverance of a young woman that was possessed with an evil spirit. The people rose up against them, and they were cast into the prison. That night, Paul and Silas prayed and sang praises unto God and the prisoners heard them. Suddenly there was a great earthquake that shook the prison house. The doors were opened and every man's bands were loosed. The Philippian jailer, awakened out of his sleep, would have killed himself saved Paul assured him that all things were well. The following morning, the jailer was instructed to allow Paul to leave; this Paul

would not do. He had been jailed and punished unjustly, and he would not leave under these humiliating and painful experiences. He proclaimed himself a Roman citizen and demanded that he have complete and respectful rehabilitation. Paul felt it his obligation to declare as a Christian that they were not cheats, cut throats, or robbers, for the Christian Gospel caused people to live respectable lives; therefore, he demanded honorable discharge from custody.

Paul set out westward on the Egnatian way. This was one of the great Roman roads. He arrives at Thessalonica, finds a synagogue where, with his eloquence and deep convictions, made him a welcomed guest. This was also to be short lived because very soon the Jews incensed a riot which centered on the home where Paul and Silas were guests. He left here in humiliation and retreat.

His next stop was at Berea, the most populous city of Macedonia. It seems that now Paul's ministry was to the greater cities of the Greeks. In Berea, he found people different than any other order, because "they were more noble than those in Thessalonica in that they received the word with all readiness of mind and searched the scriptures daily to see if those things were so."

After interference by violent Jews, Paul had to retire from Berea and make his way to the coast. He left behind Silas and Timothy to carry on the work.

Paul's next stop brings him to Athens, the great center of Greek civilization. To him, this great city of beauty and culture became ugly because of the wicked idolatry, Paul's great sermon on Mars Hill Stands as a great master piece in declaring the great concept of God as creator and Christ as risen Lord.

From Athens Paul journeyed to Corinth. The importance of Corinth was enhanced by its strategic commercial position on the isthmus between the Aegean Sea and the Gulf of Corinth. This was the metropolis of Greece and its richest city. The worship of Aphrodite made Corinth a notorious city of immor-

ality, in the midst of Greek and Roman culture, flourishing in business and pleasure and reveling in sin to the utmost. Paul looked upon the city with eyes of concern and disgust. Disgusted with its sensual vices, and yet concerned that even these men should hear of Christ and believe. Here he found two lasting friends, Aquila and his wife Priscilla. These were workers of canvas with whom he lodged and pursued his trade as a tent maker.

Paul's work in the Gentile centers hung in the balance because after only a short stay in each place, he was driven by violence to follow on to other cities.

He desired word of the believers that accepted Christ in his hurried missionary journey. After some time in Corinth, Silas and Timothy arrived and brought him word that the churches in Macedonia had stood firm.

Paul's labors in Corinth, even though at times very trying to his patience, almost to the breaking point, had led to richer and fuller disclosures of truth.

Leaving Corinth, Paul returned to Antioch where he had a wonderful reunion with his brethren. Soon after word came of the problem of the Galatians with the Judaists teachers. His answer and instruction is found in the letter written to this group. After spending some time in Antioch, Paul again feels the urge of his call to the Gentiles.

"And after he had spent some time there, he departed, and went over all the country of Galatia and Phrygia in order, strengthening all the disciples."

Leaving Antioch, he returned again to counsel with the believers at Tarsus, Lystra, Derbe, Iconium, and Antioch, Pisidia. On these travels he restored the Galatians to the reliance upon faith for their salvation, but his powerful letter had done much to convince them. His firm convictions and vigorous eloquence hastened their deliverance from the mischievous persuasions of the Judiazers and set them once more on the way of faith.

Paul hurried to begin the work at Ephesus and here he was to spend three years in expounding

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Lines From The . . . Superintendent's Desk

GREETINGS FROM BIBLE SCHOOL

This finds us with two weeks of studies behind us, and we know that before we realize it, another term of Bible School will be over.

I feel there is a great potential in our student body this year. If God is calling for a spiritual awakening, I believe they will answer the call.

God is not slack concerning His promises, and He promised to come for a people who were prepared and waiting. The earnest and sincere attitude of our young people is encouraging.

We have two who have received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and several more who have prayed

through to real victories in their lives.

Pray with us for a revival in the school. We are asking the Lord to lead us for a preacher for five nights special services within a few weeks.

We want to thank God for the needs being met. Beef, jellies, and canned goods have been brought in. May God bless those who have been led to do this. The local area church ladies are doing a marvelous job supplying cakes and pies.

Everyone is working in harmony for the cause of the Gospel.

Pray for us.

Paul A. Clanton,
Superintendent

MESSIEURS REPORT:

Roy Matthews

One-third of the 1967 term of the Apostolic Faith Bible School is over and already several young men and women have prayed through to experiences and decisions that will affect them the remainder of their lives.

Bible School means different things to different people, but one universal fact most everyone agrees on is the opportunity it presents to strengthen and deepen one's Christian life.

Paul the Apostle once exhorted Timothy, a young minister to, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed. Rightly dividing the word of truth." II Tim. 2:15. This sound, three-fold advice is also directed to each Bible School student.

Each teacher, class service, and devotion directly and or indirectly evokes upon each student the definite need to study and hide the Word of God in their heart. It is not too unreasonable to think the time may come when only the scriptures we have branded upon our minds, and concealed in our hearts will be the substance of our strength and salvation. Heaven and earth, along with every Bible, may someday pass away and be destroyed, but if we bury the Word of God in our hearts it will be reserved

unto the day and time we need it.

Workmen not ashamed to live a holy life regardless of time, place of circumstances is the finished product the Bible School desires to see go forth into the ripened harvest field. There have been countless numbers who have given their lives because they weren't ashamed of Christ or His Gospel. Should we offer any less sacrifice to the One who offered His only beloved Son for us?

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Prov. 3:5, 6. There is a vast difference between just reading God's Word and understanding or rightly dividing the word of truth. Fully grasping the pillars of Bible doctrine and having scripture to back up every belief is something else the Bible School impresses on each student.

A great outpouring of God's wonderful mercy and goodness has been witnessed this year at Bible School. We have constantly feasted at the Master's table and many have been filled with the bountiful blessings of the Lord, to the extent they have joined the Psalmist in saying, "My cup runneth over." We truly acknowledge the fact that in Christ we live and move and have our being. Acts 17:28. He is currently our

Mesdemoiselles' House Notes

Charlene Spicer



Up, up, up girls! It's 6:45! Time for breakfast! Up, up, girls!" Each morning we are awakened by this cheery greeting of our enthusiastic dorm mother, Sister Nancy Cates. Of course, this cheerful greeting is accompanied by a vigorous knocking on each door. What are the magic words to put a halt to this rude awakening? A bright sounding "Good Morning, Sister Nancy" usually does the trick. Most of us have learned to say it in our sleep, because 7:15 finds most of us just jumping out of bed and late for breakfast.

On the first Friday we were here, this announcement was written boldly on the study hall blackboard:

I am available for a date.

Translation: I am available for a date.

This proclamation was signed by approximately fifteen of the dateless girls. Luckily (or is it unlucky) for them, none of the boys could read shorthand.

Nearly everyday we have had visitors. They are too numerous to mention, but we really appreciate their interest, and hope they gained something from their visit. (Besides a taste of Bro. Roy's great food!)

Though Bible School has only been in progress a short time, we have already experienced wonderful blessings from the Lord. We have had so many wonderful services it often seems that the Lord is really out doing himself in pouring out His Spirit upon us. If I had to leave right now, I'd consider my time very well spent, but I know there is much more for us before the end of the term.

Advocate, Deliverer, Leader, and Redeemer, but we rejoice in the hope of soon seeing Him return as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

SAUL-PAUL — Con. from page ten

the word and establishing believers in the faith of Jesus Christ. It is here that he met a man of great Christian character, Apollos by name, recently come from Alexandria. In the synagogue Apollos had shown himself a great preacher of finished literary accomplishment with diction direct and rugged. His ministry and great ability in leadership were to be the subject of faction and controversy that was to develop later in some of the churches. Some were to say, "I am of Paul", and others, "I am of Apollos."

From Ephesus Paul again visited the Macedonian churches, Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea, also Corinth. In every place his admonitions to the people were with love, compassion, and yet with severity.

After sometime we find him making plans to go to Jerusalem. No doubt he had plans to go to Rome and also on west to Spain. His choice to go to Jerusalem was to cost him his liberty and finally his life. Before reaching Jerusalem, Paul was warned of the danger that would come to his life while there. Three times by other brethren it was prophesied that his presence in Jerusalem would provoke violence. This same man that had approved the stoning of Stephen now said, "I am ready not to be bound only but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus."

Very soon after reaching Jerusalem, Paul found himself seized by the mob and falsely accused of polluting the temple. It is here that he was rescued by Roman soldiers and bound with two chains. Again he reminded his captors that he is a Jew of Tarsus, a citizen of no-mean city. Here he is given a chance to speak to the multitude again and in the Hebrew tongue he tells the story of his life and conversion after which the mob again cried out, cast off their clothes, and threw dust in the air. Paul's defense before the Sanhedrin is another great sermon of note: "And Paul, earnestly beholding the council, said, Men and brethren, I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day."

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I NEEDED THE QUIET

I needed the quiet so He drew me aside
Into the shadows where we could confide
Away from the bustle where all the day long
I hurried and worried when active and strong.

I needed the quiet tho at first, I rebelled
but gently, so gently, my cross He upheld

And whispered so sweetly of spiritual things
Tho weakened in body, my Spirit took wings

To Heights never dreamed of when active and gay.

He loved me so greatly He drew me away.

I needed the quiet, no prison my bed

But a beautiful valley of blessings instead

A place to grow richer in Jesus to hide

I needed the quiet so He drew me aside.

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