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## A TRIBUTE TO VIRTUOUS MOTHERS

Proverbs 31:10-12

Dear Mothers, May we love and cherish more,— Earth's dearest friend whom we honor and adore.

Thank God! for virtuous Mothers,— Precious gems, far surpassing others. Who as faithfully as a guardian angel, Would guard her children from harm and danger?

Her husband trusts her beyond measure— For he has found a priceless treasure Whose untireing efforts of labor and love, Is prompted by wisdom and power from above.

> Mothers, may your courage never falter— God give you grace to erect an altar— Of prayer, to One who never faileth To lend a hand as faith availeth, Giving much in rich reward to all,— He would guide and rescue from a fall. The Children God has entrusted to thee,— A great responsibility, don't you see? "To remember their Creator in the days of youth," And build their lives on infallible truth.

> > Mother! may we in love and kindness Honor your efforts to keep us from blindness,

Darkness and sins which ensnare the soul, Robbing of treasures more precious than gold;

"A good name is better than precious ointment," Character triumphs over life's disappointment, "Open rebuke is better than secret love"—

Counsel tried in the fire leads to Heaven above. A hope sure and steadfast is anchored in God, As in Wisdom and reproof you administered the rod.

Mother! Precious, godly mother!

A place in life filled by none other;

May God reward your faithfulness,— And give us hearts of thankfulness.

"Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain," But a virtuous woman causes no shame,

For she feareth God, and shall be praised,-

By sons and daughters whom she hath raised. In the fear of God and righteousness, Eternity, will reveal your blessedness.

-By Susie Page

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# APOSTOLIC FAITH BIBLE SCHOOL MEMORANDUM

"But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad; as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples. The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest." Matthew 9:36-38.

## HEAR THE HARVEST CALL:

"Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity." I Timothy 2:19

## BUILD ON THE SURE FOUNDATION:

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## SALVATION AND HEALING ABIDE:

"Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise." Jeremiah 17:14.

## **BLESSINGS OVERFLOW:**

"Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former and the latter rain in the first month. And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil." Joel 2:23-24.

## THE TOUR IS UNDER WAY

It is our desire to be with you and give you first hand information. We want you to feel free to ask questions and fully discuss the Bible School.

## WORK WEEK WAS A SUCCESS

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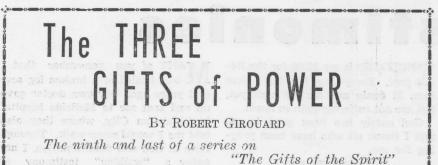
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IN THIS last article on the Gifts of the Spirit we wish to consider briefly the three gifts of power: 1. Faith, 2. Healing, and 3. The Working of Miracles.

The Gift of Faith is not the same as saving faith, or faith the fruit of the Spirit. It is a special kind of wonder-working faith. Saving faith comes before salvation. It is written, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved and thy house." Acts 16:30, 31. Faith the fruit of the Spirit comes after Salvation and every Christian has more or less of this kind of faith. Gal. 5:22, 23. It is of this kind of faith that it is written, "The just shall live by faith." Rom. 1:17. Those Christians who have faith the fruit of the Spirit believe God in such a way that they obey His commands. The fruit of the Spirit first begins to be manifested in a person's life after his conversion. It is at conversion that a person first begins to love the Lord, to experience the joy of Salvation and to have peace with God. After one receives the deeper experiences of Sanctification and of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, the fruits of the Spirit should be more perfectly manifested in one's life.

We believe Jesus was speaking of the Gift of Faith when He said, "Have faith in God. For verily I say unto you that whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. Mark 11: 22, 23. It will be noticed that this mountain-moving faith of which Jesus speaks, gets results not by asking God to remove the mountain but by the believer speaking to the mountain itself and commanding it in faith to be removed. This is the command of faith and is one of the ways in which

the Gift of Faith operates.

Sometimes two or more gifts of the Spirit may be manifested at the same time to produce a certain result. For instance, when the lame man was healed at the Beautiful gate of the temple, we believe that the three Gifts of Power were manifested. It is evident from hte words of Peter that a command of faith was given: "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk. Ants 3:6. Again Peter said, "And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all. Acts 3:16. It is also quite evident that the healing of this impotent man was a Gift of Healing. Peter said, "Silver and gold have I none: but such as I have give I thee." Peter, through the power of God, responding to faith, gave this man his healing. His healing was admitted by the enemies of the Lord to be a notable miracle. Acts 4:16. So we see in the healing of this man the operation of the Gift of Faith, a Gift of Healing, and the Gift of the Working of a Miracle.

THE GIFTS OF HEALING

That it is God's will to heal those who meet his conditions is abundantly proven by the Scriptures. In Patriarchal times, God honored the prayer of Abraham for the healing of the king of Gerar and his household. Genesis 20:17, 18. During the lifetime of Job, healing through atonement was known to some of God's people. Job 33:14-26 Verse twentyfour reads as follows: "Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom." The word ransom is rendered "atonement" in the margin of the Bible. The messenger, mentioned in this passage of Scripture, pleads for healing on the basis of atonement and gets results.

After the children of Israel left Egyptian bondage they were given the covenant of healing recorded in Exodus 15:26 which reads as follows: "If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee." In Hebrew, the last clause of this sentence would read, "I am Jehovah-rapha." This compound name of Jehovah reveals him as meeting every need of His people along the line of healing.

Matthew's Commentary on the healing ministry of Jesus found in Matthew 8:16,17 reads as follows: "When .the .even was .come, .they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esais the prophet saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sickness." Matthew's reference is to Isaiah 53:4 which in the King James version of the Bible is rendered: "Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows." Following are a few translations of Isaiah 53:4 by competent Hebrew scholars:

1. Rotherham renders it: "Yet surely our sicknesses he carried, and as for our pains he bore the burden of them.

2. Isaac Leeser, the Jewish scholar, translates it: "But only our diseases did he bear himself and our pains he carried."

3. Robert Young gives: "Surely our sicknesses he hath borne and our pains he hath carried them."

4. Hebrew English Bible renders it: "But only our diseases did he bear himself and our pains he carried."

Another Scripture in Isaiah on which faith for healing may be based is the last part of Isaiah 53:5 which reads as follows: "... and with His stripes we are healed."

Healing from the Lord may be obtained by either one of the following methods:

1. The sick person may obtain healing by trusting the Lord for his own healing.

2. The sick person may be healed by "Believers" laying hands on him (Continued on Page 10)

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# Testimonies

**B**ROTHER Regier, when you asked for healing testimonies at the Camp Meeting, my only thought was of some recent experience. Since that time I have been blessed, over and over again, as I praised God for a healing I received several years ago. I submit this testimony with a prayer that it will be a blessing to those who read.

I have known the terrifying experience of looking into the face of a nervous breakdown. God was so merciful to spare me when I had almost slipped into despair.

For several weeks I prayed hard. Others were praying too, but it seemed I could not gain in the battle. Every day I felt worse and became more fearful. The devil told me I would never be able to take care of my three-month old baby.

One morning my husband said it seemed we had done all we knew to do. He suggested that I should go home to my parents where I could get more help. I did not want to leave. It was Thursday and the Katy Church was having their regular morning prayer-meeting. We did not make a final decision until after the morning service. I was going to that service for VICTORY. If I did not feel I had reached it, I would afterwards consent to go home to my parents.

We had special services that day. Brother and Sister Mahan had come by. God gave some ladies of the Church a special burden for me during the time of prayer. Their prayers were a strength to me. Then Brother Mahan spoke to us and we observed the Lord's Supper. Oh, how I wish I could come to the Lord's Table, often, as I did that morning! I felt a complete dependance on God as I stood there. Physically, I was so weak but remembering the spilled blood of Jesus, I knew it was my only hope for strength. As I discerned the body of Jesus, broken for me, it became my ONLY hope for health. Oh, the power of that faith which immediately came into my heart! God did the work and I knew it was done.

Now every day was a step upward. My strength returned gradually but surely.

Since that day I have stopped

 $\mathrm{E}^{\mathrm{NCLOSED}}$  is my \$2.00 for the Report. Sorry I am late but I have been ill again and am not well yet, but am not suffering pain so much.

God surely has been good to me and I thank all who have been praying for me.

> God bless you all, Iva Mae Kelsey 1548 N. Volutsia, Wichita 14, Kansas

I believe God wants all of us to be well. I want to say thank you to all of you that prayed for me while I was so sick. Praise the Lord, by His stripes I am healed. What a wonderful privilege to stand on God's promises.

I am making plans to go to camp meeting. Hope to see all of you there: I am enclosing a small offering to be used as you see best.

> Mrs. Jessie Huff, Arnett, Oklahoma

I wish to take this opportunity to praise the Lord for his marvelous healing power, and too, to thank all my dear friends and loved ones who prayed for me during my recent illness. I would not be here today if it had not been for prayer and those of my household who held on to Gcd for my life.

I deeply appreciate all who carried a burden for me and hope, in return, I may be a blessing and help to others. I also want to thank God for making it possible for us to sell out in Las Vegas, and for leading us to this place.

I feel it was God's will and that he will make it possible for me to be a blessing in this community.

Thanks to all who prayed and God bless you all. Sincerely,

Mrs. Mabel Worth Box 88, Wildomar, California

many times to thank my Lord, and I do so again. Blessed be the Name of the Lord, who healeth all our diseases!

> Mrs. Lenore Peck, Star Route Edna, Texas

MANY of you remember that I was healed of a broken leg several years ago. My own doctor gave up and sent me to McBride hospital in Oklahoma City, where they also told me I would never walk. Through faith in God and determination, I am today a "walking" testimony of divine healing.

But I want to tell about a recent experience. On August 19th I was helping my husband who was welding casing in a water well. I held while he welded. By 8:00 p.m. we got home I was totally blind. My face, neck, chest and arms were fairly well cooked. I took an aspirin, grated a raw potato for my eyes. I spent the night in pain . . . the torture of my eyes almost set me wild. Of course I prayed as I layed there awake and by morning I could open my eyes a dimly see our furniture . . . "Like trees walking" . . .

As the pain continued it seemed as if I were on fire. I thought, "God does not want me to suffer like this", so I called Brother and Sister Wiles, our pastors. They took me to the church and there at the altar as we prayed and thanked God . . . the fire left me- What a blessed relief. As we left the church I could read the words on the side of a passing truck, "U. S. Mail." Within a few hours I could read about the man who was born blind and share his joy.

All power to Him has been given

All power on this earth as in heaven

Before my sickness, my sins and doubt,

Must he stand paralized, unable to cast them out?

No, it was not meant that we should suffer so

When to a loving Father we can always go.

For, he who saves . . . can also heal Altho' I know not how, I know its real.

> Sincerely, Mrs. N. Mayfield, Guymon, Oklahoma

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# Testimonies

O<sup>N</sup> Sunday, July 17th at 3:00 o'clock, I was preaching in 100° heat when I had a sun-stroke. I lost my voice, could not talk or sing, my eyes were getting dim and I got deathly sick at my stomach, I went to the shade and was o.k. in ten minutes. I went down to the shadow of death, there was no one present to pray for me but God sent His angel and delivered me. He says, "The angel of the Lord encampeth about them that fear Him and delivereth them. Psalms 34:7.

One consolation I got from the sunstroke was that should I have passed 'away then, I would soon come up in the First Resurrection when all the Holy people are resurrected. This has been the greatest thought of my life since then to know if I stay true to the end, I will be in the First Resurrection.

I was living at Weatherford, Texas when I had the sun-stroke but am back in Texarkana where I expect to remain through this winter, if the Lord wills. I read the REPORT from cover to cover and enjoy reading every bit of it. May the Lord bless all the readers of the REPORT is my prayer. Looking for His Soon Coming!

> J. W. Elliott, 512 Texas Avenue, Texarkana, Texas

I used to be in the cigar business. That was 37 years ago. I smoked from 20 to 25 cigars a day. My friends used to say they wouldn't know me if I wasn't smoking. During that time the late Brother Charles F. Parham held a meeting in Gray, Oklahoma.

In that revival I was saved and healed. I was delivered from swearing, tobacco and everything evil. At that time the doctors said I'd live only six more months. I am well today at the age of 87. I'm thanking the Lord for His deliverance!

> William H. Floto, 330 East Wilshire, Fullerton, California

LAST February I was sick unto death. I was out of my head and dreamed I was back in my boyhood days taking care of my mother's cattle. I'd ridden two horses down. In my dream my horse was better than in real life.

I was tried . . . Oh so tired! I thought I was over half dead. I thought I stretched out on my horse to rest. I thought I saw Brother Jake Pletcher. Someone touched the throne of God, Oh glory, someone touched the throne! My son and daughter had been by my bedside and during my low ebb had secured a doctor. The doctor had left some medicine but I wouldn't take it when I came to my right mind.

After the victory was won. I began to regain my strength. I had a good night of sleep. The next morning at daylight I awoke and cooked my breakfast. I waited on my wife who was still sick.

This was last February. My sickness was pneumonia. My daughter had called the Bible School and some churches to pray for me. The third day after my healing I drove my car about my pastoral duties. The day after that I drove 80 miles to visit Ma Polvado who was ill. Thank God I knew and I know now that Christ the great physician healed me.

Bro. F. P. Copeland, Leakey, Texas



THE following is an excerpt from two letters. I am printing thas as a form of Prayer request for Bro. D. C. Ware. Editor

#### Greetings to you:

Enclosed is \$40.00 for the paper. I have been pretty sick but am much better. My health has been failing for the past six months. I covet your prayers for my body.

#### Clifton Ware

We received the paper the past week and enjoyed it so much. I have been in bad health for several months now. My liver had become very inactive and was throwing toxin in my system and causing severe gas which has been affecting my heart very bad at times. I have been off work most of the time the past three months. I was coming along fine until one day last week I had a severe back-set. I need your prayers very much.

We drove to Lovington this morning and enjoyed the services so much. We met tht Homer Allens (new pastors) and liked them very much.

> The D. C. Wares, Seagraves, Texas

DEAR Brother and Sister in Christ: I want to testify of the healing power of Jesus for our four year old son. Last May our fears were confirmed by a doctor that he had epilepsy. He would give us no encouragement but refered us to another doctor. We came home under a great burden but with the assurance he was the Lord's and the Lord could heal him.

The next day was Sunday and the people of the Midway Church had special prayer for him. He has never had another attack since that time. He plays, laughs and cries natural  $\ldots$  something he had not done for a year. Now he is a normal healthy boy.

Praise His Wonderful Name! Glenford and Gracie Bensch, Logan, Oklahoma

UNANSWERED PRAYER is probably the answer itself

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# HEAL ME, O LORD

In Jeremiah 17:14 we find this wonderful text, "Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise." In these times as in any time since the prophet uttered these wonderful words, we can put our faith in God for healing as well as Salvation. It is necessary for people, especially God's people, to realize their own helplessness while trusting in the greatness and goodness and power of God Almighty. Like as Salvation, healing for the sick and the diseased, must come from God.

The fact that Jeremiah said, "Heal me, O Lord, and I SHALL BE HEAL-ED:" shows that in order to be healed, the Lord Must Do It, and if the Lord does it, it is thoroughly done. Is si commonly said that the Lord partially delivers from disease, or that the healing work is not completed. If Faith in God and in the broken body of Christ, will partially deliver, why not completely? Heal me O Lord and I shall be healed, is positive: SHALL BE HEALED.

It is true that hundreds and thousands of people do not know about Divine Healing. Some never heard about it. Others have been taught against it and are deceived. We will hear lectures on the subject, "Divine Healing, is it of God or of the Devil?" May I point out that if it **Divine**, it is of God, else it would not be Divine. Do we have a right to call healing "Divine"? Should we not think of things that God does as Divine?

Many people that believe in Divine Healing live so far from God that their Faith is too weak to trust God for healing. Notice that John said, (1 John 3:21-22) "If our hearts condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of Him,-". James in speaking to the sick said, (James 5: 14-15) "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; And the prayer of Faith shall save the sick and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him."

In the first place (according to John's statement) it is necessary to

#### BY JACOB C. REGIER

so live that we will have confidence (or faith) in God that our prayers will be answered, and in the second place, it is necessary when in need of healing (according to Jame's statement) for us to call for prayer, "And the prayer of Faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up;".

Peoople often suffer unnecessarily, because when in need of healing, if not dangerously sick, that rather than molest the pastor or the elders to come pray over them, they choose to "Tough it out!" or let nature heal them. Obedience is an important factor in any Christian's life, and to call the elders to pray for the sick is an act of obedience. More than obedience it is giving God the Glory. Healing and health is the blessing that follows.

Many powerful sermons on healing, hundreds of glowing epistles on the subject, nor books upon books discussing it pro and con, cannot be so effective in winning the faith of unbelieving people, as the People of God simply trusting God, and being healed. One miracle of healing is worth more than hundreds of words of argument in defense of the subject. Let us consider the words of Paul to the Cornithians, (2 Cor. 3:2-3) "Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men; Forasmuch as ye are manifestly decalred to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshly tables of the heart." If we are "Epistles" or "letters" or "books," to be known and read of all men, then must we be plain and true, lest we should mislead them.

When the cripple that sat at the gate Beautiful was healed, he leaped and walked and praised God. People noticed it. It was noised abroad. The people gathered together on Solomon's porch and marvelled at the miracle. Peter said to them, (Acts 3:12)" . . . Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?." God received Glory from this miracle of healing! Peter had opportunity to preach

Christ and Him crucified to man because one cripple was healed.

Next we notice that Peter and John were put in hold (or jail) because they preached in the name of Jesus. The next day they were made to appear before a council of rulers, high priests, elders, scribes and friends of the high priest. (Acts 4:7) "And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this?" To this group of men, Peter said, (Acts 4:10) "Be it known unto you. all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye cricified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole."

Acts 4:13 is the climax to this wonderful story: "Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus." Unlearned and ignorant men??? Indeed!-! But they took knowledge of them! Why take knowledge of these unlearned and ignorant men? THEY HAD BEEN WITH JESUS !!! All of this, because one man was healed, glorified God!

Again let us read our text in Jeremiah 17:14, and let us notice the last phrase, "Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed: save me and I shall be saved: For thou art my Praise." When we, as people of God, are healed by His power, we too, glorify Gcd.

Is it not true that the Apostles tructed and believed God for healing? Is it not true that in the latter rain the Holy Ghost was poured out in a Bible School and Healing Home? If this be true, and if Jesus went about healing the sick, may we, as the Apostolic Believers, trust and believe God for the healing of our bodies? Let us see the importance of Christ's broken body as well as His shed blood. May we as ministers and elders fulfill our duty in Christ, and to the Church. May we preach and teach divine healing, pray for the sick and trust God for more faith for this work.

"Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed! . . . "

# PASTORAL REPORTS

#### WAYNESBORO, MISSISSIPPI

The tent revival in this place was under the direction of Bro. E. H. Russell. It was a good meeting. The Mississippi-Alabama churches of the Apostolic Faith attended and assisted. Four were saved.

#### PINE HILL, ALABAMA

Bro. E. H. Russell conducted a few services here after the tent revival in Waynesboro, Mississippi. Two were saved. The pastor sends out an S. O. S. for prayer for this new church. The "Right" revival is needed. Harold J. Bollinger, Box 321, Pine Hill, Alabama, Pastor.

#### **ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

Evangelists Floyd and Grace La-Munyan, assisted by Miss Lamoyne Barker are in Revival here. Revival began September 11th.

#### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

The LaMunyan's plan revivals in Stockton, California and Modesto, California this fall. They may also visit the Imperial Beach church in southern California.

#### KINGMAN, KANSAS

The revival here was a real blessing to the church. Bro. Modrick and Bro. Fox did some outstanding preaching. The Lord blessed. One was saved and one sanctified. Good crowds attended. The Free Methodist friends from Norwich, 25 miles away attended the meeting. The Baptist minister from Norwich visited the revival.

#### LIBERAL, KANSAS

Pastor James E. Wallis sent for some extra copies of the Apostolic Faith Report to use in their houseto-house visitation program. The Liberal church is planning a revival in November with Brother Homer Coberly as evangelist. Pray for this good work.

#### FOLLETT, TEXAS

The work here is flourishing under the ministry of the new pastor, Donald D. Dibbens. Bro. Dibbens recently conducted a good singing convention in the Follett Chapel. This will be a monthly affair, with the next Singing to be held October 17th at 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. All the churches of the Oklahoma, Texas Panhandle area are cooperating.

#### BURNET, TEXAS

The tent revival planned for Lampasas, Texas was held at Burnet. The VanBenthusen sisters, Edna Neff, Ruth Pshigoda, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Barker, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Modrick, and Jim Fox conducted this tent revival. The crowds were fair. One was saved. It is believed that much invisible good was accomplished. The meeting was enhanced with organ music as well as piano and many special songs.

#### PANHANDLE MINISTERS MEETING AT PERRYTON, TEXAS

The Minister's meeting of the Panhandle district was held in the Full Gospel Church at Perryton. Bro. Adair presided. The next meeting will be held at Bryan's Corner October 3, 1960. This meeting will include election of officers as well as a discussion of Youth Camp possibilities.

#### SPEARMAN, TEXAS

Bro. Robert Girouard, whose home is in Pampa, Texas will be preaching in the pastor's pulpit of the Apostolic Faith Church in Spearman, Texas. Announcement by Mrs. E. A. Greaver, pastor.

#### Doniphan, Missouri - Guymon, Okla.

Bro. George Hintergardt writes he desires to know God's will. They have some calls and burdens and are praying the Lord will direct them to the right place. Help us pray for them.

Bro. Larry Welsh, new pastor of the Mill Creek Church, south of Doniphan reports he had a good time with the people there. There were 35 in the first service. Good interest manifested. He says, everyone in the country speaks a good word for the Hintergardts.

Bro. Welsh is in Guymon for two weeks to assist his mother and aunt with the farm work for a little while.

#### **GUYMON, ONLAHOMA**

The new pastors, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Wiles are elated over the beginning of their work. It isn't all roses but the work has many prospects. There are 40 families they are visiting. The pastor said, "These families come, hit and miss, and we want them to be regular."

#### IMPERIAL BEACH, CALIFORNIA

A letter from Bro. Elbert Pool reveals that the Lord is with them there. They do need an old-fashioned revival for which they are praying. Pray with them for this success.

#### SPRING VALLEY, CALIFORNIA

Pastor Edwin Waterbury writes the work is coming fine. They have had good services but do need to move into permanent quarters to see the work really grow.

#### BEAVER, OKLAHOMA

Bro. Lowell Long reports the new work is off to a good start. They are worshiping in a rented building. Bro. Long purchased a small house in town so he could be near to his work. Around 20 have been attending. Write and encourage them, Bro. Lowell Long, Beaver, Oklahoma, (General Delivery)

#### Alief, Texas, Sugarland, Texas

Brother and Sister Olen Bachler are pastoring the Apostolic Faith Church in Alief. Plans look good to either move the church to Sugarland or to sell the old church and build a new one in Sugarland. Most of the members of the Alief, Texas church live near Sugarland now. This will be a good move with prospects to make the Congregation grow. Pray for this effort.

#### SPENARD, ALASKA

Bro. Freddie Wiebe, of Perryton, Tex., who is working in Alaska reports he is enjoying his stay. He works at his job in the day and helps build the new chapel (Bro.J. D. Ray is pastor) in the evenings.

#### HARDESTY, OKLAHOMA

The church at Hardesty was blessed by the recent Union Revival conducted in a large tent by Evangelist Billie Walker, Sr. Many were saved in the meeting. Several were baptised.

#### **ROSWELL. NEW MEXICO**

As we go to press, we learn that the revival in the Apostolic Faith Church in Roswell is being blessed of the Lord. Many have received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

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Friends of Christ

BY LOIS ALLEN

#### A PROBLEM

Judy was quoting scriptures, and her brother said that she got them all wrong. Her sister said that she was wrong on only three. What do you say?

1. Blessed are poor in spirit; for they shall inherit the earth.

2. This is my commandment, That ye love one another, greater love hath no man than this. John 15: 12.

3. The Lord is my shepherd, he maketh me to lie down in green pastures, Psalms 23:1.

4. Blessed are the pure in heart, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Matthew 5:8.

(Answer: All four are wrong)

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#### MY FAVORITE SCRIPTURE

Lois 'Marie Barker of Katy, Texas, says her favorite Bible scripture is "The Lord's Prayer." Matthew 6:9-13.

Linda Johnston of the Palm City, California, church likes the Twentythird Psalm.

#### MY FAVORITE STORY

Sheri and Terry Walls of the Palm City church say their favorite Bible story is "Jonah and the Whale."

Debbie and Becky Walls, also of Palm City, California, like the story,

"David and the Giant." I Samuel 17. Kenneth Dwayne Wilkerson of Perryton, Texas likes the story of Jesus on the Cross.

# a letter from Spenard, Alaska

#### Dear friends:

Greetings to you from the Full Gospel Chapel in Spenard, Alaska.

4. Moses; 5. John; 6. Peter; 7. Mary;

(Answers: I. Aaron; Z. Jesse; 3. Saul;

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(Choose your answer from one of

Sarah, Leah. Martha, Anna, Moses,

Jesse, Stephen, Peter, Aaron, Mary,

Saul, David, John, Mark, Noah, Eva.)

1. I built the golden calf.

5. I am the last Gospel. -

6. I am a fisherman -

2. I am the father of David.

3. I am the first king of Isreal.

4. I am the brother of Aaron. -

7. I am the sister of Martha.

8. I am the wife of Abraham. -

We have just completed a week of Bible School and we only had a week of school but it was really good. There were 40 enrolled and 6 workers. There were only two absent during the entire school. We had all we could handle in our small building and we had one class in our dining room. There were 17 that came to the altar and gave their hearts to the Lord. We do thank the Lord for this response.

We wish to express our sincere thanks for the offerings sent towards our work. Much of this has been applied to the purchase of the cement blocks for our basement. We are on the way up with the walls but winter is just around the corner and we certainly feel the pressure. It is imperative that we get the building covered, that is, a roof on the basement since the cold weather will ruin the footings when the frost gets under them. Please pray with us that we will be able to get the roof on the basement before freeze-up. We would like very much to move into the basement this winter if possible as we need the extra room so badly for our Sunday School.

Our family is doing fine. The children are both growing so quickly we



can hardly realize it. Sister Ray is so much better in health and we surely appreciate your prayers for her.

Bro. Fred Wiebe is still with us and has been a real asset in the building of the church. He has been laying the blocks in his spare time since he has a job too. The picture enclosed shows Bro. Fred Wiebe (center), Bro. Steve Oswald (left) and myself in the building process. This was taken August 8, 1960.

This week opens the hunting season and I plan to get out a few days to hunt moose. It is almost imperative for us to kill our meat as the price of beef is prohibitive.

During the month of August we have been conducting services at the Federal Prison Compound every Sunday morning. We have one hour for service and it has been such a joy to sing and preach to these needy men. Several have been saved and we pray that we can see a harvest of souls among these men.

We solicit your prayers for our every effort for God.

Yours for souls, J. D. Ray and family YOUTH PAGE

# The Greatest Teen-ager

"He's the greatest!" How many times have you heard that said of someone? That "someone" may be a favorite with you, or Ann, or Bill. But is that person a great personality in the minds of others?

The One I'm speaking of is really the greatest! I haven't exaggerated when I say "the Greatest!" Every teen-ager that knows this Person will will agree with me. Search the pages of history ( and your diary, if you wish) and you'll find no greater teenager than the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

We don't know a great deal about Jesus' teen-age years. But we do have a glimpse of these important years in the 2nd chapter of Luke, verses 40 and 52.

These few words have to do with His growth. He "grew" and "increased in stature"—Physical Growth. He "increased in wisdom" and was "filled with wisdom"—Mental Growth. He "waxed (or, grew) strong in spirit"— Spiritual Growth.

And you, teen-ager, can follow in the steps of this Teen-of-teens! (I Pet. 2:21.)

One thing you must do—you must grow. How you grow is the question.

#### PHYSICAL GROWTH

Your physical growth can be hindered and damaged as a result of wrong habits. Strong drink, or nicotine, or late hours, may destroy your health. Remember this: your body is the temple of the Spirit of Christ if you are a Christian. (I Cor. 3:16-17; Rom. 8:9; Gal. 4:6.) The Bible says you mustn't "defile" His temple. Let's grow physically as did Christ. Don't grow like a weed; grow like a flower—the Rose of Sharon!

#### MENTAL GROWTH

Think, now! Are you mentally digesting knowledge that you may grow in wisdom? Christian education is a must. "The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple." (Ps. 19.7.)

It was a wise man who said, "As he thinketh in his heart so is he." (Pro. 23:7) "You may not be what

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you think you are, but what you think, you are!" Agree? You mold your life by your thoughts.

So be careful of the brainwashing effects of certain books and magazines; some TV programs; and those idle thoughts. Let the Bible saturate your thinking. "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; . . . " (Col. 3:16) "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 2:5).

#### SPIRITUAL GROWTH

What is it? It is to become Christlike within—in your "heart." (Ps. 51: 10; Eph. 4:15.) How? Your spirit must have contact with God's Spirit. This begins when you are "born of the Spirit." (John 3:6; Rom. 8:16.) It continues as you "walk in the Spirit." (Gal. 5:16-25.)

Then it's settled—you'll grow! But how? Stunted, stupid, or stale? (Pardon the expressions.) It's up to you. You can follow in the steps of the Greatest Teen, or you can stumble along in your own ways and find your hands empty, your head empty. and your heart empty!

In Luke 2 we notice that Jesus grew in "favor with God and man." That's real popularity! First, be popular with God, then you'll have friends that really count. This popularity will come as a result of proper growth—physically, mentally, and spiritually.

The secret of proper growth is in verse 40, which says of Christ, "the grace of God was upon Him." As God's grace was upon Christ, the grace of Christ can be upon you. "Grow in grace, and in the knowledge" of Christ (II Pet. 3:18). "Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus." (II Tim. 2:1) And you'll grow more like the Greatest Teenager.

#### TAKE CARE!

Take care of the words that you speak and make them pleasant and sweet... You might have to eat them!

### YOUTH RALLY REPORTS

On September 3rd, about 65 people gathered at the Apostolic Faith Church in Snyder, Texas to enjoy the blessings of the Lord together.

Bro. George Polvado brought the message. The main thought of the message was, "What Has Happened to the Church Organization Of Today." Are you a Christian that is drifting with the world?

Reporter, Etha Oliver

#### **OUR FATHER KNOWS**

Troubles may come on every side; And clouds hang heavy and low. The path may seem dark;

- But you know our Father knows.
- Oh yes, he knows the trials that come And the cares that press us so;

But just be calm and rest in his love; For we know our Father Knows.

The storm may be great; The trials may be hard;

And burdens more than we can bear; But he knows, Oh, yes he knows and he surely cares.

Oh, may we be as the eagles; They soar above the storm:

And then when its all passed o'er Not a feather on them is harmed.

Are we not more than these? Oh, ye of little faith;

Let's look up with courage brave; And trust in his undying grace.

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#### MONEY WILL BUY

- A bed but not sleep.
- Books but not brains.
- Food but not appetite.
- Finery but not beauty.
- A house but not a home.
- Medicine but not health.
- Luxuries but not culture.
- Amusement but not happiness.
- A Crucifix but not a Saviour.
- A Church-pew but not heaven.

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#### PASTORAL REPORTS

(Continued from Page 7) DUMAS, TEXAS

Brother and Sister F. P. Copeland, are moving from Leakey, Texas to their home in Dumas, Texas.

Brother Marcus L. Adair is scheduled to hold a revival in the Apostolic Faith in Dumas soon.

Jim Morris, Pastor

#### LOVINGTON, NEW MEXICO

The work is moving forward in the Apostolic Laith Church in Lovington, under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Allen. They mail out a nice weekly reminder each week. Bro. and Sister, Jerry Mumm from Colorado are assisting them. Bro. Mumm preaches in the Friday evening service.

#### LAVERNE, OKLAHOMA

A revival conducted by a large gospel-party is under way at Laverne in the Apostolic Faith Church. Bro. James E. Wallis is preacher.

#### LIBERAL, KANSAS

We hear that Bro. Jim Fox will preach in the pastor's pulpit while the Laverne Revival is in progress.

#### BALKO, OKLAHOMA

The Parsonage is being beautified and enhanced with some new furniture.

#### CENTER POINT, TEXAS

Bro. and Sis. Charles O. Mahan are back at their pastoral duties. Bro. Mahan is struggling in the name of the Lord for complete health. Help pray him through to the victory!

#### PERRYTON, TEXAS

A new cost of paint is being done in the church and parsonage. This is part of the improvement program which was began last spring.

#### RALLS, TEXAS

Austin Morgan, Box 552, Phone: 3957. All ministers of the Faith are welcomed here.

#### KINGS MILL, TEXAS

A. W. Ferguson, pastor, reports a coming Revival the first two weeks in October. Bro. Marcus Adair, evangelist.

# The Three Gifts of Power (Continued from page 3) lose his sight (

in faith for his healing. Mark 16:17, 18.

3. The sick may be healed by "Elders of the Church" praying the prayer of faith for their healing. James 5:14, 15.

4. Some may be healed through the ministry of one having the Spiritual Gifts of Healing. I Cor. 12:9.

Previous mention has been made of this gift in this article. It is sufficient to say at this point that the one administering healing by means of this Gift does not pray for the sick person but gives a command which brings deliverance. Acts 3:6-8; Acts 9:32-34; Acts 14:8-10.

#### THE GIFT OF THE WORKING OF MIRACLES

Miracles may be classified as (1) Miracles in the realm of healing, and (2) Miracles outside the realm of healing.

The Scriptures given above give us three examples where three gifts were in operation at the same time in each healing mentioned—Gifts of healing; the Gift of Faith; and the Gift of Working of Miracles.

Casting out devils and raising the dead would be considered "Miracles."

Outside the realm of healing there are miracles of Judgement as when Paul caused the sorcerer Elymas to

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lose his sight (Acts 13:6-11) for opposing the gospel and the death pronounced on Annanias and Sapphira for lying. (Acts 5:1-11). Jesus performed many miracles outside the realm of healing such as turning the water into wine and multiplying the loaves and fishes.

#### EDITOR'S NOTE:

This series of articles on "The Gifts Of The Spirit" has been a great blessing to many readers. We trust that Brother Girouard will see fit to soon begin another series of articles on some Scriptural subject. You may contact Bro. Robert Girouard at 2206 Chestnut Drive, Pampa, Texas, Telephone MO 4-4130.



# THE TRUTH

#### BY JACOB C. REGIER

"Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."—St. John 8:31-32.

There is power in truth. There is such great power in truth that every sane thinking citizen should strive to know the truth. Not just a small segment of truth but as near the whole truth as can be obtained.

In previous times unenlightened people did strange and savage things because they did not know the truth, and in some cases, the whole truth. Men have been punished for crimes they did not do because the truth was not known. Others have gone unpunished because the truth was not known.

Jesus was speaking to the newly-converted Christian Jews in the scripture in John 8:31-32. These Jews were believers but evidently they did not know the whole truth. Jesus instructed them to continue in His word and He assured them that they would indeed be His disciples.

The lesson is the same today. Despite our modern advancements we need to learn more of the truth that the Word of God teaches. We need to hear God's word taught. We need to read God's word. We need to discuss God's word. By doing this we will learn how to be truly free.

"And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

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BY T. J. MANNING

"Son of man. I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me." The prophet Ezekial, chapter 3, verse 17.

The nations of the world today are facing the greatest crises in their history. Sin is rampant in the land and the spirit of iniquity prevails in every unregenerated heart. Sin is on the rampage and individuals and nations are not safe unless they are anchored in the rock of ages which is Christ the Lord, the divine son of God. No nation is secure under any form of government. It seems that all have turned from their source of strength which is the almighty God.

Centuries ago, our God told Jonah that He was going to destroy Ninevah and commanded Jonah to go tell them of God's intentions. Jonah finally did so (after running from God.) He told them that God was going to destroy Ninevah in forty days. The king of Ninevah believed; called upon the people to repent; and they did repent in sackcloth and ashes (which was the most humble way); and God spared them.

People of this generation of crime and gross wickedness need to turn to God in the same humble manner, that we might obtain mercy and pardon. No nation can hope to survive, unless that nation turns to God in humility and repents in sackcloth and ashes.

America was, at one time, a nation that feared, honored and served God. His smile of approval was upon us, but today, we have become a selfish and rebellious people. We are concerned about making money and establishing ourselves financially and have neglected our salvation which is the most important thing in anyone's life. The greatest need of this selfloving, pleasure-mad. generation is to heed the warnings contained in God's Holy word. This word is still being heralded by faithful men and women who love God and lost humanity.

We, as Americans, are a proud people who boast of our resources of great wealth, manpower, enterprises of our Army and Navy and other great resources from which we can draw. But do we, for one moment, realize that unless we look unto God (from whom comes all strength, power, and might), our own dear fair land is in grave danger of being invaded by hordes of enemies from foreign countries? Peoples and nations today are traitors. Our own fair land, which we love so well, is surely not exempt, unless we turn our faces toward God and forsake our evil ways.

The greatest weapons of defense are vested in almighty God who has so faithfully defended His people in times past. Great nations have fallen in the past because they turned from righteousness and the true God to other things.

The world today is pleasure mad and millions upon millions of dollars are being spent for it. The world is greedy for gain, supremacy and power. Each nation is striving to surpass the other in every way except in righteousness. The greatest thing that any man or nation can do is to humble itself or himself under the mighty hand of God.

Our own fair land is honey-combed with Reds and many other enemies who despise government and dominion of any character. They are seeking in every way they can to undermine and overthrow this government, which is by the people of the people and for the people. We have fought, in the past, to make the world safe for democracy. Have we fought in vain? Many have stained the earth with their blood and many have died, but there will never be any lasting peace until the Prince of Peace returns to earth and puts an end to the fighting forces of the

world.

Sin and disobedience are the cause of all sorrow and bloodshed. Would to God, that the world and especially our fair America could open our eyes, as it were, and see the approaching dangers on every hand. Althrough the nations of the world profess to be our friends, they could turn traitors overnight and cause us untold misery.

The world needs an old fashioned Revival today. A Revival that will turn the hearts of mankind back to the living God. There are many today who just have a mere profession of religion which will never do in the Judgement. Paul writing of the Perilous Times of the Last days said of our generation, "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away." 2 Tim. 3:5. Jesus said, ". . . Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Ye must be born again! It makes no diffenence how high we stand, socially, politically or religiously, in the esteem of this world . . . we must all meet the same standard of requirement. There is only one name, given among men, whereby we may be saved. That name is "JESUS". He is the door of the sheepfold and there is no other way. For Jesus says, "I am the way, the Truth and the Life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." There are a lot of ways and means offered by man, to bring the world back to normalcy, but all are and will prove futile, unless the will of the world is brought under the will of God, and a reign of righteousness uproots the present systems of government. Men who are not lovers of God, will bring about a state of selfishness and almost utter disregard for others.

There is so much corruption in the administration of government. Men do not stand upon their word of honor, as in days of old. A most solemn word of warning, to the present generation, is to give heed to the many disorders existing under our very eyes. The church is failing today, in feeding the hungry and clothing the naked (which is a strong admonition from the Lord). And too, the church needs to be one, in unity and spirit, and thus fulfuill the prayer which Jesus prayed, wherein He asked God to make them one, even as He and

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# WHAT DOES THE FUTURE PROMISE?

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(continued from September issue) America is faced with a serious juvenile problem. It is called the "Teen-Age" problem. This problem is over-taxing all the understanding of law enforcement officials. In some large cities the teen-agers have done much damage to cars, destroyed property and in a few cases have killed old people on the streets, set many fires and committeed many other crimes.

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The prophet Micah in chapter seven and verse 16 declared, "The nations shall see and be confounded at all their might: they shall lay their hand upon their mouth, their ears shall be deaf." How true this is when held in the light of Isaiah's prophecy in chapter 57, verse 21, "There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked."

People are "on-the-go" today. They travel everywhere in cars; in buses and in air planes. They are seeking something to satisfy their souls but still they are not happy, contended or satisfied. Many have committed suicide hecause they do not have

#### SOLEMN WARNING!

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the Father were one. Read John the 17th chapter. In it you will find how we, as the church of God or Christ, could bring about a great change in the affairs of the world if we would only apply its admonitions to ourselves and strive with all our might to make the world a better place in which to live. Jesus says, " . . . repent ye, for the kindgom of heaven is at hand." May we, as a nation, humble ourselves under the Blood-Stained Banner of our Saviour, strive to walk in His footsteps daily and thus escape the wrath of the Almighty God which will shortly be poured out on a Christ-rejecting world.

May God bless all who read this and my your life be consistant to His Holy will.

Written to warn men and women to turn from all unrighteousness, unto the Saviour of men, and honor Him in our entire being every day and in every thing.

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peace in their souls. But the peace they need is available. Jesus spoke of it in John '4:27, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you" Yes it is Jesus that gives peace to people. Paul said in Romans 5:1, Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:" If a person has peace with God; he also has peace with his wife; he has peace with his children; and he has peace with his neighbor. God also said in Proverbs 16:7, "When a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him."

What the world needs today above everything else, is an old-time revival where people get saved from their sins and get the peace of Christ in their hearts. After Jesus returns to earth, there will be peace on earth: "... nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." Micah 4:3. After Jesus comes back, men that have

THINK THIS OVER

I'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord,

Real service is what I desire.

I'll say what you want me to say, dear Lord,

But please don't ask me to sing in the choir.

I'll say what you want me to say, dear Lord,

I like to see things come to pass, But don't ask me to teach girls or boys, dear Lord, been such strong proponents of peace, yea, even then the ambassadors of peace shall weep bitterly. Read Isaiah 3:3-7.

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Let me repeat my text that I used in the beginning of this article, "For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them . . . and they shall not escape."

The nations have been weighed in the balances of God and are found wanting. War and desolation are near. Jesus warned us of wars and rumors of wars etc. just before His return to earth. In Luke 21:28 he encouraged his people by saying, "And when these things begin to come ot pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."

May the Lord help all those that read this article to walk humbly before the Lord as REDEMPTION is very near. But to the world Jesus said, "For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth."

I'd rather just stay in my class.

I'll do what you want me to do, dear Lord,

I long for thy kingdom to thrive,

I'll give you my nickels and dimes, dear Lord,

But please don't ask me to tithe.

- I'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord.
- I'll say what you want me to say. I'm busy just now with myself, dear Lord.
- I'll help you some other day.

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