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Surely, I come quickly: Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

Rev. 22:20.

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WAITING

We are waiting for Thy coming
And the weary days seem long,
For old earth is filled with darkness
With violence and wrong.
And the scoffer's cry grows bolder,
As the slow years pass away;
But the saints of God are waiting
For the dawning of the day.

Oh, we're weary, weary longing
For the sign within the sky
That heralds our beloved King
That tells us He is nigh.
Around the staunch old lighthouse
The white lipped breakers roar,
But the old ship's dropped her anchor
And we know she nears the shore.

We can see the lamps of heaven
Gleaming, gleaming bright afar
And we know the land is nearing
Where the many mansions are.
And our hearts beat high with longing
Though our trembling lips are dumb
Still we pray with soul and spirit
"Come, Lord Jesus, quickly come."

Hark! above the songs of angels,
Sounds our Captain's glorious voice;
"Cheer ye! lo, I'm coming quickly,
Weary earth, rejoice, rejoice."
Aye! the days of blood and carnage
Soon forever more shall cease,
Rise, O earth and hail the Sovereign,
Hail the blessed Prince of Peace.
By Mrs. L. D. Avery-Stuttle.

THE PRINCE OF PEACE

In this time of "trouble," "wars and rumours of wars" "distress of nations" with perplexity, Kingdom against kingdom, nation against nation; combined monopolies and organized labor at sword's point, with volcanic mutterings of revolution the world over; how precious the assurance that these signs but mark the soon coming of our Lord.

We are told these conditions are but the "beginning of sorrows;" also that "the generation" seeing these things begin to come to pass shall not pass away until all be fulfilled, and we yearn for the faith of the Son of God, that we may "Purify ourselves even as He is pure;" and be "Accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man." Luke 21:36.

Peter says of those, "Who are kept by the power of God;" "That the trial of your faith being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ. I Pet. 1:5-7.

It is at the darkest hour of the world's history that our Lord is to return to earth, the midnight hour. Matt. 25:6. Even now the shadows are upon us, unrest and apprehension the world over, hearts yearning for and crying "Peace, peace; when there is no peace."

Yet though it be taken from the earth for a time, shall it be from His people? Not so, "For He is our Peace." Eph. 2:13-14.

His promise is "Lo I am with you alway, even to the end of the world." How beautifully Christ taught His disciples of His going away, knowing the great test that should come to their faith when He whom they expected to deliver Israel died to all appearance as any ordinary man.

He told them of His going to the Father, and the sending of the Holy Spirit, also of the coming of the "Prince of this world" and of His own return to earth. Further he said, "and now I have told you before it come to pass, that when it is come to pass, ye might believe." John 14:29.

How rich with sympathetic understanding these words, "Let not your hearts be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. John 14:1. "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give

unto you; "Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." John 14:27.

"These things I have spoken unto you that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation, but be of good cheer: I have overcome the world." John 16:33.

After the resurrection of Christ when the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, and the doors were shut, "Come Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them: "Peace be unto you," John 20:19. Isaiah knew something of this peace when he said "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee; because he trusteth in thee." Isa. 26:3. The last is an especially precious promise to us in this time of trouble and unrest. The mind is being attacked by satanic forces causing insanity, evil surmisings and imaginations, surrounded by doubt and fear. Yet the promise is to be "**kept**" hid away by God Himself, in **perfect peace**! "Great peace have they that love thy law and nothing shall offend them."

Therefore "Men ought always to pray and not to faint." Surely prayer was the sustaining power in Paul's life. He "suffered the loss of all things." "Bonds and imprisonment awaited him; in fastings, perils by land and sea," perils among false brethren, he was steadfast and could say: "I have fought a good fight. I have kept the faith." "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous Judge shall give me at that day and not to me only but to all who love His appearing."

Prohibitory laws and legislative righteousness however perfect the system or idealistic the plan, can but fail as long as selfishness rules in the human heart. Hence the highest type of reform can never bring about perfect conditions in the earth. Our only hope is in the promise given unto us through the two men in white apparel. "This same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." Acts 1:11.

"So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation." Heb. 9:28.

Christ has been manifested unto us as Pro-

phet, Priest and Saviour, but He is to come the second time as Supreme Ruler over all; the King of Kings and Lord of Lords,

"A bruised reed shall not break and the smoking flax shall He not quench," so tenderly does He deal with the weakest and most frail of humanity. But we also read, "He shall bring forth judgment unto truth." His all seeing eye shall discern every evil. "He shall not fail nor be discouraged till he has set judgment in the earth; and the isles shall wait for his law." Isa. 42:3-4.

So is pictured through the Scriptures not only the "Kingdom" within but the temporal also, "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." Hab. 2:14.

There will be a new heaven and a new earth in which dwelleth righteousness.

"For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulders and his name shall be called, Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace. Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David and upon His Kingdom to order it and to establish it with judgment and with justice from hence forth even forever.

The zeal of the Lord will perform this. Isa. 9:6-7.

As he spoke to the angry waters, and there was a great calm, may His Peace control each faithful heart till the heralded tidings of the angels, "Peace on earth good will to men," is received by every creature, and the Prince of Peace shall reign supreme, as King of Kings and Lord of Lords over the whole earth."

Lilian T. Thistlethwaite.

TO DEPART FROM THE FAITH

Paul says in I Tim. 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of demons,

Seduce means to lead astray or allure one. One becomes a little indifferent and cold, neglect our duty or fail to obey in some little things perhaps. Then before we are aware of the fact these alluring spirits begin their work and soon we have left our first love. Then we

find it's hard to pray, hard to testify.

We have fallen away and find which some calls back sliding. We are told our own back sliding will reprove us, know therefore and see that it is an evil thing and bitter to forsake the Lord. Jer. 2:19. God will heal our back sliding and take up the broken pieces and make a new vessel.

Let us be careful indeed when we reach this place, to return unto the Lord before we "Depart" giving heed to these seducing spirits, and our conscience seared with a hot iron of unbelief, and therefore apostate. There is a vast difference in back sliding and apostatizing. We read in Heb. 6:4-6. It's impossible to renew those who were once enlightened if they fall away. If we sin wilfully, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sin.

We know the mystery of iniquity is already at work with all power and signs and lying wonders and hideous lies, and with all deception in them that perish, because they received not the love for the truth. For this cause God sends them strong delusions that they should believe a lie and be damned.

It is a very dangerous thing to become indifferent to God's Word or God's will or in any way neglect our duties toward God for these alluring spirits are ready to seduce.

There is danger of not getting back in touch with God. Jesus warns in several places to watch. We are in perilous times, we will all concede to this. The midnight cry is about to be heard. "Behold the Bridegroom cometh." May these few lines stir God's own, out of their indifference and sleepy lethargy to arise and shine, put on the whole armor of God, to withstand the evil one.

God will yet raise up a people to go forth with the everlasting gospel in these last days. Will you be one who will know the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His suffering, being made comfortable unto His death.

Mrs. Elmer Robb,
Loveland, Colo.

One young man came to Jesus and appeared to be a very good man in many respects but Jesus told him, "One thing thou lackest," and that lack was of sufficient love to forsake all for Jesus.

WATCH AND PRAY

"A friend of mine who was making a trip around the world was passing through Belgium and became acquainted with a chaplain in the army during the World War. There was a soldier lad the chaplain tried to win to Christ but the boy couldn't seem to let go of self and realize that Jesus was as anxious to save as he was to be saved. While in this frame of mind, he was assigned to sentry duty. He was twenty-one years of age. He knew he could not possibly stay awake all night. He knew that he was as good as dead, for the penalty of falling asleep on duty was death. The chaplain prayed for him all night. In some way King Albert of Belgium learned of the situation and knew of the lad's danger. King Albert deliberately went and stayed with the boy through the night and stood on sentry duty beside him. Of course the boy did not fall asleep. He straightened his shoulders and held up his head in the consciousness that the king was with him through the night. The next day he came to the chaplain and said, 'I am ready to accept Christ and join the church. If my earthly king would do that for one, the heavenly king will do even more. When in the coming hard days of conflict you are weary and perplexed and discouraged, remember that the King is standing by until the daybreak. Be not afraid.'—From the Union Signal.

While visiting with my relatives at Tonganoxie, Kans., my aunt, Mrs. E. K. Dawes, gave me the above clipping and I found such an encouraging thought in it, that I am passing it on to our readers.

Some of us perhaps may think that we have already fought a hard fight and feel worn and weary with what we have gone through. As we see the gathering clouds of darkness, the night coming on, "great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time" (Matt. 24:21) we ask the question. "Who shall be able to stand?" Rev. 6:17, Mal. 3:2. When Christ told His disciples to watch and pray in the garden of Gethsemane they failed the Lord and slept while He suffered and prayed alone. He did not upbraid them but said, "The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." (Matt. 26:41) Yes, indeed, the flesh is weak. How many times we have found this

so true. Perhaps, we have asked ourselves the question, "Would we have slept when the Master told us to watch and pray?" As our Savior did not condemn them neither should we, for no doubt they could not realize the terrible crisis and the great necessity to watch and pray, and perhaps we could not have done any better.

However, we will never be placed in the same circumstances for we are living in a different time, but we are facing another crisis, and the Lord is also saying to us, "Watch and pray."

Watch ye therefore for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even or at midnight, or at the cock crowing or in the morning, lest coming suddenly, He find you sleeping, and what I say unto you, I say unto all, watch. Mark 13:35-37, Matt. 24:42-43; I Thess. 5:6.

Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man. Luke 21:34-36.

In the crisis that is now before us it is not Christ that is going to crucifixion, but His Church. His children must be tried as by fire, come up through great tribulation, and so die to self and yield to God that we can say from our hearts, (though like Christ, it may be some times in tears and agony) "Not my will but thy will be done."

While the night cometh, and the Church of the living God, must go through the Garden of Gethsemane, Christ has trod the way before and conquered for us. Our King will stand by us and keep us by His mighty power, if we will only trust Him, for He said, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

"The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and His ears are open unto their cry, Psalms 34:15.

"For I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day." II Tim. 1:12. "He that keepeth thee will not slumber. Psalms 121:3.

Our Savior who once hung on the cruel cross on Calvary's brow is now risen alive forevermore, on the right hand of God making intercession for us. "He will go with us through the garden" and make us "more than conquer-

ors, not in the flesh, but in the spirit. In the natural Christ suffered shame, and defeat, but in the spirit He arose triumphant. So must we be willing to suffer if we would reign with Him, and be "Crucified with Christ," if we would "awake in His likeness."

As the earthly king did not want his soldier to slumber and through weakness suffer the penalty of death, neither does our Heavenly King want us to fail in the testing time, and be lost, when He has purchased eternal life for us, by His death, and glorious resurrection. For our weakness, He will give us His strength: for our failures, His victory; for our unrighteousness, His righteousness. "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly: and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless into the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Yours, looking for that blessed hope.

Sarah E. Parham.

GERMANY BLASPHEMES GOD

Psalms Rewritten for Nazi Cult; Teutonic Gods in the New Version

Berlin, Feb. 3.—A need for "thoroughly purging" the Psalms of David "from Jewish taint" was advanced today in a new hymn book published by a leader of the new Germanic cult.

The book is by Wilhelm Teudt, a pioneer in the movement the "guiding strength" of which is gained "from the religious inheritance of the German people." The volume consists of seventy-five revised Psalms instead of the original 150 Psalms.

How Herr Teudt has rewritten and "Germanized" the poems is shown by an excerpt from his version of the Eighty-seventh and the original Psalm as contained in the King James version of the Bible as follows:

NAZI REVISION

The Lord loveth the height of Germany more than all the dwellings abroad.

The Lord loveth the yew tree of the Odenwald and the oak of the Baltic.

I will make mention of the vulgar Euphrates and the Ganges, where our forefathers ruled.

Behold the lands of the Goths, the Longebards, and the Andalusians: it shall be said

our brethren were born and died there.

But on Osning (part of the Teutoburger Forest) the Lord shall count these sprung from the blood of the sons of Mannus: Ingo Istu and Ermin (ancient Germanis gods).

BIBLICAL TEXT

His foundation is in the holy mountains.

The Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God. *Selah.*

I will make mention of Rahab and Babylon to them that know me: Behold Philistia, and Tyre with Ethiopia; this man was born there.

And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her: and the highest himself shall establish her.

The Lord shall count, when he writeth up the people, that this man was born there. *Selah.*

As well the singers as the players on instruments shall be there: all my springs are in thee.

Selected.

AN APPEAL TO JEWRY

In a recent letter prepared by the Executive Committee of the Hebrew Christian Alliance of America and broadcast throughout Jewry, that organization of Christ-believing Jews, referring first to the present deplorable condition of Jewry and the failure of cultural enlightenment, political freedom, and social revolution, to bring about their salvation, appeal to their brethren throughout the world to join the pioneer ranks of those "who seek to bring back our King to His Throne." He, "our estranged Brother, Jesus," is the "one who is able to bring us out of this despair; . . . who can silence the stormy billows and bring us to our rest; . . . who can satisfy our hunger, quench our thirst, and give us peace, happiness and contentment; . . . who can help us attain our high aspirations and be just what God desires us to be—a priestly nation; a people that is righteous and does righteousness!" Jesus is the "only one who can deliver us from the present chaos and help us bring into reality the hopes and expectations of our holy prophets."

Selected.



Claude and Lula

Dear Ones in Christ—

The Lord is definitely leading us into greater service for Him. We have been praying much to know His will and He has put a desire in our hearts to visit Missions in Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri and Texas, stopping a few days in each place, as the Lord may lead.

We would like to hear at once from the evangelists holding revival meetings, and pastors or those in charge of the Missions who would like to have us stop, and we will see if we can plan our route your way.

It is our plan to enter every open door, and co-operate with all of God's children everywhere that the most good may be accomplished, as we realize we are entering the time of trouble and the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

My mother, Mrs. Chas. F. Parham, will probably accompany us.

We ask an interest in your prayers that God may supply the spiritual and temporal needs for this trip. Address all mail to our permanent address, Baxter Springs, Kansas, and it will be forwarded to us.

Your Christian brother and sister, expecting to see you soon.

Claude and Lula Parham.

Evangelist Irene Dilworth begins a revival at Spearman, Texas, Thursday, Sept. 27.

"BUT CAN YE NOT DISCERN THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES?—JESUS: MAT. 16:3."

Can any of God's people doubt that we are living in "the last days?" In the world there is now "distress of nations with perplexity, men's hearts are failing them for fear" of what is coming upon the earth. The world's rich men have heaped treasures of gold and silver together, in the banks and vaults, "for the last days." In their hoarded wealth God beholds, "the hire of the labourers," that represents the toil, and sweat, and blood of the toilers who created it, but which by the rich have been kept back by fraud, crieth! But the cries of them, who have toiled, and sweat, and reaped, have reached the ears of the God of armies, the executor of judgments, who has said, "I will be a swift witness against them." These are "PERILOUS TIMES," now upon the earth when men are lovers of themselves, and friendships, loves, duties, and obligations have ceased to exist as they used to. These are times when men hate you, and persecute you, if you try to live a righteous life. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another." God's human creation, are losing their natural affection one for another. Houses are divided, children are risen up against their parents, brother betrays brother to death. "And then shall many be offended, and shall hate one another" was never more so on earth than now. False prophets are everywhere abroad in the land, and they deceive many: being under the power of Satan, they themselves are deceived. Some of them have been converted, but have again let Satan come in bringing other devils, and now their last state is worse than their first. Everywhere we find these deceived false prophets out preaching, and many of the very elect are deceived.

"And they turned back, and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel." Psa. 78:41.

Through church creeds and disciplines, a form of godliness for Christians has been substituted, whereby one to retain his membership he must worship God in a manner they dictate, and Christ's teachings, the "sermon on the mount," the law and rule for God's kingdom have been set aside. And in their churches and missions, we find that freedom and liberty,

the very essentials of Christianity is no more found in them. In their holy places (churches) have been set up "The abomination of desolation," spoken of by Daniel and Christ. Daniel said, "that maketh desolate," and it has brought desolation, and "when he shall accomplish to scatter the power of the Holy people, all these things shall be finished. And "Woe to the shepherds that scatter my sheep." Very soon all things will fail, and then God, questions, "Where is the house that you built unto me, and where is the place of my rest?"

Jesse M. Barnes,
(Log cabin) Webb City, Mo.

GOD IS EVERYWHERE

"To me remains nor place nor time,
My country is in every clime;
I can be calm and free from care,
On any shore, since God is there.

While place we seek or place we shun
The soul finds happiness in none;
But with a God to guide our way,
'Tis equal joy to go or stay.

Could I be cast where Thou art not,
That were indeed a dreadful lot;
But regions none remote I call,
Secure of finding God in all. Selected.

You better live your best and act your best
and think your best today: for today is the
sure preparation for tomorrow and all the other
tomorrows that follow:

Selected.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Those interested in song books, Brother Thoro Harris has made up a special book, which has 295 songs in it and heavy gray paper cover on it which makes a very nice book, which is a good book for every purpose.

Those wishing to see a sample copy, will be mailed postpaid for 25c, \$17.50 per 100, \$10.00 for 50, \$5.50 for 25. All books prepaid.

For further information write to Robert L. Parham.

THE HEART MAKES THE WISH

Two little Indian boys, to whom the missionary going to and fro across the plains on his errands of love was a familiar figure, were

talking the other day as to what they would like to be and to do when they were men.

One exclaimed, "I wish I could be a preacher. Then I'd go and tell everybody all the good things I know."

The other hesitated for a while. It seemed to him the very best wish had been made. But suddenly his face brightened, and his shrill little voice rang out with a note of triumph:

"I wish I could be a horse and buggy. I'd carry the preacher to tell the good things."

How much like Jesus that little boy was, for he was willing to be, just a servant in order to help other people.

How can you serve other people?

ACCUSING SPIRITS

John in The Revelation speaks of days that will come at the end of the age, when the Accuser of the brethren will be cast down upon the earth "Having great wrath, knowing that he hath but a short time." As I study the history of Christianity from the earliest days down to this present date, it seems to me there has never been a time when accusing spirits were so manifest as among God's own people today. Even among the Spirit baptized, and especially among the leaders, there is a spirit of suspicion and very often of bold accusation, which cannot be inspired by the Spirit of the Christ.

"If I knew you and you knew me—
If both of us could clearly see,
And with an inner sight, divine
The meaning of your heart and mine,
I'm sure that we would differ less,
And clasp our hands in friendliness;
Our thoughts would pleasantly agree
If I knew you and you knew me."

Notwithstanding the sorrow which has come to us in the past and the evil we have done to others by believing every accusation of the devil, it is still a hard thing to turn a deaf ear to the stories which seem so plausible and refuse to believe them true in the absence of actual proof. But this we must do if we would be in truth the servants of Jesus Christ, and just to our brethren, who in their part of the vineyard may be faithfully doing the will of God, with hearts as loyal to the truth as are our own.

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BRIEF MENTION

Brother Gail Schultz and Brother and Sister Tucker have been holding a few nights services at some of the missions in South Texas, and expect to hold their next revival meeting in Houston, Texas.

Brother and Sister Dickson closed their meetings at Hugo, Colo., and are returning to Arkansas, holding a few services on their way home.

Robert and Pauline Parham have been conducting a successful revival in Fayette, Mo., where a number were saved and a large crowd heard the gospel. Brother Wm. E. McCorkle is pastor of the full gospel work there. They will fill some appointments in North Missouri and then they are planning on being in Alvin, Texas, for a tent meeting.

(Sept. 12) Brother and Sister Menke and party closed their meeting near Stella, Mo., last week where souls found the Lord in saving and sanctifying power. They have now begun a revival meeting at Pioneer, Mo., and are looking to God for victory in this place.

Brother James Davis is closing his meetings in Missouri and expects soon to return to his home at Long Beach, California.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Campbell are in Wichita, Kansas, helping Brother Wyatt in a meeting, where souls have been saved.

Brother and Sister Sawrrey have been holding a revival meeting at Joplin, Mo. for over three weeks and a good interest has been shown. They expect to begin their next meeting at Adrain, Mo., Sept. 30.

The meeting at Joplin, Mo., is being continued by Millard Brown and Paul Johnson, who have just closed successful meetings in Arkansas. The Mission is located on the Main street between 13th and 14th streets, and it is the

desire of the Joplin people to keep a continual revival when possible, that those passing through the city may find a place to worship God. Brother C. S. Butler is pastor there.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Harris held a meeting for two weeks and a half near Arnett, Okla., where seven were saved and four sanctified. One old man, 87 years old, was wonderfully saved.

Evangelists Wilfred and Alice Parham have just closed a successful revival meeting in Kansas City, Mo. They have been assisted by Mrs. Phillip Parham of Baxter Springs, Kans., and Everett Corl of Houston, Texas. They are now holding a few meetings in Missouri before beginning another revival campaign.

Rev. Walter Mitchener is holding a revival at Cherry Grove schoolhouse.

The Shackleford sisters are holding a revival meeting twelve miles west and one mile north of Laverne, Okla. A good interest is being shown in the meeting.

ELDON BOLLINGER

Our hearts are made sad at the departing from this life of our dear brother and co-worker, Eldon Bollinger, after a short illness.

The funeral service was held in the Full Gospel Church at Booker, Texas. Brother Piercy Campbell, pastor of the church, had charge of the service, assisted by other ministers and singers. It was a very large funeral, as the family is well known and dearly loved, and the service was attended by a host of neighbors and friends. He was buried in the Booker cemetery. We sorrow for him, not as those who have no hope. For many years his life has been consecrated to the service of God and his entire time given to gospel work. His wife, formerly, Beulah Thompson, was also a minister, and God has abundantly blessed their labors.

He leaves a girl, Eula May, 6 years old; a boy, Eldon, Jr., 2 years old, a baby 10 days old, and other near relatives, who will greatly miss him. We are sure that the hearts of our readers, not only those who knew Sister Bollinger personally, but those who did not know her, will be touched by her bereavement, and will earnestly pray that God will bless her and her family and comfort and sustain as He alone can.