

CHAPTER XIII

THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

There are many phases of the Holy Spirit's operation, but none of them will permit you to claim the Baptism of the Holy Spirit; it does not follow, however, that no one has the Holy Spirit unless he speaks in tongues. We have reached a fanatical state where we make the speaking in tongues a basis, or test, of fellowship, or of spiritual activity. We must go to people kindly, and sweetly, and say: "Thus far you have had the Holy Spirit in contending with oppressions in your lives; you have had occasional anointings, and there is also the anointing that abideth; but no one of these is the Baptism of the Holy Spirit". In all other religious movements the people could reach the acme of Christian experience and stop there; but this Pentecostal movement brings one into an experience where the heights, lengths, and breadths of God's love are always before him, unfathomable, he can never cease in his growth and development.

The Pentecostal Baptism is distinct from every other phase of the Holy Spirit's operation. The anointing of the Holy Spirit opens and illuminates for us the Word of God, and understanding of the Scriptures comes, divine light and revelation from the throne comes, and a well of living water springs up in your being. It now takes the Pentecost to take that truth, and light, and life, and power, and pour it out to your fellow men.

The literal meaning of the word Pentecost is "to pour out", and unless your experience does that for you, you do not have the Bible experience. If your experience makes you absorb and enjoy it within yourself, or leads to fanaticism or wildfire, in the gratification of the lusts of the flesh, or in sensual fellowship, you are like the prodigal; you are living in a riotous way. It is a fact that many Apostolics that have run into fanaticism and wild-

fire, individually and collectively, have found themselves eating husks or not even having husks to eat. It has been my teaching from the foundation of the movement, to warn people of excesses. God wants demonstrations, God wants religious activity, but he also wants strenuous Christian life; and He wants our experiences to be a benefit to other people and not for mere gratifications of our own feelings.

The Holy Spirit of Pentecost has a particular, special operation in the latter rain. Why? Because of the fact that in the last days, when the clouds of anarchy and the sound of the crashing of wars—wars that will cause the fall of nations—begin to loom up and darken the political horizon of the world, He is to hold back these terrible events till the servants of our God are sealed in their foreheads.

By what method are they sealed? By some man's operation, or by the laying on of hands, or by dipping in water? No! It is not a thing that man can glory in, or anything whereof man can boast. From its incipency until it is wrought out in its fullness in glorification, God works it. "He who hath bought you is God, who hath also sealed us by the Holy Spirit." "Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption." (Eph. 4:30.) Are not these clear and definite statements that the Holy Spirit does the sealing?

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is something more than fine spun ethical teaching. The result in your life will be more than to keep good society, have good manners, attend the church, partake of its ordinances, and pay tithes. Any old Angora goat would do that just for the reward of position it would bring in society or in the church. You can take on the entire business in modern churchanity, with all its red tape, formalistic observances, and ritualistic practices, and get the least satisfaction out of it than anything in the world. What the world wants is old-time salvation attended by all its fullness and power. God give us old time salvation; we are tired of this massage.

Many different movements in the world claim the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Every church claims it. They all have different evidences to signify its presence, and none of them tally with the evidence as given in the second chapter of Acts. For fear we would take as evidence some of these other phases, such as shouting, leaping, jumping, etc., God gave us a definite standard. Listen; the Word is positive: "In whom ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise, which is the earnest of our inheritance unto the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory". (Eph. 1:13, 14.) That vanquishes all other phases and gives to us only the Holy Spirit of Promise as the sealing power, which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession. When you get the true Pentecost, you will have the earnest of the glorious spiritual power that will come in your being at redemption—in your glorified body. O, it gives a wonderful inspiration to climb the arduous paths and pass through the hard places with an eternal sight of eternal things! Of how little moment, then, are the things that harass us by the way. For the glory that is set before us, we endure the cross and despise the shame.

When you receive your Pentecost, you have the earnest of your full fruition. For example: Somebody dies and leaves you the sum of \$5,000; if the executor should send you \$500 of the \$5,000, the \$500 is the earnest, or the initial payment of the \$5,000. This illustrates Pentecost. When Pentecost comes you catch the breath of the eternal breezes that float down the delectable mountains and across the Elysian fields, laden with the honeyed, be-dewed perfumes of the Roses of Sharon and the Lillies of the Valley, and are wafted through the ever vernal trees and out through the gates of heaven; and 'tis then you begin to taste of the sweetness of that fair land.

If you do not have your Pentecost—(I do not mean foolish demonstrations and manifestations, but Pentecost) — you should not let a morning's sun rise till you had wrestled it out with God and received the blessing.

Wherein does the Baptism of the Holy Spirit differ from the anointing that abideth? The anointing illuminates, teaches, and fills. Pentecost takes these blessings and pours them out to others. Pentecost is also given as a power to witness as well as to seal His people. In reference to the sealing, read the eighth and ninth chapters of Revelation. The sealed ones will escape the plagues and wraths that are coming in the great tribulation. The Pentecostal endowment is the life insurance of the universe.

✓ Pentecost is given as a power to witness. There is no increase of healing power, nor power to cast out demons in Pentecost, for proof of which I call to witness the experience of the disciples. It is primarily given as a power to witness, and not an influx of spiritual sensuality or lustful enjoyment of some supposed spiritual blessing; it is to take that life of yours without any thought or consideration for yourself or preparation to make life easy and comfortable—to take that life of yours and pour it out in service to your fellowmen. Anything short of this in your Pentecostal experience is of false origin. Remember that.

The first feature of Pentecostal blessing is prophesying—speaking in your own language and making you capable for world-wide ministry; to speak in your own tongue, in exhortation, edification, and comfort, just as much as speaking in other tongues. This morning I prayed in tongues to the delight of a man who could not speak our language, and had not had a thing out of our services; but God let me pray out the fullness of His Gospel in his language—he needed it. I have good times walking and talking with the Lord in the night. I sing in tongues, pray in tongues, and talk in tongues; but publicly I follow the fourteenth chapter of First Corinthians and obey it. A great many times while preaching I stagger a little in my speech because of the impulse to speak in tongues; but I have learned to let the tongue speak at times and other times not. God gives us an intelligent use of Pentecostal blessings.

I have many times spoken in the Yiddish language, a language understood by all Jews in Central Europe, and I expect

God to give me a wonderful ministry among the Jews in Jerusalem.

Divine inspiration is the basic principle of Quakerism, and nearly all evangelists believe in it. I believe that God will take my tongue and speak through these lips of clay, for if the Holy Spirit is the inspiration, he is able to speak through us any language of the world, for He knows them all.

A Baptist preacher said to a friend of mine: "Now, don't become crazy about this. I have been through college, and I know it is impossible for anybody to speak in other or foreign languages, unless he has learned them." This preacher had a Ph. D., D. D., and L. L. D. on the rear end of his name and a Rev. in front of it. My friend came to me in trouble and said: "What shall I do about this?"

I challenged that preacher to come to my school for just one week. I promised him a post-graduate course that would enable him to put another degree on the end of his name. I would have gotten him so humble before God, and so willing to let God use him, that he would have come out of the post-graduate course with A. S. S. on the end of his name. Could I have gotten him to become as humble as was Balaam's mule, God would have talked through him in tongues.

When you get to the place where you are willing to become the gazing stock of the world—(It is a false position taken by these fanatics when they say God tries to humble us by contortions; they even get spiritual pride in these exercises. When God humbles us it is not in the dust of the earth but in the dust of humility)—when we are willing to be made, as the Greek expressed it, the "theater" for this world, then God can use us. Balaam's ass is the only Old Testament character that spoke in tongues. And if God could use Balaam's ass to speak the Arabic, the junk of all languages, you, with all your boasts of civilization and learning, of being able to walk on your hind legs even, having dropped from the cocoanut tree, shed your tail,

shaved your face, and passed the animal stage, YOU ought to realize that the God of creation who, with the voice of His power, spoke into existence a universe like this, could also operate any particular atom of the universe to HIS honor and glory. We ought to be ashamed that we ever, in any sense, doubted God's power to speak through us in any tongue.

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit specially enables us to fulfill that one clause in the last chapter of Mark: "They (believers) shall speak with new tongues." "O, but that is a gift," you say. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is as universal as salvation, and the speaking in tongues as the witness to Pentecost is the initial gift of tongues that may develop into a real gift of language, just as the faith that comes in conversion is the initial faith that may develop into the real gift of faith, which enables one to believe God without any doubt. But the gift of tongues is given to everyone to profit withal to the glory of God.

We have several missionaries in the field who have the gift of tongues, who not only speak the language and understand the natives, but can use the language intelligently; it has become a gift to them. Speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance is God's witness to the Baptism, and is your assurance that you have been sealed unto the day of redemption; all doubts and fears are vanquished, and you are enabled to tread through the darkness of these last days, smiling triumphantly at the gathering shadows, while the waves are rolling and the lightning flashing amidst the conclave of planets, the falling of nations, and the crashing of all inanimate nature in that terrible earthquake, the like of which has never been known. O, there is no fear to the truly sealed of God!

Speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance is not only a gift, but it gives you the sign as a believer, and is also a sign to believers. It is a known fact that scores of infidels have been converted through hearing people speak distinctly in other languages.

There are two things, then, that come to you in Pentecost: The power for witnessing in your own or any language of the world in this world-wide missionary effort—for this Gospel of the Kingdom must speedily be preached to every nation, as a witness only, and we need for that purpose the sign of believers and the sign to unbelievers—and last and best of all, it seals you unto the day of redemption.

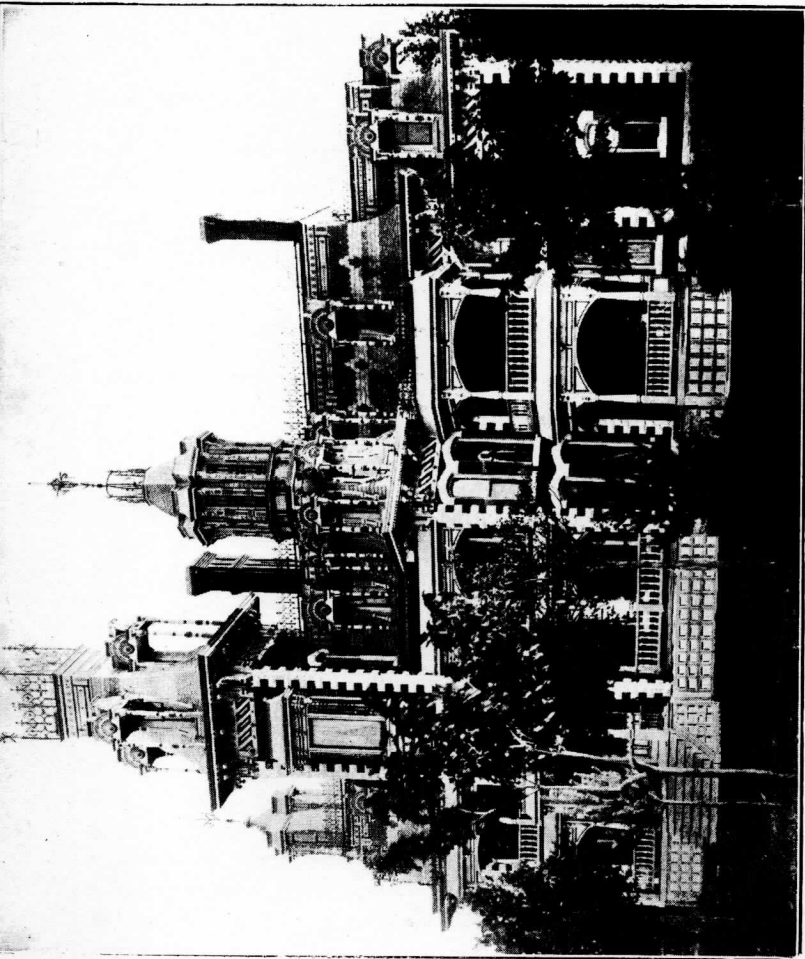
CHAPTER XIV

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE ANOINTING — SPOOKS

The anointing of the Holy Spirit fell upon the disciples seven weeks before Pentecost. The Sunday night after Jesus had broken the bars of death asunder, and after the supper at Emmaus, the disciples were all gathered in a locked upper room. Suddenly Jesus appeared in their midst and said: "It is I; be not afraid." He then breathed on them and said: "Receive ye the Holy Ghost". They did, and their eyes were opened to the whole life, plan, and ministry of Jesus.

This, then, is the anointing: To illuminate the Word, to give revelation of truth, and is an in-filling of the Holy Spirit. This is the phase of the Holy Spirit's power received by all truly sanctified persons, which they mistake for and call the Baptism of Pentecost.

Seven weeks later, again in an upper room, the baptism fell. The effect of this was an outpouring; not only is it an outpouring upon us, but the effect on our lives is that it causes us to pour out our lives in sacrificial service for God. While there is an attendant blessing as sweet as honey-dew, yet Pentecost is given to us for power to witness and enable us to give out to others what the anointing has been filling us with. The anointing is within you a well of water (artesian); the baptism lends the pressure or power to compel that well to flow from your inward parts in "streams of living water" to your fellowmen. O, how many, instead of giving the Holy Spirit his legitimate use in their lives, have used that power to gratify their spiritual sensuality for "feelin's"; and the grovelling surrender of most missions to



COLLEGE OF BETHEL, TOPEKA, KANSAS

Where the baptism of the Holy Ghost fell January 1, 1901. In this latter rain, Outpouring, according to Acts, second chapter. (This building was later destroyed by fire.)

fleshly, magnetic sensations has disgraced the work the world over.

The "Pentecost" is on trial for its very life. The missionaries sent out must speak the languages of the natives. Scores have been sent to foreign fields by so-called messages, who have no language but their own; many of them returned; others stayed to graft the Home Missions support; some tried to learn the languages or took positions in those countries. If the Holy Spirit had sent out these workers, they would have been endowed with real tongues. This is a patent fact.

All the opposition from the churches and holiness movements is created by the fact that two-thirds of the Pentecostal, Holy Roller freaks have not produced the goods, and the real work of the Baptism is hidden behind such a mess of rotten rubbish and nonsensical fits and fleshly controls that our religious leaders and teachers condemn the work wholesale. No one in the true Apostolic work ever claims the Baptism of the Holy Spirit until he speaks fluently and smoothly in another language, and then have it proven by some disinterested foreigner witnessing to the fact that they really used a language. No repetition of sounds or chattering are ever accepted unless it occurs at the first reception of the baptism, but must then speedily give away to a clear real language that you are able to use without any undue emotions or unnatural action of the body.

To illustrate: A Free Methodist preacher of Los Angeles received a real Pentecost and spoke in a real language. A few days afterwards he visited the Azuza street mission and was seized with a spook and returned home with a staring look in his eyes. He stood at the window barking like a dog; he went off into the hills to pray, and an unseemly force would seize him, and he would bray like a donkey, crow like a rooster, etc. Putting on this kind of a show in a Free Methodist school in the vicinity of Los Angeles, thoroughly disgusted them with the very name of Apostolic or Pentecost. Result: A few days later his mother-in-law (whose daughter, the preacher's wife, was raised some

years ago, when dying, in answer to our prayers), seized him by the arm and said: "What is the matter with you? Something has gotten control of you. Come out of him!" The spook came out, leaving him normal, and he continued to experience a real Pentecost.

Many hundreds, in seeking Pentecost, were taught to yield to any force, as God would not permit them to be misled; under those conditions they were ripe for hypnotic influence, often practiced by workers or spooks. Two-thirds of the people professing Pentecost are either hypnotized or spook-driven, being seized in the first place with a false spirit or coming under the control of one afterward. We cannot be too careful to try or test the spirits, and any person unwilling to have their experience tested by going to God for themselves or with the brethren, reveal the fact that they are demon-controlled; and the demon seeks this subterfuge to continue his damaging operations. Often in casting out these false controls they have cried out of individuals, "Don't dishonor the Holy Spirit by doubting that this is His power that so mightily uses us"; but they came out in the mighty name of Jesus, leaving the person free to exercise a sane, enthusiastic service for God, baptized in the Holy Spirit and speaking in a clear language.

As a result of all these fleshly exercises, they have interpretation (?) and discernment (?) too, oh, yes — false. In one of the last camp meetings they held in Los Angeles, the hypnotic spiritualistic control into which the children were led by false leaders caused such cruelty to their poor bodies in throwing them into contortions and fits that the Humane Society had to take a hand; and they are to be thanked for doing so.

All those thus controlled became sad-eyed nervous wrecks, have a lean, lank hungry-coyote look in their faces. Such forces are a prostitution of spiritual power, and never an aid to purity and victory. I have seen meetings where all crowded together around the altar, and laying across one another like hogs, blacks and whites mingling; this should be enough to bring a blush of

shame to devils, let alone angels, and yet all this was charged to the Holy Spirit. Decency, order, and propriety mark all the operations of the Holy Spirit, and all our public services should be for the edification of the church, not to get worked up into an animalism creating magnetic currents tending to lust and free love rather than purity.

Brethren, pray that God will cleanse these things out of the so-called Pentecostal missions and lift the embargo of disgrace from all the work of God. These forces are unknown in the original Apostolic missions.

CHAPTER XV.

THE SEALING

Since there are so many teachings today of self-ordained leaders, of more or less human unction and truth, yet who fall into dreadful errors, it behooves us to try the Spirits, to prove all things, and to hold fast that which is true.

That error is the most dangerous which contains the most truth; yea, error would fall of its own weight if not upheld by pillars of truth.

We also note that wherever error exists, it is marked by intensity of propagation and a seeming blindness of its disseminators to its utter un-Scripturalness. The Word of God is perverted to suit their own convenience until, onward rushing through deserts barren or mountain wilderness, they are lost to sight of saner and wiser men, wrecked in the crater of modern seething religious volcanic disturbances.

So God's sheep are today led by these "goats" into arid pastures. Starved bleating flocks are eating the wool off one another, proselyting and denouncing all who do not feed in the same pasture with themselves; even while they feed upon the cacti and sagebrush of wildest fanaticism, and led by men whose so-called "divine revelations" are as vain as a madman's dreams, the unction of an elevated ego, produced by a "brainstorm" of over-wrought imagination of self-exaltation and self-esteem.

As there are so many today claiming divine leadership, who say they are sealing the Bride and setting the true church in order, by water baptisms, etc., we feel led to declare that the sealing of the Bride and the setting of the body (the church) in order, will be done by God, and not by the systems or organized schemes of men.

Amid the gathering of the clouds in the last days, God promises a sealing to his servants in their foreheads. (Rev. 7), that they may escape "the time of trouble". (Dan. 12.)

Now, we would ask, is the sealing of such a nature that we may be sure of the fact when we are sealed?

The fact is ever true that we are sealed by the Holy Spirit, and that this sealing has to do with the preliminaries of redemption, for He says: "Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption". (Eph. 4:30.)

In order that the saints should not take various phases of the Holy Spirit's power in the fruits, gifts or blessings, He designates the particular operation of the Holy Spirit that does the sealing. "After that ye believed, ye were sealed by the Holy Spirit of promise, which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession". (Eph. 1:13, 14.)

"Now, he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God; who hath also sealed us and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts". (2 Cor. 1:21, 22.) Remember, that it is an incontrovertible fact in Scripture that the Holy Ghost of promise was, and is today, accompanied with speaking in other tongues.

Get your personal Pentecost, your personal evidence, so that you may feel the glorious sealing power, setting and fixing you in God in these perilous times of religious discussion and of amateur theologians drifting through the land.

The present Pentecost is not only given as the sign of a believer, the sign to unbelievers, the power to witness (prophecy) only in your own language, but in other tongues as the Spirit giveth utterance; but in these last days the Holy Spirit is sealing in the forehead and bestowing the power so that we can sing, pray, and preach "in the Spirit" as a "gift of tongues," not a gift of brains.

God, the church, and the world are tired of listening to these modern preachers while they whittle intellectual shavings and theological chips. They want REALITY, a message from under the Throne, delivered by one who opens his mouth to be filled by God, with burning, clinching truth. This message is now going forth.

CHAPTER XVI.

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE RULERS OF EUROPE

TO HIS MAJESTY:

May I beg pardon for this seeming impudent intrusion?

In olden times, it was profitable for Nebuchadnezzar to listen to the servant of the Lord. Although thou art oft beset with cranks, I beg a few moments' time to present a message from the King of Kings; not as a crank, but as a messenger of God, lest in the coming European conflict, listening to mercenary statesmen and over-zealous Patriots, thou dost allow conditions to arise creating unnecessary and sanguinary results.

This know, Oh, King: The Gentile Age is closing; the restoration of Palestine by Jewry is at hand. The nations covering the Roman Empire's territory must resolve themselves into the TEN-TOED KINGDOM, closing the vision of Daniel's Image. The fall and dismemberment of the Turkish Empire is at hand, for her "treading down of the Holy Land till the fulfillment of the times of the Gentiles" is ending.

The Bear (Daniel 7) has raised herself on one side, obtaining all of Siberia, threatens China and Persia, and is now ready to crush three ribs. Let Turkey, Austria and Germany beware! Twice before, the Tartan hordes overran Europe until Rome fell and the Greek and Gaul their knees in suppliance bent. This will be followed by a conflict between England and Russia over boundary lines. England will take Egypt, the Holy Land, and half of Persia; Russia will take Constantinople.

To this end, I plead that it may please the King to seek the will and purpose of the Almighty in guiding the Ship of State, and not the erring pilots of statescraft.

His Humble Servant,

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(This letter was written and mailed to the Kings of Europe in 1912. Three of them answered the letters, but on another subject, also inserted in the same letter.)

CHAPTER XVII

WAR! WAR! WAR!

Notes from Sermon by Charles F. Parham, Zion City, Illinois,
August 27, 1914. Text: Jer. 16:4.

"Behold, it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord God; this is the day whereof I have spoken". (Ezek. 39:8.)

"For by fire and by his sword will the Lord plead with all flesh"; (Isaiah 66:16.)

"They shall not be gathered nor be buried; they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth". (Jeremiah 8:2.)

The earth's vintage is ripe; the winepress is ready; the whirlwind of the Lord is gone forth and will not return until it has accomplished His purpose. Justice demands, prophecy for fulfillment stands, and all is ready for the sword of God.

"When your cities are run with blood, I will destroy the nation." When the principal support of the city governments is blood money drawn from the saloons and brothels, the dance halls, etc — winepresses; where the blood of your sons and daughters is ruthlessly trodden out and thousands have perished year after year without an eye to pity save of Him who shall render judgment. NOW Justice, with flaming sword, steps from behind the pleading form of Mercy, to punish the nations which have mingled the blood of thousands of human sacrifices upon the altar of their commercial and imperialistic expansion.

We are finishing the feet of Daniel's image (Daniel 2), the iron and the clay. The iron representing the strong monarchies and kingdoms and the clay the weak principalities and republics. The present war is to destroy these, then the Ten-Toed Kingdom may be ushered in.

The Bear (Daniel 7) has been raising herself on one side and all of Northern Asia has been drawn into her embrace, even entering the China closet, and would have smashed all of the China if the Japs had not run Bruin out. Now, with 10,000,000 men, she proceeds to crush three ribs in her mouth. The countries that rib Russia are Germany, Austria and Turkey. The reason for their division is that part of them belong to the old Roman Empire, and part do not. Russia must control all of Europe and Asia that was not formerly ruled by Babylon and Rome.

Many persons have said to us while lecturing upon this subject: "Russia will never accomplish that". They forget that twice before have the Tartar hordes of Russia and Asia swept down over Europe. Rome fell, while Celt and Greek their knees in suppliance bent.

As a result of these expeditions, Russian power will extend over most of Asia, but eventually they will have to withdraw from any and all territory that was covered by the first image of Daniel.

Should Germany defeat France and England she will be too exhausted to meet this northern avalanche.

After a short exploitation of the Leopard Kingdom, anarchy, the fourth Beast of Daniel 7, arises to devour much flesh. This is also known as the Scarlet (red flag) colored Beast of Revelation, and will tread out the empires of Southwestern Europe. A reign of terror will ensue; national divisions will be effaced, and the time of trouble such as there never was will result. Every man's hand will be against his neighbor, and all phases of civilization will be lost in the throes of anarchy, blood, fire and extermination.

At this juncture, the woman (Roman Catholicism) sitting upon the Scarlet Colored Beast, asserts her power. The Pope only can control sufficient of the conscience of men to thus stop the onward rush of anarchy. The combined forces of Catholicism

in Europe will be called into the field for the restoration of law and order. Quietitude results, or in other words, Catholicism rides into power on the back of anarchy. Then will the Pope of Rome (yielding to the general demand) establish a system of socialism and appoint ten kings to rule the Ten-Horned or Ten-King kingdom of Daniel.

The countries occupying the territory of the old Roman Empire must resolve themselves within the boundary lines of that empire. The European countries have and are losing their colonial possessions. In like manner England will lose, by secession and otherwise, her colonies. Even Ireland and Scotland will withdraw, for England, to the Scottish walls, belongs to the Old Roman Empire, and must of necessity become one of the ten toes of the Ten-Toed Kingdom.

The United States will be drawn into the struggle (perhaps before this reaches the readers.) China and Mexico are pulling hard on her military strings. Beware!! Anarchy, in the struggle between capital and labor, will soon fill our gutters with blood, while she who sat yesterday in palace fair, attended by many servants, will tomorrow search the ruins of her former home (for relics of her former greatness), wearing the garb of charity and fed upon public alms. Churches, lodges, unions, combines, and trusts, will fall in one mighty crash. (James 5.)

Babylon and her daughters, Catholicism and her Protestant daughters, will then fall, and the hireling ministry and missionaries, represented by the merchants and shipmasters, will cry: Alas! Alas! for God will spew them out of His mouth. God is sick of this cold, dead, fashionable churchanity, with its hireling puppets in her pulpits, and He is going to permit the struggle between capital and labor to crush Babylon; while high on Zion's Hills shall God's redeemed exultant stand, the glorious Church without spot or wrinkle. Glory be to our God!

During this time of trouble, the Jews will be signally restored to Palestine. In the struggle of nations, England will seize

Asia Minor to maintain her balance of power in the east, and will invite the Jews to return. The Bible says the ships of Chittim will carry them back. Chittim is England, the land of tin, from which Solomon bought it. The Jews will carry with them three-fourths of the coined wealth of the world. This alone would produce a state of anarchy. All who desire may accompany them thither. The Bride goes back with the Jews as the "Remnant."

During the last few years diplomats and statesmen have declared that for the continuation of peace, the further advancement of commercial and intellectual interest of the world, a strong and independent nation should be established about the mouth waters of the Nile. No people are so capable of supplying this demand in every particular as the Jews; and no people have such ties to draw and bind them, or national pride in establishing such a nation. Henceforth, Jerusalem shall be the hub of the world intellectually, politically, and religiously.

When the Jewish Congress meets in Jerusalem and by proclamation declare themselves a restored nation, that edict opens the seventieth week of Daniel and the last seven years of this age. They rebuild their Temple, and in so far as possible, re-establish their ancient worship. The glory and splendor of the city will surpass anything ever known in history.

The Jews who are already in Jerusalem are daily and hourly expecting their Messiah, whether as a mighty king, or born as a little child, they know not. Thank God! The Messiah—Christ, is soon to appear!

The clouds of trouble and war (Revelation 7) have been held back for fifteen years to permit the sealing of the children of God in their foreheads with THAT Holy Ghost of Promise. (Eph. 1:13-14.) For years we have warned the people that these low-hung clouds would soon answer to the call of Justice, and with flash of lightning and roll of thunder speed their way to the zenith, and those who desire to be sealed must apply

themselves assiduously or fail to obtain the sealing, and thus be compelled to go on into the reign of Anti-Christ and be worn out by martyrdom. The time of sealing is almost expired; already the dark clouds begin to obscure the grey streaks of the Millennial Day, the scurrying clouds play about the morning star. The darkest hour is just before dawn — the war of nations, the reign of anarchy and the Anti-Christ.

Through the darkness and gloom the Sun of Righteousness will burst forth in all the effulgent glory of the noonday sun. It will not be faithfulness to church, creed, or leader that will save you in that day, but your character in God. A clean, sanctified life, baptised with the Holy Ghost of Promise is essential for the escape and to permit you to enter redemption. This is the time of trouble spoken of by Daniel (Chapter 12), and in the beginning of it God's children are to be delivered by redemption. The mortal will put on immortality, and the glorious church inaugurated. This does not occur at the descent of the Lord, but years before, in the time of trouble.

O, brethren, only the pure and holy who are washed in His blood and baptised in the Holy Spirit, and those living in love and fellowship with one another, will be ready. Consecrate your lives fully to God; obtain the Holy Spirit, the sealing of the Bride; be worthy to become baptised by one Spirit into one body, thereby reaching redemption, which is our birthright. Sell it not for a mess of pottage.

Recapitulation: War! War! War! — What For?

To murder a fellow-creature! To receive therefore even less than thirty pieces of silver, and perhaps live to receive the plaudits and honor of a more cowardly country and imbecile nation; for that nation is imbecile which retains its existence through the struggling exploits of war. We hang our heads in shame to see Christian nations and individuals yield themselves to the embrace of the Moloch-God, Patriotism, whose principal doctrine was honor (?), there to have consumed in that death struggle the

feeling of philanthropy and humanity; spending millions to build the fires for the consummation of these virtues, while the cause of Christ languishes, heaven loses, hell opens her jaws, and so-called Christian nations feed (by war) to satisfy her gluttonous appetite.

How much more far reaching the influence would be, for time and eternity, if nations and individuals could really become imbued with the teachings of Jesus, whom they profess to follow, and spend the millions and the men in the world's evangelization. Yet while thousands of men will volunteer and suffer the hardships and privations of an earthly war for glory, few, indeed, will volunteer and endure the slightest privations for the Master's kingdom and eternal glory. Where is your faith, brethren? When He comes will He, indeed, find faith on the earth? Will we hide ourselves in the rocks and mountains in shame, when He appears, or shall we arouse ourselves and prove our loyalty by our works, lift up a standard for the people, carry aloft the blood-stained banner of King Emanuel, and enlist, then, when the war is over, have to stand aside, or with the victorious redeemed army, though tattered and torn, march in triumph in the grand review of the King of Kings?

CHAPTER XVIII

THE FUTURE OF NATIONS

At no time in several centuries, perhaps, has this subject been so prominently placed before the world. People in every walk of life are yearning for a glimpse into the future — hungering for knowledge pertaining to the world's condition and its final disposition. Because of this searching, we are led to know that the Holy Spirit is striving to impress upon human intellect the certainty of the near approach of Jesus Christ. For this reason this booklet is given out, prayerfully, with the one desire that there are those who may be drawn into a more vital oneness with "The Only Prince of Peace".

Reading with interest the daily newspapers anent the peace pact being attempted, and noting the international complications arising from his conference, we desire to give the world the result of our investigations and conclusions as gleaned from the "Book of Books" and taught by sages and prophets of all ages.

First, we want to call attention to the "image" revealed to Daniel:

Its head was of fine gold.

Breast and arms of silver.

Belly and thighs of brass.

Legs of iron.

Feet partly of iron and partly of clay. (Daniel 2:32, 33.)

The head of fine gold represents the Babylonian Empire.

The breasts and arms of silver, the Medo-Persian Kingdom.

The bowels and thighs of brass, the Macedonian Empire.

The legs of iron, the Eastern and Western Roman Empire.

Reaching from India to the Scottish walls.

The feet of iron and clay, the divided Roman Empire, subdivided into twenty-three kingdoms and republics, as they existed before the war.

Iron represents strong monarchies or empires.

Clay represents weak principalities or republics.

The ten toes will come into existence after anarchy has swept the nations in the form of a ten-toed League of Nations.

At about the time of the Roman Empire, Daniel gave a prophetic glimpse of the evolution of modern nations. (Dan. 7.)

He beheld the rise of four nations from the great sea of humanity:

The first was like a Lion (Great Britain), which had Eagle Wings (United States). He saw the wings plucked and lifted up from the earth, and made to stand upon feet like a man — designating strength and power. A man's heart was given unto it (Freedom, Justice, Philanthropy).

The next was the Bear — Russia.

The third was the Leopard — Italy.

The fourth a diversified beast, destroying all others — Bolshevism.

Prophetically the Lion — Great Britain — is losing by secession and otherwise all her colonies. Even Ireland and Scotland will withdraw, for England belongs to the Roman Empire to the Scottish walls, and must become one of the ten toes of Daniel's image.

The decadence of the British Empire is marked — as retrogression rapidly overtakes the aged. Her national sins of centuries confront her; her strength wanes, as the vitality of one grown old in business. She still retains her executive ability, yet

her admirers note with sadness her physical weakness. Regardless of her many virtues, she, like other nations, must reap what she has sown.

The Bear — Russia — raised herself on one side when she drew all Siberia under her dominion. Her next act will be the establishment of a mighty dictatorship uniting all the disgruntled factions of the Russian Empire.

The three ribs which Russia will then crush are the countries which girth her as ribs upon the south — Germany, Austria, and Turkey.

Russia will acquire all the countries which did not formerly belong to the Roman Empire, and will control all of Northern Europe and will rule as a mighty Empire, whose dictator, as the "King of the North," will come down to the Battle of Armageddon.

Next, the Leopard — Italy — will exploit herself, assisted by four nations. The time of her operations appear now to be most opportune, since she so haughtily withdrew from the Peace Conference. What will be the nature of her exploitations is conjecture, but tremendous events may be looked for.

The four wings upon the back of the Leopard represent the lifting or elevating power of four other countries.

The four heads of the Leopard indicate that four other nations will assist her in her coming operations.

The last Beast of Daniel — "Dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth; it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns". (Daniel 7:7.)

This is Bolshevism which, with the scarlet colored Beast of Revelation — anarchy — is to devastate the present nations in a struggle between the rich and the poor, resulting in the

"Time of Trouble" spoken of by Daniel, "such as there never was." (Daniel 12:1.)

Daniel's description declares this Beast is diverse from all other beasts who went before it — this is certainly typical with Bolshevism. All other beasts or powers which preceded had organized forms of government, with centralized seats of power and limited by geographical boundaries.

In the coming struggle, Bolshevism and kindred revolutionary movements will destroy the present governments, burn the principal cities, and kill the nobles and the rich and ruling classes, like dogs. When the nations are prostrated, the "Woman" — Catholicism — seated upon the back of the scarlet colored beast of anarchy, rides into power and asserts her authority. (Revelation 17:3.)

The Pope then will be the only one with sufficient power over the conscience of men to command force sufficient to restore order.

At this juncture, a great teacher will arise who will reduce the teachings of Jesus Christ and present them to the world as a basis of all law and a new social order.

The ruling class and the rich having been killed, and the masses wearied with war and bloodshed, will hail this man as a mighty deliverer. The Pope, being compelled to yield to the popular clamor, the old Roman Empire, and perhaps the United States (since we are so vitally concerned in the affairs of the world) will be arranged into a ten-horned, ten-toed League of Nations, as outlined by Daniel and John, the Revelator. These will be red republics, or socialistic democracies, governed by a commission of ten men. This organization of ten states will occur at about the beginning of the last seven years of this age. At the beginning of this time, anarchy, which now threatens the world, and the Jews, with three-fourths of the coined wealth of the world, will re-establish themselves in Palestine, making Jerusalem and Palestine the hub for all future activities. The

establishment of this League of Nations will give the Jews their distinct nationalization. A covenant will be made with them and the "seventieth week of Daniel" will begin. (Daniel 9:24.)

THE MAN who will teach the establishment of this "ten-toed" socialistic democracy, will become the dictator of world thought. He appears to have chosen Jerusalem for his residence. No man in past ages has received the homage, the honor, and veneration, he will enjoy. To him will be attributed the acme of unselfish philanthropy and humanitarianism known to history.

In the middle of the last seven years — about three years and one-half after the consummation of the League of Nations — and three years and one-half prior to the Battle of Armageddon, this man will be wounded unto death at the hand of an assassin.

The Bible says the whole world will mourn him. Into his dead body will come the Spirit of Anti-Christ; he will return to life and assume the most autocratic dictatorship the world has ever known. The Jews, believing that he fulfills all their Scripture concerning their Messiah, will accept him with the most fanatical, patriotic fervor ever manifested. The Pope, who will be the representative head at the time of all formalistic, Catholicistic, and Protestant Christianity, will proclaim him to be the Christ, and he will assume the office of the False Prophet of Revelation to exalt him.

The Jews will cease their worship and give consent to the false prophet, the Pope, to place an image of this man in the Holy of Holies in the rebuilt temple of Jerusalem, and an order is sent out that no one can buy or sell unless he worship the beast or image, or has his mark in the forehead or right hand.

To the Anti-Christ will also be given the power to perform divers miracles, such as to cause fire to descend from Heaven, and many other wonders, to deceive the people. (Rev. 13, etc.)

During the late war many hundreds of people have written to inquire whether subscribing to food pledges, Liberty bonds, etc., is the mark of the Beast. To all such we are able to emphatically say: "No!" But it will act as an incentive to educate people to a ready acceptance to the mark of the Beast by mingling with patriotic and religious fervor. The "mark of the Beast" and the personality of Anti-Christ will be more fully explained in another chapter.

Two dictators now rule the world — the King of the North, dictator of Russia, and Anti-Christ, at Jerusalem as autocratic dictator of the Ten-Horned Democracy. (Daniel 11:40.)

The Battle of Armageddon (of which more will be explained in another chapter) will result after an attempt on the part of these two men to supplant each other and attain the one-man dictatorship of the world. "The King of the North" shall push against the "King of the South," and the King of the South will push back at him, until the dictator of Russia, gathering all his fighting forces, will push southward, east of the Jordan, into Egypt. Upon hearing these tidings from the east and north concerning the preparations of the Anti-Christ to meet him, will also gather large forces of Ethiopians, and by forced marches up the sea coast (Ezekiel 39) lay siege to Jerusalem. When a third of the city is taken, her houses rifled, and her women ravished, comes the signs of the coming of the Son of Man in the Clouds of Heaven. The two dictators at once sign an armistice, concentrating all their forces in the valley of Esdraelon, there to await the descent of the Lord and the destruction of their armies at the Battle of Armageddon. Thus, in one battle, Christ will dispose of all opposing forces and pave the way to the establishment of His Kingdom, where Justice and Judgment shall sit. The Messiah shall reign and earth hold her jubilee for a thousand years. (Zech. 14.)

CHAPTER XIX.

ON EARTH — TOLSTOY'S PREDICTION

"The bells will peal, long-haired men will dress in golden sacks to pray for successful slaughter. And the old story will begin again, the awful customary acts. All sorts of government officials will buzz about, foreseeing a possibility of purloining something more than usual. The military authorities hurry hither and thither, drawing double pay and rations, and with the expectation of receiving for the slaughter of other men various silly little ornaments which they so highly prize, as ribbons, crosses, orders, and stars. Idle ladies and gentlemen will cack society and bind up the wounds of those whom their husbands and brothers will mutilate, and they will imagine that, in so doing, they are performing a most Christian work.

"And, smothering despair within their souls by songs, licentiousness and wine, men will trail along, torn from peaceful labor, from their wives, mothers and children — hundreds of simple-minded, good-natured men, with murderous weapons in their hands — anywhere they may be driven.

"They will march, freeze, hunger, suffer sickness and die from it, or finally, come to some place where they will be slain by thousands or kill thousands themselves, with no reason — men whom they have never seen before, and who neither have done nor could do them any mischief.

"And when the number of sick, wounded, and killed becomes so great that there are not hands enough to pick them up, and when the air is so infected with the putrifying scent of the 'food for powder,' a truce will be made, the wounded will be picked up anyhow, the sick will be brought in and huddled in heaps, the killed will be covered over with earth and lime, and once more the crowd of deluded men will be led on and on till

those who have devised the project weary of it, or till those who thought it profitable receive their spoil.

"And so, once more, men will be made savage, fierce and brutal, and love will wane in the world, and the Christianizing of mankind, which has already begun, will lapse for scores and hundreds of years. And so, once more, the men who reaped profit from it all will assert, with assurance, that since there has been a war there must needs have been one, and that other wars must follow, and they will again prepare future generations for a continuance of slaughter, depraving them from their birth."

"LEO TOLSTOY."

NOTE:—Yes, it would be true if our Lord and King were not coming soon; but our hope is in Him, and ere many moons the Lord will disperse the clouds and usher in the glorious Millenium Day. Praise Him!

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CHAPTER XX.

CONDITIONAL IMMORTALITY

The doctrine of "Conditional Immortality" is not a new theory, but if adopted, would revolutionize all so-called Orthodox creeds and doctrines. Unless you accept this doctrine as the basic foundation on which to build the superstructure of all other doctrines, the whole Bible becomes a maze of contradictions and lies. Orthodoxy teaches that all men have Eternal Life, either in Heaven or Hell, but we teach that man can only obtain Eternal Life and Immortality through the "new birth," and the in-wrought life of Christ. Orthodoxy teaches that every babe obtains an immortal soul at physical birth; we teach that infants have a mortal soul and obtain the first germ of Eternal Life and being in the in-wrought work of conception, at conversion, then by faithful continuance in good works, seek for glory, honor, immortality, Eternal Life. That Immortality is now possessed only by the Lord Jesus Christ, as Paul says, "He only hath Immortality dwelling in the Light." There is no such thing as an Immortal soul; only that can be Immortal which has been mortal, the body. The inward man receives eternal life when he is born again, the outward man must wait for Immortality until, in a moment, when the trumpet sounds, the dead will be raised, and the living changed. This will not take place until Redemption. We obtain Immortality, not through the physical or spiritual birth, "But the whole creation groaneth in pain," while now waiting for the adoption, to-wit, the Redemption of our bodies. (Romans 8:23.)

Conditional Immortality teaches that Adam was a perfect human being, without Immortality, that had he obeyed God, He would have continued to live forever, a human being in Eden. When Adam fell, he lost his physical life, and the privilege of everlasting existence. The entire Scriptures agree that Christ

died to restore the human race to what was lost in Adam, and all those found worthy at the White Throne judgment will obtain this estate, but, as a personal reward from the Father to the Son, Christ has been permitted by the power of the new birth, to give life to whosoever will, from the human to the Divine plane, giving them Eternal Life, Immortality at the resurrection, and glorification, joint heirship as they enter the Holy City that comes down with God at the end of the judgment.

Christ is the Savior of all men, especially those who believe. Christ made a general atonement in His blood, which will give Everlasting Life in the new Earth to all that are found worthy in the judgment. He is especially the Savior for those that accept Him in the new birth and obtain His life for their life, for spirit, soul and body, making them worthy of Immortality at the resurrection and the glorified elect in eternity.

Conditional Immortality teaches that all Adam's descendants are mortal, possessing only human existence, but with a possibility of a spiritual being conceived in the womb of the soul at the time of conversion. Man, the mortal, possesses the organs of reproduction of physical being, so the soul possesses the organs making possible the conception of spiritual being, as physical being is dependent upon conception and birth for its existence, and had no existence before conception took place, so spiritual being and existence is dependent upon conception and birth in the act of conversion and sanctification and there was no spiritual or eternal existence in the human before the act of spiritual conception. Scriptures teach "Ye must be born again," "That He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life," "That He came to bring Life and Immortality to Light through the Gospel," "There is no other name given under Heaven whereby men can be saved," "In Him was life and that Life was the Light of men," "God so loved the world that He Gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever Believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting Life," "He that hath the Son hath Life, He that hath not the Son hath not Life, neither shall come in to Life," "The

wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is Eternal Life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (John 3:7; 14:6; 2 Timothy 1:10; Acts 4:12; John 1:4; John 3:16; 1 John 5:12; Romans 6:23.)

If eternal torment is the wages of sin, then Christ has never paid the penalty, and we are still lost, but if death is the wages of sin, Christ has made full and complete propitiation for our sins. If all men have eternal life, whether in Heaven or Hell, it would be impossible to receive it as a gift through Jesus Christ, our Lord. The teaching that all men have immortal souls denies the Divinity of Christ, makes Him a liar and an imposter, and all His claims to bring life and immortality to men through His death are false. The teaching that all men have immortal souls has rendered possible the deplorable state of modern churchanity. Formerly, all evangelical Christians demanded of each candidate, that they be truly born again, or have a real experimental salvation. Now they have also fallen in with the Catholic, Lutheran, Episcopalian methods, taken into membership any who are willing to subscribe to their creeds, who promise to be faithful in their attendance and in financial aid. As they are already immortal beings all they need is a respectable moral life and doing the best they can, being too good to go to hell, God will have to admit them into Heaven, forgetting that Jesus said, "Unless a man be born again he can not see the kingdom of God." (John 3:3.)

If a man possesses inherent immortality, Christ's life and sacrificial death were entirely unnecessary. If God so loved the world that He desired all men to enjoy Heaven with Him in Eternity, He need not have given His only begotten Son, but sent them godly or moralizing teachers, who could have instructed them, how to be too good to go to hell, so that God would be compelled to take them into Heaven. At the judgment, God could have simply separated the good ones from the bad ones, taken part to Heaven and sent part to hell. In a word, the teaching that everyone has an immortal soul denies Christ and makes Him an unnecessary factor in the plan of Salvation.

Orthodoxy freely admits that we only have eternal life through Jesus Christ, our Lord, but immediately gives a lie to the whole thing by telling the sinner that He has eternal life and can never die. This unconverted, theoretical salvation, as taught by Orthodoxy, could not do otherwise than produce Christian Scientists, who teach that, "Ye are Divine; that ye are God's," claiming to receive salvation through suggestive hypnotism rather than the Blood of Christ.

Orthodoxy would freely admit most of the claim of those who believe in Conditional Immortality, that man only has life in Jesus Christ, but when this teaching would necessitate the destruction of the wicked, all Rome and her daughters set up a howl, for since the days of early Catholicism down to the present time, the theologians of all churches have rejoiced in the thought that God would eternally torment all who did not accept their interpretations of the Scriptures. Theologians of all churches who offered eternal life and bliss in Heaven to all who would join their church and support them in a hireling ministry or an eternal torment in hell for all those who did not accept their narrow views.

We are not saved by morality, inherent goodness, the conformity to any creed, doctrine or church, the observance of any day or the obediences to any ordinances or by any form of baptism but by the power of the new birth and the atoning blood of Christ.

YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN!

CHAPTER XXI.

IN SCHOOL WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Insistent questions keep coming, about what we think of the so-called messages, or letters, from Jesus, and tracts issued as such, in Chicago and Indianapolis, under the above caption, and others.

All I have seen is the varieties of tommy-rot, the spawn of hell, and of spiritualistic origin. Many mediums have sent me similar letters, trying to subsidize my message to humanity, and gain the supremacy of my voice (which I gave to the Holy Spirit years ago) by flattery.

Truth does not have to be stamped by the signet of Jesus or the Holy Spirit. It bears its own seal. The same is true of all these little or big prophets (?). They do not have to preach their prophetic office—their works will prove it if they are God-sent. No Bible character ever did; even Jesus laid no claims to Christship, but said, when questioned by Pilate, "THOU sayest it."

These letters contain the silliest dope possible for dupes and simple-minded people; yet they are honest, and really believe Jesus is writing them a letter, and it has the same fascination for them as spiritism has for those who are led to believe they actually talk with dead relatives.

Through all these letters runs the trail of the serpent, in flattering those who believe and urging them not to question these messages, or they will hinder the plan and works of Jesus for this day. It is a fact that prophets (?), religious leaders, and false message-givers, always maintain their power over their followers by flattery, leading them to believe that they are to receive God's best and highest honors by believing in them and

their messages. There are yet some in Zion City who believe their salvation depends upon their believing Dowie was **Elijah**, and are honest in it, too.

Daniel says, "They of understanding will fall to try **them** that remain." "Yet they shall cleave to them with **flatteries**." How? By believing that their eternal salvation depends on **their** accepting them and their messages as from God.

I have seen so many who have become controlled by a spirit, who, imitating Christ, or the Holy Spirit, told the truth for a time, but when it gained the confidence of its dupes it led them off into error on all sorts of lines.

Now comes the announcement through these silly, **childish** letters, that their Jesus (?) is going to issue a newspaper, to **let** the world know that some of their messages have come **true**. Bosh!

Brethren, the devil can foretell events, a medium can tell your name, place of abode, etc.; the magicians repeated the miracles of Moses.

CHAPTER XXII.

THE JUDGMENT AGE

The Judgment, of which we should all know much, and yet know so little, has been looked upon as consisting of but one twenty-four hour day. It is more than likely to be a period of one thousand years or one of God's days. The Jewish Talmud declares that a day of God is a thousand years. As Adam sinned upon what would be the eighth day, so man will be judged in the eighth thousand year following the Millennial Sabbath. The eighth day, following the first seven, became the first day of our six thousand years, but the judgment or eighth day following the present seven thousand years does not begin a new cycle of seven thousand years, but immediately merges us into what is called eternity, with God descending from Heaven with the Holy City.

The common view that the wicked are already in Hell would make it necessary for Judgment to have set upon their case. No one has been, or will be, judged until after the final Resurrection and then the Judgment. The only ones to escape this final judgment will be those who are worthy to escape through Redemption into Immortality at the end of this, the Gospel age. They, after reigning with Him throughout the Millenium, will ascend the judicial throne as His jury and with Him judge the nations. Into this judgment will come the dead of all ages who have not obtained a new birth into spiritual life through Jésus Christ, Our Lord. All the babes, the heathen, and unconverted church members, will be there. Judgment will not then be rendered as to whether they have accepted or rejected Jesus Christ as their personal Savior, but according as their works have been. The heathen without the law will be judged without the law, and so on. A thoroughly righteous judgment will be rendered. Each one will be examined as to when and where and how he

lived. Those found worthy of life will be placed upon the right side and will receive everlasting human life, as Adam had in the Garden of Eden, through the general atonement of the blood of Jesus Christ, and will be the meek who inhabit the new earth in eternity while those unworthy of life will be forced upon the left side and cast into the lake of fire at the end of the Judgment.

A word as to who may occupy the places upon the right and left. The blood of Jesus Christ has already purchased life for those under the age of accountability, so that babes, with one step, are placed upon the right side. Multitudes of benighted heathen, befuddled Catholics, and bemuddled Protestants, will be placed upon the right side. Jesus also stated that publicans and harlots would go into the kingdom before some Pharisees and scribes. I will freely grant that there may be many heathen and sinners of wretched character who will be placed upon the left side. Perpetrators of great crimes against society, murderers, suicides, oppressors of the poor, those engaged in white slavery, betrayers of innocent girlhood, those in modern church and society who are guilty of infanticide, and so forth, cannot hope to escape the utter damnation of hell.

In the main those placed upon the left side will be those who have heard the gospel and failed to profit by its message. First, the sinner who has heard the gospel, felt the call of God's Spirit, and willfully rejected it, will be placed upon the left side. Secondly, the professor of Christianity who claims to have accepted the Lord, and served Him for business or social reasons, fails to live a straight, clean, holy life, choosing to be a cold, dead, formal churchite rather than a hot, loving, true Christian, this bunch of hypocrites will pass to the left. The preachers, who, professing to be God's ministers, for fear of their bread and butter, or for fear they will not be as popular as they would like to be among their fellow men, fail to declare the whole counsel of God, this class of unfaithful ministers will find themselves upon the left side. All upon the left side will be cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, which is the second death, and visited with utter destruction.

This Judgment will not take place upon some far distant star or some other sphere, but right here upon this earth. The location of hell has caused great discussion among theologians, but the Bible distinctly teaches that the destruction of the wicked will occur right here upon the earth. "For, behold the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble; and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. (Mal. 4:1.)

CHAPTER XXIII.

REDEMPTION

I think the Redemption story has brought the greatest Scriptural light and inspiration to my life of any of the tenets of the Christian faith.

There are many things in Scripture, such as fore-ordination and pre-destination, that used to be very dark to me; they are all clear since the sunshine of Redemption has been shed on them.

One time, while feeling the presence of God and dwelling in the heavenlies, in vision or dream, I can not say which, there was in my room a beautiful figure, neither male nor female; the flesh looked like the beauty of driven snow; beneath this figure stood the person of which it was the exact picture, or counterpart. I beheld this until this casement descended and clothed upon the individual who stood beneath; and I said: "Lord, what is this?" And He said: "Redemption".

Listen! "For we know that if the earthly house of our tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life." (2 Cor. 5:1, 2, 4.) Paul further says: "And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly". (1 Cor. 15:49.) Not the heavenly, but the image of it. Glorification is the heavenly, but Redemption is the image of it.

This chapter has been covered with a robe of mourning and dragged to the cemetery till we have lost its beautiful significance and power. Let us resurrect it this day and realize that Redemption means that we shall be changed in a moment, in the twink-

ling of an eye, and not only we, but the dead shall be raised in that Redemption, that we may know the mighty power of God wrought in Christ when he raised Him from the dead, that it is to have the image of the earthly, which we now endure, changed to the image of heavenly. Redemption means to have the same kind of body that Jesus had when he came out of the grave, having the power to appear and disappear, the power to move through space at will.

Scriptural Redemption

Nowhere in the Scripture is Redemption spoken of as conversion. In the 15th Chapter of First Corinthians, it is stated: "The trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruption must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?"

It doesn't say a word about going up, not in the entire chapter; but mortality shall be swallowed up and we shall put on our immortal bodies here, and this Redemption shall come down from God. "O death, where is thy sting?" How can one claim victory when death has had its sting and they stand in the mouth of the grave? But in that day there shall be no more death.

"The trumpet shall sound". There is no inference that it is Gabriel's trump which sounds at the descension of the Lord Jesus Christ, when the Bride shall rise up and meet Him in the air to reign with Him. The only body that takes part in the Parousia, or the so-called rapture, is the man-child; and they go up to the Throne of God and the Lamb; but the body, the Church, and the Bride of Christ remain upon the earth until Christ descends. But this is Michael's trump, the last of the seven trumpets, and in the 10th chapter of Revelation when that

trump begins to sound and the ministry has finished its work that God intended from the foundation of the world, and the climaxing trump shall sound which shall mark the end of the conflict between Michael and the Devil, then Redemption will take place with the prepared saints of God and they shall be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye.

Daniel tells us, referring to the same thing, that in the time of trouble, now about to begin on the earth, when the reign of anarchy shall pervade the entire earth, and nations shall fall and society be devastated and disrupted — at that time God's people will be delivered. God says in His Word that "they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever." (Daniel 12:3.)

For a space of three years and a half this blessed company of redeemed saints will not preach the gospel of the kingdom that it is our duty to preach now, but will preach the everlasting gospel to every kindred, people, tongue, and nation, saying, "Fear God, and give glory to Him; for the hour of His judgment is come". (Rev. 14:7.)

Glorious Church Inaugurated By Redemption

I have a view of that heavenly soldiery in Redemption bodies in my mind. Jesus said, when he came out of the grave: "All power in heaven and earth is given unto me." O, Christian, that which you are striving for may never come to you personally, and may never come to the Church entirely, until the glorious Church, "not having spot or wrinkle", is inaugurated by the mighty power of Redemption. The same thing will be true of the Church then that was true of Jesus — "all power, dominion and authority" will come to be the recreated — man restored — and he will be able, by the power of Jesus, to go forth with dominion and authority, in his Redemptive body, to every quarter of the globe, healing the sick, turning many to righteousness, in the three and a half years of socialism which will cover the

entire world. During that peaceful reign there will be world-wide ministry of the "glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle". (Eph. 5:27.)

The church of Jesus Christ has never been in existence. When people say that the church was inaugurated at Pentecost, it is false. When people say that Jesus founded a church, it is not true. Jesus came to spiritualize Judah; and Adam belonged to the church, Abraham belonged to the church, and every saint of God that has found spiritual life and has been born again belongs to the church, in this age and in every age. You are taken into the church of the living God by conversion, on probation, but you do not come into full membership until you are sanctified. God has been using various stones and timbers and different parts of the glorious Church throughout the ages. Paul carried the spiritualized message of Judah to the Gentiles. That is the whole sum and total of it.

We Are His Workmanship

Every church that has ever been established has formed a part of His great machine shop on earth, and the Lord has been gathering the gold into the Methodist church, the Baptist church, the Presbyterian church, and every other church. He has many factories in which to burn out the dross. He is graciously drawing different ones into these furnaces, and the farther we get in God the hotter the fire will be because the infinitesimal dross requires a hotter fire to get it out of the gold; this continues until we are seven times purified and shine forth, reflecting his image, even as the artisan, as he works the gold, gazes into its mirrored depths and sees reflected perfectly his own features. We are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus.

Since I threw my life into His hands, put my faith and confidence in the blood of the everlasting covenant which was able to make me perfect, I have ceased all my strugglings, ceased all my groanings and fastings for myself, and have given my life to be poured out for others; and when people criticize the

unfinished work, the lack of varnish, the lack of beautiful carving that some may adorn the cornices and cap this building with, I say: "Brothers and Sisters, I have perfect confidence in the Master Builder; the Architect knows his business; He knows better than I the exposed places that may be marred by some superstructure falling, or some odds and ends crashing down; He knows better than to put plate glass in a window where the upper structure may break and fall upon it. He knows His business, and I am satisfied with what has been done; oh, so satisfied!" There was so little to admire before the Master Builder started to build. He first dug up the loam and then the clay, to lay His foundations. He dug down below the rubbish and founded upon the Rock. I have admired the structure as it went up, and as I have gazed upon it, I have caught a faint glimpse of what it will be in its finished beauty, and I am absolutely satisfied thus far with the construction.

Brothers, sisters, have you grieved the Architect by your murmuring and complaining because of the unfinished portions of the building He is constructing? Put your faith and confidence in Him; He will finish the structure and beautify it, and ornament it, until it will be worthy to be a part of the great Temple that the Architect is building for eternity.

He has been drawing His stones and His timbers from the various movements and churches in all ages; He has been getting His gold from Ophir, stones from the quarries of Persia, and trees from the mountains of Lebanon, and they are going to come together in a body; each one of us will take his place; without the sound of a hammer, without human instrumentality, the glorious church, without spot or wrinkle, will be inaugurated by His mighty power of Redemption; and then, and only then, will we have organic unity. But until that time you and I must find, individually, that unity which will enable God to slip us into our place in the body. If the Master should use me for filling in the wall, or hide me in the cellar, never to be seen, I shall be satisfied; if He wants to carve me into a stone for the cornice

or to cap some beautiful pillar that supports that cornice, I shall be satisfied.

When Redemption Takes Place

Daniel sealed up the things "till the time of the end" (Daniel 12:9), and John, the Revelator, was told to "seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not". (Rev. 10:4.) The mystery that Daniel sealed up and that John, the Revelator, shut up, was this: "We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory". (1 Cor. 15:51-54.)

Redemption takes place in the time of trouble, and in that time of trouble the Jews will go back to Palestine and establish their seat of government in Jerusalem. For fifteen years their Congress has met as a legislative body in Basle, Switzerland, or London, and has exercised all the functions pertaining to legislative bodies. They have already carried the flag to Jerusalem, and every Congress has met and adjourned sine die — "next year we meet in Jerusalem", but they never have, and they never will, until the appointed time comes. We are now living in the dawn of this time.

From Genesis to Revelation not only is the consanguinity of Christ's Life marvelously outlined, but from Genesis to Revelation the blood that flowed through Abraham's veins has been traced with unerring finger; and when you sing, "I've been adopted, my name's written down", you are singing a falsehood. You cannot adopt anybody into the family of God. You might just as well adopt a negro into a white family and expect him to turn white. Everyone that comes into the spiritual realm must

have a definite conception and proper pre-natal influence in order to have birth into this spiritual life, and he is born into this kingdom; not adopted; adoption does not pertain to the soul, it pertains to the body: "Adoption, to-wit: the Redemption of our bodies". (Roman 8:23.)

Pre-Destination and Fore-Ordination

Fore-ordination and pre-destination have nothing to do with the damnation of infants. Where are the babes who are never privileged to attain spiritual life in this world? They never attain immortality and enter through the gates into the city, but "such is the kingdom of heaven"; and when God comes down to earth with "The Holy City" and capitalizes the world with the Holy City, when the meek shall inherit the earth, and the kingdom of heaven comes down to earth in the beginning of eternity, all the babes will appear, for they will belong to that "kingdom of heaven" on earth.

Some babes are born but for a season, so as to enter a home for a particular child ministry. Their work is to be wrought in that particular household, and when their work on earth is done, God takes them and transplants them into the Garden of Paradise. When your work is done on earth, at any period of your life, God will take you hence; but never let the Devil kill you with diseases. And if God should see fit to let your babes quietly pass away in a beautiful, sweet, sleeping death — if dissolution should take place for you tonight, how beautiful it would be; but do not let the Devil kill you before your time.

Let us see how clear pre-destination and fore-ordination are. In the first chapter of Ephesians it says: "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all blessings in heavenly places in Christ"; Where? In the heavenly places. If you want to get up in the heavenly places, get up out of the kingdoms of this earth into the Kingdom of Heaven; be translated out of the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of His dear Son. (Col. 1:13.)

✓ "According as he hath chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world." I wish every Bible student would take up his Bible and hunt up every verse that refers to being "in Him," and he will be astounded at the necessity of being in Him. That is a deep experience that many have never reached. To be "In Him" means to be sanctified in the body of Christ, to lay everything on the altar (and the altar is not Christ), but the altar has sanctified our gift, and He has sanctified and put Himself on the altar; but He being on the altar, we simply take our place in the body of Christ; take our place as a rib, toe, or as a finger, the whole body, fitly joined and compact, works in perfect harmony and beauty, and is altogether lovely, from the head, which is Christ, down to the feet.

✓ In Him shall all be made alive. We were chosen in Him before the foundation of the world, "that we should be holy, without blame, before Him in love; having fore-ordained us unto the adoption of children." We were fore-ordained before the foundation of the world unto the adoption, as sons, through our Lord Jesus Christ. There never is, in Scripture, any real sonship, though we are heirs of it, until Redemption takes place. You are conceived in conversion, born in sanctification, and are in childhood until redemption takes place; then you reach your maturity and obtain your inheritance in the land of Canaan. Sanctification was never intended to be our inheritance until we have driven all our enemies out of the land. Canaan is a land of warfare, where we fight to conquer, not to lose, till every foot of ground is ours; and then the division takes place in Redemption.

God fore-ordained and pre-destined before the foundation of the world, before the morning stars sang together, or Adam ever dwelt in the Garden of Eden. When in the mind of God, and when in the courts of glory, angelic creatures were weaving into the great garments of His salvation the plan of God, he fore-ordained and pre-destinated that every soul throughout the ages that should come to the grace of being IN HIM, living IN

HIM, moving IN HIM, running IN HIM — the life hid with Christ in God; and having obtained these gifts and graces, with the reward to be obtained in the end, the prize of the high calling of God in Jesus Christ. These gifts and graces are but given to lend speed in the race that is set before us, so that we may have that sweet consciousness that we have run the race, we have kept the faith, and henceforth there is laid up for us a crown of righteousness.

That is what God fore-ordained and pre-destinated, and it runs throughout the Scripture that everyone that should reach that grace of being IN HIM should in the fullness of time be gathered together in one. He says, "That in the dispensation of the fullness of time He might gather together in one, all things in Christ, both in heaven and earth, even in Him; in whom we also have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of Him who worketh all things after the counsel of His own will; that we should be to the praise of His glory, who first trusted in Christ. "In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, which is the earnest of your inheritance until the Redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of His glory". (Eph. 1.) Throughout the past ages and at the present time we are being made ready and beautified by the sanctification of spirit, soul, and body, being baptized by the Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Election In Jesus

This clears away the mist of fore-ordination and pre-destination, high calling and election, and the prize of the high calling. What is the election? Just to say I am elected? Oh, no; when a fellow is going to be elected he has to campaign, he has to run even for the nomination first, and then has to run for the election; and after election he must qualify before he can take his office. So when you get the grace of sanctification that puts

you in Him, you will have to qualify, and that qualification means sanctification of this body and Pentecost for your soul.

When you obtain a real conversion and reach a life of salvation, you must have a justified life on a converted plane, and when you get sanctified and live a life of holiness resultant from this experience, you must be justified before God in your sanctified experience and the life of holiness. Sanctification puts you in Canaan, but when you obtain the Pentecostal blessing, that puts you in the heavenlies. You have gotten your election in Jesus, and your life must be beautiful, sweet, mellow, and justified on the Pentecostal plane or you will lose it.

In the Presence of Our King

The Holy Spirit is like a dove, so easily wounded that He retires quickly when the least that is rough and uncouth or unnatural or unbecoming is done.

In the beautiful home God gave us (one of the most beautiful mansions in America), where Pentecost fell, the drawing room was finished in hand-carved wood from the cedars of Lebanon, the marvelous stairway that led up to the upper rooms was of hand-carved white bird's-eye maple, and each room was of different colored wood. It was in the drawing room, under the carved edges of the cedars of Lebanon, that Pentecost fell; and we walked the corridors of that beautiful mansion, moved through its rooms with a feeling of such reverence and sacredness, because the Holy Spirit, the Prime Minister of Heaven, the representative of God and His Son, was our guest; and we put on our best raiment, and our best manners and finest dignity and trod as kings and queens, princes and princesses in the courts of our God, that nothing foolish or unbecoming should occur to mar the visit or to shock the refined sensibilities of the heavenly Visitor in our midst.

Oh, men and women, those were days of hallowed glory. May God give us that in our lives which will cause us to tread as in the courts of a king, because we are going to be the guests of Royalty some day, and we need to be trained, that we act with becoming dignity and modesty "in the presence of our King."

CHAPTER XXIV

THE DESTRUCTION OF THE WICKED

It is said that precedent rules the world, but pre-conceived ideas are the controlling power upon the minds of men. We believe what our forebears believed, whether right or wrong. We are Democrats or Republicans because they were, never giving one thought how far they may have strayed from the principles the fathers held so dear. We are Methodists or Baptists because our parents were, never stopping for a moment to question whether the doctrines they held were the conceptions of theologians of the Roman Catholic church during the dark ages when she was in her most hellish state.

Two-thirds of the doctrine held by the Roman Catholic church was taken bodily from pagan philosophy, while the Protestants have taken two-thirds of their doctrine from Roman Catholicism. The Catholics taught eternal torment for those who did not join their church, and Purgatorial cleansing for those who did. The teaching of eternal torment was conceived by Catholicism in the days of her worst apostasy and cruelty, and has no Scriptural foundations whatever. Catholics and Protestants have given us a God more impossible than Moloch, god of the ancient Canaanites, in whose arms human beings were burned, but we are supposed to believe in a God who, after bringing creatures into existence, will cast them into lake of eternal torment; who is possessed with such a diabolical character that He is able to sit upon the throne of His glory, listen to their howling and screeching, and view them sizzling, stewing, frying, browning, without surcease throughout the countless cycles of Eternity. Jonathan Edwards, the great New England theologian, voicing the teachings of orthodoxy, declares that the joys of the righteous in Heaven would be augmented by hearing their loved ones screeching and clanking their chains in regions of the

damned, outside the gates of the Eternal City. All orthodoxy accepts as Scripture the fool satire that Dante wrote against his religious and political enemies, believing that Dante actually went to Hell and recorded the things that he saw, believing that Hell then existed and exists now.

Orthodoxy teaches that multiplied millions, unjudged, are already in Hell. This is impossible; no one is cast into the lake of fire and brimstone until after the Resurrection and the White Throne Judgment, which will not occur until after Christ has reigned over the earth for the Sabbatic thousand years. It is strange, and almost impossible to believe, that men as wise as many of our theologians have been, could put on old Catholic-creed goggles, which make every passage of Scripture in the Bible relative to the destruction of the wicked read eternal torment to them. By no possible twisting of the English language could you make the words death, destruction, perish, used universally in the Bible relative to the wicked, to mean eternal torment. Truly, in doctrine we are largely creatures of hereditary taint, driven slaves to ancestral chariots.

✓ It is not my purpose to enter into any lengthy discussion regarding this subject; everywhere it is being discussed, pro and con, and those who are unprejudiced or teachable will be able to weigh both sides of the question and form their own conclusions. Among all the awful charges that have ever been brought against me, perhaps the one most vehemently announced and maliciously peddled is that I am a "no-Hellite," which is absolutely false, for I believe in a Hell hotter than orthodoxy teaches. One that utterly destroys the wicked. Destruction would satisfy all that justice demands, and God, if He be a God of Love, Justice, and Mercy, could ask no more than the wages of sin, which is death.

If someone were to accuse a friend of yours of torturing any kind of animal for one day, without respite, would you defend the character of the friend with all your ability? So, brethren, I rise to defend the character of our God and declare, with all

my ability, everywhere, that the God we love and serve is incapable of possessing a character that could possibly eternally torment the unsaved. Besides this, all Scripture teaches the positive destruction of the wicked. One man has offered a section of land, another \$500 in cash, to anyone who could produce Biblical proof that the wicked have any eternal life outside of Jesus Christ. You ask a believer in eternal torment, "How does the sinner receive eternal life?" He will tell you that it results from that germ of immortality which God imparted to the human race when He breathed the breath of life into Adam, and that we have eternal life through being descended from Adam, denying the Christ atonement. If it is the God breath of immortality which God breathed into Adam that gives the sinner eternal life, God would be sending part of Himself to suffer the pangs of eternal torment. As descendants of Adam, we are simply human beings, until quickened by the Eternal Life of Christ, in Conversion. To this the Scriptures agree: "Ye are dead in trespasses and sins"; "He that hath not the Son, hath not life"; "Ye have no life in you". God said to Adam, "In the day ye eat thereof ye shall surely die." Satan said, "Ye shall not surely die, but shall be as gods, knowing good and evil." To this day the Catholic and Protestant churches continue to teach this Devil's lie instead of the truth of God's own statement, "Ye shall surely die." (Genesis 2:17; 3-4.)

Let us take a general view of all the Scriptures upon this point. The great argument always used by Orthodoxy is, as there is eternal life and bliss in Heaven, there must be the opposite, eternal life and woe in Hell. There is absolutely no Scripture for such an argument, for God has said, "I have set before you life and death; turn ye, O Israel, for why will ye die?"; "Fear not him that is able to destroy the body, but rather him that is able to destroy both soul and body in Hell." David said: "The wicked shall consume away into smoke; into smoke shall they consume away, and be no more". Malachi incorporates all Old Testament teachings in these words: "for behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea,

and they that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch".

The New Testament is more emphatic than the old, giving the sinner no hope of any existence whatever outside of Jesus Christ, who is "Our Life". The first Scripture that I desire to call your attention to is one held by orthodoxy as absolutely proof of their teaching of eternal torment: That "it is better to enter into life maimed, than to be cast into the Gehenna fire, where the worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched". This, instead of teaching eternal torment, teaches the utter destruction of the wicked. To illustrate the fact of utter destruction, Jesus used the pit of Gehenna, just east of the Temple grounds, where perpetual fires were kept burning to consume the offal and dead carcasses of animals and criminals, and the unconsumed sacrifices from the Temple. Josephus, the Jewish historian, tells us that what fell on the rocks the worms consumed, and what fell in the pit the fire consumed. The wicked are neither the worm nor the fire, but the rubbish and trash of the world to be thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, which is the second death. The perpetual fires, which were supposed by orthodoxy to prove the eternal torment of the wicked, ceased in the pit of Gehenna, outside of Jerusalem, two thousand years ago. The lake of brimstone will cease to exist when it has consumed the wicked, for the ashes of the wicked are to be trodden under foot of the meek, who shall inherit the new earth. The wicked will be destroyed on this earth at the close of the judgment. The fires that purify this old world will destroy the wicked and make this world a Paradise for the righteous.

Another much used Scripture to prove eternal torment, is the sentence pronounced by Jesus, "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous to life eternal". This passage does not read punishment everlasting, as the orthodox would teach it, but everlasting punishment. When a man is hung for crime, he receives everlasting punishment, as

far as this world is concerned. When the wicked are destroyed in the lake of fire and brimstone, that is everlasting punishment, as far as eternity is concerned. Note, this passage says, "Everlasting punishment," not punishment everlasting.

Another much used Scripture to prove eternal torment, is the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. To prove that this teaches eternal torment, the advocates of that fiendish doctrine say that it is not a parable, but cold-blooded facts, regarding the state of the wicked. This is disproven by Christ's own words, who emphatically says, "That without a parable spake He not unto them." This parable has no reference to the state of the dead. If the torments of the flames were the literal fires of Hell, then Abraham's physical bosom would be the abode of the righteous. Dives could not have been in Hell, for Hell as a place of punishment is not now in existence, and will not begin until after Resurrection and final Judgment. If this parable were literal fact, it would destroy the teaching of the atonement of Christ's blood. Riches would send men to Hell, while poverty would be the road to Heaven. What Christ intended to teach here was concerning the facts or standing of the Jews and Gentiles. He had said that "many shall come from the East and the West (Gentiles), and sit down with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom, but the children of the kingdom (the Jews), would be cast into outer darkness, where there shall be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth".

The above Scripture does not refer to the condition of the wicked dead, but the condition of the Jews during the Christian age. Paul, referring to the same thought, says: "Blindness, in part, is happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles be come in". The parable of the rich man and Lazarus teaches that the Jews, like the rich man, had fared sumptuously from the hand of God, while the Gentiles, the poor man, had been laid at their door, without as much as a crumb of Salvation. Now, the end, like death, came to both of these conditions. The Jews, like the rich man, were cast into outer darkness, where there

was weeping and wailing, and gnashing of teeth, while the poor beggarly Gentiles were carried into Abraham's bosom to a full and free salvation, with all the promises and blessings that God had given to Abraham. Thus, before God, they were veritably in the bosom of Abraham.

Another passage so often misquoted, is that old familiar one that "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." In this passage, "perish" is read to mean eternal "torment." Again, God says, "He will visit them with everlasting destruction"; and again, "The wages of sin is death". Both destruction and death are used by the orthodox to prove eternal torment. If the wicked raise physically, fire will destroy them; if they come up in spiritual bodies, fire can not harm them. Now, every believer knows that the wicked have physical and not spiritual resurrections.

Another passage so often quoted: "The smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever." (Revelation 14:11.) This is freely applied to the eternal state of the wicked, but Scripturally, is applied to those in the end of this age, to those who worship the beast and his image. In the first place, it refers to a time, when there will be day and night, and cannot refer to eternity, for there is no night there. (Revelation 21: 23, 25.) Another common mistake is made by theologians in teaching that forever is synonymous with eternal or immortal. It might be in Webster's dictionary, but never in the Bible. Forever, and forever, and ever, in the Scriptures, is always used to mean a period of time with an end; for instance, to illustrate it, a person under the Mosaic law becomes indebted to another; that person to whom he was indebted could place the lobe of his ear against a post, bore a hole through it, and he became his servant forever. This forever could mean only until the man died, or until the year of jubilee, when all slaves went free. God said to David that if He would serve in righteousness he might be a king forever. His rule lasted for thirty years. To

Joash God said if he would be a good king, he could reign forever and ever. His rule lasted forty years. Poor Jonah bewailed the fact that he was in the whale's belly forever. It might have seemed so to him, but it only lasted three days.

I will quote but one more passage. If the Scripture says a thing twice or thrice, it is sufficient to prove any point, but all the Scriptures agree that the wicked suffer death, perishing, or destruction, and not eternal torment. After the final judgment the wicked are cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, which is the second death. The first death causes cessation of life in this world, the second death will cause a cessation of life in eternity. Hell, as a place of destruction, will be right here upon the earth. The purifying fires will burn them as rubbish, paving the way for the Paradise of God.

CHAPTER XXV.

LEAVES BY THE WAYSIDE

The foolish virgins are, at last, a distinct people. They are the ones in the full gospel movements who have been deceived into foolish, fleshly manifestations that stir the animal, tickling the flesh and magnetizing the body. The Devil gives them a counterfeit Pentecost, with chattering, and jabbering, and wind-sucking, and they spend their time in working these fleshly sensations rather than developing their character in God and making their Redemption possible. Thus two-thirds of the Pentecost people are being deceived by these forces into foolish, virgin lives, rather than obtaining a sane, sensible Pentecost and speaking in real languages, and, dying out to self, seeking a real crucifixion and a well, strong body, perfecting holiness, and being ready; for in the war clouds we read in blazing letters: "When you see these things", "Look up, for your redemption draweth nigh." (Luke 21:28.)

Most people confound the Apostolic Faith movement with the Pentecostal Assemblies and kindred missions, who sometimes claim to be Apostolic. The Apostolic Faith Movement had its origin in Topeka, Kansas, January 1, 1901, and is a dignified work, full of power and precision. The Pentecostal Assemblies originated in a negro mission in Los Angeles, California, and is a cross between the old-fashioned negro worship of the South, and Holy-Rollerism. Three-fourths of their so-called speaking in tongues is only a chatter and jabber and they have no Pentecostal power at all — a veritable "Corinthian muddle".

The havoc wrought by "The finished work of Calvary", in Chicago is most appalling. As the Pentecostal people began to lose out in their consecration, this doctrine afforded a refuge or justification for their back-slidden, unsanctified experiences.

Many of the missions are dead and abandoned. Those still running are as dead and formal as any old-line church, except when they are able to stir up a fleshly animalism, similar to the working up of the power in an old-fashioned negro camp-meeting in the South.

Very few of them talk in real tongues, but many of them who claim their baptism only chatter and jabber like developing mediums in spiritualism. The love and holy passion for souls is almost a forgotten memory; they have dissipated the passion for soul-saving in this prostituted sensuality of fleshly magnetic sensations of the body, instead of the downpouring of the Holy Spirit on the inner man, thereby filling the body and all with joy.

The diabolical end and purpose of his Satanic majesty, in perpetrating Durhamism on the world, in repudiating sanctification as a definite work of grace, has now clearly been revealed. By seeking to destroy the grace of sanctification he is seeking to efface the only grace of God to make us overcomers, and thereby hinder necessary preparation for Redemption. Let all who have been deceived thereby humble themselves and seek restoration to "this grace wherein we stand" (Romans 5:2), as you cannot receive the real Pentecost on an unsanctified life.

We have been "accused" of teaching Russellism because of the fact that he and we maintain the same views upon the Bible teaching anent "The destruction of the wicked". This doctrine we taught before we became aware that Russell existed. The few points of doctrine upon which we agree do not prove that we teach Russelism any more than that Russell teaches the truth in all the other of his doctrines. His truths we accepted from God's Word, which is as far as we can go. His errors we can't, and will not, endorse from Russelistic teaching. His doctrine, as a whole, would never have attained its popularity were it not for the supporting pillars of truth which upheld his man-reared superstructure. These few stable supports alone sustained his precarious "Babel's Tower" for a time, but God's eternal

Word, as a rock-laid foundation under every corner, will sustain the structure God is erecting against the onslaughts of time or the counter-building of "fancied folly". As a whole, the Russellite doctrine contains sufficient plausibility for a good start and enough slime for a thrilling toboggan to the utter destruction it so glibly prates.

The teaching of conditional immortality and destruction of the wicked is taught by the First and Seventh Day Adventists, while thousands of Christians, including many ministers, in all the churches, believe in the destruction of the wicked.

A noted English clergyman says, "I do not know an intelligent clergyman of the Episcopal Church, in England, who believes in the eternal torment of the wicked". The Bible does not teach such an unbelievable lie, and no one can charge God with having such a revengeful attribute of character.

The Bible everywhere teaches death, destruction, etc. To give the sinner eternal life, in any condition, destroys the necessity of Christ, denies His Divinity, and makes Him out a liar; "He that hath the Son hath life; He that hath not the Son hath not life, but the wrath of God abideth on him."

Many undesired children are born into the world with scarcely enough fertility in them to produce spiritual conception; it would be an eternal, crying shame against God to cast such poor hybrid animal-humans into eternal torment. Peter says, "They are as brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed". After all, the main company who will suffer the pangs of Hell's flames in the second death will be those who knew the truth and did not live it, both in the churches and in the Pentecostal work. God help the Apostolic people who claim so much light and yet live such despicable lives.

The devil has entered the sacred precincts of the church work today, and after inventing Christian Science as his masterpiece, has sent spooks and controls into many Pentecostal Assemblies. They plead the blood, and claim to be Jesus, giving

messages, and imitate every gift of the Holy Spirit and Pentecostal tongues, until trance mediums, mind readers, prophets who tell futures, etc., are plentiful. These are the dupes who, not "trying the spirits", will come up in that day and say, "Have we not done so and so, in Thy name, and done many wonderful works?" And they will be honest in their plea, too. The poor souls are taught by their leaders to yield to any force that may come to them. May God help us to try every message-giver, interpreter, trance medium, and wizard that mutters and peeps, and only honor such as are truly of God.

In that day Christian Scientists and many Pentecostal dupes will find they have been deceived to their destruction by the ravening wolves of the spirit world, who have had the audacity to enter and imitate the work of Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

CHAPTER XXVI.

OTHERS MAY — YOU CANNOT

If God has called you to be really like Jesus He will draw you into a life of crucifixion and humility, and put upon you such demands of obedience that you will not be able to follow other people, or measure yourself by other Christians; and so many ways He will seem to let other good people do things which He will not let you do.

Other Christians and ministers who seem very religious and useful may push themselves; pull wires, and work schemes to carry out their plans, but you cannot do it; and if you attempt it, you will meet with such failure and rebuke from the Lord as to make you sorely penitent.

Others may boast of themselves, of their work, of their success, of their writings, but the Holy Spirit will not allow you to do any such thing; and if you begin it, He will lead you into some deep mortification that will make you despise yourself and all your good works.

Others may be allowed to succeed in making money, or may have a legacy left to them, but it is likely God will keep you poor, because He wants you to have something far better than gold, namely, a helpless dependance on Him, that He may have the privilege of supplying your needs day by day out of an unseen treasury.

The Lord may let others be honored and put forward, and keep you hidden in obscurity, because He wants to produce some choice, fragrant fruit for His coming glory which can only be produced in the shade. He may let others be great, but keep you small. He may let others do a work for Him and get the credit of it, but He will make you work and toil on without knowing

how much you are doing; and then make your work still more precious. He may let others get the credit for the work which you have done, and thus make your reward ten times greater when Jesus comes.

The Holy Spirit will put a strict watch over you with a jealous love, and will rebuke you for little words and feelings, or for wasting your time, which other Christians never seem distressed over. So make up your mind that God is an infinite Sovereign, and has the right to do as He pleases with His own. He may not explain to you a thousand things which puzzle your reason in His dealings with you, but if you absolutely sell yourself to be His love slave, He will wrap you up in a jealous love and bestow upon you many blessings which come only to those who are in the inner circle.

Settle it forever, then, that you are to deal directly with the Holy Spirit, and that He is to have the privilege of tying your tongue, or chaining your hand, or closing your eyes, in ways He does not seem to use others. Now when you are so possessed with the living God that you are, in your secret heart, pleased and delighted over this peculiar, personal, private, jealous guardianship and management of the Holy Spirit over your life, you will have found the vestibule of Heaven.

(Selected.)

This has been my experience.

Chas. F. Parham.

Chart Showing Steps Of Grace In A Christian Life

ENLIGHTENMENT

CONVICTION

Repentance { TO GOD
TO MAN

Conversion { PARDON
REGENERATION
WASHING OF REGENERATION
CONCEPTION
WITNESSED

Healing

Consecration { IN SENTIMENT
IN REALITY

Sanctification { OF SPIRIT
OF SOUL
OF BODY
NEW BIRTH

Anointing Of The Holy Ghost

Baptism Of The Holy Ghost

Redemption

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