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There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus. Rom. 8:1.

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## LOVE, THE SUPREME POWER.

(Romans 8.)

There is now no condemnation
To the trusting heart made free,
For the flesh once held in bondage,
Now is set at liberty.
Through Christ Jesus is Redemption
To each sin-sick soul,
He has trod the way before us,
Only He can make us whole.

Heirs of God as His dear children, Joint-heirs with Christ are we If with Him we also suffer, We shall of His glory see. The suffering of this present time, Is not worthy we are told, To be compared with His own glory Revealed in us as precious gold.

Though pain and sorrow bruise the heart

He strengthens and sustains;
He who sends the sunshine,
Also sends the rains
Hence the richest blessing of't
Come from clouded skies,
Sometimes our greatest sorrows
Are "blessings in disguise."

In all things we are conquerors
Through Him who loved us so,
No height, nor depth nor power
That we can ever know,
Can touch one of His little ones,
Or separate from love,
Those who each day abide in Him
And worship Him above.

As the self-life now is yielded To the crucifiction power We must know His close abiding Every day and every hour. There is now no condemnation, For the trusting soul made free, And the heart once held in bondage, Now is set at liberty.

Free to love and free to serve Him As the self-life dies within, He has given strength for weakness, And has covered all our sin. May we follow as He leadeth Love hath found a way; That love surpassing knowledge, Turning night to perfect day.

-LILIAN THISTLETHWAITE

### TWO WAYS

Enter ye in at the straight gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat; because straight is the gate and narrow is the way which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.—Matt. 7:13-14.

When God called Noah to build the ark He told him exactly how to build it. Probably Noah thought it would be better and more comfortable if he would build several windows and doors so the fresh air could circulate back and forth instead of just one window and the one door, and pitch it just on the outside and not the inside, and maybe a little longer or wider so they could have a little more room, and if he had obeyed his own ways instead of God's it would have absolutely sprang a leak and he and all the contents of the ark would have been destroyed. Obedience alone brought the deliverance. So God has given us a plan also, and His plan is written clear and plain in the word of God; so plain that wayfairing men, though fools, shall not err therein. So by casting aside our ways and ideas like Noah, and going directly by the ways of God we will be delivered into the kingdom of heaven. The very first step towards God's way is a genuine repentance of Then salvation comes bringing with it faith, virtue, and to virtue knowledge, and to knowledge temperance and to temperance patience and to patience godliness, and to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness charity, and if these things be in you and abound you shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, and if we work on our salvation each day (not just Sunday) the above fruits will grow and we will never fail. Then when our life's work is ended an entrance shall be ministered unto us abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. II Peter 1 Chapter.

When persons are thoroughly converted and start out down the narrow way they are only babes in the Lord and are just beginning to learn the ways of righteousness, and as they continue in the ways of God they grow in the grace and knowledge of God each day,

providing they are not stunted by neglecting to work on their salvation each day and prize it above everything else in the world, pressing on to the high calling in Christ Jesus. Many times a person starts out with God and through weakness makes a misstep and errs from his ways and gives up completely and says there is no use trying, but right then and there is the time to flee to God for help and strength, and He is always ready and willing to help. Just as an eagle starts out on a long and strenuous journey across the ocean; it flys on and on for days without growing weak, then it begins to grow weaker and weaker, then all at once the Heavenly Father takes notice of same and renews its strength, and how much more will our Heavenly Father take notice of His children and renew their strength and courage and take them on to that shore of eternal resting place that He is preparing for those that overcome every obstacle that is thrown across their pathway.

When God gave Noah the plans to build the ark no doubt it looked like a scarecrow or an impossibility, and no doubt he meditated on those God-given plans a long time before he started, but came to a final, sincere determination to build it exactly like God told him to, for he knew enough about God that obedience was better than sacrifice.

So people look on God's plan of salvation the same today as something that is absolutely impossible. Many cast it aside because it seems too straight and narrow, failing to see that God made it possible to go His way through the death of His Son on the cross of Calvary, and a few get a real glimpse of Calvary and with a zeal and determination press their way through the blood of Jesus Christ for it alone can take us through.

The reason for this great depression that has covered the whole earth is because men have not gone God's way but have gone on out from God's ways unto their own, which is headed for sure destruction, and they themselves have brought this great depresion and not God. Every time a nation forgets God and His ways it goes down, and great is the fall. Men have said prophecy unto us easy things, smooth things don't give us God's ways but give us ours own ways and now we are just in the begin-

ning of this depression which will lead on into the greatest tribulations the world has ever known and sin alone has brought it on. Today, and not tomorrow, should men turn from their ways and seek the Lord with their whole heart that they may escape all the trouble that is fast approaching over the earth. Just as Noah was lifted above the angry flood waters, so shall God lift the people that have gone exactly by His plan. There is a way that seemeth exactly right to man, but when we seek to know God's ways we find our ways are wrong and will lead us to destruction.

MRS. W. W. CHAPMAN.

# READY FOR HIS COMING—READY FOR ANYTHING

"Looking for that blessed hope." (Tit. 2:13).

There is a story of a poor peasant on the Welsh mountains who month after month, year after year, through a long period of declining life, was used every morning, as soon as he awoke to open his window towards the east and look out to see if Jesus was coming.

He was no calculator or he need not have looked so long. He was no student of prophecy or he need not have looked at all. He was ready or he would not have been in so much haste. He was willing or he would rather have looked another way. He loved or it would not have been the first thought of the morning.

His Master did not come, but a messenger did, to fetch the ready one home. The same preparation sufficed for both. The longing soul was satisfied with either.

Often when, in the morning, the child of God awakes, weary and encumbered with the flesh, perhaps from troubled dreams, his Father's secret presently comes across him, he looks up, if not out—to feel, if not to see, the glories of that coming morning when the trumpet shall sound and the dead shall rise incorruptible. No weary limbs then to bear the spirit down! No feverish dreams to haunt the vision! No dark forecasting of the day's events! No returning memory of the griefs of yesterday!

-Prophecy Magazine.

There is a wonderfully close connection between the two words, Disciple and discipline.

#### THE BIBLE

The word, Bible, is a form of the Greek word, book.

Many people ask when the Bible was written. We cannot set a definite date when it was written because it is many books written by many authors. There are sixty-six books in the Bible, thirty-nine in the Old Testament and twenty-seven in the New Testament, and each one was written in a year different from another. The writing of these books, a library within themselves, extended over a period of about 1,600 years. The first book was written about 1500 B. C. and the last one about 100 years after. The Old Testament was written in Hebrew and the New Testament was written in Greek.

Some people wonder why the Bible was so long in being written. The reason was because the Bible was written during the great crisis of Israelitish and Christian history. During this crisis the children of Israel were going out of their Egyptian captivity. God chose Moses as their servant to lead them out of captivity and over into the promised land. Moses was always guided by God. In order that all the people would not forget, Moses wrote down in the Books of the Law all that God had told him. This is the reason the dates vary so much because of the crisis.

The Bible is not arranged according to the order of the writing of its various books. The oldest book in the Bible is Job and it comes near the middle of the Bible. The last one to be written was Revelation and it comes at the end of the Bible. There are books grouped under the heading of law and others of prophecy. There are five books that are called the Books of the Law. They are Genesis, Exodus, Levitiane, Numbers and Dueteronomy. are the first five books in the Bible. There are a group of books in the Bible called the Prophetic Books. They are Isaiah, Daniel, and Rev-The Bible abounds with prophecies, elation. for there is scarsely a single book in the volume but contains some of them, but the greatest part of them are found in the Prophetic Books. These prophecies are being fulfilled today. Every day more of the prophecies are fulfilled, and as each one is fulfilled the time of the coming of the Lord draws nearer.

Another question that is often asked is. "Why was the Bible written?" In every book we find that the author has some purpose or some object in what he is writing. The Bible aslo had a definite purpose and that purpose was to bring together God and man. The Bible is designed to satisfy the wants of the soul by showing how man may be reconciled to God and renew his spiritual life. One of the strongest desires of our nature is to know ourselves and our future destiny. None of us know from day to day where we will be tomorrow. In all of the ages where there are any records man has had this desire of knowing the future of his life. In the Bible we find an idea of the one God and of the divine purpose in the work of creation and providence, of the fall and redemption of man. As a whole the Bible from Genesis to Revelation depend upon and sustain each other because they are all necessary to the completeness of the design. One book links right together with the next one.

The Bible was also written to state the will of God. Because so many people had forgotten the true God they had also forgotten the will of God.

Another reason why it was written was to tell men of their sins. The task of the Bible's writer was two fold—to inform and remind men of their sins.

The Bible was written to foretell coming events. In foretelling the future it shows occurrences distant a year to thousands of years. Although the blackness of today may seem impenetrable yet beyond is the golden glow of properity and happiness.

Finally the Bible was written to give the message of salvation. Many people away back there were worshiping idols, but they did not get any real happiness from it. Later when they accepted the real God they were full of the joy of salvation.

Many people wonder how the Bible was written and how the people of the early days could write the messages and have them preserved today. At first they were written on papyrus and later on parchment. Even with these crude implements the people could trace the messages of God. Although there are none of the original manuscripts in exsistence today,

we find evidence that from the early centuries of the Christian Era down to the present time learned men have engaged in an endless work of revision and translation.

But how were the people urged to write such crude implements as they had in those days? God only used these people as instruments through which the word could be brought to other men. These men never could have produced such a work by themselves. It was only when the spirit of God labored with them that they were able to set down the words of hope and peace. Through revelation and inspiration God was able to send forth His wonderful messages to the world.

The Bible is the supreme literary philosophy, penetrating essay, comprehensive history, entrancing stories, sublime poetry, and it is all within the covers of one book. It is God's message to us of Himself, and of how we should live. A knowledge of this book is more to be desired than fine gold, for in understanding, believing, and obeying it, there is great reward here and hereafter. It gives us the message of salvation. It is the greatest book of the world, the constitution of our faith, and the herald of eternal life. The whole Bible is a revelation of perfection in speech. The description of the shipwreck when Paul was on his way to Rome is the most thrilling narative of a storm at sea. The poems and psalms of David are inspiring in their faith and beauty and enchanting in their eloquence.

The Bible is the world's best seller. It is a book that has a very interesting life story. Each year more copies are sold than of any other book. And no wonder there is! It has been translated into 886 different languages and dialects, and the total is still growing. The first Bible was translated into the Indian language by John Elliott and printed in 1661. The first English translation for the common people was by Wyclife.

The Bible is the oldest book in the world. No book is so old by several hundred years as the books of Moses and Job. This book has the exclusive right of being the oldest, but it is also the best and most reliable and trustworthy book in the world. How can our youth claim to be educated when many of them have not even the Bible and have no knowledge of

what it contains? The Bible possesses a marked and exclusive superiority to all other books. It has God for its author, truth for its subject, and human salvation for its end. We can open the Bible with unhesitating confidence and read its contents with a full and firm persuasion of both of the high importance and the certainty of every narrative it gives and every doctrine it unfolds. There were employed in its production not less than forty writers. All of the writers were separated by the interval of many centuries from one another. Kings and priests, shepherds and herdsmen, warriors and fishermen, a tent-maker and a physician, great men and simple, made up the writers of the Bible. They were all different, yet they wrote on the same theme. In their views as sacred penmen they were thoroughly agreed. A universal harmony of strain was kept up by all the writers of the Bible.

This same Bible lies before us today full of its many treasures. Although we may be almost 2,000 years removed from the writing of its last book we have not outgrown its message because men have not changed. It is wonderful to note how long the Bible has been in existence and is still being used today.

Though the cover is worn,
And the pages are torn,
And though places bear traces of tears,
Yet more precious than gold
Is the book, worn and old,
That can shatter and scatter my tears.

When I prayerfully look
In the precious old book
Many pleasures and treasures I see,
Many tokens of love
From the Father above,
Who is the nearest and dearest to me.

This old Book is my guide,
'Tis a friend by my side,
It will lighten and brighten my way;
And each promise I find
Soothes and gladdens my mind,
As I read it and heed to today.

-VIVIAN FRYER

EDITORIAL NOTE—The above article was sent to us from Hugo, Colo., by Sister Hattie

Ostrandeo saying, "This composition was written and given in High School here by one of our mission girls, who is a senior this year. They could choose any subject they desired, so she chose the Bible. She asked us to pray the day she gave it and the result was that several students of the class are beginning to study their Bibles."

We wish to affectionately dedicate this article to the High School students who read this paper.

# SOUTH TEXAS CAMP MEETING June 1st to 10th East Bernard, Texas

Everything is getting in readiness for a great time in the coming camp meeting to be held at Fast Bernard, and everyone is getting things together, and many are planning on coming from far and near to be at the camp meeting.

The prospects thus far promises to be one of the greatest camp meetings ever held in the Southland. Many people have been writing about coming. Although it might be a great sacrifice to come, yet to make the camp meeting a success everyone will have to make a sacrifice and do all they can in these days we are living.

A very urgent invitation is extended to Ministers, Evangelists and Musicians and those that have a call for work for the Lord to come and get together for a refreshing from the Presence of the Lord, that we might be of a greater service for Him in the coming days.

For futher information, write A. B. Stanberry, 1215 Utah avenue, Houston, Tex., or Robert L. Parham, East Bernard, Tex.

#### Dear Readers:

We have just returned from the panhandle of Texas where we held a meeting at Booker, Tex. The Lord blessed in a marvelous way, quite a number saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Spirit and each one felt encouraged to press on after this refreshing from the Lord. The Sunday School has doubled its number and is continuing to grow as P. M. Campbell and family are continuing here as Pastors. We enjoyed greatly the sweet fellowship of God's children in this community. Mr. and Mrs. Fred

A. Campbell are greatly appreciated for their fine singing and work among the children and the Young People.

After closing here we were in the Perryton Tabernacle for two services. Souls were saved here and then on to Hardesty showing the pictures in the High School Auditorium. The faithful ones here have secured a nice building for a Mission, everyone pray that this work go forward.

Evang. Milliard Brown began a Revival at the Spearmon Union Church, May 1, a real revival spirit was on and fine attendance as the pictures of the Holy Land were shown here at the beginning of the meeting, several coming to the Lord for salvation. From here we continued to Meade, Kan., and found a revival on and a number of preachers and workers laboring for the Lord. Sisters Edna Mae Long and Dora Shackleford have been pastoring here for some time. Evang. Harlan Clark was conducting the revival and Evang. Wm. Yeakel and party were there on their way to the western slope of Colorado for meetings. We had a time of rejoicing together, God blessing our labors and saving seven souls one night, and we are glad for the reports that the revival is doing good.

Evang. Gail W. Schultz and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Tucker of Katy, Tex., were in a meeting at Selman, Okla., the home town of Bro. Schultz, God was blessing and saving souls, sanctifying and filling with Holy Spirit.

As we came on to Kingman, Kan., we found the children of God progressing in His name by the help of their pastor and family, Huston Nease. Two souls came to the Lord here. We were also glad to hear of the new Mission at Arlington, a place to worship God in spirit and in truth.

It was good to be in Cheney, Kan., once more, and be with the dear ones again, and be in the home of Mother Parham, where H. L. Watkins and family are also. A number of people came from surrounding communities for the afternoon service. It was an inspiration to be in the Young Peoples meeting, the best we have ever seen in Cheney, seeing such a large number and so many working for the Lord and filled with the Spirit, several came to the altar for salvation following the night services.

This was our first time to be in the new Mission at Wichita and found it to be more than we had expected, God blessed and honored the service with His presense, saving several souls following the showing of the crucifixtion. Evang. Gene Cornell and wife were here for a few days meeting before going to Elmwood, Okla., to pastor for a few months.

Wichita was the last of our stops and we are now home at Baxter Springs, Kan., making preparations for the Camp Meetings and will leave shortly for the South Texas Camp Meeting at East Bernard, June 1 to 10. Many people all over the country who have never been to South Texas are making their plans to be in this meeting. Everyone is looking forward to a great feast of good things from God. We urge everyone to make a special effort and sacrifice to be in a Camp Meeting this year as the coming of the Lord draweth night and truly it is time to make preparation for His coming. Do much praying for these meetings that God shall have His way, and lead in every undertaking.

Yours for Jesus, ROBERT and PAULINE PARHAM, East Bernard, Texas.

> Meade, Kansas, May 10, 1934.

Greetings in Jesus name. We are still in a revival here and God is blessing our every effort. Bro. Wm. Yeakel and party (Mr. and Mrs. Fred Armstrong, Miss Edna Pryer and Miss Clara Shackelford) have been helping us.

Bro. Robert and Sister Pauline Parham were here May 3 and showed the pictures of the Holy Land. The house was full and God wonderfully blessed. Seven souls were saved that night.

We have been having afternoon prayer meetings and Bible studies and two were wonderfully filled with the Holy Spirit in these services. Three have been sanctified. Conviction is still resting on hearts and lives and we are expecting God to bless throughout the remainder of the week. We feel that Sunday night will close our meeting here and expect to start a revival in Kingman, Kan., on May 20. Pray for us as we go into this field.

Sis. Edna Mae Long and Sis. Dora Shackelford are pastoring the mission here. Let us THE APOSTOLIC FAITH PUBLISHING CO. Un-Denominational and Inter-Denominational MRS. CHARLES F. PARHAM-Editor MRS. CLAUDE W. PARHAM-Secretary-Treasurer

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remember them in prayer as they labor here. MR. AND MRS. TARLAN R. CLARK.

### BRIEF MENTION

Mr .and Mrs. Fred A. Campbell are now in South Texas, having meetings in the different Missions before the East Bernard Camp meeting.

Evangelist H. A. Ostrander and Mr. and Mrs. Lines Smith of Flagler, Colo., are now in the Tri-State district in meetings, enroute to the South Texas camp meeting.

Evangelist Albert Durham and family have returned to Stella, Mo., and Saturday, (May 12) began a tent revival near their home there, with Evangelist Chester Jackson and party in charge of the services. Paul Johnson from Nevada, Mo., is there also and other workers are expected soon. They are trusting the Lord for a gracious revival.

Robert Giroward, pastor of the Full Gospel Tabernacle at Perryton, Tex., has been conducting a revival in a tent at Lavene. Okla. Reports are the meeting was fine.

Evangelist Gail W. Schultz and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Tucker have been in a meeting at Selman, Okla. Quite a number were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Spirit.

Brother and Sister Ben Barker and family, accompanied by Bro. Barker's father and mother, are in South Texas, making stops at the different missions holding meetings.

Bro. Floyd Durham has just closed a threeweeks' revival meeting at Granby, Mo., where a multitude of souls have been brought to God during the past year and God has wonderfully blessed. A large wooden tabernacle has been built in which Bro. Durham will hold a local camp meeting July 1-15. For further information address Floyd M. Durham, Stella, Mo., Route No. 2.

Evangelist Millard E. Brown writes:-We

closed our meeting at Gray, Okla., Sunday night (April 29th). God gave us a good meeting and we thank the Lord for what was done, through faith in His name. Twenty-eight were saved, some sanctified and five received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Twenty-nine were baptized in water. We started a revival here in Spearman, Tex. (April 30th) Bro. Robert Parham showed the pictures of the Holy Land, May 1 and 2 here. We are expecting a good meeting and a time of refreshing from God.

Bro. and Sister Ditto have been in North Alabama holding meetings. They are now in Mississippi and the Lord is blessing the work there.

Bro. S. E. Waterbury and family have moved from Roswell, N. M., to Johnson, Ark., about five miles from Fayetteville, Ark. Bro. Waterbury is doing pastorial work at Fayetteville.

Bro. Wilfred and Sister Alice Parham are now in evangelistic work. They have been having meetings at El Paso, Tex., and San Antonio, Tex., and the Lord is blessing their work. Their next meeting will be at Lubbock, Tex.

Waldo, Ark.

Dear Ones of the Faith:

Just a few lines to let you know we love the Lord and are glad for the work that is being done by those who are "contending for the faith." We have only known the Lord in reality for a short time, and have not had the pleasure of meeting many of the faith yet, but we are looking forward to the South Texas camp meeting in June. We ask your paryers, if it be His will, we may meet there in the name of the Lord.

We have read the "Life of Chas. F. Parham" and many of his sermons and are thankful for his life. Truly it behooves each of us to carry on the work for God and lost souls.

E. W. DICKSON AND WIFE Of the Scott and Dickson Evangelistic party.

If I were but sure that I should live to see the coming of the Lord, it would be the most joyful tidings in the world. Oh that I might see His kingdom come! It is the characteristic of His saints to love His appearing and to look for that blessed hope. "The Spirit and the bride say, come" "Even so, come Lord Jesus."

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