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ARTHUR B. CORL

Anthur B. Corl - friend and brother - laymember and minister - consecrated and dedicated to Jesus Christ - was faithful to the end, when by heavenly orders he was summoned from his earthly tabermacle, and quietly and peacefully answered the call in the early afternoon of June 20th, 1959 from his home at Katy, Texas.

Arthur Barnhardt Corl, son of James T. and Martha J. Corl, was born in Wentworth (Newton Co.) Mo., on April 13, 1893. For a time the Corl family resided at Webb City, Mo. It was here that he was happily converted in the Methodist church as a child nine years old.

In July of 1905 the family moved to Orchard, Tex. (The birthplace of the Apostolic Faith Movement in Texas.) It was here that Brother Corl heard "Dad" Parham preach and he became a "Believer" and was steadfast in all the wonderful things he had heard - salvation - healing sanctification - an the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Also the message of the Second Coming of Christ and the Hope of Redemption.

In January of 1912 the Corl family moved to Alvin, Texas. Shortly afterwards on March 21, 1913 Arthur was married to Miss Melessa Ellen Bundlick of Stafford, Tex.

Brother and Sister Corl moved from Alvin to Houston in 1917. where they lived until 1958 when they moved to the present Katy, Texas home. Brother Corl had just finished 37 years of service with the Texas Oil Co., in Houston as an accountant. He netired in April of last year.

Brother and Sister Corl were the parents of three children: Everett Arthur of El Paso; Martin Elbert, who preceeded him in death in 1946; and Lucille Elenor Sutton (wife of Rev. Darrell Sutton of South Houston).

Brother Corl felt the call upon his life to work for God and his sincerity in studying the Word and doing with his might what he found to do, proved his faithfulness to his call. He was appointed an elder in the church at Alvin and filled the office until he moved to Houston. He helped in different works that were established in Houston, doing all he could that the Word of God might be preached and those in need reached.

In a camp meeting at Cheney, Kans., in 1931 Brother Corl received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and felt a definite call to preach. Soon he began his ministry at Pinehurst, Tex., out of which grew the Decker's Prairie work, where he was pastoring at the time of his death, a post he had held since 1947. During the years between his first preaching at Pinehurst and Decker's Prairie he never lost an opportunity to preach in the many places that were open to him. Long working hours at the office did not halt his services because he was never too tired to go, nor fearful of distances in his effort to spread the good news. His home was dedicated to the Lord for the servants of God, and many ministers had made it their home, either a point from which they worked, or a resting spot in a busy world.

The funeral was conducted from the Heights Funeral Home of Houston, Tex. Brother Donald Dibbens, pastor of the Katy church was in charge, assisted by Brother Roy Wooster and Brother Floyd Durham. The body was buried in the Hollywood cemetery of Houston. Pallbearers were Brothers Willie Wooster, Emory Eiland, Raymond Barker, Roland Busch and Melvin Scott.

I know that he rests from his labors and his works do follow him. He laid claim to his heavenly inheritance through Jesus Christ our Lord, many years ago, and at his appointed time, he went his way with an assurance from "On High" that all was well, and we who remain can only say, "Amen Jesus", our hope grows brighter too as earthly values recede and heaven comes in view.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR PASTOR, REV. ARTHUR B. CORL The human mind just cannot understand

The whys and wherefores God alone has planned.

We humans cannot comprehend

Why God has taken our dear friend, A friend who traveled many an hour To tell others of God's love and power.

Brother Corl was eager for all to know

His Lord and Master, Whom he loved so.

Last January, the human eye could See

Brother Corl's youth and great agility.

He was so young looking and so spry It seemed far too soon for to say goodbye.

There was so much yet he could have done

To bring the lost to God's dear Son. Why must he leave us grieving so?

That is for God alone to know! We know God has said, "Well done Thou good and very faithful son! Brother Corl, you've worked hard for Me,

Come now it's time you're trouble free.

Your life on earth now is through, You've earned your reward which

waits for you." So Brother Corl left many grieving

here, He left many with memories dear,

Many he'd wooed and won to the Lord,

Many who heard him read God's word.

Many who loved his singing bass,

Many who'll miss his smiling face, Many babies he dedicated too,

Many he joined when they said, "I do",

- For many he wept, for many he prayed,
- By many a sick bed long hours he stayed,

Many he taught the pathway of right.

- And he'd go to their aid whether day or night.
- He loved souls and he answered the call.
- Of the One he loved best who died for us all.

He left on June 20th in mid-after-

noon. We ask, "Why must it have been so soon?"

Our God knows the answer; He does what is best.

On June 23, Brother Corl was laid to rest.

Our grief is heavy - we miss him so But there is peace while the tears may flow:

We know if we are faithful to the enid.

We'll see our dear Brother Corl again.

-By a Decker's Prairie member

SERMON OF THE MONTH

WATCHMAN, WHAT OF THE NIGHT?

By Lela McKeever

In Isaiah 21 and a portion of the 11th verse we find the words, "Watchman, what of the night?", repeated two times. I would like to liken the Jewish night or the four watches 6-9 evening; 9-12 midnight; 12-3 cock-crowing and 3-6 morning watch to this Gospel age which our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, made possible by His first coming, living and walking among men, going to Calvary and in three days arising from the dead, and His ascension, and by the promise of His second coming which all who know Him today are looking forward to, that great and glorious day John the Revelator speaks about in Rev. 1:7, "Behold, He cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see Him." The second coming of Jesus is the greatest Prophecy and hope that we have today to look forward to.

Just before Jesus went away He gave instruction to His disciples to go to Jerusalem and tarry until they received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. He knew it was necessary in order for them to be able to promulgate the Gospel they had been taught and to follow the example Jesus had set before them.

Jesus told His disciples they would receive power after the Holy Ghost come upon them and they would be a witness unto Him in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and His last words were "Uttermost part of the earth." The disciples saw Him disappear into a cloud and they stood gazing and two men in white apparel stood with them which said, Acts 1:11, "Ye men of Galilee why stand ye gazing up into heaven?", this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven."

Jesus disciples returned unto Jerusalem as Jesus commanded and tarried there ten days until the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit fell, which we class as the early rain. From this time on the disciples did not forget Jesus last words to witness to the "uttermost part of the earth," and the words of the men in white apparel that He would return in like manner as He went away for the hope of His return was the heart of the Apostles message. Also the times they had walked with Jesus, saw Him heal the sick, the maimed, and those governed by demon powers, and always going about doing good had an influence over their lives as the going down of the sun in the evening sheds a glow of beautiful light over the world.

The Apostles began to carry the message and heal the sick, encourage the discouraged, and carry the Gospel and thus our church age began.

The church made a rapid growth the first day as about three thousand souls were added.

The first persecution came to the early Church when Peter and John went into the Temple and the lame man was there and through the power of God and their farth he was healed and they put them in prison for such teaching. When the Sadducees saw the boldness and earnestness of Peter and John and their determination, they released them.

A judgment of death was passed upon Ananias and Sapphira because of their deceitful transaction. The sad judgment of Ananias and Sapphira put a fear upon the church and it began to grow and the miracle working power of God was manifested in so many ways the disciples were put back into prison but the angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and let them out and when the officers came back they found the prison empty but the doors shut, but the men they put in prison they found standing in the temple preaching and teaching about Jesus. They brought them without violence before the council and the High Priest asked them if they hadn't been commanded to not teach in Jesus name and not to teach their doctrine, but the Apostle told them, "We ought to obey God rather than men."

As the Church continued to grow the Grecians began to complain against the Hebrews because their widows weren't taken care of, so the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them and they decided on seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom to take care of this business. Of this number, Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people; they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spoke. They assembled false witnesses against Stephen, accusing him of blasphemy.

Stephen came back with the rebuke, "Ye stiff-necked and uncircumsized in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost." He asked them who of the Prophets they had not persecuted? He told them they had received the law by the disposition of angels and not kept it. When they heard these things it made them angry and they cast him out of the city and stoned him to death. In the face of it all Stephen cried with a loud voice, "Lord lay not this sin to their charge." Stephen is known as the first Christian Martyr, he gave his life to carry the Gospel of Jesus and the story of Jesus' second coming.

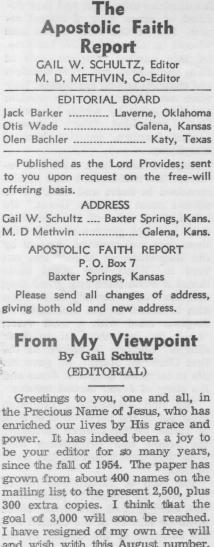
The first Evangelistic campaign grew out of the persecution of Saul of Tarsus on the Church scattering the people and everywhere they went they were preaching the Word of God.

The Saul of Tarsus who helped to scatter the Gospel by persecuting the Church had profound effect upon the History of the Church and the carrying of the Gospel by his conversion.

After Saul was convented his name was changed to Paul and he became one of the greatest missionaries of that day, carrying the Gospel to every region that he went. Paul had much persecution during his ministry and for five years he was in prison, but he trusted in the Lord and this experience seemed to magnify his faith in God until God used him to write six books of the New Testament.

About the time of Pauls conversion, Peter, one of the twelve, had a vision to take the Gospel to the Gentiles. Peter obeyed the Lord and the Gentiles received the Gospel in its fullness, receiving the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

We have mentioned just a few of the happenings of the early churchs (Continued on Page 6)



300 extra copies. I think that the goal of 3,000 will soon be reached. I have resigned of my own free will and wish with this August number. Wife and I are both tired, and it seems that we were getting so many duties that we could not perform any of them as we should. We are also leaving the church here and do not plan to teach in the Bible School in the coming term. All these decisions have been made after much prayer and we feel that this is the will of the Lord and therefore for the best.

Help us in prayer to know the exact moves to make as we travel on. I would like to "fill-in" for an absent pastor now and then, conduct some revivals, have some week-end services, and if possible start a new work in a new field. I may have some extra writing to do also. God can make all these things possible as we trust Him. There are many open doors and many souls in need, we seek to be useful in His call for us.

In the change over to a new editor (That choice will no doubt be made at camp meeting, for I am sure that God has a man for the place). Please continue to send all officings, reports and articles to the Apostolic Faith Report, Box 7, Baxter Springs, Kansas and in due season they will be turned over to the right persons, so that the paper may continue without undue strain. It is possible that this change will cause some delay, but remember that the paper still goes on. It is only a change of editors, not a discontinuation of publication. The mailing list, equipment, materials and funds on hand will be transferred.

The paper has caused some burden and maybe a little fretting at times, but as a whole it has been a beautiful work that I have enjoyed so very much. Perhaps the Lord will let me return to this work someday. There are so many of you that we are deeply indebted to: those of you who have been faithful in your offerings, personally and from groups; also to those who have written from time to time, to the assistant editors, and the printers, each one adding to the "working crew". We want to also make mention of those who came on mailing day to help get the paper in the Post Office on its way to you. Thanks to the fine board of the "Report" who have always been so kind and understanding. It has been nice to have a paper, not only of Movement news, but for announcements of Bible School, camp meetings, convocations and youth camps. Some of these have been sent to us ready for the paper, others we have had to arrange. Articles that have come to me have been above average. I want to thank you who have responded favorably to the judgment I have used in the material I have selected. It has not always been easy to decide.

Please give your complete support to the new editor. He will continue to need printing material and funds for the paper and a side offering to him, I know he will greatly appreciate it and it will probably be necessary if he carries on his editorship successfully.

Write to us often, not as an editor, and as ministers of the Gospel. We

Lines From The Co-Editor

Greetings in the name of the Lord:

Surely it is a pleasure to come your way once more with the Report, hoping it will inspire you in your faith in Jesus our Lord.

We find as time comes closer and closer to its end, we the people of God need more strength to fight the fight of faith so we may lay hold on the crown of life that fadeth not away. To gain that needed strength we must increase our prayer life, and also improve in our service to God. It isn't merely enough to attend church once a year, or month. Or neither is it enough once a week, I feel that every time the church doors open it is our duty to God to be in our place in His house. To be able to overcome the world and the powers of Satan we must be regular church goers and real worshippers of our wonderful Lord.

I have surely enjoyed working for the Lord in this measure, but I feel my work in this part of God's field is finished for the time being, so with these words, may God's rich blessings be upon each and everyone of the Report readers, I will close.

> Yours in the Kings service, M. D. METHVIN

Ambition

Men's ambition is generally proportioned to their capacity. Providence seldom sends anyone into the world with an incination to attempt great things who have not abilities likewise to perform them. — (Ben Johnson).

Remember that long before you started out on the journey to find God, God started out on his journey to find you.—Rev. Harold E. Soulen.

want to help you whenever we can. May God bless you and may every day be a big day for you in the Lord. Let us, together, seek the face of the Lord for a better paper for a greater school — for a Movement well honored and spiritually endowed by our God.

Goodbye for the present.

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BY THIS SHALL MEN KNOW

By Jacob C. Regier

Jesus stood in the Judgment hall before Pilate. His disciple Peter stood outside and warmed himself by the fire along with others. He was recognized as the Lord's disciple by a maid and when she accused him and said that his speech betrayed him, he violently denied being a disciple of Jesus. But he was recognized — He was known! ! ! So any person, in any walk of life, is betrayed by his speech. He is recognized — He is known! ! !

One could go to great lengths to explain how a person's occupation of many years will leave tell-tale marks so that he is easily recognized. One well-known speaker was described by another thus, "He looks more like a farmer than a speaker." Not that it is a shame to be recognized as a farmer, a merchant, a banker, a teacher, or a preacher, to name but a few of the many honorable professions.

It is really hard to hide one's identity. It is actually hard to hide anything. Certainly we know that God knows us. He knows our hearts, our thoughts, our desires, our faults, in fact God knows us better than we know ourselves. Bible teaches us that God's word is sharper than a two-edged sword, which is able to divide soul and spirit, joint and marrow, and is the discerner of thoughts. We know we cannot hide from God.

But we cannot hide from man! !! We find a wonderful scripture passage in John 13:35 which will give a Christian the awareness that we cannot hide from man. But what Christian wants to hide from man? A true Christian is not ashamed, therefore he has nothing to hide. Let us read the scripture, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

By the same roken we want to say that Christ's disciples have tell-tale marks to identify them. Jesus said: "By this shall all men know . . ." Know what? "That ye are my disciples. . ." By what shall they know? "If ye have love one to another."

It is not our desire to use this space to point out this person or that one and say they do not qualify to these Christ-like standards. It is rather our purpose to show how we can attain these standards by the Grace of God.

Should we have any righteousness? Yes, Jesus said that our righteousness should exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees . . . if it didn't, we could not enter God's kingdom. (Ref. Matt. 5:20) By studying the scriptures we learn that our righteousness is as filthy rags in God's sight. This we learn then that our righteousness must not be our own but God's.

The commandment of love is referred to in scripture as a "new" commandment and again it is referred to as an "old" commandment. (Ref. John 13:34 and I John 2:7-8) This casts a double radiance upon the requirement of love: It was an old commandment but renewed. In First John 2:10 we read, "He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him."

How to attain to this standard? By being partakers of His divine nature as is shown in 2 Peter 1:4; by having the mind of Christ as shown in Phillipians 2:5-8; and by experiencing the new birth as shown in 1 Peter 1:23.

God's nature is described by the word, "LOVE". God proved this Love-Nature when He sent His only begotten Son to die for sinful humanity. Christ's nature is also described in the word, "LOVE". The Love-Nature of Jesus Christ our Saviour was proved beyond all doubt when He, the Son of God, freely gave himself for the Church to cleanse and sanctify it. Therefore, God's sons, the disciples of Christ, can prove their discipleship only with the "Love-Nature" they receive from God through Jesus Christ. Let us notice the Lord's earnest prayer (recorded in John 17-21) "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. As thou hast sent me inito the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also

Give Our Evangelists A Boost

How time changes things. Do you remember when our Movement was all evangelists. Then there was about an even number of evangelists and pastors. Now the evangelists are mighty few. I may not be up on the subject as I should be, but I have been informed that it is most difficult to stay busy in evangelistic meetings. An evangelist has to plan his meetings ahead. Sometimes a church invites another pastor. Sometimes a week's "effort" satisfies for six months or longer. The open field is hard to master at this time, unless there is some body who cares and prays and gives until that new work gets on its feet. The School house meetings of yester-year is almost over, a small tent does not mean much to our present people.

Between meetings the evangelist has to "eat," in other words his bills go on—then he has to get a job. Then the word gets out that Bro. so and so is working and we all wonder why? This problem cannot be worked out by one person or one church, but we must as a Movement begin to take serious the thought of the loss of evangelists and the cause back of it.

Have we lost the vision of Evangelism, the vision of seeing lost souls born into the Kingdom? If a person is out of meetings too much, it is often difficult to get into the spirit of preaching and working as he should. If it takes a few days for "every body and every thing" to take hold, often the "backers" become discouraged and the time element alone defeats the meeting. Let us do our best to build a revival fire that burns brightly and not out.

which shall believe on me through their word; That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: That the world may believe that thou hast sent me." The last nine words of this quotation, "That the world may believe that Thou hast sent me."

By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, in that ye have love one to another.

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but it brings us to the end of the evening watch but Jesus did not come in this watch. "Watchman, what of the night?" "The morning cometh."

As we consider the Church during the midnight watch we see the debauchery of the church. The lull in spirituality is terrible to think of without being true. In 313 A. D. Constantine passed the first Christian laws making it easier for the Christians, there was less persecution and the Church drifted into a state of ease. Out of this came all the sin, shame and disgrace of buying and selling of indulgences. Also they had a plan whereby people payed money to have their loved ones souls loosed from purgatory. Much of this money collected in this manner was spent by the collectors in taverns, gambling houses and places of ill flame. God did not see fit to send His Son during this watch, "Watchman, what of the night?"

We think of what happened in the cock-crowing watch, how Martin Luther, being honest at heart, the Lord dealt with him and made him to realize there was more to serving the Lord than the planning and scheming of money. Martin Luther one day was wishing to obtain an indulgence promised by the Pope to all who should ascend on their knees what is called Pilate's staircase, while performing this act he thought he heard a voice of thunder crying from the bottom of his heart, "The just shall live by faith." These words had struck him twice before and resounded unceasingly and powerfully within.

Luther began to make an earnest effort to serve the Lord from his heart and when people came to him to make their confessions and pay their indulgences he would tell them, "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

Luther met with much opposition and would have quit had he not been inspired of God to follow his convictions.

Martin Luther posted a protest

on the "All Saints Church" doors at Wittenburg and it was called the "Ninety-Five Thesis" and this began the Protestant Reformation.

Luther was ordered to appear at the Diet at Worms. Here he appeared before German princes, nobles, clergy, etc. The Diet demanded he retract his teachings. He answered: "Unless I am refuted and convicted by testimonies of the Scriptures my conscience is bound in the Word of God. I cannot and will not recant anything."

The Emperor condemned Luther a nonbeliever and a heretic but allowed him to start for home. One of his friends had others get him and take him to the Castle of Wartburg, for his safety where he stayed for ten months and it was here he translated the New Testament from original Greek into German.

Luther returned to Wittenburg to organize a new Church, he arranged a new order of Church, services, new system of Church Government, wrote Catechisms for instructions to common people. Here he introduced congregational singing and hymns and continued to teach, preach, and translate the Old Bible into German.

Luther is known to us as the Father of Reformers and bringing and teaching justification.

We think of another reformer by the name of John Wesley, who was of a good family background and has a keen mind, enough to be a lawyer but the family teaching and the fear he had of offending God made him when it come to choosing a career, inclined toward the ministry.

John Wesley gave diligent attention to outward forms because that was what he hoped to be saved by, not being so bad as other people, having kindness toward religion, reading the Bible, going to Church and saying prayers.

John Wesley entered the Holy Orders and was ordained but after his ordination he still realized he was not fit inside for the calling but he kept pressing on, doing the best he knew how.

John and Charles Wesley came to the United States to witness and carry the Gospel of Jesus to the Indians but because of lack of witness from the heart their trip was a defeat in that point, but on the same boat with him were some Moravian Christians and there was a storm at sea but these Moravian Christians did not fear and this made Wesley to feel they knew God in a greater manner than he knew them, he returned to England feeling defeat. Another time he set sail from England and he heard another Moravian testify of a change of heart and after hearing and reading the Word of God, Wesley experienced this inward warming by having his sins covered by the blood of Jesus.

With all the good traits Wesley had was now added the energy of the Holy Ghost and he began to preach, teach, study and write, but sleep very little.

Wesley ran up against much persecution but he was faithful and carried the Gospel and his life exemplified the great doctrine of Entire Sanctification.

There were many reformers during these years carrying the Gospel story and teaching the return of Jesus but the next one and last one we would like to consider is that of Charles Fox Parham, Baxter Springs, Kansas founder of the Apostolic Faith. He too bore much persecution for the Gospel which he preached and taught. He brought to us the teaching of Divine healing and the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Brother Parham had preached and studied the Word of God, but he felt there was more to this plan of salvation than justification, sanctification, he could not get away from the Scripture, Acts 2:4. He visited different organized church groups but he could not find anything that seemed to come up with the Scripture. In 1900 Charles F. Parham opened a Bible School in Topeka, Kansas, inviting ministers and Christians who were interested in studying the Word of God and trusting the Lord for everything to come to school.

In December 1900 they had their examinations on repentance, conversion, sanctification, healing, and the soon coming of the Lord. Brother Parham's convictions on the Second Chapter of Acts began to bear harder upon him, so he set the students of the school studying for the Bible evidence of the Holy Ghost that would be undisputable by the world.

Brother Parham left the school for three days for some services and he returned on the morning preceding watch night services in the year 1900.

At about 10:00 he rang the bell and called all the students to the Chapel to get their report on the matter at hand. To his surprise they all came up with the same report that when the pentecostal blessing fell they spake in other tongues.

Watchnight about 75 people besides the (40) students gathered and a mighty spiritual power filled the school. Sister Agnes N. Ozman, (now La Berge) asked that they lay hands on her and pray she might receive, as she felt a call to foreign fields. As they prayed, the glory of God shone on her face and she began to speak in another language.

The following day Mr. Parham observed a day of special prayer and waiting on the Lord. From 9:00 to 3:00 p. m., he believes to be the six hours Christ spent on the cross, so these hours were spent in special waiting, that all that was bought on Calvary might be wrought in lives.

That night Brother Parham went to special services and when he came home people all around were speaking in other languages, singing and praising God. Parham knelt down and thanked God for the scene he had witnessed and asked that he might have the blessing in his life, he would stand for it regardless of the persecution and reproach as he had for Divine healing, and he began to speak in other languages and the Scripture, Acts 2:4, was made more real. This blessing created much curiosity and Government Interpreters were sent to witness the services and they verified people were speaking distinct languages and correct dialects. Other Scriptures had now been fulfilled, speaking of the latter rain such as Joel 2:23.

We came to the close of the Cockcrowing watch and Jesus still has not returned, "Watchman, what of the night?", the watchman said, "The morning cometh."

We are now living in the morning watch, the last watch to look for the Son of Man and our soon coming King who shall reign King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Mark 13:35-37, admonishes us to watch for we know not when the master of the house shall return, at

For What Should We Labor?

John 6:27 — Labor not for the meat which perisheth, but that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed.

Here it is again, that duty, work, labor, toil, taking thought of mounting needs day after day. But how should we work, for what should we labor, our main interests should be on what source? Man was to earn his bread by the sweat of his face. Gen. 3:19. He that would not provide for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel. I Tim. 5:8. Again we read, "For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat. II Thes. 3:10.

From the above we are sure that it is in the will of the Lord for all of us to work, for each to have his job or field of service. Yet, let us go back to the first scripture that we have as a subject. Labor not for just the natural things. I wonder if we are willing to spend and be spent for the Gospel? I am sure that many

even, midnight, cockcrowing or morning, watch lest he find us sleeping, we know we are living in the morning watch, all signs are pointing to the soon coming of the Lord, therefore, we must Watch.

Within my heart today is a thankfullness to the Lord, down in my heart, that I do not have words to express for the manifold blessings of God and for the Gospel which has been carried down through the years, that we of this day have the privileges in God, the precious Word of God to stand upon, and this plan of salvation to teach us to fear God and to put our faith, trust and confidence in God, knowing he is the answer to every one of life's problems. Thankful to live in this watch and be able to have that hope of Jesus' return to earth again for we know as Mal. 4:2 says, "But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings." "Praise His dear name."

churches are suffering today because they have unfaithful members in tithing, and giving - in working and building and repairing - in helping by the work of their hands the progress of the church. Then too, I wonder if we have a ministry that is ready and willing to serve where the call lies? Are we sure that the Lord is leading and that is all that matters? Often the question of support arises, "I must provide for my own". If we were to sit still, do nothing, I am sure that we and our loved onles would suffer, but has God failed, is faith a past fashion?

I have trusted the Lord to supply my every need for over thirty years of preaching and He has never failed. When I make mention of this fact, in my earlier ministry I was told, O you are young, single, have only a few needs. Then as I grew older and still trusted the Lord to supply the need of the hour, some said, there is plenty of money in the country. Now as an older minister the excuse is, well, you are wellknown, always a reason, save the one basic fact, that God does and will supply our need as we trust Him.

What was the command, labor for the mat that endures unto everlasting life. Do we place the values upon our own souls and the souls of others that we should? It is easy to praise the men with good jobs, big pay and "success" is "marked up" the many with money, but how many are marked with "a glory cloud experience". How many are praised that do enter into His rest, that seek first the kingdom of God. That become failures, fools and mistakes for His sake? Heaven is cheap at any price. Salvation is the all important factor of life. To keep that salvation, with a growing desire to be more like Jesus, is the most precious thing on earth. Let us go to a full and completely surrendered life, set apart for service. Let us tarry until we are spirit filled, and from this base continue our labor of love for Jesus.

Let us as Christians work, work hard, but do it for the glory of the Lord. Let us fight, not one another, but contend for the faith. Be pushers, and backers and promoters for all of God's work and I am sure He will reward you.

JUST A LAD

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By Bobbie Billings

Have you ever just studied a picture of a boy? I picked up a picture today, and by chance it was of a boy. I realized He was not just a boy, but there was something different and remarkable about Him. Perhaps it was the tenderness and meekness of His expression. It could have been the gentleness of His manners, but I really think it was the love and compassion that spoke in His eyes in almost audible words. No, this was not just an average boy, but was the son of a lowly carpenter of the city of Nazareth. I can picture the boy as a lad of twelve years and already the knowledge of His duty on earth was plain in His mind.

In Luke 2:40,52, we find that as the boy grew in stature and strength as other boys, He was still different than they were. He grew strong in spirit, grew in wisdom, and found favor with God and man. My, what an example He set before us! So many of us grow in the natural and material things and forget the spiritual side of our lives. While we feed our natural bodies and they grow fat on the food of the natural, we starve our spiritual bodies until they dwindle away and finally die.

Just as Jesus was different from the average boy of His day, we must be set apart and different from our friends. I do not imagine His mind was on playing with the other boys or the fight He had the day before. His mind was kept free from the things of this life, and was open only to the growing wisdom and knowledge of His Heavenly Father. Just as a mental test of our lives, could we place our own lives in the place of Christs? Are we burdened down with the duties and cares of our homes and families? Do we ever leave our minds free to the growing wisdom and knowledge of God given to us by the Holy Spirit? How can we expect to be more substantial in the things of God if we don't give Him the chance and opportunity to teach us.

It would be good to remember the saying, "when we are coasting, we are either loosing speed or slipping back". It is a constant battle to march forward on the battlefields of

God Looketh Upon The Heart

By Barbara Robinson

I Sam. 16:7

But the Lord said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart.

This is a command unto us, even as it was a command unto Samuel; we are to look not on the outward appearance of man and judge his life. It is true sometimes that actions speak louder than words, but a man's heart is wherein his goodness or evil lies. God looks on the heart of man, for he knows the intents, love, and desires of our heart.

We might look at a person who is handsome to look upon, great in stature, well dressed, and has great wealth, yet maybe he gets his wealth from evil means. God looketh upon the heart!

Also we might look at a man who appears to be wealthy spiritually. He prays long, makes flowery speeches, makes marvelous sounding testimonies, but then maybe knows little of communing with God, of touching the throne of God in prayer, praying through to definite victories. God looketh upon the heart!

In St. Luke 20:46-47 we find that Jesus said to beware of the Scribes

life and if we slow down and begin to look around to the cares of life, we are looking the wrong way and losing precious ground while others are marching on step by step to the goal of life eternal through Christ.

So as we journey down the path of life, let us keep Christ as our example. Especially the time when as a lad, He listened and understood the learned scholars of His day, and grew in wisdom, and became strong in spirit. If we, as people of God, will listen to ministers with an open mind and heart, we also can grow and become strong spiritually. Unless we do this, we will never find favor in the sight of God and will lose our only hope of life in Christ.

Youth Camp Results

Reports have come into us of some mighty fine and outstanding youth camps in our movement. In South Texas at the Bastrop camp, there was 106 enrolled besides several that were under the nine year age and a lot of helpers in the camp. They had some old times services with an outpouring of the Spirit of the Lord. There were about 17 saved and 12 baptized in water. Thirty-two were sanctified and 51 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

The Tri-state District had a camp of 158 enrollment and many were the religious experiences received. There were about 50 saved, and about 30 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

In the early days of the Ashland camp they had 148 enrolled and 32 had been saved. They had a lot of help there too. This is a witness of what the Lord can do when His people are willing. The Mississippi Youth camp had a lesser number, but we feel sure that the camp was ordered of the Lord and all of our camps this year will reach over 500 children with the precious truths of the Gospel.

Let your neighbor give the visitor your history, and it will come nearer being correct.

who desire long robes, love greetings in the markets, desire the highest seats in the synagogues, and make long prayer; for they shall receive greater damnation.

Therefore, just because a man prays long, he is not always right in his heart so we shouldn't judge by outward appearance as man does, but as God, look on the heart!

Sometimes a person might show off and do evil things, but yet he is longing for attention and not wanting to be evil. Therefore we could help him see his wrong and because he desires with his heart to do right, therefore, lead him to God and his fulness.

So we should take Gods command to Samuel to our hearts and apply it to our lives and not judge man on the outward appearance, but try to help him and lift him up, as even does the Great I Am!

The Gleaners

As the sun goes down in the Western sky, the gleaners are still in their field or vineyards, picking up whatever the reaper has left. The bits of grain may be small, but they gather what they can. They collect with patient labor what is left for them. They must work quickly; for the sun is almost down, and they know they will be rewarded for the grain that they have gathered.

A gleaner is defined as one who gathers or collects grain. They work all day in the heat or cold, whichever the situation may be, to gather the grain. Some gather for wages, others because they must have it to live on. They work hard from morning until night gathering what is left for them.

A mighty man of wealth named Boaz had one of the greatest fields all around Bethlehem, the town in which he lived. Ruth, a Moabitess girl went to glean after the reapers in his field. When she went forth to glean, Boaz commanded his young men to let her glean among the sheaves and to also let some handfuls of grain fall on purpose for her. She gleaned in the field from day to day and obtained all the grain she meeded.

The day is far spent, the night is upon us! Some have already left the field, but still we must toil on --not in the natural fields of wheat or corn - but in the world as our field. winning souls for the Master.

The Great Commission tells us to "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations." Matt. 28:19. Just as the natural gleaners work night and day, so we must work tirelessly gleaning in the fields of our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ.

We cannot wait for another season to work. The season is here! The fields are white and ready to harvest. It is up to us to go, for although the "grain" is ready, the Lord is short of help, the laborers are very few! We must work now, for the night cometh when no man can work.

Jesus said, "Say not ye, there are yet four months and then cometh harvest? Behold, I say unto you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already

HOLINESS By Thelma Long

Holiness is the subject that few people know, or want to know about. Mainly because they are too selfish and too independent to want to live Holy. They know that it will take something that they don't have, and do not want to take time to gain what they need.

Some people think you are fanatical if you believe in holiness, but as a whole the world has a great respect for those that live a holy life. We don't need to look or act like freaks to live a holy life, but we certainly can't look and act like the world and be Christ like.

Christian means Christ like and to be like Jesus Christ we will have

to harvest."

There isn't time to wait and wonder if the fields are ready to be harvested. If we wait too long to gather souls and pass by opportunities given by God to win them. they may soon be given their last opportunity, and die as far as eternal life is concerned. Their blood may be required at our hands if we fail to tell the people of Christ and His Gospel!

We may not have the means to be real reapers because some must stay at home to work, but if we do what our hands find to do and glean in the fields, we will be rewarded according to the grain we have gathered.

In this great field in which we have to labor, it isn't all just work. Just as Boaz left a few handfuls for Ruth because she found flavor in his sight, our Lord will leave some blessings to shower upon us when we need it.

Jesus now calls for reapers and gleaners to work in His field. He has some who are willing to work from morning until night with all their plower to see the Gospel go forth, but there is a great need for more.

When we accept the responsibility of working in the Great Master's field, we are to work there throughout our lives, but that is not the end, for in the Ages to Come we shall be rewarded for the work we have done. We will gain life everlasting and a place in the Heavens with the Great Lord Himself!

to be holy. I Peter 1:16 tells us to be holy because He that has called us out of the world is holy.

Hebrews 12:14 tells us that without holiness no man shall see the Lord. We must be holv if we ever expect to see our Lord and dwell with Him.

Holiness can come only after we have been sanctified by the blood of Jesus. After our temple has been cleansed from the carnal nature, then we can live a holy life. One that is completely separated from the world. We are to be holy in every respect. In our dress, action, and speech.

Holiness does not come to us all at once, but it is something that we can perfect in the fear of God, by cleansing ourselves from all filthimess of the flesh and spirit. This can only be done when God sanctifies us and we live out that sanctification.

We cannot have true and complete holiness by trying to be holy in one way and unholy in another. We must work toward, and gain holiness in every line and every move of our lives.

We are told in Eph. 5:11 to have no part nor fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather, we are to reprove them. One time we were in darkness but now we are enlightened and II Cor. 6:14 asks, what fellowship has righteousness with unrighteousness or darkness with light.

True holiness will prepare us for the glorious church that Jesus will have when He returns. That church will be one without spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing. II Peter 3:14 tells us to be diligent and that we may be without spot and blameless before Christ. We know that people of all the world will make up this church. All those that have perfected true holiness.

Heb. 12:14 also tells us to follow in holiness. We have to keep holy and work to be more holy as we live for Christ.

Holiness is something that too few people have, and we that know about it and don't live a holy life are on dangerous ground because James 4:17 says that he that knoweth to do good and doeth it not, to him it is a sin. Let us not be guilty of sinning against our God but rather let us be holy as He is holy.

The Miraculous Call

The return of the nation of Israel to her ancient possession after two and one half millenniums of wandering is the greatest national miracle of all times and is in perfect harmony with the character of the nation itself.

Her entire history is surrounded by, and is steeped in the supernatural; the miraculous. Miraculous in her origin, miraculous in her purpose, miraculous in preservation for almost four thousand years; and miraculous in the future restoration already begun today. In studying this miracle nation we have for our text books the greatest miraculous Book in all the world, the Holy Scripture, the Bible. With the exception of the first eleven chapters of Genesis the whole old testament deals with this miraculous nation. Her history begins with a miracle, continues in a miracle, and will be consummated in the greatest national miracle of all times.

The origin of this nation was miraculous. Abraham was a man of sevenity years when God called him to go to the land of Canaan. Sarah, his wife, was sixty years old and at this advanced age God promised to give them a son; a seed whose descendant should be as the very sand of the sea shore. But thirty years slipped by and Abraham became one hundred; Sarah is now ninety. Both were decrepit with age and far past the age of the natural possibility of becoming parents. They were both dead as far as the possibility of having children was concerned. Genesis 18:11;

"Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women."

In harmony with all this we read in Hebrews 11:11;

"Through faith also Sarah herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised."

Now in the light of all this passage the birth of Isaac becomes as great a miracle as the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ. His birth was supernatural; it was miraculous, and Isaac, the father of this miracle nation, was born in a miracle.

God begins his national dealing with the nation and introduced Himself to Moses, Israel's first great leader, in the form of a Burning Bush. The miracle of the Burning Bush is the miracle of Israel's supernatural preservation, and coming at the very outset and beginning of history it has tremendous significance. The Burning Bush therefore is the lesson of the absolute indestructibility of the nation of Israel because God was in the bush. Pharloah could not drown them, Nebuchadnezzar could not burn them, the lions could not eat them in Daniels day. Haman could not exterminate them, the fire would not burn them, for God was in the bush.

And from there on the whole history of this nation is steeped in the miraculous. Miraculously Sarah is spared disgrace in Egypt, miraculously God spared Isaac on Mount Moriah, miraculously Jacob and his sons are delivered from death by famine. Miraculously they are preserved in Egypt, they are delivered from the plagues, miraculously they are brought across the Red Sea, led by a cloud, fed by manna, watered from a rock, delivered from their enemies, led across the Jordan river, miraculously conquered Jericho, and have been miraculously preserved for the past thirty-five hundred years. Now miraculously restored to their own promised land.

No other nation could have survived the condition under which the nation of Israel has been preserved by the Lord. Though scattered for twenty-five hundred years among the nations of the world they have maintained their identity and peculiar places in world affairs. Subject to unspeakable persecution, and atrocities under Pharaoh, Nebuchadnezzar, Alexander, the Turks, Mussolini and Hitler; as well as hosts of those who falsely claim the name of Christians. They have survived because God keeps His promise of Isaiah 54:17;

"No weapon that is formed against thee (Israel) shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord."

I do thank God that He has permitted me to live in this present dispensation and the one generation which has witnessed the most stupendous, amazing, miraculous, supernatural, breath-taking vindication of God's Word in all history. Out shining God's deliverance of Israel from the bondage of Egypt their preservation from the wrath of Haman, their restoration under Cyrus, their preservation against the ravages of Hitler is the presence this very moment in Palestine of a nation called "Israel". Hated, hounded, persecuted, and reviled until at one time in the middle ages they were reduced to less than one million people. They are today the most important people in the world, and are represented by a nation recognized by the world among the family of nations. The nation of Israel is in the land of Palestine, in God's wonderful providence.

The remnant of Israel which God has chosen. He has made provision that the remnant of Israel shall remain a separated, distinct people, to be finally restored as a pure nation in the land of Palestine as God's eternal chosen people. And so Israel still retains this separated position as a peculiar people unto God. Clinging to their traditions and laws, statutes, and dietary ceremonial ritualistic rules by their incomparable education, indoctrination of their youth, they have preserved miraculously the religions, the customs, and the traditions of their fathers. Jeremiah 23:3-8;

"And I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase.

And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them: and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, saith the Lord.

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.

In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he

The Prodigal Son Road

This parable of the Prodigal son told to the people by Jesus is a very good one for us to remember today in two ways. We can use it as a means of inspiring us not to turn away from the Lord and the wonderful things he has given us, or if we do fail, or turn from the Lord, it is wonderful to know that the love our Father has for us as His children, will cause Him to welcome us when we return, and ask Him to take us back unto Him, and forgive us.

The parable is about the man that had two sons, and when the younger son asked for his portion of the goods that he was to receive from his father, he received that which he had requested. This man went to a far country and spent all that he had living a riotous life, and one of great sin and evil. When his money and wealth was gone, the land to which he had gone had a great famine and he became very desperate in want and need of food. He was given a job with a citizen of that country and his job was to take care of and feed the swine. The young man was so desperate that he even ate of the husks that he was feeding the swine, and then a thought came to his mind. He remembered how his father had hired servants and had quite a lot of wealth, and how his hired servants probably had food and clothes to spare. He knew that he was as low as he could get and decided to return to his flather's house and ask

shall be called, The Lord Our Righteousness.

Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that they shall no more say, The Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;

But The Lord liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country ,and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land."

God's miracle nation Israel shines today as the people gather from every part of the world to dwell in their own home land God gave to them. florgiveness. He would tell his father that he had sinned and he knew his father would forgive him and let him be a servant. He knew that he was not worthy to be a son now, after all he had done.

With a feeling of sadness and yet gladness in his heart he started the homeward trip. His father saw him coming and much to his surprise his father came running out to meet him, and he acted so glad to see him, and made him feel so welcome. He ran to him and caught him close, kissing him. He even called to his servants and had them bring the best of clothes and rings and such to put on him. He told them to bring the fatted calf and kill it, that they might eat and be merry for the son that he had thought was dead had returned unto him.

About this time the son that had stayed with his father and been so faithful to him all the time, came in from the field and heard all the music and merry making. When he heard that his father had done this for the son that had done so much against him, he was angry, and felt badly because his father had never done the same for him, when he had done so well to serve him. His father came unto him and explained to him the fact that he had served him all these years and been faithful, not transgressing any of his commandments, which the father realized was true, but he said, "You have been with me always, and all that I have is yours. However, it is meant for us to be joyous and glad for your brother who has returned from the dead and is now alive; who was lost and is now found.

It is the same today, for our Heavenly Father is just as glad when we come back to Him, and ask His forgiveness as He was then. He will be so happy to bless and give us of the best of His blessings in our lives. He will take us to His arms and welcome us back and will give us a far better blessing than we really deserve. How deep is His love, mercy and kindness? We must just continue to bring our minds to realize that if we should happen to fail or make a mistake, to be faithful, to return to Him and ask forgiveness and He will forgive and take us back untto Him.

He has given us a great number of blessings and we have an even greater inheritance awaiting us, if

A Bit Of Interesting History

In 1913 we finished the harvest and threshing season in Western Kansas and pulled the machine into the shed. There were still two weeks left before time for the beginning of another college year at Southwestern college, Winfield, Kansas. One member of our crew was an older man who had a homestead just across the line in Colorado, I think his motive was more neighbors. Anyway he persuaded four of us young men to go home with him and look over that part of Colorado, which at that time consisted of vast open stretches of beautiful, green grass.

Mr. Web's son and a neighbor, Claud Hilton, now of Perryton, Tex., fitted up two wagons and the six of us drove some three days drive farther west to what the ranchers called, "The Chimneys", and cut two wagon loads of cedar posts.

I was the official cook on that camping trip, and a very enjoyable trip it was. Pity the vast board of citizens who have never sniffed the mingled odors of burning cedar twigs, sizzling bacon and coffee brewing in a rusty bucket.

After a few days I went back to college at Winfield and lost all trace of all those young men. But forty years later, in 1953, I drove down to see that same vicinity again. I stopped for the night in LaMar. Then the next morning drove to Holly, then some 20 miles southward to Webtown. Through some relative of Claud's I got his present address — Perryton, Texas. Since that time Claud and I have carried on a steady correspondence.

This morning the postman brought the June-July issue of "The Apostolic Faith Report." Page 1 announces dates and plans for the camp meeting, Laverne, Oklahoma. I am planning to attend.

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we will only be faithful stewards of His. For this reason, we ought to be very careful to spend our time and money wisely and happily stay with our Heavenly Father and serve Him.

Daily Vacation Bible School

JOPLIN, MISSOURI-

Daily Vacation Bible School was conducted at Joplin East Fourth Street Chapel by Helen and Marie Arnold. The dates were June 1-5 with the theme "Adventuring with Christ in the Kings Adventureland." The teachers and helpers were local ladies of the church. The boys and girls enjoyed the lessons of Kings and Queens of the Bible. There was an enrollment of 54 in the school.

DONIPHAN, MISSOURI-

The first Vacation Bible School was held in the Apostolic Faith church in the Mill Creek community. The theme of "Adventuring with Christ" was used and there was an enrollment of 23. The school was directed by Helen and Marie Arnold. Sisters Barbara Robinson and Peggy Bard helped with the teaching at this school. They were very fine workers and were a blessing in this school. Also Sister Hintergardt helped in different respects in this school. The dates were June 8-12.

CROSSES, ARKANSAS-

There was an enrollment of 63 for Bible School at the Apostolic Faith church in Crosses. Helen and Marie Arnold were the directors. Also Barbara Robinson and Peggy Bard were teachers in this school along with local teachers and helpers. Brother and Sister Webster were the craft teachers. The theme was "Adventuring with Christ" and the Lord was with the school each day. One teen-age girl was saved in a morning rally. The dates were June 15-19.

TANEYVILLE, MISSOURI-

"Following Jesus" was the theme chosen for the Daily Vacation Bible School held at Taneyville from June 1-14. Brother and Sister J. T. (Sonny) Rogers and their helpers, Sara Frizzell and Nancy Young, conducted the school with the assistance of several local teachers. The total enrollment reached 73. Brother Allan Long is pastoring the church at Taneyville.

One Who Gives Peace!

By Barbara Robinson Today we are living in a troubled world in which we hear many cries for peace. Peace? Yes, peace from the many fears arising today.

There is much trouble across the seas today. Because of the trouble in the far east, people are fearful of another war. They are fearful because they know that in this Atomic Age we are living in today that a war could be disasterous. Although they are apparently little concerned with a Christian life, they fear Communism sweeping through our country, taking away our freedom of religion. They fear losing our government of Democracy, to a government of Dictatorship. They fear that the United States won't stay a world power. They individually fear loss of exhaltation of self.

They fear many things, but the underlying fear of all the fears in the hearts of people today, is fear of death. Yes, people fear that they will be killed. They look for peace to bring life, but in John 1:4 we find that in Jesus is life and the life is the light of men.

Yes, all people are seeking for peace! Some seek for it in the pleasures of the world. Some seek peace through a bottle of liquor, some through lust of the eyes, some through lusts of the body, and even through shallow religions, but none are finding it in these things.

The Peace of the world only comes through Jesus Christ. For we find in Eph. 7:14 that "He is our Peace."

When we are troubles, fearful and afraid, if we are without the Lord, we will find no peace. But with the Lord we will find peace that passeth all understanding. Phil. 4:7.

Yes, he is our peace for we can come to him and receive peace like a river flowing through our soul.

Something the world can't give nor can it take away. A satisfying, substance for which many seek all their life and never find, for they seek it in wrong places.

Jesus bade Peter to come to him on the water and as Peter stepped out and began walking, he became fearful of the boisterous wind, and beginning to sink, cried, "Lord save me".

And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand and caught him, and said unto him, "O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?"

As Jesus told Peter not to fear, we shouldn't fear today, For Jesus never fails.

As I look at the picture of Christ walking on the water, I note the calmness he has about him. He walks with a confidence of his power from God. He fears not! His hands look so calming and powerful. One usually thinks of large hands bringing strength, but his hands look gentle, yet powerful. They look as if he's pushing gently downward as to say for the waters to calm.

We might look at the world as turbulent waters, which Jesus could trod upon and reach forth and calm, if only the world would let him.

As Jesus shows confidence of power, we should be more confident of God's power he promised us. For in Acts 1:8 he promised us that we should receive power after the Holy Ghost is come upon us. We should fear not but find peace in serving the Lord.

Remember, He is our Peace-

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