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I've been countin' up my blessin's, I've been summin' up my woes, But I ain't got the conclusion some would naturally suppose: Why, I quit a-countin' troubles 'fore I had a half a score, While the more I count my blessin's, I keep a findin' more and more.

There's been things that wasn't exactly as I thought they'd ought to be, An' I've often growled at Providence for not a-pettin' me! But I hadn't stopped to reckon what the other side had been— How much o' good an' blessin' had been thickly crowded in.

For there's been a gift o' sunshine after every shower o' tears, An' I found a load o' laughter scattered all along the years. If the thorns have pricked me sometimes, I've good reason to suppose Love has hid 'em often from me, 'neath the rapture of th' rose!

So I'm goin' to still be thankful for the sunshine an' the rain, Fer the joy that's made me happy; fer the purgin' done by pain; Fer the love o' little children; fer the friends that have been true; Fer the Guidin' Hand that's led me every threatenin' danger through!

Lewis A. Tubbs.

NOTES ON THE DESTRUCTION OF THE WICKED

Since our issue of the future punishment of the wicked has met with such universal favor and so many have been led to see that eternal torment cannot be reconciled with a loving God of justice and mercy, we are adding some additional notes.

In a recent publication of the Evangel, edited by the Assemblies of God, there appears this horrible travesty on the character of God. A woman is quoted with having a vision of heaven and hell and it is printed by this church organization to prove the eternal torment of the lost. In the first place, there is no hell now in existence and cannot be until after the general resurrection and judgment, or the whole Bible is a lie, for no one is cast into hell until after the judgment.

Next: it would outrage human reason to believe the story told by this poor woman about the punishment of the wicked; she said some of their hair was burned off and the bones of others were partly burned and charred. Well, if they had been burned that far they would have been consumed. How intelligent men who print a religious paper could print such an article is beyond my comprehension, or how any one could believe that God could sit on His throne and view such a scene and be possessed of such a character. To be able to perpetrate such a punishment it would make God out a creature of diabolical nature, and I rise to challange any one who could give to God such a nature. The following is an extract of the horrible tale told by this poor weak-minded woman and printed in the official organ of a paper that goes out to thousands as proof of eternal torment.

"How long I stood gazing at these wonders I no not know, but suddenly I found myself in darkness again. I cried to Jesus, "Don't leave me down here, but let me go back again." Instantly I saw another light. This time the light was red. I went to the light and found myself at a short flight of stairs and at the bottom was our Redeemer. When Jesus said He would never leave us or forsake us He meant it. When I got to the bottom He told me to look around. After doing so I saw some people whom I recognized. They were on their way to hell. Jesus opened a door and its entrance con-

tained a dark image. I did not get much of a view of the image, because it fled when it saw who was with me. After we entered, the door was closed. The sight I beheld I hope I shall never see again. The very thoughts of it nearly drove me wild; down there it was so hot my feet began to burn and my mouth became dry. When Jesus saw my condition He touched my hand and immediately I became cool. I looked at the things before me and I nearly fainted. Before me was a large lake filled with red hot coals, fire and brimstone. Millions and millions of people were burning. Their cries of agony and distress filled the air, and some were throwing their hands up in bewilderment. "Water! Water!" they cried, and some were so badly burned the cooked flesh was hanging on by a thread of skin. Their hair was burned off and their eyes were those of crazy people. Even the bones of many were burned and charred black, they had been there so long. "We are lost! We are lost!" was their cry. "Tell my brother; tell my daughter," many others were crying, "Oh My God, save me, save me." "Give me another chance." But by the look in their wretched faces I knew they were doomed men and women. Old and young were suffering intense pain. The air was filled with cries of agony and distress. Millions and millions were suffering."

The following are notes selected by the editor:

AN APALLING BELIEF

Accepting this view, many believe that heaven will resound with the songs of the ransomed while in hell is echoing the curses and groans of the damned through all future ages: that the time can never come when the love of God, the wisdom of the almighty power of God will have so successfully triumphed over the works of the devil as to have destroyed them utterly, nor over death, hell and the grave as to destroy them; that the justice of God will never have so satisfied itself by the suffering of the lost as to permit them to expire; that the foundations of His government can never be so secure, and the loyalty of His children so assured that this awful exhibition of His wrath, rolling up like the smoke of a furnace forever, can be permitted to stop.

But when intelligent, thinking men stop to consider all that is involved in the fact of suffering that is absolutely endless, what it must

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mean for creatures just like themselves to writhe and toss in billows of flame, without dying, forever and ever or without the least possible hope of relief, and that countless millions have already sunk into this place of torment and are being followed by great multitudes every day, and when they take in the thought that this means not only the vast host of sinners whom they have not known, but their own children and loved ones and friends who go out of life without giving an indication of having accepted the gospel, they are so appalled at the necessary conclusions which their creed and their logic force upon them that their faith cannot endure the terrific strain put upon it, but gives way to infidelity, or at best to Universalism or Restoration.

THIS REVOLTING BELIEF STATED.

Believing that is will be interesting and helpful to the reader to see to what length those who teach the natural immorality of the soul have gone on this point of punishment of the wicked, before we consider what the Bible teaches concerning it we shall quote at some length from writings of prominent theologians.

In the Presbyterian Confession of Faith the following passage occurs:

"The bodies of men after death return to dust and see corruption; but their souls (which neither die nor sleep) having an immortal substance, immediately return to God who gave them. The souls of the righteous, then being made perfect in holiness, are received into the highest heavens, where they behold the face of God in light and glory, waiting for the full redemption of their bodies; and the souls of the wicked are cast into hell, where they remain in torment and utter darkness reserved to the judgment of the great day."

In the second volume of "Sermons" by Jonathan Edwards, he says:

"Those wicked men who died many years ago, their souls went to hell, and there they are still; those who went to hell in former ages of the world have been in hell ever since, all the while spend their time in there, but to suffer torsuffering torment. They have nothing else to ment; they are kept in being for no other purpose."

And this dreadful picture of the torments of the lost is given us by the Rev. Isaac Ambrose, who says:

"The damned shall be packed like a brick in

a kiln, and be so bound that they cannot move a limb, nor even an eyelid; and while thus fixed, the Almighty shall blow the fires of hell through them forever."

The writer does not remember ever having seen the doctrines of predestination put in a more forceful way than in the following quotation which was taken from the "Works of Samuel Hopkins, D. D." Vol. III, Pg. 145.

"God has revealed it to be His will to punish some of mankind forever. You know not but you are one of them. Whether you will be saved or damned depends entirely on His will. And supposing He sees it most for His glory and the general good, that you should be damned, it is certainly His will that you should be damned. On this supposition then, you ought to be willing to be damned, for not to be willing to be damned in this case is opposing God's will."

Spurgeon, the great Baptist evangelist, in a sermon on this subject, said:

"Only conceive the poor wretch in the flames, see how his tongue hangs from between his blistered lips; how it excruciates and burns the roof of his mouth, as if it were a firebrand; behold him crying for a drop of water. I will not picture the scene, suffice it for me to say that the hell of hells will be to thee, poor sinner, the thought that is is to be forever. Thou wilt look up there on the throne of God and on it shall be written, "Forever". When the damned jingle the burning irons of their torments, they shall say, 'Forever'."

And this from John Whittaker:

"The bodies of the damned will be salted with fire so tempered and prepared to burn the more fiercely, and yet never consume."

And Jonathan Edwards again says, in his seventh volume of "Sermons" Pg. 166:

"The world will probably be converted into a great lake or liquid globe of fire, a vast ocean of fire, in which the wicked shall be overwhelmed, which will always be in the tempest in which they shall be tossed to and fro, having no rest day or night, vast waves of billows of fire continually rolling over their heads, of which they shall forever be full of quick sense within and without; their loins, and their vitals shall forever be full of glowing, melting fire, fierce enough to melt the very rocks and elements; and they shall also be full of the most quick and lively sense to feel the torments; not for one minute or for one day nor for one age, nor for two ages, nor for a hundred years, nor for ten thousands of millions of years one after

another, but forever and ever, without any end at all, and never, never to be delivered."

And the Rev. Robert Smith, in his sermon on "The Wages of Sin" declares:

"And lastly, eternal death fills both body and soul with most intense pain, and the highest torment and anguish which can be received within a created finite capacity. All the woes, griefs, and terrors which humanity can labor under shall then, as it were, unite and really seize upon the soul at once. Surely a bed of flames is but an uneasy thing for a man to roll himself upon to all eternity; the suffering which shall attend this estate no tongue can express, no heart can conceive. Pain shall possess the body; horror, agony and despair shall rack the mind; so that the whole shall be made the receptacle and scene of misery, the tragical scene of vengeance to act its utmost upon, and to show how far a creature is capable of being tormented, without the loss of his being, the continuance of which under these circumstances, is but a miserable privilege, and would gladly be exchanged for annihilation. For every lash which God then gives the sinner shall be with a scorpion; every pain which He inflicts will be more eager than appetite, more cruel than revenge; every faculty, both of soul and body, shall have its distinct, proper, and peculiar torment applied to it, and be distinctly struck there, where it has the quickest, the tenderest, the sharpest sense of every painful impression."

Fearful as these descriptions are they are not the worst. Men seem to have exhausted their powers of description to uphold this false doctrine. Listen to the great preacher, Jeremy Taylor, in his sermon on "The Foolish Exchange":

"If a man were condemned to lie still, or to lie on a bed in one posture without turning, for seven years together, would he not buy it off with the loss to his estate? If a man were put upon the rack every day for three months together (suppose him able to live that long) what would he not do to quit that torture? Would a man curse the king to his face were he sure to have both his hands burned off, and to be tortured with torment three years together? Would any man in his wits accept of a hundred pounds a year for forty years if he were sure to be tormented in the fire for the next hundred years together without intermission? Think then what a thousand years may signify; ten ages; the ages of two empires. But this amount, I must tell you, is infinitely short. A thousand years is a long time to be tormented; we find a fever of one and twenty days to be like an age in length. But when the duration of an intolerable misery is forever in the height, and forever in begining and ten thousand years have spent no part of its term, but it makes a perpetual efflux, and is like a center of a circle which ever transmits lines to the circumference, this is a consideration so sad that the horror of it, and the reflection upon its abode and duration make a great part of the hell; for hell could not be hell without the despair of accursed souls; for any hope were a refreshment and a drop of water, which would help to allay those flames, which as they burn intolerably, so they must burn forever."

Again we quote from Spurgeon's sermon, "The Resurrection of the dead.":

"When thou diest, thy soul will be tormented alone; that will be a hell for it, but at the day of judgment thy body will join thy soul and then thou wilt have twin hells, thy soul sweating drops of blood, and thy body suffused with agony, in fire exactly like that which we have on earth, thy body will lie, asbestos like, forever unconsumed, all thy veins roads for the feet of pain to travel on, every nerve a string on which the devil shall play his diabolical tune of hell's unutterable lament."

Master of languages as he was, Spurgeon could not surpass the following, taken from a sermon on "The Judgment" by Rev. Ebenezer Erskine:

"Think now, O sinner, what shall be thy reward when thou shall meet thy Judge? How shall the adulterer satisfy lust when he lies on a bed of flames? The swearer shall have enough wounds and blood when the devil shall torture his body and rack his soul in hell. The drunkard shall have plenty of his cups when scalding lead shall be poured down his throat, and his breath draw flames of fire instead of air—Oh! what a bed is this! No feathers, but fire; no friends, but furies; no ease, but fetters; no daylight, but darkness; no clocks to pass the time away, but endless everlasting flame! It shall not be quenched, night or day; the smoke thereof shall go up forever and ever. The wicked shall be crowded together like bricks in a fiery furnace—what woes and lamentations shall be uttered when the devils and reprobates and all the damned crew shall be driven into hell never to return! Down they go, howling, shrieking, and gnashing their teeth,..What wailing, weeping, roaring, yelling, filling both heaven, earth and hell."

Nor have we yet reached the limit of absurdity. In the following quotation the God of love is turned into a monster who is said to take delight in the woes of the lost. Is it any wonder men should be driven into infidelity when such as this is called Christianity? It is taken from a sermon by Rev. Wm. Davidson:

"It is unspeakably terrible for any one to be lost. Even to those who suffer least, it is not only the loss of all, and a horrible lake of everburning fire; but there are horrible objects filling every sense, and horrible engines and instruments of torture. Nor is this all, unmortified appetites, hungry as death, insatiable as the grave, are so many springs of excruciating and everlasting agonies, so many hot and stifling winds, tossing the swooning soul on waves of flame. And there will be terrible companions: and every one utterly selfish, malignant, fierce, and develish. There will be terrible sights and sounds. Fathers and sons, pastors and people, husbands and wives, brothers and sisters, with swollen veins and bloodshot eyes, straining toward each other's throats and hearts. Upon such an assembly, God, who is of purer eyes than to behold iniquity, cannot look but with utter destruction. His face shall be red in His anger, His eyes shall not pity, nor His soul spare for their crying. The day of vengeance is in His heart. It is what His heart is set upon. He will delight in it. He will tread that rebel crew in His anger and trample them in His fury, and will stain His raiment with their blood. The cup of the wine of His fierce wrath shall contain no mixture of mercy. All this, and more and worse do the scriptures declare; and that preacher who hesitates to proclaim it has forsworn his soul, and is a traitor to his trust. And all this shall be forever. It shall never, never end. The wicked go away into everlasting torment. If after enduring it all for twice ten thousand years they might have deliverance, or, at least, some abatment, where it was less terrible. But this may

never, never be. There is a great gulf fixed, and they cannot pass from thence. Or if, after suffering all this as many years as there are sand grains in the globe, they might then be delivered, there would be some hope. Or, if you multiply this sum, too infinite to be expressed in figures and too limitless to be comprehended by angels, by the number of atoms that compose the universe, then there would be some hope. But no, when all is suffered, when all is past, still all beyond is eternity."

Surely, you exclaim, the limit of blasphemy (for such this doctrine is) is reached. But not yet. Just one more quotation to show to what lengths men who follow false teachings to their logical ends will go. And this is the worst of all. Here it is declared that it is the burning of the wicked throughout eternity which will constitute the entertainment of the righteous, and that it is the fires of hell which constitute the light of heaven, and if hell was brought to end heaven would be in darkness. I take it from pages 457 and 458 of "The Works of Samuel Hopkins, D. D." It reads as follows:

"The smoke of their torment shall ascend up in the sight of the blessed forever and serve as a most clear glass always before their eyes to give them a constant, bright, and most affecting view. This display of the divine character and glory will be in favor of the redeemed, and most entertaining, and give the highest pleasure to those who love God, and raise their happiness to ineffible heights." "Should this eternal punishment and this fire be extinguished, it would in a great measure obscure the light of heaven and put an end to a great part of the happiness and glory of the blessed."

I know that it will be a relief to those who read this to turn away from these wild ravings of men who are lost in the mazes of their own speculations, to the blessed truth which is contained in God's word. To this we shall go, and sitting at the feet of the One who spake as never man spake, we shall learn the truth on this subject.

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What do you live for? Money? The casket has no deposit boxes; there are no pockets in a

Are you willing to be called a fool for His sake?

shroud.

SANCTIFICATION-HOLINESS

Since so many prominent lights of the socalled Pentecostal Movement are dropping out on the teaching of holiness and many lesser lights are following them, I want to register this protest. The Full Gospel includes santification and holiness and any one failing to preach the same is failing God and is a traitor to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Movement was born in a holiness cradle and we had good holiness warp for the Pentecost filling, and these who have maintained the original teachings have not been led off into fanaticism or error or fallen back into dead formalism. Many Full Gospel preachers have sought to become popular and to do so they had to abandon holiness yet the scriptures say, "Without holiness no man shall see God." And again, "This is the will of God even your santification." Many go far enough to ridicule the teachings, and declare it to be "the doctrine of devils." How can a teaching that causes men and women to consecrate all on the alter of God to be used as He shall see fit and completely abandon themselves to His precious will which when fully done will bring the cleansing-purging-sanctifying blood over the life and if kept in full vieldedness, to God the blood will continue to keep clean, be the doctrine of devils? No, brethren, it's because you want to escape the ostracism that goes with holiness or don't want to live the life. The Word says, "Jesus, that He might sanctify the people with His own precious blood, suffered without the gates." Let us therefore go out unto Him bearing the reproach. Glory to God for the reproach that goes with this doctrine and life.

The Holiness Movement lost out when it began to organize under different leaders and then degenerated into a small bunch around the corner or into a dead formal church like all the rest of Babylon.

The Pentecostal Movement was well nigh ruined when it began to organize under different heads and became degenerate when they abandoned holiness and have run either into wildfire or hollyrollerism or into dead formality. There are very few Pentecostal preachers today who are not after the wool instead of the good of the sheep, commercializing the Full Gospel, especially healing, to their own end and profit; very few Pentecostal preachers are

going out in full self-surrender and consecration to suffer for Christ's sake. How well I remember the early days when men and women left all and walked when no means to ride, and starved when there was no food at hand to tell this wonderful Gospel, having only one end in view: that was to preach the Gospel of the Kingdom to all the world as a witness that the end would come. How different now when thousands of preaches are sitting idly down on some pastorate and traveling in luxurious cars as evangelists and require a stipulated amount before they will come to you to hold meetings. Wasting a lot of time that should be given to leading souls to God in building and maintaining and proselving to their different Pentecostal Churches, all of which will soon fall in the time of trouble with the rest of Babylon. For I tell you of a truth for this abandonment of Holiness and this commercialism of the Gospel God will bring the Pentecostal preachers and Movement into awful and terrible judgment. I beg all to get back to the original lines and stay there till He comes. Oh, so many say we have not abandoned sanctification. No, but so many try to ease their conscience and escape the stigma teaching full surrender, entire consecration, hundred fold consecration, perfect love. Oh yes, they say you must have a clean heart, etc., etc. Well that is evading the issue and I am sure all the old Methodists, United Brethren. Salvation Army, Holiness and early Pentecostal people were not mistaken in the manner in which the blessing is obtained, and maintained. Bless God forever for holiness.

I am so glad that during the last year when so many have been swept into popular organization in pentecost that many scores have seen the error of their way and come out into perfect freedom in God, independent, and many Missions have voted themselves free from Babylon. It may not be so popular and you may not get half fare on the railroads and your credentials, but it is God's way, and to be in the center of His will is better than to be popular with all the world. I prefer to get up on the sidewalk and watch the procession go by than to be dragged along by the current. Credentials can be obtained by nearly any one. They are so anxious to get numbers in these Movements; that nearly any one can get a license now. When you get them and think now I can get into many missions and get places to work, you are mistaken for most every Pentecostal preacher is so afraid he will lose his nest that he sets like a hen there pecking at every other preacher who comes along for fear if he let them preach the people will like the new one better and ask him to move on and there are about 50 pentecestal preachers to every job now. Say, there are so many towns and communities where this Gospel has never been preached why run around trying to find a place where you can nest, why not get out in a new field and tell the story and carve out a place of your own; thousands of people are dying for the message. It is one pitiful sight to see whole platforms filled with preachers in many towns while the world perishes for this Gospel. It reminds me when in California about 30 preachers came to me asking if I didn't know where they could get a place to hold meetings or a pastorate, and then took their places on my platform. During the services a man arose and said, "Bro. Parham, we have a good mission over here and fully furnished, can you tell us where we can get a good preacher?" I said, "No I can't. All the good preachers anointed of God have all they can do. There are lots of poor nuts loose but not many good preachers are ever out of a job." The "P. C." that many claim they saw in a vision or dream and took for a call to "Preach Christ" really meant for them to "Plow Corn" or "Pick Cotton."

The Full Gospel was not raised up to establish new churches or afford easy livings for the preachers but to restore the Apostolic Faith and preach to all people the Gospel of the Kingdom, then would the end come; we have not time to waste on all this organizing schemes. If the preachers of the Full Gospel will return to living as the Apostles did and go out as they did then we will see the return to the Faith once delivered, and not till they do can we boast of Apostolic Succession. God is threshing out the tares and chaff and out of all this milling there will come "The Glorious Church without spot or wrinkle" but it will come from those only who have come out of Babylon and all her daughters. For all organizations, great or small, old or young, are part of the Babylonian system and are daughters of the mother harlot (The Catholic Church) and will perish in the time of trouble. The glorious church will be made up of all those who are really saved and sanctified (overcomers) and will be set in order by the Lord Himself and not by any man or woman. It is well to have a community building in each community where all Christians of all churches and those who don't belong to any church may resort for a fuller Gospel and to work for God and souls, but to organize a lot of pentecostal churches in each community is the height of folly and is confusion of Babylon itself and is bringing the whole teaching into well deserved ridicule. God help us all to rid ourselves of self and selfish ambition and desire for power, leadership and ease and lift high the blood stained banner that leads to true Bible holiness and the power of redemption that we now ought to feel in our bones lifting our heads above grave yards to the translating of the saints.

Chas. F. Parham

IT TAKES SO LITTLE

It takes so little to make us sad, Just a slighting word or a doubting sneer, Just a scornful smile on some lips held dear; And our footsteps lag, though the goal seemed near, And we lose the courage and hope we had— So it takes so little to make us sad.

It takes so little to make us glad,

Just the cheering clasp of a friendly hand,

Just a word from some one who can understand;

And we finish the task we long had planned, And we lose the doubt and the fear we had, It takes so little to make us glad.

-I. G. M.

"What we ought we are able for. If the task is infinite and endless, we shall be given infinite and endless strength for it. I knew a threeyear-old girl who undertook to move a table which taxed all her strength. After a long struggle her mother said to her discouragingly, 'Baby, you can't move that table. It's as big as you are.' 'Yes, I can,' was the undiscouraged reply, 'I'm as big as it is'."—Den Kristelige Talsmand.

I don't ask you to subscribe to my church or my creed, but to be the kind of man or woman God wants you to be.

Religion has been cheapened and vulgarized in our day.

THIS ARTICLE TAKEN FROM "THE VOICE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS"

Original Teachings of the Apostolic Movement By J. G. Campbell, Editor in 1921

The first race of people were a created race, but the Adamic race were a race formed of the ground.

During the sixth day, a most marvelous cre-

THE TWO RACES

MAN CREATED

The created race were created, birth male and female were created—spoken into existence. (Gen. 1:27)

The created man was given dominion or rule over the earth. (Gen. 1:27,28)

The created man was given power or dominion over every living thing on the earth. (Gen. 1:28)

Created man was given every herb that bore seed and every tree that bore fruit for food. (Gen. 1:29)

The created race were called "Sons of God." (Gen. 6: 1, 2)

God said He would destroy man He had created, also the beasts He had created. (Gen. 6: 6, 7, &7: 19 to 23)

The created race were drowned in the flood because evil was in their heart continually. (Gen. 6:7)

There are none of the created race extant at this preented time, for they were all drowned also, and we see their fossil remains in the museums, labeled Anti deluvian.

The earthy man, Adam, sinned and fell from his innocent condition; but was promised a Redeemer, that what the human race lost by the fall of Adam might be restored by a Saviour.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son" and a promised Saviour for mankind. The plan was to restore the mass of the human to what they lost in the fall of Adam—everlasting human life.

The Bible is to be honored rather than spiritual demonstrations.

While we believe and know that God does speak to us, giving us revelations and visions, yet the devil often comes as an angel of light ation of animal life was produced. Then God said, "Let us make man in our own image, male and female."

Here were created the first inhabitants of the earth. The difference between these people and the Adamic race of the eighth day was, they were created, had dominion and authority, while Adam was formed of the earth (earthy) and put in the garden to tend it.

See following comparison:

MAN FORMED

The formed race were the male formed of the dust of the ground, which had already been created, then took of the male and formed the female. (Gen. 2: 7, 21,22)

The formed man was put in the garden to dress and to keep it (Gen. 2:8, 15)

The formed man was only permitted to name those animals formed of the ground. (Gen. 2: 19, 20)

Formed man was given the fruit of the garden only for food except one tree. (Gen. 2: 16, 17.)

The formed race was called "Man". (Gen. 6:2).

God saved eight persons of the formed race -Noah and his family; also a representative of every kind of animal formed of the ground. (Gen. 6: 13 to 22)

Death passed on the formed race because of disobedience. (Gen. 2:17&3: 1 to 19)

The inhabitants of the earth at this present time are those formed of the dust of the ground, both man and beast. The different races can trace their lineage back to Noah, the only one of both races who found favor with God.

with voices, revelations and visions, and we have made it a rule to believe and receive only such as are in strict conformity with the Word of God.

Christ is to take the scepter of David at the close of this age.

Orthodox theologians seeking to conciliate the infidel have declared that Jesus took the scepter of David. If we were to grant the fact that Jesus came as a king, and not as a priest and Saviour nineteen hundred years ago, there would be yet left a spacious lie of over five hundred years, between the death of Zedekiah and the coming of Jesus, who will not come as a king nor take the scepter of David until the close of this age.

Christ's reign is to be literal, in person on earth.

Again, "In like manner as ye see Him ascend; so shall He also descend." A visible descent. And has made us unto our God, kings and priests (Greek). A kingdom of priests. "And ye shall reign on the earth." (Rev. 5: 10)

The reign of Christ in that age gains the greatest dominion in the territory formerly. ruled by Anti-Christ.

The Church—The Called—to reign with Jesus a thousand years over unglorified humanity.

No one who does not have real holiness of heart and life will ever be resurrected or live to be glorified, and reign with Jesus over unglorified humanity during the millennium.

By the redemption, resurrection and changing of all that belong to the Body—the Church —and by the rapture of the Manchild; and by the living Bride meeting the Lord in the air, together with the raising of the martyrs of all ages in the first resurrection (after Jesus comes) who do not come up in any of the previous conditions, rule being given then over the cities of the earth to live and reign with Christ one thousand years. (Rev. 20: 4)

Jesus taking out a people for His name, and causing them to partake of the divine nature.

While Jesus for His glory is permitted to take out a people for His name through sanctification, being born of water and the Spirit, they see the Kingdom of God; Christ having given Himself for the Church that He might sanctify and cleanse it, He exalts a people to eternal spiritual life and immortality, who in the ages to come shall be the praise of His glory in the face of all His holy angels: worms of the dust, transformed by power divine into creatures of eternal praise.

The general resurrection takes place after the thousand years (millennium) are finished. "The judgments are set". Some are cast into the "Lake of Fire" (second death) and those remaining are restored to Edenic perfection.

At the close of the age (judgment age, Ed.) those not found worthy of life are cast into the lake of fire. While to those who by their works are found worthy of life, Christ says: "Come ye blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world," these are given everlasting human life, restored to the position of innocency in the garden of Eden.

At the close of the Judgment age we have two classes—those who have received immortal life (those born of the Spirit and put on immortality) and those given everlasting human life (those not having put on immortality but restored to the condition of Edenic innocency) and Jesus, as Saviour and Redeemer, having accomplished His purpose turns the kingdom over to the Father and God is all in all—the Atonement is complete. Oh! how wonderful are God's ways. How magnificently does the wisdom of God shine forth in glorious brilliancy when the "search light of truth" is turned on, and the Holy Spirit reveals God's glorious plan of salvation.

In the close of the Judgment age there is brought to pass the "new heaven" (the sanctified who receive immortal life), the "new earth" (the meek who receive everlasting human life) and "there shall be no more sea" (those who know not God).

God now descends with the Holy City—the New Jerusalem; Christ having finished His work, yields all into the hands of the Father, taking His place among the brethren, and "God is all and in all" through the countless cycles of eternity.

COMMENTS BY THE EDITOR

Such are a few quotations of the doctrines of the Apostolic Faith Movement as it was introduced to the world through the columns of "A Voice Crying in the Wilderness" edited in 1902 by Chas. F. Parham—projector of the Apostolic Faith Movement and editor of the official organ of the Movement, The Apostolic Faith. It is fully supported by the scriptures and is the only religion that has a plan of salvation that really saves from present conditions, the result of Adam's transgression.

And satan hath put it between the lips of him who would usurp the authority of him God chose and gave the honor of being the projector of the Movement and editor of the Apostolic Faith, by saying, "He ought to go to hell for preaching such a doctrine."

Surely it is being fulfilled that in the last days false teachers would arise waxing worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.

But there is also a "voice from heaven" saying "Come out of her My people," that is to say, come out from them that teach false doctrine and give heed to seductive spirits, fanaticism and holy (?) rollers, jumpers, dancers holding up holy (?) hands, wind sucking, fits, spasms, spells, jerks, jabbering, counterfeit Baptism of the Spirit, counterfeit messages, counterfeit salvation, counterfeit religion, wherein the spirit of Anti-Christ began to work in the time of the apostles in the children of disobedience, for all these are a part of Babylon which has become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and cage of every unclean and hateful bird. (Rev. 18: 4 & 2)

People! Post up on church history previous to the Council of Nice and compare with modern Christianity, compare with the New Testament teachings, then give heed to your convictions and act accordingly; bearing in mind that the "tares" and the "wheat" have been growing in the same field until now, the closing of the Gentile times; and are all getting ripe together in the "harvest"—the end of the world. (Age).

I will further state—referring to the "Voice Crying in the Wilderness," that the Apostolic Faith Movement taught Faith, Repentance, Consecration, Baptism (immersion), Justification, Santification, Anointing that abides and the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

It was the purpose of the Movement to return to the teachings of the apostles, using the Bible for a text book; laying aside all creeds and doctrines, taking the Bible only for a guide and rule of practice.

The Christians of all denominations were recognized as brethern, all working along the lines of the "reformation" looking for the return to the church, the power and opiritual gifts of the early Christians. The Apostolic Faith Movement was the latest developement along the lines of the reformation. It stood alone as a religious body having the baptism of the Holy Spirit accompanied by the recipient speaking in other languages. Many people of all denominations recognized the returning power of the early church, and identified themselves with it.

When the people heard the preaching of the things concerning the kingdom and believed, there were some like Simon, the sorcerer (who dealt with familiar spirits), also believed but did not repent (turn away from their old erroneous beliefs), but wanted the baptism of the Holy Ghost and seeking, received the counterfeit. Among these, principally, were the Holiness people, a sect that is very fanatical and divided into many factions, some of which are the Holy (?) rollers, jumpers, holy dancers, holding up of holy hands and many other things purely fanatical and unscriptural.

Others insist on the females wearing veils, other teaching free love, others, soul mates or affinity souls (affinity fools), spiritual marriages, etc. These, and many more kinds of fanatical illusions and delusions are unloading on the Apostolic Faith Movement until its father is ashamed to look it in the face. The disruption of the Movement is chargable to the Holiness people, both in Texas and California. The self-styled Apostolic Faith we see about us today is an imposition on both the original Faith and the public.

NOT A WORD.

By Stephen Merritt

"He answered, never a word-"

Matt. 27:14 Not railing for railing, not a word. How much is lost by a word! Be still; keep quiet; if they smite you on one cheek, turn the other also. Never retort. Hush—not a word. Never mind your reputation nor character—they are in His hands, and you mar them by trying to retain them.

Do not strive, nor try, nor cry. Open not your mouth. Silence. A word will grieve, disturb the gentle dove. Hush—not a word! Are you misunderstood? Never mind! Will it hurt your influence and weaken your power for gcod? Leave it to Him. His to take care and take charge. Are you wronged and your good name tarnished? All right. Be it yours to be meek and lowly; simple and gentle—not a word. Let Him keep you in perfect peace; stay your mind on Him; trust in Him. Hush! Be quiet before the world and rest in Him. Not a word of argument, debate or controversy. Mind your own business; be still.

Never judge nor condemn, never arraign nor censure. Not a word! Never an unclean nor an unkind expression. Never a doubt nor a fear. Not a word. Never a disparaging remark of another. As you would others should do to you, so do ye.

Pause! Be still! Selah! Not a word, emphatically; not even a look, that will mar the sweet serenity of soul. Get still. Know God. Keep silent before Him. Stillness is better than noise.

Not a word of murmuring nor complaining in supplication; not a word of nagging nor persuading. Let language be simple, gentle, quiet; you utter not a word, but give Him opportunity to speak. Hearken to hear His voice.

This is the way to honor and to know Him. Not a word—not the last word! Listen to obey. Words make trouble. Be still—this is the voice of the Spirit. Take no thought for tomorrow; worry not about home, church nor business cares. Cast all on Him, and not a word. We think so hard, pray so hard, and trust so hard that we become unrestful and disquieted and noisy and thus grieve Him. Eph. 4: 30.

Restlessness, fret and worry make the place of His abiding unpleasant. Not a word to anyone of your worries, nor of your desires to know what to do. Take it not out of His hands. He is to keep in perfect peace; but do not go to another for wisdom or direction any more than you would go to a man if sick, and thus ignore the great Physician.

Not a word. I had a severe trial, long continued. I rode with a dear brother in the cars, and I opened my heart, and poured out my weighty burdens in his ears; I took his earnest advice to my heart. His counsel was not the mind of the Spirit, and when I returned to my seat in the car, the Spirit gently said to me, "So you went to him? Could you not trust Me?" It broke my heart. I confessed, was forgiven, restored, and determined never to take my case out of His hands again; and to take my motto for my spiritual life, "Not a word."

Cease, beloved, from yourself; from your own things and works. Let the Holy Spirit have play. Get still from restless activity and give Him a chance to speak and do.

Not a word. Witness in love. Just a word for Jesus. "Ye are my witnesses." But that is all. Surrender self to Him. Let your lips be closed, your tongue be tied, your voice be hushed, your look be love. Let Him control, and a sound of gentle stillness will permeate your very being, spreading the sweet aroma of peace and delight upon all around. And while your heart is hushed and your mouth closed in the sweet small voice, like the dew of the morning, the gentle light of sunshine, or the sweet breeze of eventide, you will be quietly blessed, by hearing Him in the hush of His presence and the joy of His delight, and you will be so glad that you uttered—not a word.

In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin; but he that refraineth his lips is wise.— Prov. 10:19.

Be silent to God, and let Him mould thee.— Psa. 37:7 (Luther's Bible).

For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power.—I Cor. 4:20.

If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain.—Jas. 1:26.

And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient. —I Tim. 2:24.

VESSELS

II Tim. 2-20

Vessels of silver and vessels of gold, Vessels whose value can never be told. Vessels of clay—to honor or shame, Vessels to glorify Jesus' name. He is the "Potter,,' the molder of clay, What will He make of you today: A vessel of silver or one of gold, Which wilt thou be in God's household? If thou, as the clay, art perfectly still Molded and fashioned at the Master's will, A vessel of honor thou canst be Throughout the age of eternity. Ethel Meadows.

> THANKFULNESS Ellen I-sabelle Tupper

For all that God in mercy sends— For health and children, home and friends, For comfort in the time of need, For every kindly word and deed, For happy thoughts and holy talk, For guidance in our daily walk— For every thing give thanks.

Many churches are more arxious to count heads than hearts.

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THE HOLY NAME AND NATURE OF GOD

"But I had pity for My Holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen whither they went. Therefore say unto the house of Israel," thus said the Lord God; "I do not this for your sakes, O house of Israel, but for Mine Holy name's sake, which ye have profaned among the heathen, whither ye went.

"And I will sanctify My Great Name, which ye have profaned among the heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen will know that I am the Lord," saith the Lord Gcd, "when I shall be sanctified before their eyes." Ezek. 36:21, 23.

The children of Israel were scattered among the heathen for rebellion against God and the heathen called them the people of the Lord, altho they continued to profane His Holy Name by their idolatry and rebellion when living in heathen's land. They gave the heathen occasion to think of them and their God as inferior. God called their rebellion against Him, "profaning" His name.

As we know the meaning of profanity. God was saving that they cursed His great name by their lives. But He says He had pity on His great name and declares He will vindicate His honor and sanctify His name. From the natural viewpoint God has a big undertaking, for when we little creatures get our name defamed it usually stays that way in the eyes of the people. But God can do what He says He will do, and He makes it understood that it is not for the sake of rebellious Israel that He is going to sanctify His name. How is He going to do it? Ezek. 36:23 holds the secret. "I will sanctify My Great Name....when I shall be santified IN YOU before their eyes." He goes on in the same chapter to tell them He will cleanse them and turn them from their idols and take the stony heart from them and give them a heart of flesh, and give them His Spirit. He tells them again that it is not for their sake He is doing so much for them but they are to get busy and till the land until the heathen will say this land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden. After God has sanctified His great name in us we are not to testify "saved and sanctified and satisfied" and sit down to enjoy the "vindication" all ourselves for God has said often enough it was not for our sake that He did this; but to honor His great name and be a witness in the midst of a wicked and perverse nation. He expects us to wage a tireless contention against the strongholds of satan, after which we shall be satisfied when we awake in His likeness.

"This is the will of God even your sanctification." I Thes. 4:3. "We must do His will to be subjects of His Kingdom." Mat. 7:21. "So He made provision to do His will. Wherefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood suffered without the gate." Heb. 13:12. "If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin." I John 1:7.

We cannot walk in the light when we are dead in tresspasses and sin, so He is not talking to sinners. After we have begun to walk in the light...". "If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us." I John 1:8." If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." I John 1:9. Notice the 8th verse-"If we say that we have no sin we deceive ourselves"-It is sandwiched between two verses about cleansing, and cannot get out either direction without a thore, past tense, cleansing. "Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who have trodden under foot the Son of God and counted the blood of the covenant wherewith he was sanctified an unholy thing and done despite to the spirit of grace?-Or to the unmerited free cleansing by the blood of the Lamb, slain from the foundation of the world for mere man." Notice the above scripture, Heb. 10: 29, refers to counting the blood whereby we were sanctified an unholy thing, as doing despite to the spirit of grace. Calling the sanctifying by the blood a work of grace. Don't fail to get that !!!!

If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins. (Sinful acts of rebellion against the known will of God.) AND to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. We cannot be forgiven for the law of sin that we inherited from Adam's fall for we are not to blame for it and can only be forgiven for our own acts of sin, so the sin nature or proneness to sin must be cleansed out by the Blood.

God says, "Be ye holy for I am holy". I Pet. 1:16. "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly, and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless, unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He who has called you who also will do it." I Thes. 5:23-24. We have not been born again until we have the holy nature of God. In Eph. 2:1-2 Paul says, "And you hath He quickened, who were dead in tresspasses and sins," he is talking to people one step removed from sin and calls them "quickened". We must be able to stand the blood test. When the nurses get the babes at a hospital all mixed up and the doting mothers cannot tell which babe belongs to her, they must settle the dispute by taking a blood test.

John said, "Beloved now are we the sons of God," but by the law we had been condemned to death. The law cannot justify a person condemned to die. Justifying man and imparting to him the holy nature of God was an undertaking that calls for the work of a Master-Builder. Dying daily will never make royal thoro-breds out of criminals and mongrels, or perfectly nice folk either; if such could have been accomplished by the daily dying process Christ would never have left the glory that He had with the Father before the world began, to do it for us. It was long after Paul had been baptised in the Holy Spirit that he said, "I die daily." Dying daily is dying to things that in themselves often is not wrong; oftimes they come under the head of "Others may, but you cannot". No doubt we all put our purse on the alter when we were consecrating all to God, and were willing for any amount of it to be spent for meetings and feeding the hungry and endless other worthy causes, and all at once it seems to snap shut on all the good that could be done with cold cash, and then likely will open as by magic and hundreds of dollars go for that which is not bread and that which satisfieth not. Did you ever experience such a calamity? and if so how many days behind were you in dying? Were you ever numbered with the transgressers? Jesus was. If you want to know just a little about the fellowship of His suffering, get yourself numbered with the transgressers once. You will no doubt find it the death, that you will be a lot more than days behind with your dying. You will know then that dying daily is not a cleansing process to rid you of the sin nature, for you would give up in despair if sin reigned over you by having it in your heart. Dying daily is what we call sanctifying of the spirit. God says a broken and a contrite spirit He will not despise. The Master-Builder that made worlds and pronounced them "very good" has more than a man sized job making "apple eye" saints out of His creatures. Zech. 2:8.

Let us not forget that God hath called us,

not unto uncleanness but unto holiness, he therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man but God, Who hath also given us His Holy Spirit. So let us sanctify the Lord God in our hearts, and be ready always to give a reason for the hopes we have.

> Mrs. J. M. Smith, 103 E. Cave Springs Ave. El Dorado, Kansas

Orion, Mich. Oct. 29, 1928.

Dear Brother in Jesus:

Mother Lang has been holding meetings just a few miles from here with wonderful results. A goodly number have been saved and eight have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Yesterday, Oct. 28, twelve were baptized in water although the weather was cold, all came out of the water shouting and praising God and some speaking in other tongues. Oh, it truly was a bleased time.

I want to say, too, there have been some wonderful healings here also. Oh, we know God is working, but the more He gives us the more we want. More, more of Jesus, Hallelujah! One woman healed of kidney trouble and T. B.; another of female trouble, two more of neuritis, a baby healed of fits, another boy of fever and one man especially testified of God delivering from tobacco and cursing and many more. God bless you in your work.

Yours in Christian Love, Mrs. Fred Petty.

Dear readers of this paper:

As it has been over four years since I threw away all my medicine and took Jesus as my Physician, I feel it is my duty to tell others of some of my experiences. I hope it will do some one some good. I have been a very appreciative reader of the Apostolic Faith for about four years and have derived much benefit from it.

I know from my experience that when we begin to look to Jesus for the healing of our old diseases we have to suffer them harder than before, but rest assured that there is healing at the end of the struggle. With Jesus on our side we are sure to win. The way I always looked at this is that we must be tested. The devil puts us in terrible agony and then says, "Now, will you give up?"

Why shouldn't we look to Jesus for healing?

Isn't He who promised faithful? Yes, and He also will do it. He commanded His disciples to heal the sick. In Matt. 28: 20, "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

That doesn't sound like healing ceased with the death of the apostles, does it? But that He is with us in everything He commanded His disciples to do, even unto the end of the world.

I wish now to tell you how Jesus took care of my family when we had scarlet fever. Four of my five children and myself had it. Two of the children were very sick. The first was my little boy, age 8. He had a temperature around 103 for several days. I didn't give a drop of medicine to them while they were sick, but kept praying for them. Thanks be to God, He gave us victory in everything that came up. I praved there would be no bad after effects and there was not. My little boy's head was drawn back and to one side for several days after he was well in every other way. Some who saw him said that it might stay that way. Of course, that is what satan wants us to think when we are trusting God for healing. Thanks to God, it is perfectly well now.

My daughter, Pauline, had strange frightened crying spells and at these times didn't recognize me. I began to see it as a demon tormenting her and would pray for God to take it out. At first, I was worried about her and felt as if God wasn't answering my prayers, but I had to feel differently to win the victory. I entered her room and walked to my Bible, thinking I would read a little. I had just opened the Book and she commenced crying. This time all the fright I had had before was gone and I felt disgusted. I stood looking at her a moment, then said aloud, "That's the devil." Never before had I felt so certain about it. Then, kneeling, I thanked God He was really answering my prayers and I asked that this tormenting demon leave her. As I praved, I heard the strangest low mumbling voice come from her. As I prayed a sentence this mumbling came in what sounded like sentences. She had never before made such a sound. I really believe the mumbling was from this demon seeing he was conquered. Thanks be to God, who gives us victory through His Son, Jesus Christ. From that time she had no more spells and only complained of being tired. She was soon well again.

Friends, I am sure God wants us to see these things as the devil's work and hate it as such. We can't fall on our knees to it, frightened half to death and expect Him to deliver us. It surely must provoke the Lord to see us let the devil frighten us into thinking He isn't doing His part.

Will you all please pray for me that I may be fully prepared for the return of our Saviour? God bless you all.

Yours, wishing to glorify our Father in heaven.

Mrs. Ira B. Watson.

Stella, Mo. Oct. 20, 1928.

Dear ones all:

Sept. 6 we opened a meeting seven miles southwest of here in a great brush arbor only expecting to stay a few days, but it broke out into a mighty revival lasting six weeks and resulting in the salvation of many souls. Great crowds came for many miles and such unity and fellowship. This brought mighty conviction: The whole country was stirred as I never saw it before. As the messages went forth people were seized with such deep conviction they came seeking God. Many times ten, twelve to nineteen were at one altar service, weeping their way to Calvary, and I tell you it was a good place to be. Not only was there rejoicing in heaven, but shouts of praise arose from many as loved ones came home to God.

We had three wonderful baptismal services. also the sacrament and foot washing. I tell vou, it pays to serve God in reality. Then, on account of so many places urging us to come, we finally brought the meeting to a close on October 14. Surely we hated to see the revival stop, but others felt we owed them a little help. So we took our leave for Wichita, Kan., and went on with the meeting that was delayed ten days on account of our stay in the other meetings. We expect to be here until God says enough, and then our plans are to go south through Oklahoma and Texas. Say, friends, God is still working if we only stay where He wants us. May God bless you all. Yours for real salvation.

> Evang. Floyd M. Durham Always address Stella, Mo.

May you who read this message be blessed and have the peace and grace of our Father and our Savior, the Lord Jesus, to whom be all glory and all praise forever more, Him who is greatest of all.

"For your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask Him." Matthew 6:8.

The above words were spoken by Jesus, our Savior, in His Sermon on the Mount. He is the brother to all who accept Him, our Brother who entered the Holy of Holies to make intercession for us.

Do you say or wonder, "If our Father knows our needs before we ask Him, why should we ask?" First, we are commanded in God's Word to ask. Would this explanation help you? You are a person in business depending on a certain bank or man for financial aid, also for advice. This bank or man knows you need aid to pay certain accounts but he waits until you come to him or the bank and asks, then you receive. Because of his word he fulfills all he agrees to with you. God, our Father, is far greater than any man or men can ever be. He is no respecter of persons and His word is to you who believe in His only Son, Jesus. His word is true and steadfast. So ask in His name and you shall receive.

"I am the good Shepherd, and know My sheep and am known of Mine." St. John 10:14. What a grand and glorious thing to know and to be known! As our earthly sheep, men put a brand on their sheep that the shepherds may know them. But Jesus, our Shepherd, sits on that lofty seat at the right Hand of God and sees and knows all His sheep. Not by a brush of paint, but each heart He knows, each sheep that belongs in His fold. There is no mistake in His count of the sheep; He performs the work of a Shepherd for each one of His sheep, that is, leads them to green pastures, beside the still waters, is with us, carries His rod and His staff and they shall comfort us.

And another thought to me is: We are sheep in His fold. No big animals, no swift animals, no powerful animals but are as sheep. Some are more obedient sheep, some are more loving sheep, some are better leaders. Whatever we are, He knows His sheep and He is known of His own. Those who have accepted Him as their Shepherd knew Him, follow Him, feed on His green pastures, drink of the still waters. Are you known of Him, do you know Him? If you are not known of Him, call upon Him while it is yet day, while Jesus is still pleading, Come! Come!

I feel in these words, I've tried to hand a few sprinkles from the Fountain of Living Waters, trusting God to give forth in greater force and quantity.

> Mrs. Nelson Warren Detroit, Mich.

YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN

Jesus said, "Except a man be born again, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God." Friends, let us give this just a little thought. When He said, "Ye must be born again," He was evidently speaking of some change in our lives. Let us behold ourselves in our mirror and we will see a natural man. God sees us also just as we see ourselves, outwardly. God also looks into our hearts, and Jesus said, "As the heart is, so is the man; for with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. And nothing unclean can enter into the Kingdom of God."

We then being born of flesh, must be born again of the Spirit of God and of water; for that which is born of flesh is flesh and that of the spirit is spirit and he that has not the Spirit of Christ is none of His. All having sinned, it would seem foolish for us to even think of being received into the Kingdom at the day of resurrection, which is sure to come, except here there would be some way for us to cleanse ourselves from the uncleanness of sins. We take water and soap to wash the grease and dirt off our bodies, which are the temples of the living God. But this cannot now nor ever could wash away our sins.

Now, God set before us two paths to choose which one we would walk in. One is very straight and very narrow, but it is wide enough for two to walk—the Christ with you. It leads to life everlasting, and few there be that find it. The other path is very broad and many walk therein. But this one leads to destruction, which is death.

Friends, we cannot inherit life if we don't come clean with God. How are we going to do this? For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. John 3: 17. He that committeth sin is of the devil, for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested: that He might destroy the works of the devil. I John 3:8. There is but one way left us whereby we may or can be saved, that is by faith in Jesus, believing His words and doing them.

> O. F. Wendt, Bellville, Texas.

THEN, O THEN

When justified, what peace! Then was sanctified, what joy! Then baptized in the Holv Ghost. What power to witness! Then peace, joy and happiness; Then my soul was lifted up; Then by faith I saw the soon coming of the Lord! Glory! Then my life seemed to become as fresh as the morning dawn. Then bright as the noonday sun. Then as soft and mellow as the twilight of an autumn eve. Oh! What praises come up out of my innermost being. Joy fills my soul today As I meditate on the goodness And mercy of God. Well it is Glory. M. C. Dean.

Meridian, Miss.

Kingman, Kansas. Oct. 31, 1928.

Dear ones in the Lord:

We have cloued one of the most successful meetings here in Kingman which has ever been held for some time. Brother G. W. Schultz and Brother Arthur Bobbit conducted it. Ten souls were baptized in water, some sanctified, some received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, several healed and much good done. Several prayed through to salvation. We had good crowds and a real revival. I am praising God for it all and how He used His servants while here. We all learned to love them as brothers in the Lord.

I remain a servant and sister in Christ. Mrs. Cozzetta Wells.

MRS. RUBY WEAVER

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, said the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them.

It is very hard from the natural viewpoint of life to give up our friends and loved ones, yet we sorrow not as others which have no hope for the dead in Christ shall rise first, then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Though they can not come back to us, yet we can so live that when our life's race on earth is over and Christ comes back to claim His jewels, we can go to them. We know God doeth all things well and everything works together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to His purpose.

Mrs. Ruby Roszenne Weaver was born October 24, 1897, and died September 21, 1928, at the age of 30 years, 11 months and 27 days. Her body was laid to rest in the Keith cemetery with many friends and relatives present. Bro. J. K. Seber conducted the funeral services.

Sister Ruby was converted in one of Bro. Parham's meetings and had lived a sincere, consecrated Christian life up to the time of her death. She was teacher of the Bible Class at Cedar Creek and one of the outstanding Christian characters of that community. Her life was a living testimony of the religion of Jesus Christ.

She is survived by her husband, four brothers and two sisters, all of which were present except a brother who resides in California.

THINGS SHORTLY TO COME TO PASS

Jesus said, "I have not called you servants but friends." The friend hears the secrets. The Lord Himself reveals His secrets unto His people— and at times sends His angels to tell of coming events. "This same Jesus," said the angels, "shall come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven." He shall come in clouds —and with a cloud of ten thousand of His witnesses. There is the cloud of hope and there is the cloud of despair. We now see the black cloud all over the world. The children of Isreal saw the cloud over them when they were journeying towards the Red Sea; the Egyptians also saw it, but it was the dark side that they saw.

The children of God have not to look on the dark cloud. It is black enough now, but will get blacker. Men's hearts failing them for fear of what is going to happen. God even says things will be so bad that the days will be shortened, otherwise all flesh would perish. We have not the theories of theologians to go by but the solid Word of God. Did the flood come according to Noah's preaching? Was Babylon overthrown? Was Jerusalem destroyed? If these prophecies were fulfilled according to the Word of God, future predictions will be as literally fulfilled.

"Woe to the inhabiters of the earth for the devil is come down." You see in the Word destruction, woe and misery foretold. As sure as God's Word is true so surely will these things have to come on the world. It will be as universal as the deluge. Everybody who receives not the mark of the beast is to suffer, and also those who do receive the mark will receive woe upon woe. So we see that the whole world is included in the period of the tribulation. Men are saying, "What is next?" That is in the political world. But what next is coming from the infernal world? You can see already what hatred in men's hearts has done, but it has been tempered in a measure by the Word of God, and real Christianity. Remove these two restraining powers and you have hatred unadulterated. The serpent coming down to earth with no mercy, no sympathy, but with intense hatred, and hatred above all else against man! Why against man? Because man was made in God's image. Satan marred that image and he will seek to completely destroy it. But something from the wreckage will be saved. The millennium must follow. Day must follow night.

"Men's hearts failing them for fear" must be literally brought about. Perplexity today, but worse tomorrow! But there is a blessed word of encouragement to the child of God. "When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."

-Contributed

Omit crucifixion and you have no glorious Easter; dodge the cross and you'll have no glory.

ACCOUNT OF MY HEALING

By Ethel Burns

Just eleven years ago I lay very sick of typhoid at Picher, Okla. When the fever left me it left the tendons under my knees so drawn that I was only able to straighten my legs enough to reach the floor with my heels when I sat in a low rocker.

We moved to Baxter. I inquired and found that there was a band of people in town who believed God could heal. I already believed. Months had gone by and my condition was no better, though we were following a physician's advice in hot applications, massage, etc. So I sent word to this band of people (at the Mission in Baxter) to pray for my healing. Some of them came to see me and prayed with me at home and they prayed at services. But still no healing.

Finally, though I was sure it was God's will that I be healed, I said, "Lord, if you can get more glory out of me sitting in a chair the rest of my days than you can by healing me, then Thy will be done." And I meant it. With my heart resting thus on God, Sister Lillian Thistlethwaite came to see me and we prayed. I knew we had touched Heaven. Though I was still unable to walk, I knew I was healed. From that moment I grew stronger by leaps and bounds. About two weeks later I was able to walk on crutches, heretofore impossible. In four more days I walked without them, holding to the furniture. The last sign of my limp disappeared that fall, praise God.

We ought not to open the doors of our souls to God only at special times and seasons. We think wrongly of Him when we suppose Him to be responsive only to our specially religious moods. The heart of God lies about our lives as closely as the air. There is no smallest act or thought that does not echo itself in Him. And this Divine presence is intensely sympathetic. It is not the mere oversight of a judge, registering praise and blame. It is the companionship of One who rejoices in all our joy, and suffers in all our pain. There is no glad heart-beat in the world that the Almighty heart does not beat with gladnes in response. There is not a child's cry of sorrow over a broken toy, that a more than mother's love does not catch. -Christian Union.

Freeport, Texas Nov. 6, 1928.

Dear Bro. Parham:

I want to tell you how wonderful my sister and her baby were healed. The same day we got the little apron back that we sent to you to be blessed, the baby missed her chill and hasn't had another since. She now eats like nothing had ever been wrong with her, and sister is feeling so much better, too. Praise the Lord for His healing power. I thank Him for the faith and trust He gives us. He is our Physician; praise His name. Continue to pray for us all.

Mrs. Vallie Springer.

Harken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love Him? Jas ii. 5.

It is great to be rich in faith. Faith gives every cloud a silver lining. Faith enables us to hear songs in the night. Faith so cheers us that we rejoice in the midst of tribulation. Faith gives a clear, undimmed vision of Jesus Christ. Faith packs the Bible with the power of God. Faith enables us to walk in fellowship with patriarchs and prophets. Faith grows clearer and brighter until the perfect day, when faith becomes sight indeed.

J. Wilbur Chapman.

THE GOD WHO IS ENOUGH

By Amy R. Thomas

The World keeps seeking for a way To gain release

From war, and strife, and bitterness— I have His peace.

The World groans 'neath its burdens, Its eyes are dim;

It cannot find the rest it craves— I rest in Him.

The World is hunting happiness, Without alloy:

But happiness cannot be found— He gives me joy.

We should get a vision of Jesus Christ for our own lives.

HEARKEN!

Sayings of Joe Justice, former Bowery Hobo, and now a Prosperous Business Man

Blessed is thy coming and blessed is thy going, if thou leavest thy sermon at the door.

The Lord loveth a cheerful listener, but findeth no pleasure in a whining speaker.

Blessed is the man who maketh a short speech, for verily he shall be called on to speak again.

Greater love hath no man than he who layeth down his own sermon so that his brother may have a chance.

Thou shalt not use this place as a "try out" for amateur preachers.

Plenty of wind is a blessing to a windmill, but a calamity to a Gospel meeting.

Some shepherds have their eyes on the flock and some on the fleece.

Some people's silence is the best sermon they could preach.

The merciful man's testimony is short, sharp and to the point, but he that is cruel inflicteth a long sermon.

The supply of dry and long-winded speakers is always greater than the demand.

The fool hath said in his own heart, "Lo, I am the annointed high-flyer in oratory." The people said, one to another, "Behold a balloon filled with hot air."

Many are willing to stand up for Jesus, but mighty few are willing to sit down again.

Let not your heart be troubled, no man will complain because thy speech was too short.

The humble man's testimony is the people's delight, but the conceited man's lecture is the heaviness of the meeting.

Some are sowers of the seed, while others the the reapers of the proceeds.

JOE JUSTICE,

The son of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, Of the tribe of Levi.

TABERNACLE NUGGETS

Christ, the apostles, founder of the church and early Christians did not experience an easy religion.

Why should we worry about a person's "branches" if they are rooted and ground in God.

Paul was not different from us except he had a harder time to be a Christian than we.

What does our Christianity amount to unless it makes us better?

The kind of Christian that you are is the kind of Christianity that you absorb; what kind of Christianity are you representing in Meridian?

Are you ever sleepless thinking of some good person too good to be lost?

Why are so many backward about their Christianity when they are not backward about other things?

I value influence more than the things of life.

Any minister can take you into the church, but only God can make you a child of His.

"After the burden and heat of the day. The starry calm of night;

After the rough and toilsome way, A sleep in the robe of white.

O, sleep is the slumber wherewith the King, Hath caused the weary to rest:

For sleeping they hear the angels sing; They lean on the Master's breast."

"COME UNTO ME."

C - for the Children

0 - for the Old Folks

M - for the Middle-Aged

E - invites Everybody

Sedan, New Mexico Nov. 7, 1928.

Dear Bro. Parham:

I was suffering so much with rheumatism that I could not attend services. Last February I sent to you for one of your blessed handkerchiefs. When it came I looked to Jesus and told Him that He knew my need of healing. I was instantly healed in a moment's time and I have had no symptoms of the disease since. Praise His name.

> Your sister in Him, Mrs. T. C. Griggs.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETINGS

Mrs. M. E. Daley writes that they are "still campaigning around Tahlequah, "a." and will be there until the first of the year. as the Lord leads.

After leaving Spearman, Texas, Bro. Waterbury and family went to Olathe, Colo. Though they passed over some dangerous roads, through snow and mountains, they report a safe journey and thank God for His watchful carle. They received a hearty welcome, and they believe the Lord has a work for them to do there.

Wilfred and Alice Parham are still holding successful meetings in Texas, having been at Hempstead, Austin and a number of other places for a few nights' meetings.

We are glad for the many letters we have received from our friends telling us about these meetings and what a blessing they have received from them. They expect to go to Houston, Katy, Alvin and have several other places planned for meetings while in Texas.

We are thankful to know that souls are being brought to God through their ministry.

> Permanent address: Baxter Springs, Kan., Box 6.

LAST WORD

Roswell, New Mexico Nov. 8, 1928.

Dear ones all:

I came out this way through west Oklahoma, Texas and Colorado to New Mexico, giving my lectures and pictures of Palestine. God is blessing the people and confirming them in "the faith once delivered to the saints", and great crowds everywhere attend.

I will head back through west Texas and central Texas and plan to get to California about the first of the year.

The ministers are reporting fine meetings, with many souls saved. But pray much for the laborers in the field, for they often have hard places to preach, and little means coming in to further the gospel work.

Should you have any tracts on sanctification and holiness or choice articles which you think would be a blessing and encouragement to others we would be glad to have you send them to us. I want wone to feel that the paper is not mine, but jours, and take a personal interest in it, and make it possible for many more thousands to hear the Full Gospel through its columns. The paper is now being mailed to nearly every state in the Union, and Canada; also to many foreign countries, and more names are being added to our mailing list daily. I believe it would be a help to you ministers and evangelists if you would send us a report of your work and announcements of your meetings that your friends)everywhere might know where you were and remember you in prayer.

Some have said that I mention money and kelp for the paper too often, but each month I am compelled to use money that is given me for my personal use and other things to keep the paper going out to so many who never get to hear full gospel preachers, and I feel that you all ought to have the privilege of sharing with me this load. Besides the work that I put on the paper, my wife gives most of her time to the paper and gets no salary at all. I don't feel condemned for speaking and reminding the hundreds of our readers of the privilege of giving to this great work, as it is not a personal business proposition of mine but belongs to all the preachers and missions of this movement.

May the Lord bless the hundreds who are earnestly praying and aiding in this great work. Chas. F. Parham.

ARKANSAS PROHIBITS EVOLUTION TEACHING

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Nov. 8—The "Monkey Bill," passed by referendum in Tuesday's election, prohibiting the teaching of evolution theory in public schools, will cause a revision in the text books of Arkansas, its leaders said today.

Old biology, zoology, genealogy and psychology books, making reference to ape or other animal ancestry, will be barred from further use in the schools of the state, under the new law. Expense of providing new text books on these subjects will take several thousands of dollars from the state treasury.

Arkansas, in passing the anti-evolution bill, joined the states of Tennessee and Mississippi in legally opposing the Darwin theory.