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GOD'S BOUNTY



What Shall I Do With Jesus?

Pilate saith unto them, "What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?" Matt. 27:22.

One time I was asked to visit a friend and jokingly he said, "Come, we'll treat you in so many different ways you're bound to like some of them." Jesus has been treated in many, many different ways, some about which we love to think, while others we hate to allow to enter our minds. I want to tell you of some of the ways different people of the Bible treated Jesus, what they did with Him; and then give you the results of their treating Him in that way.

Many people have said they would like to be saved, but have expressed a dislike for some minister, or have said, they didn't know what church to join. What you think of me and my preaching will have little bearing upon your eternal future, because I am not on your hands; however, Jesus is and what you think of Him, and the way you treat Him will determine where you will spend eternity. The church you join will not determine your future, but Jesus only.

I one time asked an unsaved friend of mine what he thought about Jesus; and he said, "Just as little as possible." Many people are like that, they do not want to be brought face to face with the proposition, "What shall I do with Jesus." I do trust we shall, today, be brought directly to a deciding point. I want to speak as plainly, sincerely and earnestly as though this were my last message, and pray you will respond as though it were your last to hear.

PILATE TOOK NO STAND

Pontius Pilate was the Roman procurator or governor of Judea at the time Christ was on trial for His life in Jerusalem. He had Jesus on his hands and something had to be done. I pray this day shall not pass until you have done something with Jesus. Pilate had the mistaken idea that washing his hands in water would cleanse him from his guilt and responsibility.

A professor of History once told us as students he had been baptized into three different churches and



felt sure he was qualified for heaven. Such a mistaken idea of so many people today, who think water baptism will save them. It is a commandment of the Lord and must be obeyed, but there is nothing but the blood of Christ can cleanse us from the guilt and penalty of sin. Unless you have been born again, all of the water in the world will not save you. Tradition tells us an evil spirit entered into Pilate and he went out and hanged himself. Pilate took no stand for Christ and none against Him. You cannot take an intermediate stand about Christ. It is a dangerous thing to come face to face with this all important question—What Shall I Do With Jesus—and then do nothing.

THE JEWS REJECTED HIM

When Pilate asked what should be done with Christ, the Jews cried out, "Away with Him, let Him be crucified. His blood be on us, and on our children." They took their stand against Jesus and as a result they have been a hiss and a by-word, an unloved people without a homeland. The infidels, evolutionists, agnostics and all Christ rejecting people of today may have a house to live in but they have no home. This world is not, but heaven is our home.

Here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come, which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God, not to last for a hundred years, but throughout the cycles of eternity. If you reject Christ you have no hope, no home. There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. If you try to climb up some other way, you are the same as a thief and a robber.

PETER FOLLOWED AFAR OFF

Peter's testimony was wonderful when he said, "Though I should die with thee, yet will I not deny thee;" but when the real test of living up to his consecration came, he began to weaken and followed Jesus afar off. The next step in Peter's life, we hear him denying Christ, cursing and swearing. A man's life speaks out so loud people cannot hear what he says. A person that is following Jesus afar off in a half hearted way had better take heed, for the next thing he will be smoking cigarettes, going to shows, telling lies or running off with someone else's wife. Stay close to the Lord and He will give you protection from the attacks of satan.

DISCIPLES FORSAKE HIM

After Jesus had fed the five thousand with the five loaves and two fishes, the people followed Him to the other side of the sea toward Capernaum. Jesus told them they were not following because they loved Him, but because of the loaves and fishes. Christ then told them not to labour for the meat which perisheth, but for the meat which endureth unto everlasting life. He said, "I am the bread of life, and he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst." The people had come by the hundreds to be fed natural food, but Jesus gave them soul food. They didn't like it and the Bible says, "From that time many of His disciples went back, and walked no more with Him." Oh! the number of people that will go to church when there is a social including cake and ice cream, an oyster stew or some kind of enter-

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A Remarkable Answer to Prayer

Mr. Jay Gould once left his eastern home for a trip across the continent. After visiting the pacific states he returned by the southern route through Texas. In the western part of that state the train he was traveling on was halted for a few hours at a little town to make needed repairs on the engine. While this was being done, Mr. Gould, to pass the time, walked up the village street to view the place and see what was going on among them. On one corner a large crowd had gathered, as though something more than usual was taking place. Mr. Gould walked up and found a sale going on, and the auctioneer calling out, "Fourteen hundred and seventy-five dollars." He inquired of a man what was being sold, and was told that it was a new church house, and that the contracting builder had a claim on it for the work. It appeared that the limit had been reached, as no one wished to raise the last bid for the church house. Mr. Gould, to help the sale, offered fifteen hundred dollars, which the auctioneer called a few times without a raise, and the church-house was sold to Mr. Gould.

Three gray-haired old men standing near watched the proceedings of the transfer and, going up to Mr. Gould, not knowing who he was, asked him what he intended to do with the church he had just bought?

"What is it to you what I do with it? It is mine now, to keep or to give away," said the millionaire.

One of the men said, "This is what it is to us; we three men are trustees of that church house and were sent here to see and then report what disposal was made of it; and in the church, at this moment, the entire congregation with the presiding elder and preachers, are down on their knees before God of Heaven, asking Him to Divinely interfere in some way to save our church, so that it may not be lost to us. That is what it is to our people."

On inquiry this was learned to

be the fact. Then Mr. Gould said, "I believe you good people have more need of the property than I have, and will make better use of it." He wrote out a bill of sale, signed his full name to it, and handed it to the trustees, who were surprised to know that they were dealing with one of the wealthiest men of our land. They heartily thanked him, bade him a warm brotherly good-bye and a safe journey home, and with a kind "God bless you," the rich man was gone.

The three men hastened to the church and found the congregation singing praises to God for victory.

They reported their great, and apparently miraculous success, and decided to write a formal letter of thanks to their generous millionaire benefactor. Mr. Gould sometimes showed this letter to his friends, and prized it very highly, for he said it warmed his heart more than any million dollar bond he had.

This true story shows a remarkable providence. Mr. Jay Gould had to return through Texas; the trouble with the engine happened at the right time; the stop was made at the right town, where God's people were praying. Mr. Gould was led in his walk to the auction room, and he came at the right moment, and thus providence worked in answer to prayer. And so it is still, and so it will be, as long as God's children trust the Lord.



THE WHY OF A FAMILY ALTAR

1. Because it will send you forth to the daily task with cheerful heart, stronger for the work, truer to duty and determined in whatever is done therein to glorify God.

2. Because it will give you strength to meet the discouragements, the disappointments, the unexpected adversities and sometimes the blighted hopes that may fall to your lot.

3. Because it will make you conscious throughout the day of the attending presence of the unseen, divine One, who will bring you through more than conqueror over every unholy thought or thing that rises up against you.

4. Because it will sweeten home life and enrich home relationship as nothing else can do.

5. Because it will resolve all the misunderstanding and relieve all the friction that sometimes intrudes into the sacred precincts of family life.

6. Because it will hold as nothing else the boys and girls when they have gone out from underneath the parental roof and so determine very largely the eternal salvation of your children.

7. Because it will exert a helpful, hallowed influence over those who may at any time be guests within the home.

8. Because it will enforce as nothing else can do the work of your pastor in pulpit and in pew, and stimulate the life of your church in its every activity.

9. Because it will furnish an example and a stimulus to other homes for same kind of life and service and devotion to God.

10. Because the Word of God requires it, and in thus obeying God we honor Him who is the Giver of all good and the Source of all blessings.

—W. E. Biederwolf.

God provides resting places as well as working places. Rest, then, and be thankful when He brings you, weary to a wayside well.

MY CHURCH ETIQUETTE

1. God's House—My church is God's house; therefore when I go into my church I will be filled with reverence and respect for it, and will try to put all thoughts from my mind which will hinder me from rendering highest homage and worship to my God.

2. Ownership of the Church—My church is jointly owned by me and my fellow Christians. I will respect this joint ownership, and because of this ownership and the high dedication of this building to the worship of God, I will not in any way mar or destroy any of the building. I will be filled with pride in this building and help always to protect and care for it and the grounds around it.

3. Beautiful Church — My church is beautiful, and I want it to be so. Because when God planned the tabernacle, His first house of worship, He commanded His people to build it of the best material they had. It was a beautiful place of worship. Here in this beautiful place He came to meet His people and they came to worship Him (Exodus 25).

4. House of Worship—Because my church is a house of worship for me, I will do all I can to help create and maintain a reverent and worshipful atmosphere in my church. This means that when I go into my church I will walk quietly, not be hilarious or loud in talk or laughter, and not take into church thoughts of outside fun and frolic. I will try to maintain an attitude of mind which will best help me to think about God and His goodness, and which will help me commune with Him in prayer.

5. Strangers at My Church—Because my church is a house of worship for all who love the Lord, I will be courteous and cordial to all who come to it, being especially mindful for the stranger who may come to us. I will do all I can to make him feel at home with us and glad that he came. I will remember Solomon's prayer at the dedication of his temple, when he prayed for the stranger who should come to the temple from the ends of the earth, "that they might

GOD'S MOUNTAIN OF LIFE

By Hattie B. Jones

*Dear Friend, do you live in the lowlands,
Where there's swamps and mosquitoes and flies?
Where there's plagues of chills and fever,
And other ills that we despise?
Then come take a trip to God's Mountain,
And find all your needs in His Heights!
There's pure air, and also free breathing
High up in His mountains of life!*

*The road that leads upward is rocky,
And not many travel that way;
But the farther you go you will find it
The surest and easiest way!
For up at the crest of the Mountain
A Light is beaming so bright;
A Beacon to guide every pilgrim
Away from the lowlands of night!*

*And day by day as you climb it,
The path becomes smoother and clear!
And the ailments you bore in the lowlands
Assuredly will disappear!
You'll never go wrong climbing upward;
God's Word is the Guide-post for you;
True Faith and Obedience will keep you,
As onward the course you pursue!*

*But, Friend, don't ever look backward
To the swamps of folly and sin!
If you pause and parley with Satan,
You'll start coasting downward again!
'Tis easy to coast down the Mountain,
Back to the marshes below;
Back to sin's ills and fevers;
Back to the devil's throes!*

*Let God show you how you may journey
Upward, and travel with ease!
Seek Him, love Him, obey Him,
And your strength in Him will increase!
His Grace you will find is sufficient;
He'll lend it to you for each test!
So don't coast back to the lowlands,
For the way up God's Mountains is best!*

know that indeed Jehovah is God" sermon.
(1 Kings 8:41-43).

6. Worship Service—In order that I might experience the truest worship, I will cooperate with the planned service; I will join in with the singing of the hymn; I will keep my head bowed and my eyes closed during prayer, in order that my thoughts may more truly rise to God; and I will listen to the minister lead my thoughts in the

7. My Church Not a House of Visiting—My church is a house of worship of my God, not a place to visit with my friends or to gaze about at the faces and clothes, or to sit and think of business, or work, or everyday tasks. When I go to church for an hour of worship, it is God's hour, and I gladly give the hour to Him.—Selected from *Lighted Pathway*.

SPIRITUAL INSIGHT

Illness knocks a lot of nonsense out of us; it induces humility, cuts us down to our own size. It enables us to throw a searchlight upon our inner selves and to discover how often we have rationalized our failures and weaknesses, dodged vital issues and run skulkingly away. For only when the way straightens and the gate grows narrow, do some people discover their soul, their God, or their life work.

Florence Nightingale, too ill to move from her bed, reorganized the hospitals of England. Semi-paralyzed, and under the constant menace of apoplexy, Pasteur was tireless in his attack on disease. The great American historian Francis Parkman is a triumphant prototype of all such conquerors of pain. During the greater part of his life, Parkman suffered so acutely that he could not work for more than five minutes at a time. His eyesight was so wretched that he could scrawl only a few gigantic words on a manuscript, yet he contrived to write nearly 20 magnificent volumes of history.

Even pain confers spiritual insight, a beauty of outlook, a philosophy of life, and understanding and forgiveness of humanity—in short, a quality of peace and serenity—that can scarcely be acquired by the “owner of pure horse flesh.” Suffering is a cleansing fire that chars away much of the meanness, trivality and restlessness of so-called “health.” Milton declared, “Who best can suffer, best can do.” The proof is his **PARADISE LOST** written after he was stricken blind.

—Louis E. Bisch, M. D.

“LORD, HELP ME TO ACCOMPLISH THE GREATEST POSSIBLE GOOD IN THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME.”

GOD'S WILL FOR YOU AND ME

Just to be tender, just to be true,
Just to be glad the whole day
through;
Just to be merciful, just to be
mild,
Just to be trustful as a little child.
Just to be gentle, kind, and sweet,
Just to be helpful, with willing
feet;
Just to be cheery when things go
wrong;
Just to drive sadness away with
a song;
Whether the hour is dark or
bright,
Just to be loyal to God and right;
Just to believe that God knows
best,
Just in His promises, ever to rest;
Just to let love be our daily key,
That is God's will for you and me.
—Church Bulletin,
Morrisville, Vt.

“Around each person there exists an indestructible wall of natural rights. Within this wall man reigns supreme. Ordinarily, he must exercise his rights in accordance with the requirements of the general welfare. But given proper circumstances, his individual rights will prevail even over the rights of the State. That wall may never be broken down.”—From an article titled “Civil Servants,” by George A. Kelly which appeared in the *Commonweal* of May 9, 1947.

To become indifferent to religious liberty is to begin to lost it.

THIS IS YOUR FATHER'S HOUSE:

Enter expectantly, feel at home, breathe prayerfully, relax restfully, worship soulfully, greet others cordially, leave thoughtfully.

THE LIVING WORD

Before any Bible colporteur had ever set foot in Ecuador there arrived in the port city of Guayaquil a Godly Scotch woman and her husband. With her from her Scottish home came her Bible. To the cook and other helpers in her household she taught the truths contained therein. When a little daughter was born to the cook, prayer was offered for her and when the child was old enough to understand she was included in the Bible reading and prayer each day at family worship. The cook found the Lord; the child and many others did also. That child is now the wife of the national pastor of the church in Guayaquil and she and her husband accompanied us many a happy and difficult day in the opening of the jungle work at the headwaters of the Amazon.

Half a century ago a colporteur landed in Guayaquil. When the contents of his boxes were discovered to be Bibles, the customs officers quickly nailed them up again, saying, “As long as Chimborazo stands, that book will never come into this country.” They did not realize that it was already in and had begun its work. Between fifty and sixty thousand copies of Gospels, Bibles and Testaments are being sold annually in Ecuador.—Reuben E. Larsen, Co-director HCJB, *The Voice of the Andes*, in *The Radio Missionary Log*.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST



TERRIFYING TRENDS

In a solemn call to prayer directed to Southern Baptists, Dr. Louie D. Newton speaks of the "terrifying trends" now "hourly gaining momentum" in this country and throughout the world—"bitter conflicts of dominant ideas manifested in economic breakdown, social revolution, political impotency, and diplomatic defeat."

TWO HUNDRED PROOF TEXTS

Rabbi Slostowski, professor of the Talmud in the rabbinical seminary at Tel Aviv, Palestine, was riding in a train from Haifa to Jerusalem when he noticed a young man reading a New Testament in Hebrew. So great was the learned Israelite's resentment that he sharply criticized the young Jewish convert. The young man replied by giving Slostowski his New Testament. That very night the rabbi, alone in his room, read on in the Gospels until three o'clock in the morning. He fell on his knees and prayed in the name of Christ. Today he writes, "I have already found more than 200 passages of the New Testament which prove beyond a doubt that truly Jesus is the Messiah."

REVIVAL IN MONTREAL

Reports of revival come from the French-Canadian city of Montreal. According to *United Evangelical Action*, 64 Protestant pastors of the city joined in a three-weeks' meeting in a large theater building. Around 950 souls were won to Christ, including hundreds of young people. Pastor H. H. Savage of Pontiac, Mich. was the preacher. The special meetings were preceded by weeks of city-wide prayer under the leadership of Col. James Bryant, former U. S. Army Chaplain. All the Protestant churches of Montreal were stirred, and the revival spirit is spreading to other large cities in Canada.

27-Year-Old Blind Youth Ordained Bishop

Blind for the past seven years, Ralph J. Montanus, 27, of Corona, N. Y., was ordained a Bishop of the Church of God at the Jamaica Church of God at Jamaica, N. Y. He thus became the first blind bishop of the denomination as well as the youngest yet consecrated.

Bishop Montanus, as president of the Gospel Association for the Blind, Inc., will take the lead in church work among the blind.

Bishop Homer A. Tomlinson, General Overseer of the Church, presided at the ceremonies.

STATE SUPPORT OF THE CHURCH IN GERMANY

A correspondent from Germany to the *Christian Century* reports that the constitutions submitted to the voters in the three provinces of the American zone of Germany "all provide for a continuance of the state tax of church members for church support. Many German clergymen have begun to question the wisdom of a state-supported church, but they feel that a change now would place heavy burdens on an institution whose finances are already inadequate."

It is easy to understand that the churches in Germany find themselves laboring under great financial difficulties. But it would seem that their members, of all people, would be awake to the dangers that such financial aid might eventually involve. If the state has to tax church members to support the church, it may decide to undertake to direct them as Hitler did when he was in power.

Desperation is better than despair.

Yesterday is; tomorrow is uncertain; today is here. USE IT.

SUNDAY SPORTS PROTECTED

The Boston Post of May 15 carries a story reporting that Stanley B. Vandersall, secretary of the Lord's Day League of New England, appealed to the delegates of the 148th annual meeting of the Massachusetts Congregational Conference and Missionary Society to "apply pressure to stop the steady encroachment of Sunday sports upon the Sabbath." Mr. Vandersall said: "Sunday has become the great American day for sports—a national holiday for other things than religion . . . It is bad enough for professional and commercial sports to spoil the Sabbath, but now we have the schoolboy sports people moving in to take away from their religion on the Holy Day. We must do what we can—right up to the limit to stop the spread of sports programs on Sunday."

The Post reporter adds this: "Delegates to the conference heard Secretary Vandersall without offering a resolution to back him up."

We hold no brief for Sunday sports, but we believe the churches would strengthen their position by appealing to their members and by the education of their youth rather than by turning to the power of the civil state to accomplish what they would like to have done.

The Montreal Daily Star quoted Justice Alfred Forest of the Superior Court of Quebec, according to an article in the *Gospel Witness and Protestant Advocate*, denouncing bingo, which thrives in Canada. Said the judge, "These preparatory schools of vice, which cause such ills in our society and give to youth the taste for risk and adventure and the desire for easy gain, are a cause of scandal for honest people. They include false principles in people who gave themselves up to them and lamentably undermine Christian morals."—*Moody Monthly*.

THE GATES OF HELL WILL NOT BE MOVED AS LONG AS WE TOLERATE THE ENEMY WITHIN OUR RANKS.

The Man of Galilee

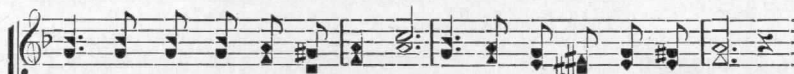
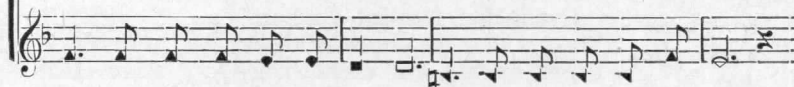
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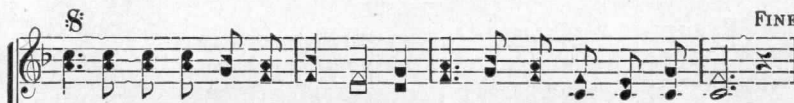
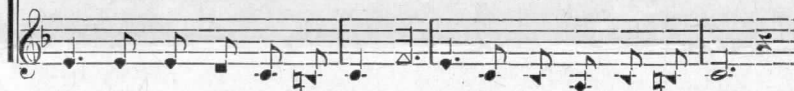
1. Once my soul was bound in fet - ters, Once my heart was in de - pair;
 2. When I came my sin con - fess - ing, When I bowed low at His feet;
 3. Oh, the glo - ry of His pres - ence, As He walks and talks with me;



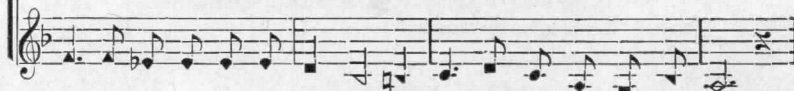
All my life was sad and lone - ly, There was none my load to share.
 Then I found the joy of bless - ing, Of His sav - ing grace so sweet.
 Gives me joy of full sal - va - tion, Keeps my trust - ing spir - it free.



Then I heard a sweet voice call - ing, "Come to me, I'll set you free,"
 For Christ lift - ed all my bur - den, By His blood He set me free,
 In the clouds some day He's com - ing, And my joy will then in - crease,



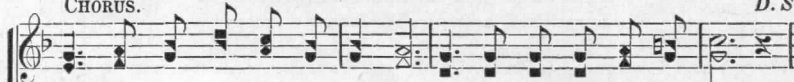
It was then I met my Sav - iour, The low - ly Man of Gal - i - lee.
 And 'twas then I met my Sav - iour, The low - ly Man of Gal - i - lee.
 Face to face to meet my Sav - iour, The King of Kings, the Prince of Peace.



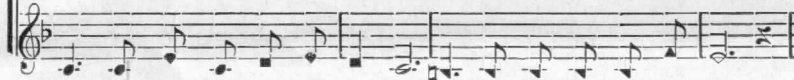
D. S. I will ev - er love and serve Him, This low - ly Man of Gal - i - lee.

CHORUS.

D. S.



He's the fair - est of ten thou - sand; Dearest Friend of all to me;



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Brief Mentions

BAXTER SPRINGS, KANS. Evangelist and Mrs. George Polvado are now in a revival at the 5th St. Church in Baxter. Virgie Parham has been preaching at the regular services.

OAK HILL, MO. Construction on the new church is now under way on the state line near Oak Hill. Evangelist and Mrs. George Clay will be assisting in the building of the new church. Beulah Clay, Pastor.

WEBB CITY, MO. Rev. Pauline Parham filled the pulpit at the Frisco Mission while the Pastor, Olen Bachelor was in a tent meeting in Laverne, Okla.

WEBB CITY, MO. Evangelist Jack Barker assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Chet Melize and Mr. and Mrs. Junior McCorkle, Gospel singers, are now in a revival at the Frisco Mission in Webb City. Olen Bachler, Pastor.

MINNEOLA, KANS. Evangelists Floyd and Grace LaMunyon have just held a good tent meeting in Minneola. Anna Ruth Scott assisted throughout the meeting.

TANNEYVILLE, MO. Evangelist and Mrs. Gail W. Schultz have closed their tent revival in Tanneyville, and have secured a building for regular services. The regular service nights are Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday.

KINGSMILL, TEXAS. The Charles Mahan Evangelistic Party have just closed a good revival at the Community Church in Kingsmill. Three were saved, ten sanctified, and two received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Pearl Yeakley, Pastor.

CLEARWATER, KANSAS. Evangelist Junior Watkins recently held a good tent revival in Clearwater on the Legion lot. Several souls were saved in the meeting.

Holy Convocation

MID-WINTER FELLOWSHIP
HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
CHENEY, KANSAS

DECEMBER 26TH THROUGH 31ST

Meals will be served in City Hall

WRITE FOR RESERVATIONS AND INFORMATION

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Eakens, Pastors

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND

Evangelist Pauline Parham expects to visit the churches of South Texas during the month of October, in the interest of the Apostolic Faith Paper.

MERIDIAN, MISS. Evangelist and Mrs. Charles O. Mahan and family plan an evangelistic campaign in the new church at Snell in October. Jack Shandley, Pastor.

Sister E. A. Greever is in charge of an all day fasting and prayer service every Thursday at her home near Spearman, Texas. Anyone desiring prayer for special requests or a special need please write to Sister Greever.

LOGAN, OKLA. Evangelist and Mrs. Bill Handley are now in a revival at the Midway Country Church at Logan. Marcus Adair, Pastor.

MURDOCK, KANSAS. Evangelist and Mrs. Walter Jacobs just closed a good meeting in the City Hall at Murdock. Hallie Chitwood and Edna Pryor assisted in the meeting.

HOUSTON, TEXAS. Evangelist and Mrs. Darrel Sutton expect to be in evangelistic meetings in and around Houston. Their home address will be 1037 Peddie St., Houston, Tex.

SPEARMAN, TEXAS. Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Scott are now in a revival in Spearman. Rev. Neola Moore, Pastor.

VICI, OKLAHOMA. Rev. Jake Pletcher has resigned as pastor of the Vici Church to be in evangelistic work. This is a new field, and a good opportunity for any minister. The church is one-half block from the business section of town, and a five-room parsonage is connected to the church building. Any minister desiring to pastor this church please write to Rev. Jake Pletcher, Lee Barker or Mrs. Ruby Vaughan.

PERRYTON, TEXAS. Evangelist Jim Caldwell has just closed a good tent meeting in Perryton. Mr. and Mrs. Waple Ferguson, evangelistic singers, had charge of the music during the revival. Harold Cooper, Pastor.

KEELVILLE, KANS. Evangelist and Mrs. Lenard Carlson expect to begin a revival soon at the Keelville Church. Rev. James Ahrens, Pastor.

LAVERNE, OKLA. Evangelist and Mrs. Olen Bachler and Evangelist and Mrs. Lee Brock recently closed a good tent meeting in Laverne. Several were saved during the meeting. Ben Barker, Pastor.

Holy Convocation

HOLIDAY CONVENTION
HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
GREENLAND, ARKANSAS
DECEMBER 26TH THROUGH 31ST

Meals will be served in Cafeteria

WRITE FOR RESERVATIONS AND INFORMATION

Rev. Alford Whiteley, Pastor
Route 3—Elkins, Ark.

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND

JOPLIN, MO. Evangelist Irene Dilworth is now in a revival at the Full Gospel Church, 1314 S. Main, Joplin, Mo. Don Ogden, Pastor.

RANGE, OKLA. A successful revival meeting was held at the Range Church the last of August. Brother and Sister Dallas Stephens conducted the meeting with Sister Steryl Tucker and Sister Jennie Evans. Two were saved in the meeting. A baptismal service was held the last Sunday and Sister Jennie Evans baptized 11 in water.

HUTCHINSON, KANSAS. Evangelist Carroll Heller is now in a revival meeting in Hutchinson.

PRAYER LIST

Your prayer request shall receive personal attention. Blest and anointed handkerchiefs will be sent on request. Whatever your need may be, trust in God. He is ready and willing to hear and answer prayer for you.

Joe L. Atteberry
Lanell Caskie
Nora Harmon
Mary Holt
Sallie Baldwin
Rev. Alford Whitley
Mrs. Phebie Warner
Lenora Ann Adair

THANKS

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When John Wesley married he stipulated that he should not preach one sermon less, nor travel one mile less, after marriage than before. At first Mrs. Wesley complied and traveled with him. But she soon grew tired of it. She began to grumble, then grew jealous. She opened his letters and plagued him in many ways. After having been a thorn in Wesley's flesh for twenty years she left him, and carried off his journals and papers which she never returned. Wesley wrote in his diary, "I did not forsake her, I did not dismiss her, I will not recall her."

DRUNKEN WOMEN

According to the National Chairman of Alcoholics Anonymous, there are 600,000 chronic female alcoholics in the U. S. Out of the 2,508,000 chronic drunks in this country, one out of every four is a woman.

"DRENCHED MINDS"

In a recent article by the editor of Christian Century, the author states that, "Few of us realize how drenched our minds are with the flood of nonsense and silliness and grotesquerie and artificiality and vulgarity and profanity with which astonishingly clever technicians intrigue our attention in newspaper, billboard, radio, moving picture and the smart-set magazines."

The writer also laments the fact that "this generation has delivered its leisure into the keeping of organized purveyors of entertainment." And with what effect? "Protestantism, today confronts a cultural mentality whose capacity to respond to the truth of the Christian faith has been appreciably impaired and shrunk by habitual exposure to the intensive barrage of sensuous stimuli which beat upon the mind, almost from the cradle and all the way to the grave."

How can the modern mind, cluttered with such "sensuous stimuli" respond to the preaching of God's Word or even think soberly upon the more serious aspects of life? And what chance has the Spirit of God to sober such a mind for serious reflection?

There are those who are anticipating a great national revival and we stand in need of one from our national capitol downward. But our national mood is bad and we are morally twisted as a nation. A revival is dependent on some serious concern for the welfare of the soul, but we appear to be rapidly degenerating into a race of spiritual morons. It is useless for us to keep waiting for any mass production of Christians in such an age. We had better begin to do our utmost now and win them one at a time wherever we can locate them; and snatch them as brands from the burning. There can be but one answer to our national state of mind—the judgments of God.—*Dr. Lobb in the Pasadena Bulletin.*

Good Christians make good citizens.

WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

The story is told of a little boy named Cecil, who along with many other boys and girls, came to hear the city missionary speak. The missionary placed a piece of money under a book on the table and said, "Whosoever believeth, let him come and take it."

You would think that at once all the little boys and girls ran to the table to get the money under the book for themselves. But they did not. The missionary waited. Every single boy and girl in the room was a "Whosoever," but only one of them was "Whosoever believeth." He was a ragged chap, who came up, lifted the book and took the money, saying, "Thank you, sir."

"What is your name?" asked the missionary.

"Cecil Smithers."

"I did not say Cecil Smithers could have the money."

"No sir," said Cecil, but you did say WHOSOEVER, and that means me."

Boys and girls, you too are WHOSOEVERS, for WHOSOEVER means you, me and everyone else. Our dark-skinned friends from across the waters are WHO-SOEVERS too, for Jesus loves the little children of the WORLD. But let me ask you a very important question. Are you a WHO-SOEVER BELIEVETH? Jesus was beaten, hung upon the cross, and died that ALL of us might be saved. If you are not a Christian today, I hope that soon you will "go and get" what is freely yours, and be a "WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH," like little Cecil Smithers.

—Viola Modrick.



A LOVING CHILD

God planned a world of joys for us,
With wonders great and small.
He is our Father, ever kind,
Who loves us one and all.

To show my love to God, I'll live
As Jesus taught us to;
I'll always be an honest child
In everything I do.

I'll smile when things go wrong
for me,
Play fair with girls and boys.
I'll come at once when Mother
calls,
And put away my toys.

Selected by Viola Modrick.

THE HEBREW CHILDREN

(Bible Quiz)

The Scripture text for this lesson is found in the third chapter of the Book of Daniel. To complete each sentence in the story, check your answers, then turn to the Book of Daniel for correction. Each question counts 12½%. If all answers are correct, your grade will be 100%.

1. Nebuchadnezzar, the king, made an image of
 - (a) brass
 - (b) iron
 - (c) gold

2. When the image was set up, there was to be a dedication. The king called together

- (a) all the rulers of the provinces
- (b) the children of Israel
- (c) the worshippers of Baal

3. Those who did not fall down and worship the image were to be

- (a) cast into the lion's den
- (b) cast into the midst of a burning, fiery furnace
- (c) beheaded for the Gospel's sake

4. All who heard the music fell down and worshipped the image except

- (a) Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ
- (b) the Christians which were at Antioch
- (c) certain Jews, who were set over the affairs of the province

5. Nebuchadnezzar flew in a rage. He commanded to be brought before him

- (a) Paul and Silas
- (b) Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego
- (c) Shem, Ham and Japeth

6. The three Hebrew children would not worship the image. They were cast into the fiery furnace. Nebuchadnezzar looked into the furnace, and saw the form of a fourth man like unto

- (a) Moses
- (b) Judas Iscariot
- (c) the Son of God

7. After the king had called these men forth from the furnace

- (a) they took up their bed and walked
- (b) there was no smell of fire upon them
- (c) they sang praises unto God

8. Because of their wonderful deliverance, Nebuchadnezzar

- (a) shook off the dust of his feet against them
- (b) went and hanged himself
- (c) blessed the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego

—Viola Modrick.

DEATH BRINGS LIFE

"Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." (John 12:24.)

All nature is a parable of how the losing of a life can be the way of securing a truer and a higher life. Every grain of wheat, every seed throughout the world, teaches the lesson that through death lies the path to beautiful and fruitful life. It was so with the Son of God. He had to pass through death in all its bitterness and suffering, before He could rise to Heaven and impart His life to His redeemed people.

And here under the shadow of the approaching cross, He calls His disciples: "If any man will serve Me, let him follow Me." One might have thought that Christ did not need to lose His holy life ere He could find it again. But so it was. God had laid upon Him the iniquity of us all, and He yielded to the inexorable law—through death to life and to fruit.

How much more ought we, in the consciousness of that evil nature and that death which we inherited in Adam, be willing, yea, most grateful that there is a way open to us by which, in the fellowship of Christ and His Cross, we can die to this accursed self. With what gratitude ought we to listen to the call to bear the cross, to yield our "old man" as crucified with Christ daily to that death which he deserves! Surely the thought that the power of the eternal life is working in us, ought to make us willing and glad to die the death that brings us into the fellowship and the power of life in a risen Christ.

—Andrew Murray.

LET US TAKE CARE

If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on and prosper, but if we and our posterity neglect its instruction and authority, no man can tell how suddenly a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury all our glory in profound obscurity.—*The War Cry*.

KEEP PREACHING ON

(Dedicated to the Ministers of the little flock)

It may be just a little Church among the hills or plain
Yet God knows He can use it although hindrances remain.
For scattered here and there He has few children of His own
Who love to gather often there, and come before the throne:
So He sent you and sweetly says, "My servant, feed the sheep,
I know the corner's dark and needy—still you need not weep.
My grace will always keep you strong, so just keep preaching on."

It may sometimes be a question, why God will keep you there
When work looks almost fruitless amid tears and earnest prayer,
Why does God plant the sweetest flowers out on the desert strand
Where sweet perfume seems wasted, few to see His wondrous hand?
Perhaps the fragrance of your life may lift a saddened heart.
And though you never reach the throng why not keep preaching on!

The Lord will surely meet you soon and bless the noble work,
The Gospel always brings results, so preach and never shirk
The Bible says that men should pray—so son do not faint;
I seem to know hid from our sight, is some old praying Saint.
It was a prayer in former years that brought revivals down,
May we all help to intercede and gain a victor's crown.
That all the preachers know ere long it pays to preach right on.

Keep preaching the good old Gospel, yes, now keep preaching on
'Mid modernism and skepticism, sin and every wrong.
The sweetest story ever told to hearts that long for rest,
The Christ who loves and died to save—that story is the best!
Then hurl it forth a few more years, be faithful in the least—
Until He calls you to the place of that eternal feast
A few more days defeat the wrong, a little while preach on.

—Selected.

HOW TO RECOGNIZE GOD'S WILL

F. B. Myer was once asked how one might surely recognize the will of God. He replied: "This question was answered for me once, as in a very dark night we were entering Holyhead harbor. I asked the captain how he went about finding the narrow entrance to the harbor at night? He said to me: "See yonder three lights? When these are in line, I am in the right channel." So it is with the will of God. When the word of God, the impulse of the Holy Spirit in my heart, and the outward circumstances are in harmony, then I am convinced that I am acting in accordance with the will of God."

—*The Telescope Messenger*.

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In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established. 2nd Cor. 13:1. St. Matt. 18:16. St. John 18:17.

One generation passeth away after another. This life is a vapour, as a flower of the grass, as a breath, or as a shadow that declineth. This is recorded by different writers in God's holy word, and by observation in our daily walk we can readily see it is true. So knowing the Lord hath appointed the bounds of the habitation of man, may we all apply our hearts unto wisdom. Lord make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is; that I may know how frail I am. Behold, thou hast made my days as an hand breadth; and mine age is as nothing before thee; verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity. Psalms 39:4-5.

The law and the prophets were until John; since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it. St. Luke 16:16.

For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh that the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us who walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit. Romans 8:3-4.

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. St. John 3:16.

Verily, verily I say unto you, He that heareth my word and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath ever-lasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God; and they that hear shall live.

Marvel not at this; for the hour is coming in which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have

done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. St. John 5:24-25-28.

Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto ever-lasting life, which the Son of Man shall give unto you; for Him hath God the Father sealed.

Then said they unto Him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?

Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on Him whom He hath sent. St. John 6:27-28-29. Moreover brethren I would not that ye should be ignorant how that all our fathers were under the cloud and all passed through the sea, and were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea. And did all eat the same spiritual meat. And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ. 1st Cor. 10:1-4.



But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God. And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone. Eph. 2:13-19-20.

For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid which is Jesus Christ. 1st Cor. 3:11.

Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold I lay in Zion for a

foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation, he that believeth shall not make haste. Isaiah 28:16.

So everyone of us must dig down deep and build our house upon a Rock, for a foundation that we may stand against all snares and pit falls, the winds of adversity, yea, all the work of Satan, that all that was lost in Adam may be restored, in us.

This stone was tried by rulers and angry mobs, was spit upon, buffeted, beaten with stripes, crowned with thorns, cast aside, forsaken by all, nailed to the cross, shed His blood, cried while on the cross, My God, my God why hast thou forsaken me, but was willing to drink the bitter cup, for he had gained the victory while praying in the garden alone. This stone is precious, of great value. The only begotten Son of God, in whom He was well pleased. The commandment was given, "Hear ye him." It was broken and crushed, by the crushing, perfume filled the air when the words resounded everywhere, "It is finished." He is the Pearl of great price, to buy this gem we must sell all we have, counting all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things and do count them but dung that I may win Christ, and be found in Him not having mine own righteousness which is of God by faith. Phil. 3:8-9.

So the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared and we are in a corner, for He is the chief corner stone, no way of retreat, we must build upon Christ.

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness

I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' name. On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand.

God's promises are sure.

For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, who was preached among you by us, even by me and Silvanus and Timotheus was not yea and nay, but in Him was yea.

For all the promises of God in Him are yea, and Him Amen, unto

the glory of God by us.

Now He which establisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God.

Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts. II Cor. 1:19-22.

Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? Isaiah 53:1.

Whom shall He teach knowledge? and whom shall He make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk and drawn from the breasts.

For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line; line upon line; here a little, and there a little; For with stammering lips and another tongue will He speak to this people. Isaiah 28:9-11.

So with here a little and there a little we are made to see without controversy we must be perfect even as our Father which is in heaven is perfect. Matt. 5:48.

For we are God's building. The temple of God is holy which temple ye are: I Cor. 3:17.

Let us therefore fear, lest a promise being left us of entering into His rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. Heb. 4:1. All things are naked and open before Him with whom we have to do. He needs not that any should testify of man for He knows what is in man.

The foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, the Lord knoweth them that are His, and let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity. II Tim. 2:19-20.

Every one of us shall give account of himself to God. Rom. 14:12.

If you move, notify the Apostolic Faith . . . giving both your old and new addresses.

The bright spots of my life are the days in which I learned that I had helped in bringing men back to God. I have found more happiness in bringing souls to God than in three presidential nominations.—William Jennings Bryan.

God's Promises Are Sure

Mrs. E. A. Greever

Friend, as you walk are you trusting Jesus?

Do you know you are undemanded today?

If you are He will still the tempest,
A quietness and peace give to thee,
Don't sin and come short of God's glory,

Ever abide in His presence I pray,
Where no plague can come nigh
they dwelling

And no evil befall on life's way.

If you walk in my statutes keeping
my commandments

I'll allow no disease to come upon
thee,

Jesus said, "I come to fulfill things
recorded

In the law and prophets concerning
me."

Lean not to your own understanding,

Pray neither make flesh your arm,
But look to the dear, loving
Saviour,

Who will protect your life from
harm.

Put not your trust in man nor in
princes

Be strong in the power of God's
might,

Looking to Jesus, the author and
finisher of faith,

When he comes 'twill be a glorious
sight,

Give, ye even pour out your life
for others

All your need will be provided by
him,

For the earth, and the fullness
belong to God

And you are only stewards for
him.

He speaks and brings wonderful
deliverance

Prosper, gives health and strength
as the day,

As your life is fully surrendered
And willingly God's will you
obey,

His body was bruised and broken
By sinners stripes were laid upon
him,

That we might enjoy a full sal-
vation

From all the work caused by sin.

If your life is filled with pain and
sorrow,

And by sin your soul bowed
down,

Jesus came to restore that lost by
Adam

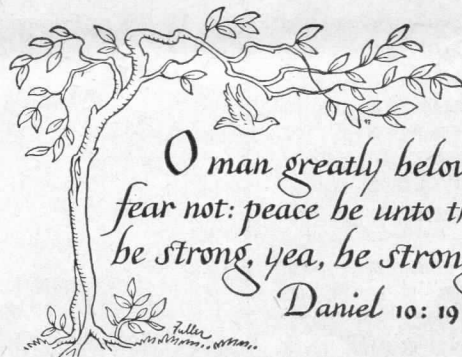
In the garden, where he communed
with God,

For the law of the Spirit of life in
Christ Jesus,

Will make you free from the law
of sin and death today

Believe, trust, and look for His
coming

Then immortal in His presence we
will stay.





MISSIONARY PAGE



Signs of the Times

Bob Palmer

Radio Sermon Given from Station K F Q D, Anchorage, Alaska.

Have you ever asked yourself the question. "How do we know if the Lord will come again or not—is there anything we may go by to know definitely?" Probably to everyone who has ever made a deep study of the word of God it is not necessary to learn there are enough signs of His coming in the Bible to convince us He will surely come again.

To begin our reading, let us turn to Matthew 24:3, "And as He sat upon the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? And what shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world?"

The second question we shall use for our text—What shall be the sign of Thy coming? Is it possible to set a date for His coming? Is there any man who knows what month, day or hour the world shall see Him? These questions are answered for us in the Bible.

Although I will not dwell at length on this sign, I still want you to know it is given for our benefit. And that is the sign of wars and rumors of wars found in Matthew 24:6. We have all heard more than we want to about war. We are tired of it. We all want peace. But this hearing of wars and rumors of wars is a sign that points to the coming of Jesus. During World War II, we read and heard of the wonderful world of new inventions and luxury for all in what was labeled the Post-War Age. Well, here we are in that "wonderful" post-war age and yet we hear rumors of another war which, with the aid of scientific discoveries, will make the last war seem like a family fued in the hills of Tennessee! Hope for peace all you can—plan for it, work for it, but we will still hear of wars, for Jesus told us we would as a sign of His second coming.

Another sign, "Men's hearts failing them for fear and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth" Luke 21:26.

Have you ever heard of someone dying of heart failure? Do you know of anyone who died of heart failure? Perhaps many of them died of heart disease or something else, but there are plenty of men and women who have died of fear. And scores have died who seemingly were in perfect health. Explain as you may, it is a sign pointing to the glorious day of the Lord.

Now let us look at the sign of all signs—the Jew. Amos prophesies the scattering of Israel in chapter 9, verse 9—"For lo, I will command, and I will sift the house of Israel among all nations, like as corn is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least grain fall upon the earth." The last dispersion, which has scattered and sifted Jews among nearly every nation of the world, has taken place since the Jews rejected Christ. They have been slaughtered and beaten by the multiplied thousands. But God also gave us His work in Hosea

3:4-5, "For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king, and without a prince, and without a sacrifice, and without an image, and without an ephod, and without the aphim: Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the Lord their God, and David their King; and shall fear the Lord, and His goodness in the latter days." Romans 11:25 tells us blindness in part is happened to Israel until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. Christ gives us the parable of the fig tree in Matthew 24:32-33, "Now learn a parable of the fig tree; when his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth his leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: So likewise, ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the door." And we have this statement from the Lord—"Thus saith the Lord God: Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land.

To day there are more Jews going back to Palestine than at any time since the destruction of Jerusalem 1900 years ago. And there are more Jews already in Palestine than there ever have been since Titus, the Roman Emperor destroyed the Holy City. The terrible persecution of the Jews in Germany, Italy, is only part of the tribulation they will receive for every nation will run them out. This great exodus of the Jews, which is taking place before our very eyes, may seem insignificant to you. You may say or think it has no effect upon you, but if the Jews should leave America overnight, our country would be bankrupt. Half the money is in the hands of the Jews. Half the banking houses are owned by the Jew. Half the Jewelry stores are owned by the Jew. All of the movie picture industry is controlled by the Jew. Brother, the Jew is an important figure in God's time table. He is going back to the homeland that God deeded to him hundreds of years ago. Read Gen. 13:14. If we had no other sign but the Jews return to Palestine, we could still rest as-

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sured of the nearness of Jesus' coming.

But there are many more signs.

In connection with the Jews, we have the prophecy of the land of Palestine being remade from a desert wilderness and a barren waste land into a fertile land. Amos tells us the waste cities shall be rebuilt and inhabited. Also gardens and vineyards planted. Today, Palestine is rapidly becoming one of the most prosperous countries of the world. Instead of a hot, dry land, as it has been for many years, it now has a rainfall nearly equal to that of Great Britain. It is one of the most fertile places in the world for citrus fruits and vegetables. Although we haven't given many scriptures along this line for lack of time, there are many prophecies of the land of Palestine becoming a garden of the Lord.

Now for the next sign, I want to come a little closer home. Some of you who are listening may have even helped to bring on this sign. The foretelling of this sign is by Paul in I Tim. 4:1, "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times, some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils."

It is true that church memberships have grown in the past few years, but rather than look at the church roll to see who lives for God, let us take a look at the Sunday morning service. There is a good attendance and everyone seems glad to be there. Now Sunday night service about one-fourth or maybe one-third of the members are present. This happens not in just a few churches, but all over the land. Are the absent members falling away or departing from the faith? Maybe not. But they aren't getting any closer to it. Let us go on and see the mid-week prayer meeting. Those who really carry a burden for their church will be found at prayer meeting. And how many are there? well, I would rather you would tell me, as for me to guess. Prayer meetings are almost an old fashioned memory for a lot of modern professors. Heb. 3:12 gives us this warning, "Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing

from the living God." The modern trend of apostasy is a sign telling us we are living in the latter days that precedes the coming of our Lord.

And now the last sign we will discuss, the sign of wickedness as in Noah's day and in Lot's day. Matthew 24:37-39—"But as in the days of Noah were so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be. For as in the days that were before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be. From Luke 17:28-30. "Likewise, also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; but the same day that Lot went out of Sodom, it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed."

There are many Godless modernists who tell us the world is getting better, but you know and I know that isn't true. Some of you listening may have gone to the depths in sin, and you know the world isn't better as far as you are concerned. Ungodliness and wickedness is on every hand. The same thing existed in Noah's day and because a flood had never been seen, people felt very safe. People today have never seen the Lord come to earth, so they fail to give heed to the warning and perhaps will be committing gross sins and ungodly deeds at the time of His appearing. Matthew 24:36 tells us "But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only." And verse 44, "Therefore be ye also ready; for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh."

There is no question about His coming again. But there may be a question about your readiness, if He should come and find you in your present condition. Are you ready for Him? If not, seek Him today—even there by your radio or wherever you may be. Don't neglect your soul's salvation. There is too much to lose by waiting, so come to Him now.

WHAT SHALL I DO WITH JESUS?

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tainment; but when the old time gospel is preached that will do their souls good, they want to get up and walk out, never to return. Jesus didn't say to the departing disciples, "Now wait a minute, come back and you can have the gospel a little easier or cheaper." He never has and never will put the gospel on the bargain counter and say you can have it at a reduced rate. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. When Jesus saw many of the disciples leaving, He turned to the ones yet remaining and asked, "Will you also go away?" Peter then answered, Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." If you will not come Christ's way, then you must be lost in eternity; for He is the only way. Your morality, honesty, hospitality and good works of all kind are well and good, and must follow a confession of faith; but they, alone, will not save your soul. Jesus is the door and through Him you must go to live eternally in heaven.

JUDAS SOLD HIM

You will say Judas sold out mighty cheap, when he sold the Lord for thirty pieces of silver; but a person that doesn't think enough of Christ to leave his business in time to go to prayer meeting, for fear of losing an extra dollar's worth of business, is just as guilty as Judas. A person that will rob God of tithes is a thief and is as bad as Judas. You may say, "Well I am a Christian and I don't pay tithes." The Lord said, "Not all that say Lord, Lord shall enter in, but those that do the will of the Father." Unless our righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and pharisees, we will not make it in, so the word tells us. Judas thought more of money than he did of Christ, do you? Judas lost his life by trying to save it.

PAUL FOUGHT AND LIVED FOR HIM

Paul said, "I am determined not to know anything among you save Jesus Christ and Him crucified."

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OBITUARY

William Jasper Mears, son of William T. Mears and Hannah Hughes Mears, was born in Caldwell, Texas, February 23, 1880, and passed away very suddenly at his home in Alvin, Texas, on May 18, 1947. On February 23, 1918 he was united in marriage to Mildred Millie Ellard and to this union was born 6 children.

He was converted to the Apostolic Faith in 1905 and for many years traveled in the gospel work.

He is survived by his widow; 4 daughters, Mrs. C. C. Surface of New Braunfels, Texas; Mrs. R. L. Callihan; Jaunita and Helen Mears of Alvin. Two sons, Elvin and Alvin of the home. Three sisters, Mrs. J. D. Hughes and Miss Georgie Mears of Alvin; and Mrs. J. C. Armstrong of Port Arthur, Texas. Seven grandchildren, a number of nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Rev. Darrel Sutton officiated at the funeral services, assisted by Rev. Millard Brown, and Rev. George Bollinger. Interment was in South Park Cemetery.

A soldier said, "When I die do not sound taps over my grave, but reveille, the morning call, the summons to rise."

ALASKA

In Alaska where the Western shoreline—at one point less than one hundred miles from Russian territory—is being transformed into an armed fortress, there are "the most deplorable vice conditions I have seen anywhere," says Dr. Mark A. Dawber, Executive Secretary of the Home Missions Council of North America. "Only those who have personally observed such conditions can begin to imagine the extent of the devastation of morals and spiritual ideals that has taken place in Alaska. Ketchikan with a population of 6,000 spends \$5,000,000 for liquor and about \$130,000 for the education of its children." Dawber described Anchorage as the "world's biggest saloon," urged more vigorous law enforcement to combat liquor traffic and prostitution. "If American boys are to be sent to Alaska as part of the program for war defense, then the American parents of these boys should rise up immediately and demand a house-cleaning."

Faith is to believe what we do not see, and the reward of this faith is to see what we believe.

—*St. Augustine.*

To be left unmolested by Satan is no evidence of blessing.

WHAT SHALL I DO WITH JESUS?

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He left all for his faith in Christ and said he was not ashamed of the Gospel for it is the power of God unto salvation to all who would believe. Paul told the good news wherever he was, regardless of the consequences. It brought him persecution, imprisonment and deprivation of all kinds; but at the last he said, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." Paul is going to have a crown given to him of the Lord. I would appreciate a medal from the president of the United States, given for some meritorious act of bravery—it would thrill my heart, but think of the time the Lord of lords crowns us with a crown that will neither fade, nor tarnish; and invites us in to live with Him for all eternity, in joy, peace and happiness.

CONCLUSION

What are you doing about Jesus! Have you seen your picture? I trust we all shall see ourselves as we really are, and then do something about it. The question is, "What shall I Do With Jesus," but the question of the judgment day will be "What Will Jesus Do With Us." He is on our hands today but we will be on His hands in that day. Open your heart and let Him come in NOW.

—*Paul Bollinger.*

Today is a day of intense missionary activity and the whole wide world is waiting for the coming of the messengers of peace. The World War has brought the entire world to our doorway. To the soldiers of the cross a tremendous responsibility has been given. A sacred task! No longer can we plead ignorance, evade or neglect our responsibility to get the gospel to the whole wide world.

—*Lettie Cowman.*