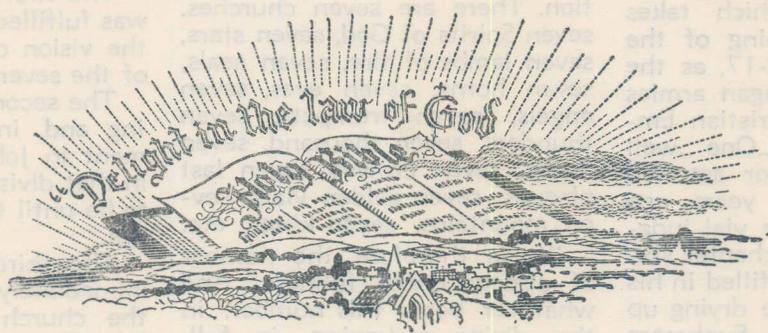


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WHERE IS YOUR FAITH?

By NATHANIEL KRUM

"Where is your faith?" the Saviour asked
On stormy Galilee,
When billows swept the fragile boat
In near catastrophe.

Where was their faith, the faith that glowed
When everything went well,
That quickly fled their fainting hearts
When tragedy befell?

"Where is your faith?" the Master asks
His remnant church today,

"Is it in houses, stocks and bonds,
in numbers and display?"

"When times of trouble you must meet,
In persecution's hour,
Will you renounce your faith in God,
Or trust His keeping power?"

"Where is your faith?" the Saviour asks.
The faith that God requires
Is smelted from the ore of life
In tribulation's fires.

ARTICLE II—

THE KEY TO THE INTERPRETATION OF THE BOOK OF REVELATION

By ROBERT GIROUARD

Many expositors of the book of Revelation have made a guessing game of its interpretation. One learned commentator explains the action which takes place after the opening of the Sixth Seal, Rev. 6:12-17, as the total rout of the pagan armies by the professed Christian Emperor Constantine. One well known Bible expositor asserted nearly one hundred years ago that nearly all of the vial judgments of Revelation chapter sixteen were already fulfilled in his day. He explained the drying up of the waters of the Euphrates river, mentioned in Rev. 16:12, as the destruction of the Old Turkish Empire.

There is a God given key to the interpretation of the book of Revelation which should deliver one from all such fanciful and irresponsible handling of God's Word.

THE KEY TO THE BOOK IS ITS THREEFOLD DIVISION

Rev. 1:19

1. THE THINGS WHICH THOU HAST SEEN
2. THE THINGS WHICH ARE
3. THE THINGS WHICH SHALL BE HEREAFTER

1. The Things Which Thou Hast Seen. The vision of the Son of man in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks.

Rev. 1:10-20

2. The Things Which Are. The things pertaining to the churches as found in chapters 2 and 3.

3. The Things Which Shall Be Hereafter. Hereafter — Greek meta tauta. Literally, after these things. In other words, the things which shall come to pass after the church period ends.

It will be noticed that letters were addressed to seven churches

in Asia Minor. Why seven? It is a well known fact that there were more than seven churches in that area. The number seven abounds in the book of Revelation. There are seven churches, seven Spirits of God, seven stars, seven lambs of fire, seven seals, seven horns, seven eyes, seven angels, seven trumpets, seven thunders, seven thousand, seven heads, seven crowns, seven last plagues, seven golden vials, seven mountains, seven kings, etc.

"It is therefore the number of dispensational fullness. And whatever bears this number, in the divine reckoning, is full, complete, with nothing left out, and nothing of its own kind to be added." J. A. Seiss, in lectures on the book of Revelation.

Since the number seven, when used symbolically, means full, complete, dispensational fullness, and since the book of Revelation is five times declared to be a book of prophecy, and since immediately following the end of the church period the scene shifts from earth to heaven where there are redeemed human beings from every nation, Rev. 5:8-10, we are sure that we are standing on sound scriptural ground when we assert that in the messages to seven churches God intends view of the church from Apostolic times throughout the centuries until the close of the church age.

The messages to the seven churches have a fourfold application:

1. Local, to the churches actually addressed at the time John received the Revelation.
2. To all churches in all time as tests by which they may discern their true spiritual state in the sight of God.
3. To the individual member of the church who may be warned by the failure revealed and encouraged by the promise

to the overcomer.

4. DISPENSATIONALLY AND PROPHETICALLY they clearly define seven periods or phases of church history from Apostolic days to the end of the church age.

The book of Revelation is the only book in the Bible where the Divisions are given and they are here given by Christ Himself.

The first division of the book was fulfilled as soon as John saw the vision of Jesus in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks.

The second division was in being and in process of fulfillment in John's day. We are still in that division and will continue to be until the end of the church age.

The third division will begin immediately following the end of the church age as indicated in Rev. Chapter four through chapter twenty-two, with the possible exception of a chapter which may be an intercalary chapter.

The beginning of the third division repeats part of the key to the interpretation of the Book given by Jesus in Rev. 1:19.

"After this" at the beginning, and "hereafter", at the end of the sentence in Rev. 4:1, are translated as "after these things". The Syriac and Emphatic Diatessaron versions give the translation of meta tauta as "after all this".

It is important to remember that "the things which must be hereafter", Rev. 4:1, will not begin to take place until the end of the church age.

(To Be Continued)

NOTE OF THANKS

Since I requested prayer for my brother, Elmer Crossman, from several of the Apostolic people, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of them for their prayers in his behalf. I feel the Lord's will was accomplished in his recent passing as He knows better than we what is best for us.

Mrs. Arleta Sears, Rohde

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FROM THE

Associate Editor

Dear Reader:

Oh, for a thousand tongues to proclaim the glory of the Lord. His excellency, His Magistry, His Glory and His Beauty comes bursting in upon us with the advent of each new day. Our gratefulness for the new day is given by David. Psa. 118: 24. This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it. Not a minute is lost when we are in tune with the infinite. Surrounded by pattern of God's presence there comes an assurance of rightfulness and usefulness. By His grace I am what I am and by His Grace my work for Him is not in vain. Psa. 19 1,2, "The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handywork." Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge". Discernible and perceivable day and night are His wonderful works to the children of men. Psa. 107:31. "Oh that men

PRAYER IS OUR ANSWER

We are living in a time of great apostasy. Men's hearts are growing colder, and Christians are not as concerned over the lost as once they were.

We find Jude 3 tells us to "earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints". He said to earnestly contend, be very desirous of that faith. That faith that healed the sick, opened the blinded eyes, saved the souls of lost men. He said to be very desirous of that faith that brought the blessings to men's hearts, that made men love each other in Christian love and fellowship. These are the things we do not see in our Christian ranks any more. That love that will make us go that extra mile if necessary for our brother who is in need, isn't as prevalent in this day.

Jesus told His disciples in Matthew 26:41, "Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation". What is going to give us this faith and love we need in this day of hate and falling away from the truths of the Gospel? it

would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men"! I am living to-day. At home many years ago there was an adage on a plate which read, "Count that day lost whose low descending sun finds from thy hand no worthy action done". Does my day make sense? Does it promote worth? It must for I surely must give an account unto God of time and presence and place with action and deed fitted for His kingdom.

When we speak of **the day**, that is another matter for this

is going to take a life of watching and being in prayer. Not five minutes on our knees and up and going again, but real effectual fervent prayer as James tells us in the 5th chapter of his writings. A time hidden away with our Lord in a secret place of prayer. A time of fervent prayer. We need to get away from the cares of life in this time of prayer. This I feel is the thing that will bring us the victory in our day. This is the thing that will bring us the Revival in which we are so in need. May the Lord bless us all.

We want to take this opportunity to thank you all for the prayers and support you have given us for the printing of the Report. We do ask an interest in your prayers that the paper will be a blessing to all its readers. We would like to thank you also for the fine letters of encouragement that you have been sending. Please continue to send in your articles of interest and above all, pray for us. Again from the bottom of our hearts, "thank you".

phrase is used to denote the day of the second coming of the Lord How about a little Bible study on this subject? Please read the following scripture's Mal.3:2. Eph. 4:30. Isa. 61:2. I Pet. 2:12. Rev. 16:14. Mal.4:5. Zeph. 1:14-15. Rev. 6:17. II Pet. 3:10. Joel 2:11 31. Acts. 2:20. II Pet. 3:12. I Cor. 1:8. Rom. 13:12 and I Cor. 1:8.

Thank you, dear hearts, for making possible the sending forth of another Apostolic Faith Report. Keep this work on your hearts in prayer.

Bro. Gail Schultz

NEWS from the CHURCHES

PINE HILL, ALA. We are so thankful for the blessing of the Lord as we labor for Him here in the Southland. The work on the church is progressing nicely and we plan to move into the Sanctuary the first week in April. This week the Granby Church donated the flooring for the sanctuary. We were very thankful for this. We covet your prayers as we labor here. There are many who need the Lord and our greatest desire is to gather precious souls during this harvest time.

Jim Arnall, pastor

FOLLETT, TEXAS.—Our final service at the Follett Chapel, which closes five years as pastor here, will be June 6, 1965. Bro. Jack Cornell is oncoming pastor. We thank the Lord for His blessings to us and ask your prayers as we continue to serve him. After June 1st we will be open for Revivals or fill-in calls and our address will be Vanderpool, Texas.

Donald Dibbens, pastor

HARDESTY, OKLA.—We are thankful for the extra good services we have had recently with several souls being saved and all receiving some wonderful blessings. Now we are looking forward to a Revival in March with Evangelist F. E. Waterbury, and the special singing of Mike McClanegan, Hardesty, Okla.; Rev. Edwin Modrick, Guymon, Oklahoma; Rev. F. E. Waterbury, Baxter Springs, Kansas, and Rev. Jack Cornell, Hardesty, Okla. Bro. Cornell and family have visited with us recently and we appreciate them very much. Recently we had a business meeting concerning a new addition to our church.

We are building rest rooms and giving the front of the

church a face lifting. Rev. Roland Busch, recently conducted special services for us in which God blessed.

Mrs. Edith Glidden, reporter
Ted Barker, pastor

LIBERAL, KANS.—Several new projects are being planned for our church for the near future. We plan to start refurnishing our children's class rooms. Also, once a month we are planning to have church progress meetings for both spiritual and business needs. We ask for prayer that our church will go forth as it pleases the Lord.

Mrs. Gene Hibbs, reporter
Jerry McClanegan, pastor

GUYMON, OKLA.—Greetings from the newly remodeled Guymon Chapel. We now have our new furniture and have completed the interior decorating of which we are all very proud.

In the past few months we have installed central heat, new light fixtures, carpeted the isleway and platform, paneled the inside walls of the auditorium, tiled the floors, built a small furnace room, completely refinished the basement and repainted elsewhere, installed swinging doors into the auditorium and rheostat light controls plus various other small items. We are also planning some exterior work this spring including a church sign, landscaping, and sidewalks.

Rev. Bill Patterson and Rev. Ken Priest will begin a Revival with us February 21, 1965, and we are looking and praying for an old fashioned Revival with many souls saved. The church people are very interested and cooperative in each endeavor. We are thankful for several new families that have begun to attend. As everywhere, there is a great deal of potential, and we

as a church covet the prayers of all that this potential may be developed.

Edwin Modrick, pastor

DUMAS APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH, DUMAS, TEXAS.—

There is a definite upsurge in spirit and activity in all the services of the Apostolic Faith Church at Dumas, Texas. There is a marked improvement in getting to church on time as well as feeling a burden for the maintenance of the Lord's house.

In recent months the church has received some re-modeling and face-lifting. There is much more needed, of course, but the move is on.

Our Easter Revival last Spring conducted by Harold Bollinger and party, as well as our Revival this fall conducted by Rev. and Mrs. Wooster gave us a good forward boost.

At the present, we are purchasing 25 feet of Real Estate property adjoining the church on the South. This will make it possible for us to expand our building in the near future, if the Lord directs.

Jacob C. Regier, pastor

FOLLETT, TEXAS.—

Visiting us last week was Mrs. Lorita Haney and Miss Myrtle Carney of Cave Springs, Arkansas. Sister Haney and Sister Carney favored us with special singing and Sister Carney spoke at the Follett Chapel Sunday night. The Lord blessed us with a very gracious service. We are always pleased to have visiting ministers and gospel workers.

A Revival is in the planning stage with Rev. Paul Clanton as the speaker. A stirring of the church congregation and a harvest of souls is our prayer.

Donald D. Dibbens, pastor

SNYDER, TEXAS — On January 10 Rev. and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon began a Revival at our church with Ollie Kinser and Carol Baker assisting. We had prayed for many months for an old fashioned Revival and the Lord answered our prayers. By the close of the Revival there had been 18 saved, 16 sanctified, and 11 had received the Holy Spirit. It would be impossible to tell you of all that the Lord did in the two weeks during our Revival. Many personal victories were won and several witnessed that the Lord had healed them. Join with us in prayer that we will be able to defeat Satan as he contests our victories gained.

An invitation is extended to all ministers of the Faith to come by and be in services with us. We have enjoyed the ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Jim Morris, and Rev. and Mrs. James Hoslers when they stopped by for a service with us. Also Rev. and Mrs. John W. Blythe.

Sherman and Louise Sutton,
pastors

JOPLIN, MO. — The Lord has been very good and gracious to us to give us a First Rate Revival with Bro. and Sis. Roy Wooster in charge. There was an above average attendance night after night. The sermons fit the need and some necessary personal victories were won. On the closing day of the Revival we had three services and a basket dinner.

The following Wednesday night we had as guests Bro. and Sis. Richard Wheatley, who ministered to us in songs and sermon. Bro. and Sis. C. O. Bard are conducting a few services at the Mt. Olive church several miles South of Stella, Mo. and report some mighty good blessings.

Gail Schultz, pastor

LOGAN, OKLA. — Midway church. The Lord is blessing in our services and we began the new year with good attendance and interest. As a project the young people of the church bought new hymn books. These

are a wonderful asset to our church and we would like to commend them for their interest in the progress of our church services. Sis. Wiles has been giving music instructions on Wednesday night which has proved very helpful to our regular services. We are reaching out to interest others to attend church and are praying for a Revival soon. We extend an invitation to ministers and workers of the Faith to come by anytime.

Mrs. Deryl LaMunyon, reporter
Doyle Wiles, pastor

GALENA, KANS. — "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly **above all that we ask or think**, according to the power that worketh in us," (Eph.3:20) give we thanks for the abundant blessings which he has poured out upon us. Many times during the past month the Lord has answered prayers and has shown His mighty working power. Another older teen-age girl found the Lord in our Sunday morning services two weeks ago and several more have been sanctified in our regular services. We ask your prayers that we might continue to see the Lord work in our midst to glorify His name.

Howard Whiteley, pastor

BIG SPRING, TEXAS. — Bro. and Sis. Eugene Raney, Roswell, New Mexico, conducted a Revival here in January and we enjoyed a wonderful Revival with 4 saved, 3 sanctified, and 7 receiving the Holy Spirit. Mr. Claude Bishop and Riley Clanton were here to help in part of the Revival. Uphold us in our prayers as we labor for the Master here.

Danny Robinson, pastor

AMARILLO, TEXAS. — Evangelist and Mrs. Jack Cornell with the assistance of Sis. Carolyn Long, Sis. Anna Scroggs, Sis. Alice Watson, and Bro. Earl Malone, conducted a two week Revival at our church. Souls were saved, and Christians blessed with a **renewed strength from the Lord.**

Some improvements have been

made in the church. New carpet has been laid and a new altar has been added. These additions are an asset to the church.

Bro. Earl Malone is now helping in the church work here. His efforts for the Lord are greatly appreciated. Please remember our church in your prayers.

Mrs. Don Mitchell, reporter
Neil Ragan, pastor

BAYARD, NEBR. — We do thank God for His wonderful blessings to us. He is so good and loads us down with His benefits daily. We desire an interest in your prayers for our services here at Bayard. They have been very good and the Spirit of the Lord has been present, but we are really in need of a soul stirring Revival. We are hungry to see souls saved for the Glory of the Lord.

E. K. Cornell, pastor

PINE CREST CHURCH, MISS.

The Lord has been blessing in the services with several under conviction. We are praying that soon we will see them give their hearts and lives to the Lord. Jerome Crowhurst of Hempstead, Texas, has been with us and we appreciate his good help in our services and also on the camp ground.

We have just completed an ice house for the camp and are starting to do some repair work and improvement on the dining hall as well as several other items we hope to complete before camp time. Remember us in prayer that we will be lead of the Spirit of God in all things.

George Hintergardt, pastor

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Cornell, friends, and relatives for their prayers, visits, cards, and other acts of kindness during these past 17 months. I was dismissed from the hospital again January 23, and doing quite well. May God bless you is my prayer.

Walter Lewis
Kimball, Nebr.



Crusaders for Christ

Twelve Inch Answers

Can a young person be popular and still be a devout Christian?

The question is asked, can a young person be popular and still be a devout Christian. What does the term popularity mean to you? If you envision a close connection with the drinking, smoking, dancing set, it will be well for you to consider such scriptures as these: 1 John 2:15 and James 4:4.

No husband or wife will break the marriage vow as long as they love their companion devotedly and find happiness in their society. Just so, a Christian will not turn to the weak and beggarly elements of the world to fill their lives until the love for Jesus—our espoused husband—has waxed cold and they are no longer happy and satisfied in His presence.

If on the other hand, being popular means being a favorite or approved by the young people who have high moral standards, a high regard for the better things of life and healthy respect for just discipline, then I see no reason why you may not be friends among them.

Jesus ate with the publicans and sinners, though he did not sin to do it. If one would have friends he must show himself friendly.

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Many young people are besieged with problems of conduct simply because they have never caught a vision of the loveliness of Christ. They know Him only in a vague sort of way—they need to learn that life with Christ is a GLORIOUS ADVENTURE.

John 8:36 "If the son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed". Does this freedom spoken about here imply we can enjoy life without restraint? First this implies three facts: that there are those in bondage and captivity who need to be set free, that there is a false freedom as "free indeed" implies a false or imperfect freedom; and

Do you have a problem or a question which you would like to have answered? Then send it in to our panel and your answer will appear on this page in a future issue. All names will be kept confidential so that you will feel free to ask any question that is troubling you. This "question and answer" column belongs to you young people and it will be for your benefit. We feel we have selected a panel that will give your questions much thought and prayer. Let us hear from you soon.

that Jesus gives us true freedom.

Freedom which ignores God's laws leads only to bondage and destruction. On the other hand, real freedom is the result of restriction. Confusing? A person that is determined to do God's will, deliberately choosing God's will at all times, and consistently obeying God's word, will be restricted. But this same person will be FREE from sin's guilt, and sin's power, and will be Free to enjoy the presence and blessings of God in this life and Eternal Life in the hereafter.

As a young person, then, you want your life's conduct to reflect Christ consistently! Many young people see the Christian life as an endless answer of "don't". Many questions will automatically be answered if you will dedicate your body, soul, and spirit, to God and let Him sanctify you WHOLLY. Thus—he takes away many desires which would lead to conduct or deeds that are not pleasing to Him.

Then search His Word, (Psa. 119:11, 105. "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee". "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path".) and He will guide your life as you commit your ways into His hands.

(Psa. 37:4,5. "Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass".)

The Children's Hour . . .

By ALBERDINE WILHITE

Trust and obey, for
there's no other way

O be happy in Jesus
But to trust and obey.

I am going to tell you about a wise little bird that did "trust and obey".

One beautiful morning in South America, a certain man packed a lunch, stored it in his pocket, and started out to roam in the forest. After awhile he became tired and hungry so sat down on a fallen tree trunk to rest and enjoy his lunch.

It was a beautiful tropical morning. The woods were gorgeous in color and rich with animal life. The quietness was broken only by the many bird notes and the humming of countless busy insects.

While sitting there the attention of the man was caught by the cries of a bird, which was fluttering over a leafy spot that contained his tiny nest. The bird was in great distress and the man could not resist rising to find out the cause of the little bird's trouble.

He discovered creeping slowly along toward the tree was the most venomous snake in South America. His small glittering eyes were fixed on the bird's nest. His forked tongue darted out and in, as though anticipating his prey.

Presently the man saw a curious thing take place. The bird flew away. He flew thither and yonder as though searching for something. The bird was so helpless against the snake and he had no strength.

In a little while the bird returned. Like Noah's dove, he had a small twig covered with odd shaped leaves in his beak. Perching near the nest, the bird laid the twig carefully across it, covering his mate and her young completely.

Then the bird took his place on one of the top most branches of the tree; there he waited the approach of the enemy in calm quietness.

By this time the snake had reached the nest and bent over his object. He lifted his head ready to dart upon the poor mother bird and her little family. His small glittering eyes watched the nest a moment and then—suddenly throwing his head back as if he had received a sudden blow, the snake turned from the nest and slithered down the tree and disappeared into the forest.

You can imagine the man's curiosity to all this. He could not understand the snake's retreat when he had his prey in his power. Neither could the man understand the quietness of the father bird until the snake was gone. Then the little bird sang a rapturous song of praise.

The man climbed the tree, removed the twig with the odd colored leaves of a curious shape and took them home with him. Telling the story to a native friend and showing him the small branch, the man learned that the twig was off of a bush which is poisonous to snakes and which they are never known to touch. The poor little helpless creature had used it as a shield of defense in his hour of danger.

This story of the wise little bird makes me wonder how wise we are. The snake reminds me of our great enemy "That old serpent", called the devil and satan, (Rev. 12:9) who goeth about "seeking whom he may devour". (1 Pet. 5:8).

As the little bird realized its danger so should we. Do you re-

alize that "all have sinned", are "ungodly", "sinners", and are "lost" until they realize their danger and receive the Lord Jesus Christ? God warns us in Rev.20:15 that "whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into a lake of fire". The little bird was very concerned about his family, he had no peace. God says "There is no peace to the wicked". Isa. 57:30.

As the little bird was helpless and without strength, so are those who are not saved for God says they are "without strength". Rom. 5:6. Jer. 2:22 tells us we cannot save ourselves. Psa. 49:6-8 tells us that no man can save us. Truly, only God through his Son can save us from our sins.

The little bird was guided by God and his nest was saved. God will show you, too, just what to do because He does not want anyone to perish. Matt. 18:14.

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PROBLEMS TO WORK

Use your arithmetic and find the command that Christ gave to all Christians.

- G -|- row — rw
- yes — s
- in -|- to
- bale — be -|- l
- they — y
- woman — man -|- rld
- sandy — s — y
- pray — ray -|- reach
- then — n
- go -|- spell — l
- today — day
- sever — s -|- y
- create — e -|- ure

Answer:

Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

THE CHILDREN'S HOUR—

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Note Ezek. 33:11, II Pet. 3:9. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and be saved". "Behold the Lamb of God (Jesus) which taketh away the sins of the world". As the little bird used God's protection, so must we. The Israelites used the blood of the lamb on their door posts. After this they had to remain behind the blood. If they did this the death angel passed by (over) them.

As the little bird acted quickly, so God urges you to act today, for "now is the day of salvation". I Cor. 6:2.

The bird was sure the remedy would work. So all who TRUST and obey the Lord Jesus Christ may be sure they are saved, and safe from Satan. Learn II Tim. 1:12. Children, you can be sure of the results if you believe on the Lord Jesus Christ.

As the snake jerked back and fled in defeat, so must Satan go off defeated. Someday he will end up in the Lake of Fire with the rest of the wicked. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The little bird sang his song of praise to God who had miraculously saved his family. Thus saved children "should show forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light". I Pet. 2:9. "In everything give thanks". Why? Thank Him that He has saved you for Christ's sake.

As the little bird used the twig in his hour of danger as a shield of defense, leads me to ask you, "have you gotten behind the protection of the tree upon which Jesus died for your sins"? Why not do it right now and be wise as the little bird was wise.

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YOUTH RALLIES

Ed. Note: We would like to keep our rally reports up-to-date, so please send them in promptly. This will help to keep our paper interesting and we will appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

TRI-STATE

Purcell Mission Church was the host for our rally again February 15, as Rev. and Mrs. Roy Wooster were there in a Revival. The service was opened with prayer followed by choir singing led by Bro. Gene Waterbury accompanied by Sis. Fran at the piano. We were favored with specials from Purcell, Joplin, Baxter Springs, and Galena. Miss Glennis McClanegan gave her testimony in song as she sang of trading her poverty for wealth, sorrows for joy, and pain for health in her trade of sin for eternal life. We will miss Sis. Glennis in our rallies as she takes up her duties as a "homemaker" but may God bless her and make her a blessing to those with whom she will come in contact as much as she has been a blessing to us.

God anointed for the bringing of an outstanding message from Jeremiah on the "pride" of our hearts being deceitful and bringing our destruction to keep us from God". Victories were won around the altar as Christians responded to the call of God on their hearts. Galena received the attendance banner.

The January rally was held at the Union Chapel church during the Revival with Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Waterbury. Rev. Waterbury brought a wonderful message using the 1st Psalm as his text, "Standing in the way of sinners". There were 81 present with Joplin winning the banner for high attendance.

Linda Bard, secretary

MID-WEST RALLY

February 15 the Mid-West Youth Rally met at the Beaver church with 108 in attendance. The Lord blessed in our rally with songs from Hardesty, Bea-

ver, Balko, Guymon, Spearman, Perryton, and Liberal.

Jerry Howard brought the message and God blessed His Word to the hearts of those present.

Kathy Papay, secretary
Edwin Modrick, president.

MID-WEST YOUTH RALLY

The Mid-West Youth Rally was held at Follett, Texas, February 1, 1965. We missed the Laverne church due to the Revival at their church but we were thankful for the 79 who were present from the other churches. "The Coming of Jesus and Signs of the Time" was the lesson which the Woodward Church gave. Midway proudly accepted the attendance banner. Our next meeting will be March 1, at the Laverne church with the Arnett church giving the lesson.

Texanna Messner, reporter

FELLOWSHIP SERVICE

An all day fellowship service of the Snell, Hinton, Pine Hill, Nettlesboro, and Pine Crest churches was held January 31st. Bro. Leon Smith of Pine Hill brought a wonderful message in the morning service, Rev. James Arnall of Pine Hill delivered a very inspiring sermon in the afternoon, and Sis. Dot Anderson giving the night message. The Lord blessed in each service as the Word of God went forth in the singing and messages.

We are planning to have all day fellowship services the 5th Sunday in May, August, and October.

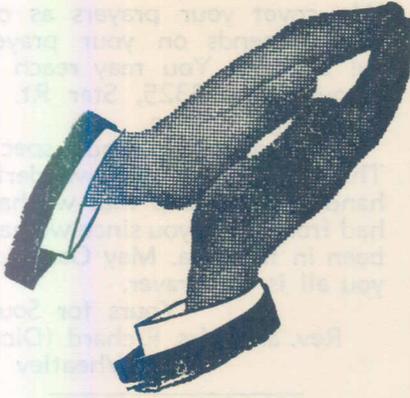
George Hintergardt, reporter

When a man is praying for a corn crop, God likes to see him say "amen" with a hoe.

GEM OF TRUTH

"God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid; for the Lord, JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation".

—Isaiah 12:2



Teacher's Notebook

TEACHING GOD'S WORD A LITTLE BETTER

A "prepared" teacher is a "relaxed and friendly" teacher. One must prepare thoroughly the lesson to be taught if he is to be relaxed and his natural self while giving God's Word to the eager listeners. This applies to teaching adults as well as to teaching children.

If the teacher is uneasy and unsure of the lesson, the pupils will quickly sense this and will not receive the meaning of the lesson. Take time to **pray** and **study** adequately and find the approach which will draw the interest of each pupil from the beginning to the end. You may take as long to find the correct approach as you do in preparing the rest of the lesson.

A story is a picture presented to the mind's eye which arouses intense interest and feeling. Words are used to paint this picture so they must be chosen with great care. Choose words on the grade level of those you're teaching; ones which will make them feel, hear, see, and even smell what is happening. Put the words together to make God's Word become **ALIVE** to their hearts and minds.

In all of these elements, one of feeling is the most important and **YOU**, as a teacher, **MUST FEEL** it before you will be able to get your pupils to feel it. This comes by study, study, and more study, prayer, and thought. After reading your Bible passage **MANY** times (until it has become a part of you) then pre-

pare (read and study) any supplemental material which you may have. Above all do **NOT** memorize or read to your pupils. Memorizing or reading words limits the teller and the telling.

It is necessary to think orderly if you tell your lesson in an orderly fashion. So, outline your lesson into these parts: (1) approach—some witty or catchy sentence, something the pupils aren't expecting; (2) the problem—what needs to be solved (this is what makes them want to listen); (3) the solution—work steadily up the interest point to the climax. This is the part that strikes home to your listener, the main aim of the lesson; (4) the conclusion—must be **brief**. Many pupils are never reached for God as the teacher droles on and on when for the listeners, it was over a long time ago and their interest has turned to something else.

Your visual aids should blend in with your lesson and not detract (as you fumble through a stack to find the one you want). Arrange them in the order to be used and practice until you can use them with ease.

Speak clearly pronouncing

Teachers are always looking for helps and better methods. This is to be your special part of our paper. Send in any ideas which you feel would help someone else and we will be glad to pass it along. We trust this will prove a blessing to each teacher or helper.

your t's, d's, and ing's so every word is understood. The child wants to know "It is **lawful** (not awful) to do good on the Sabbath." Vary the pitch, tone, and speed of the voice as the lesson is presented. Use gestures to enhance your story but be sure you use them naturally. Practice before a mirror to get the **FEEL** but above everything else—live the lesson yourself—it must be a part of you so it can be **TOLD** (not read) as if you had your own child on your knee telling him a story.

Be prepared, think your subject, and you will find teaching not only a privilege but a real joy.

HOW OTHERS DO IT

A delightful way for children to repeat their memory verses without becoming bored at the repetition is to first have the verse written on a piece of construction paper and repeat both the "address" and the verse with the children. Then go down a list similar to the one below using about 12 different ones.

1. All those who have a baby brother stand up and repeat the verse.
2. All who have a baby sister repeat the verse.
3. Anyone who had a tooth pulled this week, repeat the verse.
4. Anyone who had pancakes for breakfast today.
5. Anyone who had a peanut butter and jelly sandwich for lunch.
6. Anyone who has a dog.

Items of Interest

Since leaving Bible School in December I have enjoyed the blessings of the Lord at the Rockdale Convocation and the Revivals at Big Springs, Texas and Joplin, Missouri. God is moving in great ways for those who will meet His conditions. I am open for calls at any time for any of the Lord's work, May God bless each one is my prayer.

Rev. R. B. Clanton
Route 1
Des Arc, Arkansas

BROWNWOOD, TEXAS. We are still having our Tuesday night prayer meetings and are praying that God will put a burden on some one to come and help us start a work. We really get hungry for some good preaching. Remember us in your prayers.

M. E. Bishop and Family,

For the past several years we have been enjoying the services at our church in Canyon. On February 7 we had 121 in Sunday School attendance for which we were all thankful to the Lord. We are still available for week-end services or fill in work in the Texas and Oklahoma panhandle.

Ralph Denton,
Amarillo, Texas

I am now in evangelistic work as I felt led of the Lord to re-

turn to this type of work. I am certainly glad I obeyed the Lord for I feel this is truly the work the Lord would have me to do. Recently we had 9 saved in a Revival at Spearman, Texas. The Revival reached out into the town and a real wave of Revival touched many hearts. All glory and honor belong unto him who loved us and died for us. Pray for us as God leads our lives that each day may bring greater and richer fellowship with Christ.

Jimmy Wallis, Evangelist
Laverne, Oklahoma

We closed a good Revival in Amarillo the 1st of February. A young married couple was saved for which we all rejoiced. The church seemed to be strengthened and drawn closer to the Lord.

We are open for calls as the Lord may lead.

Evan. and Mrs. Jack Cornell
Hardesty, Okla.

Phone: Tucker 8-4263

Dear Fellow Laborers in Christ:

This comes to you as a special report to let you know of our activities. My wife, family, and I, after careful prayer and consideration, are heading back to Alaska to work for our wonderful Lord there.

It is our hope to establish a new work in the Anchorage area.

We covet your prayers as our work depends on your prayerful support. You may reach us through Box 2325, Star Rt. B, Anchorage, Alaska.

We also want to send a special Thank You for the wonderful hand of fellowship that we have had from all of you since we have been in the area. May God bless you all is our prayer.

Yours for Souls,
Rev. and Mrs. Richard (Dick)
Wheatley

Ministers' Meeting

The Panhandle Apostolic Faith Minister's Meetings convened on January 5, 1965, and February 2, 1965. Twenty seven men and women (ministers, minister's wives and Gospel workers) were present in the January meeting and twenty-one were present in the February meeting. Bro. M. D. Methvin gave the devotional message in the January meeting. The February meeting was devoted to business of the coming Youth Camp at Laverne.

Rev. Doyle Wiles, assisted by M. D. Methvin, Lowell Long, and Edwin Modrick are the Youth Camp Directors. A study is underway to have a double camp—one week devoted to the children under 13 years of age and the second week devoted to those above 12 years of age.

Mrs. Naomi Busch and Mrs. Thelma Long are on a committee to conduct a "Work-Shop" for training counselors and teachers for Youth-Camp Work.

Jack and Kathryn Cornell assisted by Ted and Dianna Barker are on a committee to arrange a Youth Retreat for this Spring.

These minister's meetings convene at Bryan's Corner Cafeteria, Balko, Oklahoma, each 1st Monday. The next meeting will be March 2, 1965 at 6:30 p.m. secretary, Mrs. Roslie B. Regier, president—Jacob C. Regier

An errant, but thought-provoking scripture quotation by an 8 year old came out: "If God be for us, you're up against it".

The Sawdust Trail



Just to say we're pleased as punch with our brand-new little HONEYBUNCH!
Name: Cheryl Lynn Briles

Born: January 27, 1965
Weight: 5lbs. 6 oz.
Proud parents are Rev. and Mrs. Ross Briles.

MASTER?

By Rev. Gail Schultz

Master.... who is your Master? In some cases a person may ask, "What is your Master"? However as a rule a master is one who is chief, a man who has authority or control, one who is predominant. One who has every situation in hand. Was not Jesus this and much more? They called Him Master, for He was their teacher. Gentle, kind, firm, and correct He gave to every man that asked the way of life.

Jesus himself acknowledged His Mastership by saying, "Ye call me Master and Lord; and ye say well; for so I am." John 13:14. If I then, your Yord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

After the death of Lazarus Martha was informed that Jesus was coming. She went out to meet Him and later went to her sister Mary with the information that, "The Master is come and calleth for thee" John 11:28. There was no question as to whom the Master was, it was Jesus, and so it should be in our day. He is our Master of mercy (He cares) and of power. (He can do something about any and every condition or problem) What a Master!

What does it mean to say, "Master" A scribe one time promised to follow Jesus; however, upon learning that He had no abiding place, there is no evidence that he still sought Him as a Master. Matt. 8:19-20. Other scribes sought of Jesus a sign of His Divinity. (Matt. 12:38.) Master we would see a sign from thee. Others, seeing only through sinful jealous blinded eyes—thought of Jesus, as a Master of the realm of Satan. Matt. 10:25. The natural man knows so little about divine things. Calumnatory remarks about the Master are blphemousness and disastrous.

Consider Matt. 23:8-10.—One is your Master, even Christ. Here men love high sounding names, a thing which Job would

not allow, for he said, let me not, I pray you, accept any man's person, neither let me give flattering titles unto man. Job 32:21. AND CALL NO MAN YOUR FATHER UPON THE EARTH: FOR ONE IS YOUR FATHER, WHICH IS IN HEAVEN. Neither be ye called masters: for one is your MASTER, even Christ. Lord Jesus Christ, Master, Saviour, King! There is no greater title, no greater name, in the heaven above, nor earth beneath. Phil. 2:9-11. May we ever have grace to worship Him, and rely upon Him, and call upon Him—may our lips whisper a prayer of faith and hope, saying, Master. What a Master! At one time on the sea they cried, Master, Master we perish, and He (Jesus) arose to rebuke the winds, and the calm that followed caused them to proclaim,—what manner of man is this—the wind and water obey Him. How true it is today that He is still the order of orders, the command of commanders and the voice of voices, so that all must obey and walk with Him. The most conservative must admit that all honor, and praise, and glory belongs to Him, the Master.

The woman of Canaan, besought Him, O Lord, thou Son of David—because she knew the crumbs of His mercy were enough for healing and deliverance—and they were, for her daughter, that was demon possessed, was healed that very hour. Master, come near—heal the sick—save the lost—cure the incurable—stop the oppressor—let the bound go free—call the miserable, the forgotten, the submerged, the underdog, and the unwanted and unloved. They are all thine to claim by thy redemptive power. Master give me souls for hire, works of praise to thy name for garments and let the food of my mouth be mediation and thanksgiving to the Holy name and position, "MASTER!" Matt. 15:21-31.

Let us look to the Lord as Master of health and the Master of wealth, the giver of every good and perfect gift. This thought is thoroughly taught in

Rom. 14:1-14 .It is up to every Christian to make good, regardless of our personal temperament or circumstances. His servant shall be holden up, He shall be sustained, He shall be confirmed. Master you care so much so that our very life has its moving and motive in you. Let us go forth in the Name of the Master, whose undefeatable and unapproachable nature and name gives us authority to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.

Every day I feel the shortness of time—the value of time, that now is the day of the visitation of the Lord. Souls in danger look to the Master—I know that all His teachers are not wrong, I know the Master is returning to the earth very soon. I know the warnings of His word must be given heed. Acts. 2:40. Save yourselves from this untoward generation. (an unfavorable and unfortunate people) Noah did, so did Lot. Are we busy for the Master, yet ever watchful to the events that proclaim His return when we shall arise to meet Him, and cry with a new victory and thrill never before known to man, Master! Master!

NEW WORDS FOR OLD TUNE

(Jesus Loves Me)

Just because He loved us so,
Jesus died so long ago
Dying there my debt to pay
Washed my sin and guilt away.

Chorus:

Jesus is risen, Jesus is risen,
Jesus is risen, He lives eternally.

On that first glad Easter day
Angels rolled the stone away.
"Fear thou not," the angel said,
"Christ is risen from the dead".

Now, in heaven He lives indeed:
Lives, the sinner's cause to plead.
Soon with Him we'll live and reign,
Soon He's coming back again.

"One ounce of 'It is written'
gives more confidence than a
ton of 'I have felt'."

Testimony of Healing

To My
Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

This is what Christ did for me. For several years I have had heart trouble and sugar diabetes and had to stay in bed eighteen hours of every twenty-four hours. After I was well enough to be up I was discouraged. Then one night God healed me of my heart trouble but I still had sugar diabetes. I decided to trust God and so I quit taking any medicine. A sore came on my foot that wouldn't heal and my eyesight was getting worse, I couldn't read, and other things that go with diabetes were happening to me.

Christ had been dealing with my heart to only trust Him all the way and one night when our pastor was giving the invitation I put myself in Christ's hands. I told him, "You made me, and I know You can heal me of this awful disease. I put my trust in thee", and I thank my Precious Saviour, I was healed instantly. not only did I have Christ's word, but I went to my doctor for a check up. He asked me what I had done that my blood sugar was down from 285 to 123 (which is normal). I told him I hadn't been taking his medicine; I had been trusting the Lord. He said, "I don't know what you have been doing, but keep it up". This was the first time in over two years that I had come away without medicine or prescriptions.

I am going on trusting my Lord. If any of you think you have an incurable disease, just remember Christ can heal all diseases. There is nothing incur-

able to Him, bless His Holy Name!

A sister in Christ,
Viva I. Grissom
Doniphon, Missouri
Mill Creek Church

CRUSADERS FOR CHRIST—

(Continued from Page 6)

As for popularity itself, more is involved than Christian or non-Christian. To be popular is to be beloved or approved by the people.

Many Christian young people have gone through school and into the business world, holding this place in the hearts of their associates. These young people have not been ashamed of their convictions. They have had ability to lead and a genuine liking for people.

The world is filled with hungry young people who are groping through a maze of Godless Religions—from dead formality on one side to psychology and hypnotism on the other—hoping for something to satisfy their hearts.

Stay true to the Lord, develop those qualities that endear you to the hearts of people and you won't have to worry about popularity, but you will lead many of those hungry groping young people to the Lord and command the respect of the others.

Youth is a time for laughter, but not a license to sin. Paul told the young man Timothy "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. (1 Tim. 4:12) "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear

thee." (1 Tim. 4:16).

(Next month the questions of "Why is it wrong to dance?" "Is cheating a sin?" and "Is there a difference between little sins and big sins?" will be answered. Be sure to send in your questions.)

OBITUARY

WILLIAM HENRY MARTIN

William Henry Martin, born November 15, 1878, departed this life February 21, 1965, at the age of 86 years, 3 months, and 6 days.

He was united in marriage in February of 1905, to Effie Mae Rich, and to this union was born four children, Myrtle, Lela, Cheek and Ira Martin all of Perryton, Texas, and Oliver Martin of Guymon, Oklahoma.

Mr. Martin was converted in a Methodist Church at an early age and continued a faithful member until 1929 at which time he accepted the Apostolic Faith doctrine. He loved the Lord and loved to go to church.

He is survived by 4 children, 12 grandchildren (which include Mrs. Patsy Waterbury, Mrs. Bill Cornell, and Mrs. Paul Simmons) 2 brothers, 3 sisters, and a host of other relatives and friends. Two brothers preceded him in death.

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