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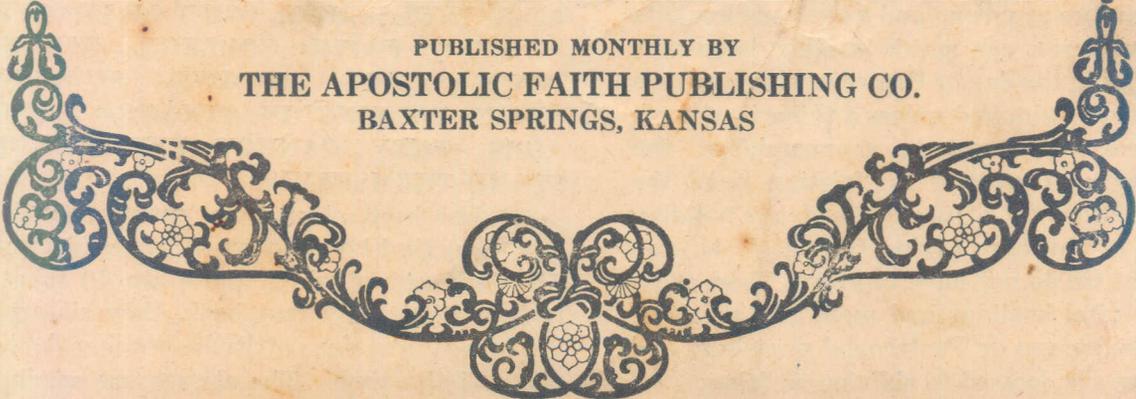
Earth's night is here,—'tis dark and lone,
The stars from out the sky have gone—
And all creation groans in pain,
Life's fairest dreams are vain,—all vain.

Oh Watchman, who on Zion's towers
Art marking out the lonely hours,
Canst see from out the dark and gloom
The coming of the morning, soon?

O, Watchman, can one faintest gleam
From out the chaos yet be seen?
Canst thou discern midst toil and pain
The coming of the morn again?

O. Watchman, let thy voice be heard,
Proclaim abroad the thrilling word,—
The night that now enshrouds with gloom
Will burst into the morning, SOON!
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EXTRACTS FROM DAILY PAPERS FOLLOWING THE FIRST OUTPOURING OF THE PENTECOSTAL BLESSING AT THE COLLEGE OF BETHEL, TOPEKA, KANSAS, WATCHNIGHT MEETING 1900.

From whence it has been preached and spread throught out the entire world. These are not the full accounts but only the favorable comments.

Complied by Chas. F. Pahram

But before I enter into my task of bringing to your minds the comments from the daily papers of those times I want to witness that only those who speak in a real language can claim a 2nd chapter of Acts experience. I do this to repudiate this hypnotic-mesmeric spiritualistic counterfeit that has obtained in the later days among the earlier recipients of the baptism of the HOLY GHOST. There was a dignified mannerism coupled with a great glory upon the face and with such dignity and propriety did they all speak that it brot awe on all the hearers and scarcely was there a public gathering in hall or on the street but what some foreigner vouched that it was his language they were speaking. It makes me heart sick and heart broken to enter many so called Pentecostal meetings today and hear and see the ridiculous performances and hear the idiotic chattering-jabbering wind sucking coupled with insane actions and all manner of fleshly performances. These arise from either flesh, fanaticism, hypnotism or spiritualistic control and is a most horrible prostitution of the blessing of Pentecostal power. Unless we shall produce the real goods the world has right to say shut up or put up and unless our workers and missionaries can speak in other languages as they did in the dav of Pentecost then we have not what we claim and unless a thing is of some utility we ought not to commercialize the preaching of Pentecost by foisting upon the world another set of pastors and the building of a lot of churches taxing the people to support what we do not have to prove. There must be more vital healings and more real speaking in real languages or Pentecostal preaching and preachers are doomed to oblivion as fakes.

After it was noised abroad that the blessing

of Pentecost had been restored to the Church Militant Government interpreters—newspaper reporters bringing foreigners and professors of many schools came to investigate they with one accord after a most crucial analysis declared these students speak in the languages of the world. One night a Government interpreter bore testimony to 20 Chinese dialects spoken in the one service where we were praying specially for China and the missionaries there. The wild fire that sprang up in Azusa St. Los Angeles and subsequent organizing demons that seized a lot of faithless ministers who sewerred down rom various churches to gin what they could from the momentous movement that was sweeping the world has been the ruin of the real true outpouring God gave in the latter days. The work bid fair to sweep the world till selfish men sought to harvest the results in various organizations for their own mercenary and selfish ends then an appaling falling away from the fundamental teaching took place and now we have 15 to 25 organized Pentecostal churches in America either as dead and formal as any of the old line churches or full of gross vulgar fanaticism. Brethern lets clean house and inquire what were the teachings held by those earlier scholars upon whom God designed to pour out a real Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Those teachings are still annunciated by Chas. F. Parham and hundreds of ministers and evangelists who are in most blessed unity with him and maintained by fully 100.000 thousand of the earlier adherents of the Fuller Gospel.

The heavy black print were headlines in the papers the lighter print was only matter from the articles.

Topeka State Journal, Jan. 9, 1901—

HINDOO AND ZULU BOTH REPRESENTED AT BETHEL SCHOOL "GIFT OF TONGUES" AT THE FAITH COLLEGE, STRANGE THINGS SEEN, STUDENTS SUDDENLY BEGIN TALKING IN STRANGE LANGUAGES. THEY CANNOT EVEN UNDERSTAND THEMSELVES.

It has been about two weeks since "The Gift" was first bestowed upon Agnes N. Osman. The Students of which there are 40 take the bible as their only text book, they sit around the college in various attitudes reading the bible most all the time. The classes are conducted by Chas. F. Parham, there are no regular stated

times when the classes are held but whenever one is held the members of the class sit around the Chapel and read verse aloud in turns. As each verse is read some little time is spent in discussing it and deciding upon its meaning.

It has been the desire of the students that they be given the gift of tongues so that they might thus be enabled to go as missionaries to foreign fields without first having to learn the language of the natives of the country to which they wished to go. Accordingly they went to the Lord in prayer, and asked that this gift be given them. The students were in real earnest in their pleadings in this direction and the first intimation they had that their prayers were answered was when Miss Ozman one of the students who came here from Kansas City went off into what was apparently a strange language. The like of which they had never heard before.

Rev. Parham said: The matter went on for nearly a week before the gift was bestowed upon the others. All the while the students were praying to their utmost that the gift could be theirs. Finally several of the others were favored with the gift and now there are about 15 to 20 of the Students sit around and occasional burst out talking a lot of sentences unintelligible to those who speak it and not understood by those who hear it until told the meaning by inspiration of God.

When the State Journal reporter called at the building to see the founder and leader of the school. Mr. Parham, he was shown into what was apparently a common sitting room on the first floor. Several men were in the room each reading a Bible. Miss Osman sat at a desk writing some letters which were to be posted that morning. Mr. Parham has had the gift of tongues also. He says he is inspired to speak in the German language. Soon after the reporter began talking to him he was constrained to utter a few sentences in German, soon afterward Mr. Parham began to talk and this time it seemed to be in the Swedish language. Mr. Parham called another student into the room and asked her if she could talk some at first she said the Lord did not inspire her to say anything but soon began to utter strange words. These sentences were translated as meaning "Jesus is mighty to save", "Jesus is ready to

hear" and "God is Love."

A student known as Bro. Howard was called in and asked to speak in his language. He let loose a flood of oratory. He spoke in the language of the East Indians, the Hindoos, it was explained. His speech seemed in the nature of a sermon and was accompanied with gestures and motions of the arms and head.

State Journal January 15th.

PRAYER TOWER

Bethel College has a prayer tower in which some one stays all the time. It is the intention that prayer shall be offered until the second coming of the Lord. The prayer tower is reached by climbing the spiral stairs of the tower to the house top and walking out over the roof to the door in one of the turrets of the building. The room is about six foot square and has a little stove inside to keep it warm and it is quite warm in the room even in the coldest weather. On the floor is a rug and a chair has been provided for those who watch and pray at night. The women are assigned to the tower during the day time and the men during the night. Each one who goes to the tower remains there until relieved. The time each one stays is usually about three hours.

Topeka Capital January 14th

A QUEER FAITH STRANGE ACTS OF THE APOSTOLIC BELIEVERS ARE INSPIRED FROM GOD THE BELIEVERS SPEAK IN STRANGE LANGUAGES.

The school at present numbers about thirty five members and they certainly form a strange religious body most of the thirty five came from Kansas City some from Topeka. It seems that under the Apostolic Faith its adherents are prevented from asking for money contributions except thru God Himself. They believe the Lord answers prayer and they pray incessantly for what they want giving little heed to the present practical need of making a living. The whole day is spent in prayer for be it known these adherents to an exacting creed that prayer and faith brings inspiration direct from God Himself and when they arrive at a certain state of perfection they have all the qualifications and attributes of the Apostles of Old. But the really strange feature of the

Faith is the so called "gift of tongues from heaven."

State Journal January 18th

PARHAM LEAVES, STARTS ON TOUR WITH BAND OF MISSIONARIES, ALL THOSE WITH THE "GIFT OF TONGUES" ARE INCLUDED.

Rev. Chas. F. Parham, the leader of the Apostolic Congregation and teacher at Bethel College the faith school which has been in existence for the past several months west of Washburn college on Euclid Ave. with a band of seven persons start this afternoon on a missionary tour. Each member of the band has been empowered with the strange "Gift of tongues" which caused so much excitement at the school during the past two or three weeks. Albert Torr, says Mr. Parham, is enjoying the gift of tongues and speaks in several languages as fluently as he does the English language altho he is but 14 years old.

Kansas City World about Jan. 20, 1901.

CLAIM A STRANGE "GIFT OF TONGUES" PEOPLE WHO SAY THEY ARE ABLE TO SPEAK FOREIGN LANGUAGES BY THE LORDS INSPIRATION. REMARKABLE RELIGIOUS SECT.

The "Gift of tongues" or the power to speak all languages, is claimed to have been received by a number of students of Bethel College at Topeka, Kansas, and a great religious excitement such as has not been heard of in Kansas for years prevails. Rev. Chas. F. Parham is the founder of the College. It was opened some months ago and is filled with students of the Bible. No one connected with the school ever works except to do a little household turn occasionally, no one connected with it has an income. Subscriptions are never taken, but every thing is provided, it must be for the school grows continually, and the members seem to be living well and eating three hearty meals each day. Faith is the main principle on this and prayer. The members of this strange religious sect depend for sustenance and from this source it is received so they claim. But the latest claim they make as a result of faith and much prayer is the power to speak foreign languages without ever having studied them. It is a remarkable and wonderful thing in this skeptical age to lay claim to such a power as the result

of prayer, and the people who make it must be in earnest right, or seekers after just such advertising as they are sure to get.

MANY ATTEND FROM HERE

Here follows the names of men who attended the meetings at the college from Kansas City, Mo., Geo. Thomas who is said to live on Harrison St. was afflicted by having a rusty nail driven into his foot and thought to be crippled very badly, but he went to Topeka a few weeks ago and the Faith of the sect of people has cured him so that he walks without crutches.

Later article from K. C. World:

THEY BELIEVE IN A PERSONAL GOD THE APOSTOLIC FAITH AS TAUGHT BY CHAS. F. PARHAM OF TOPEKA, HIS "GIFT OF TONGUES".

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

These verses give foundation for a new—the Apostolic Faith, it was founded by Rev. Chas. F. Parham at Topeka, Kans. This Faith takes the Bible literally, and it is taught in a Bible school called Bethel College, near Topeka.

These people have a faith almost incomprehensible at this day. Prevailing prayer, that's the sole tenet of their Faith. They have exercised this faith so patiently in unusual ardor and continued prayer that they now claim to have received the "Gift of Tongues", which means that they believe they can speak in many tongues.

Following is a portion of Apostle Parham's sermon:

....."The mighty power of God is just as capable in our lives today of performing His divine will as it was 1900 years ago....It is our privilege to put ourselves in the hands of God and let Him use us to give His light to the world....The power of Pentecost is manifest in us....It has not been manifested in man for 1900 years, because the Church has left the power.. of.. God....The

Christian Religion must be demonstrated.....The world wants to be shown.....Then let Gods power be manifest through us."

BELIEVE IN A PERSONAL GOD.

"Let your bodies be clean. You cannot receive the gift unless you are clean. Catarrh, consumption, all diseases are just as offensive in the sight of God as the lust of the flesh. We are not Christian Scientist. We believe in disease. A creed that teaches there is no disease, no personal God. No personal Devil, is a FAKE there is pain, there is disease

Rev. Parham asserted that the Power of the Apostles has come again into the world. Then followed testimonies of God's power in healing and other things. Another edition of the World has this to say: "MEETING OF THE APOSTLES. THEY PROPOSE TO HOLD ALL DAY SERVICE TOMORROW."

The disciples of the Apostolic Faith will hold a meeting in the Academy of Music Sunday. Service will open at 10 A. M. in the morning and continue till 10 o'clock at night. Disciples are gathering in from Kansas and Missouri and the meeting is expected to cleanse Kansas City of disease and incidently to save souls by the miraculous power of manifestation of Pentecostal powers.

They say in Missouri that the people must be shown, and they are from Kansas and able to do it they claim. The sick in body and in mind are welcome to the meetings. The Pentecostal Manifestations are the "Speaking with foreign tongues," casting out of Devils, and Healing of the sick."

Two columns were devoted to this meeting on first page of Kansas City Journal of January 22nd. 1901.

WAS A PENTECOST, "APOSTOLIC FAITH BELIEVERS CLAIM GIFT OF TONGUES. STRANGE TESTIMONIALS. AT A STRANGE MEETING LAST NIGHT.

(Note it was a wonderful thing to hear the horde of newsboys crying all thru the streets of K. C. Pentecost, Pentecost, read all about the Pentecost as it had the large headlines on the front page.)

Rev. Chas F. Parham, Leader of the "Apostolic Faith" sect, which has recently attracted much attention in Topeka Kans. came to Kansas City yesterday accompanied with his wife and seven students who claimed to be endowed with the Apostolic "Gift of Tongues," to con-

duct a meeting here.

The first Meeting was held last night. In many respects it recalled an old Fashioned Methodist prayer meeting. Mr. Parham preached expounded the tenets of their faith and then called on the students and other members of the congregation to Prophecy.

To prophecy and to speak with tongues are in the language of Mr. Parham and his followers, two very different things when they prophecy they merely tell what the Lord has done for them. When they speak with Tongues they employ gifts with which they are suddenly endowed from on high speaking numerous different foreign languages.

Members of the sect were first endowed with the gift of tongues on Friday following New Years day, when they were waiting on the Lord in their Chapel. They had fasted some, prayed much, and constantly waited on the Lord suddenly Tongues of fire began shooting about the room where they were met, and seven students spake in a wide variety of Languages and Testimonies.

"For two years. spake a tall angular man I have been as much of an infidel as Robert G. Ingersoll, but tonight the Lord has healed me of my disbelief." as the tall man sat down, cries of "Amen" and "Praise the Lord" broke from all parts of the house.

Mr. Parham's Followers heal the body in their Topeka institution as well as instruct the mind. A tall thin man sitting on the front row had a hacking cough. He said the Devil was assailing him with consumption, and asked prayers of the audience. A short stout woman, with one arm, who sat near the rear at once arose to administer healing encouragement to his fainting spirit." The gift of tongues was given to the students at Topeka just shortly after I came away and I wondered why the Lord had not permitted me to stay and get it too. But then I thought "How ungrateful I am to think such things." How much the Lord has done for me! Five years ago I was suffering from consumption and brights disease, and the doctors said I couldn't live. I thought and prayed and finally gave up all reliance on earthly things. and put my faith in the Lord. And Oh how gloriously He rewarded my faith. for He has cured me of consumption and brights disease. He has removed the tumor which threat-

ened my life and has restored the hearing to my deaf ear. I can tell my brother there how he can be healed too.

Few testimonials were given which paralleled this or equalled this in their essential features. But there were many others by which it was scarcely surpassed. Each testimony was received with grave and resonant "Amens" and approving "Praise the Lords". There was nothing peculiar about the selections sung most of them being familiar to persons who have attended county Camp Meetings.

Rev. Parham was formerly a Methodist preacher, but cut loose from the denomination because it would not accept his teachings in regard to the Bible. He thought every word of the scripture ought to be accepted literally, and the word ought to be the Christians sole guide and creed. He believed that the "Gift of tongues and all the other powers enumerated in 1st Corinthians 12 Ch, that of healing, casting out of Devils, power to prophesy ect ect, would be conferred as freely now upon believers as they were upon those of the primitive Church. Three years ago he founded the sect of which he is head. later he established Bethel College in Topeka and constituted the Bible its only text book for he believes that the good book embodies all wisdom.

Mr. Parham says that his sole object is the restoration of the Apostolic Faith. He does not intend to establish a church of any kind. He repels the suggestion. He is confident that he will succeed in his work. He believes he has started a work that will end with the millenium. His talks and manners in public and private are those of a sincere and extremely optimistic fanatic.

(To be continued in next issue)

THE BIBLE EVIDENCE OF THE BAPTISM OF THE SPIRIT

There is much controversy today as regards the genuineness of this Pentecostal work but there is nothing so convincing as the fact that over fifteen years ago a revival on Holy Ghost lines began and has never ceased. You will find that in every clime throughout the world God has poured out His Spirit in a remarkable way in a line parallel with the glorious revival that inaugurated the church of the first cen-

tury. People, who could not understand what God was doing when He kept them concentrated in prayer, wondered as these days were being brought about by the Holy Ghost, and found themselves in exactly the same place an entering into an identical experience as the Apostles.

Our Lord Jesus said to His disciples, "Behold. I send the promise of My Father upon you but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high" (Luke 24: 49). God promised through the prophet Joel, "I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh— upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out My Spirit."

You know, beloved, it had to be something on the line of solid facts to move me. I was as certain as possible that I had received the Holy Ghost, and was absolutely rigid in this conviction. When this Pentecostal outpouring began in England I went to Sunderland and met with the people who had assembled for the purpose of receiving the Holy Ghost. I was continuously in those meetings causing disturbances until the people wished I had never come. They said that I was disturbing the whole conditions. But I was hungry and thirsty for God, and had gone to Sunderland because I heard that God was pouring out His Spirit in a new way. I heard that God had now visited His people, had manifested His power and that people were speaking in tongues as on the day of Pentecost.

When I got to this place I said, "I can not understand this meeting. I have left a meeting in Bradford all on fire for God. The fire fell last night and we were all laid out under the power of God. I have come here for tongues. and I don't hear them—I don't hear anything."

"Oh!" they said, "when you get baptised with the Holy Ghost you will speak in tongues." "Oh. is that it?" said I, "When the presence of God came upon me, my tongue was loosened, and really I felt as I went in the open air to preach that I had a new tongue." "Ah no." they said, "that is not it." "When you get baptized in the Holy Ghost—" "I am baptized." I interjected, "and there is no one here who can persuade me that I am not baptized." So I was up against them and they were up against me.

I remember a man getting up and saying, "You know, brothers and sisters, I was here

three weeks and then the Lord baptized me with the Holy Ghost and I began to speak with other tongues," I said, "Let us hear it. That's what I'm here for." But he would not talk in tongues. I was doing what others are doing today, confusing the 12th of 1 Corinthians with the 2nd of Acts. These two chapters deal with different things, one with the gifts of the Spirit, and the other with the baptism of the Spirit with the accompanying sign. I did not understand this and so I said to the man, "Let's hear you speak in tongues." But he could not. He had not received the "gift" of tongues, but the Baptism.

As the days passed I became more and more hungry. I had opposed the meeting so much, but the Lord was gracious, and I shall ever remember that last day—the day I was to leave. God was with me so much that last night. They were to have a meeting and I went, but I could not rest. I went to the Vicarage, and there in the library I said to Mrs. Boddy, "I can not rest any longer. I must have these tongues." She replied, "Bro. Wigglesworth, it is not the tongues you need but the Baptism. If you will allow God to baptize you, the other will be all right." "My dear sister, I know I am baptized," I said. "You know that I have to leave here at 4 o'clock, please lay hands on me that I may receive the tongues."

She rose up and laid her hands on me and the fire fell. I said, "The fire's falling." Then came a persistent knock at the door, and she had to go out. That was the best thing that could have happened, for I was ALONE WITH GOD. Then He gave me a revelation. Oh it was wonderful! He showed me an empty cross and Jesus glorified. I do thank God that the cross is empty, that Christ is no more on the cross. It was there that He bore the curse, for it is written, "Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree." He became sin for us that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him, and now, there He is in the glory. Then I saw that God gave me a new vision, and I saw a perfect being within me with mouth open saying, "Clean, Clean! Clean!" When I began to repeat it I found myself speaking in other tongues. The joy was so great that when I came to utter it my tongue failed, and I began to worship God in other tongues as the Spirit gave me utterance.

It was all as beautiful and peaceful as when Jesus said, "Peace, be still!" and the tranquility of that moment and the joy surpassed anything I had ever known up to that moment. But Hallelujah! these days have grown with greater, mightier, more wonderful divine manifestations and power. That was but the beginning. There is no end to this kind of beginning. You will never get an end to the Holy Ghost till you are landed in the glory—till you are right in the presence of God forever. And even then we shall ever be conscious of His presence.

What had I received? I had received the Bible evidence. This Bible evidence is wonderful to me. I knew that everything I had had up to that time was in the nature of an anointing bringing me in line with God in preparation, but now I knew I had the Biblical Baptism in the Spirit. It had the backing of the Scriptures. You are always right when you have the backing of the Scriptures and you are never right if you have not a foundation for your testimony in the Word of God.

For many years I have thrown out a challenge to any person who can prove to me that he has the Baptism without speaking in the tongues as the Spirit gives utterance—to prove it by the Word that he has been baptized in the Holy Ghost without the Bible evidence, but so far no one has accepted the challenge. I only say this because so many were like I was, they have a rigid idea that they have received the Baptism with the Bible evidence. The Lord Jesus wants those who preach the Word to have the Word in evidence. Don't be misled by anything else. Have a Bible proof for all you have, and then you will be in a place where no man can move you.

I was so full of joy that I wired home to say that I had received the Holy Ghost. As soon as I got home, my boy came running up to me and said, "Father, have you received the Holy Ghost?" I said, "Yes, my boy." He said, "Let's hear you speak in tongues." But I could not. Why? I had received the Baptism in the Spirit evidence according to Acts 2:4, and had not received the gift of Tongues according to 1 Cor. 12. I had received the Giver of all gifts. At some time later when I was helping some souls to seek and receive the Baptism of the Spirit, God gave me the gift of Tongues so that I could speak at any time.

I want to take you to the Scriptures to prove my position. There are business men here, and they know **that in cases of law**, where there are two clear witnesses they could win a case before any judge in Australia. On the clear evidence of two witnesses any judge will give a verdict. What has God given us? Three clear witnesses on the Baptism in the Holy Spirit—more than are necessary in law courts.

The first is in Acts 2:4, "They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Here we have the original pattern. And God gave to Peter an eternal word that couples this experience with the promise that went before. "This is that." And God wants you to have that—nothing less than that. He wants you to receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit according to this original Pentecostal pattern.

In Acts 10 we have another witness. Peter is in the house of Cornelius. Cornelius had had a vision of an holy angel and had sent for Peter. A person said to me one day, "You don't admit that I am filled and baptized with the Holy Ghost. Why, I was ten days and ten nights on my back before the Lord and He was flooding my soul with joy." I said, "Praise the Lord, sister, that was only the beginning. The disciples were tarrying that time, and they were still, and the mighty power of God fell upon them then and the Bible tells what happened when the power fell." And that is just what happened in the house of Cornelius. The Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. "And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost." What convinced these prejudiced Jews that the Holy Ghost had come? "For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God." There was no other way for them to know. This evidence could not be contradicted. It is the Bible evidence.

If some people in this district had an angel come and talk to them as Cornelius had, they would say that they knew they were baptized. Do not be fooled by anything. Be sure that what you receive is according to the Word of God.

We have heard two witnesses, and that is sufficient to satisfy the world. But God goes

one better. Let us look at Acts 19:6, "And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues and prophesied." These Ephesians received the identical Bible evidence as the Apostles at the beginning and they prophesied in addition. Three times the Scriptures show us this evidence of the Baptism in the Spirit. I do not magnify tongues. No, by God's grace, I magnify the Giver of tongues. And I magnify above all Him whom the Holy Ghost has come to reveal to us, the Lord Jesus Christ. He it is who sends the Holy Spirit and I magnify Him because He makes no difference between us **and those at the beginning**.

But what are the tongues for? Look at the 2nd verse of 1 Cor. 14 and you will see a very blessed truth. O Hallelujah! Have you been there, beloved? I tell you, God wants to take you there. "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue, speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries." It goes on to say, "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself."

Enter into the promises of God. It is your inheritance. You will do more in one year if you are really filled with the Holy Ghost than you could do in fifty years apart from Him. I pray that you may be so filled with Him that it will not be possible for you to move without a revival of some kind resulting.

A COMPROMISING SPIRIT

By Thoro Harris

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We believe in the Full Gospel, we are not ASHAMED of it. Are you? We plead guilty to have written more abundantly. "Pentecost in my soul." "Looking for the Blessed hope." "Hold fast till I come." "By His stripes we are healed" and other songs of very definite character—most of them written since the Lord graciously baptised us in the Holy Ghost, June 3rd, 1913.

It is an evil token, a mark of declension of Faith when people are afraid to sing the truth they believe. We all realize there has been fanaticism. Fanaticism follows in the wake of every great religious awakening or upheaval. But this offers no excuse for the modern tendency to deny the Faith in order to be popular

with the churches.

Said Evangelist J. J. Ashcroft "Everywhere I go I see a certain song book (examine the book) adopted by our Assemblies. Only because they are ashamed of Pentecost and a real Pentecost song Book."

We are not naming the book, suffice to say it contains very little on the second coming of Christ, on Healing or the Baptism, 2nd not a single song by any one who has felt the droppings of the latter rain.

WHITHER ARE WE DRIFTING.

One objected to Brother Winsetts song. Evening Light because it speaks of "The Latter rain!" So does the Apostle James, Must we therefore revise the Bible?

A well known Evangelist who received the Holy Ghost—But never preaches it today cautioned the writer to eliminate "Power to Witness"—Which contains Nothing beyond a statement of Act 2nd Chapter.

In contrast to this spirit of compromise we were made happy to receive a statement from sisters in the south west in response to their reception of a much used Hymnal. "We cannot use the Book." The songs are such as are used by all the churches. We want Spirit filled songs."

WHY NOT

We have no disposition to criticise the churches. They are doing a noble work. Their songs are infinitely better than the Jazz melodies used by many assemblies in these degenerate days. But Brethren if we have nothing in advance, no new light. Nothing worthy to preach or sing about let us join them at once. Then can we forget to "Sing unto the Lord a new song" a song of a higher and better experience.

We must break down prejudice, think the wise ones. How? By maintaining a policy of silence! In Bible times this was noised abroad. The baptism of the Holy Spirit was not confined to padded rooms. The Apostles were not ashamed to preach it "Lest it offend".

COMMERCIALISM

Is a token of the last days. the general public does not know—as we know—the commercial aspect of the religious song book business, as it is conducted by certain large publishers. Just as there is a steel trust, a rubber

trust, so there is a song book trust a syndicate which seeks to monopolize and control the religious music, this syndicate caters to the old line churches and fears to publish in song the precious truths of Jesus soon coming. Our Friend Halder Lillenas well known writer, has informed me that by the strongest publishing house in America he was refused permission to use A SINGLE ONE of their songs at ANY PRICE WHAT EVER: the intent being to keep in their own hands all gospel song business thus practically confining the public to such songs as are approved by all the churches. The people must sing from their books which contain nothing of the present day truth.

Contrast this with the course pursued by Full Gospel writers neither Bro. Winsett or myself have ever erected a fence around our music. we are to anxious for the Message to go forth to the ends of the earth.

In preparing "Assembly Songs" we have sought to meet every need and valid objection as well. 1st, Hitherto there has been a scarcity of songs on the subject of healing. "Assembly Songs" contains many new ones, all singable. 2nd some have said our books are splendid but not sufficiently large. This is double the size of books previously issued. 3rd as our people sing more than others—because they have more supply of songs they cannot afford to pay the steeper prices charged by the church publishers. For this reason we are holding the price down to 25 cents in hundred lots. We produce many thousands of these books every year. We are still poor in this worlds goods and devoid of desire for wealth. The ministry of song is our method of preaching Christ to a dying world will you aid us?

CHRISTIANITY

Christianity is not a church, a sect, or a shibboleth. It is the truth, fresh, from the fountain of truth—the Word of God sounding forth from His own eternal oracles. Churches, like earthen vessels, are frail and liable to decay. Christianity, the revelation of Jesus Christ endures for ever. Forms are mutable as the stars. The religion I attempt to prove to be from God is the religion of the Bible and that alone—not carved into creeds, but pure and perfect as God has created it. This alone is Christianity.

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ANTICIPATION.

An age old dispute is on. Does anticipation afford more pleasure than realization? This we hope to prove shortly. As I sit meditating on the coming trip to the Holy Land and a World's tour if God permits, to preach the Ful-

ler Gospel to the Regions beyond. I want to say that I have never felt more in Divine order and entered into arrangements for the work with more conscientiousness. I am starting my efforts on this line with but little to make it seem possible, only a few so far have contributed to the trip yet like all other works that I have so successfully carried to triumph and victory, I go forward trusting God that each and every need shall be abundantly supplied. No one knows the red tape and many little expenses for such a trip. But already two religious institutions in Jerusalem have asked to entertain me while there and one of them begs for a meeting in their Mission.

I shall give a meeting to the dear people in New York who have labored all summer remodeling and enlarging a Church with the promise I would be with them this Fall. The meeting with them will be from Nov. 13th to 27th D. V. then I expect to sail on the Carinthia, Dec. 3rd for Alexandria, Egypt arriving there on Christmas Day. (My my how I wish I could be in Bethlehem on that notable day) Then by rail that takes nearly a day and night to Jerusalem over the railroad that Allenby built in his great campaign when the Holy City fell to the English and the Jews. I am trying to anticipate the thrills as I look upon that Holy City where God has chosen to set His name, the days I will spend on Olivet, at Bethany, Nazereth, Bethlehem, Jericho, Mt. Nebo, a hundred places, then an extensive study of the giant walled cities of Bashan where I believe the Bride will be housed during the great tribulation. These have been uninhabited since Moses wiped out the entire population, killing Og the King. Well I plan to take my type writer and sit right down on each spot and write what I see first hand and send to our paper for all of you to enjoy and I know you will abundantly supply the need of the paper the months I am gone, and I will come back to you with a greater message than ever, especially on the coming of the Lord. I feel I need this trip to round out my message for the coming days, will you all pray and help in whatever way you can and as soon as you can so that all my plans may be completed. God bless you.

Ever your humble servant

Chas. F. Parham

PERSECUTION AND REVIVAL IN CHINA.

By George T. B. Davis

A large part of China is in the grip of an intense anti-Christian agitation which has resulted in wide-spread persecution of the Christians. The methods of the movement are more subtle but less sanguinary thus far than in the Boxer Uprising of 1900.

The sufferings of the Christians recall vividly the trials endured by the followers of Christ in the early days of the Christian Church in Jerusalem. Some of the believers in China have been imprisoned; some have been paraded through the streets; others have been beaten and fined and reviled. In some places churches have been locked up and sealed in others they have been dismantled. Bibles and hymn-books have been taken out and burned.

In some cases the churches may have received a setback; but in the others the persecution has been turned into glorious victory by the courage and faith of the Christians. In one place, as a result of the persecution two members fell away, while the congregation almost doubled in size. In another city, amid intense persecution, two thousand have professed faith in Christ, and the church building has had to be enlarged to accommodate the increased audiences.

The story of the triumphs of faith at Kanchow in Kiangso, is a modern counterpart of the Acts of the Apostles. For a full year a revival has been in progress in the midst of persecution. Dr. C. E. Bousfield of Sun Wu, Kiangsi recently gave me an account of the work of Grace at Kanchow, a city of some 200,000 people. He said:

"About a year ago Rev. Charles A Jamieson, of the China Inland Mission at Kanchow, began prayer-meetings that were all held each morning at daybreak. These prayer-meetings started a revival. Small soul-winning Bands were also organized. They met together for prayer, and then went out two by two to do personal work on the streets, and in the homes, and in the surrounding villages.

"They went to rich and poor alike. They had cases of healing, and one or two demons were cast out. The work spread to the soldiers, and many of them found Christ. The last I

heard there were some two thousand who had professed conversion.

"The meetings in the chapel became so large that an extension was added to the building by the Chinese at their own expense. There was violent opposition but some of their opponents were saved.

"We sent a delegation from Sun Wu to see the work. One of the delegates came back so much on fire that he began to preach without salary and has been doing so ever since. One of the Chinese leaders of the movement at Kanchow is a man named Kingdom of Heaven Tan. He is a wonderful man of prayer and also a fluent speaker.

"At Kanchow there has been bitter anti-Christian agitation and persecution. They met it with prayer and courtesy and kept all their services going. Once or twice the soldiers took possession of their chapel. They preached to them and gave them so much Gospel that the soldiers left the chapel alone. The revival continued right through the fighting between the Northern and Southern Forces. The church had had dissension for years, but after the revival began it entirely ceased.

"On one occasion the Christians knew they were going to be attacked and had special prayer before hand. A body of students gathered a rabble of several hundred roughs. Armed with sticks and stones and the mob came around to destroy the entire mission compound. The gates were all open. Mr. Tan went out and talked to them for twenty minutes, and they all dispersed and went to their homes.

"On another occasion, after a visit from the Russian Comrade Borodin about two thousand roughs came around to destroy Christianity. They went to one mission church and found it barred up. They broke down the door and smashed the furnishings. Then they went to the China Inland Mission chapel. Here the gates were wide open. All the people were inside praying. When the mob reached the gate they had a row among themselves, and again they dispersed and went to their homes.

"Finally an anti Christian leader got together a mob of about four thousand of the worst elements of the city, He drove out the Mayor and made himself Mayor in his place. He began a fierce anti-Christian campaign. He put some of the Christians in prison and fined oth-

ers heavily. He went to such excess in persecution, that even the Kuominchun General told him to be more moderate. The Christians kept on praying. When everything seemed about nopeless, the mob turned on its leader, and drove him out, and the Christians had peace."

Still more recent incidents of victories in Kanchow in answer to prayer, were given to me by Mr. William Taylor, the Superintendent of the China Inland Mission in the Kiangsi province. Mr. Taylor said: "Some companies of Southern soldiers insisted on occupying the premises of the Boys' School in Kanchow. Mr. Jamieson protested but they took possession. The Christians began to pray for them and to do personal work among them. The latest tidings is that all the officers have professed conversion, and are attending the services, and also a number of the men.

"Recently two military officers, accompanied by some rough soldiers came in to Mr. Jamison and demanded the use of the church building. Mr. Jamison demurred saying it was needed for their services, but the officers insisted they must have it.

"At length, Mr. Jamieson said: 'This building is not mine.' They asked 'whose it is?' It is God's.' Then they said, 'We are prepared to challenge God; and you can report it to Him.'

"Mr. Jameson at once said, 'All right. I will do it now. Let us pray.' He closed his eyes and offered prayer in their presence. When he opened his eyes he found them in an awed condition. They ordered away the rough soldiers that were with them, and bowed and went off.

"That was on Saturday. The following day they came to the morning service at the church and remained throughout the meeting. At the close they came forward, and in a friendly way apologized for not having been at the prayer-meeting preceding the morning service!

"In a recent letter Mr. Jamieson told of a still later attempt of the soldiers to occupy the church building. He told how over 100 soldiers came to take over their house and chapel but they quailed in fear before the demonstration of the Spirit of God, and left the chapel in dread. Later they notified Mr. Jamieson that they found other quarters."

In speaking of the Work of Grace at Kanchow Mr. Taylor said: "The real power house

of the revival has been the early morning prayer-meeting that began a year ago and has continued ever since. The prayer-meeting began as early as 4:30 in the summer; but later in Winter. Neither heat nor rain nor storm prevented the people from attending this gathering for intercession. Mr. Jamieson declares the early morning prayer-meeting 'has been the basis of all the power that has been put forth to save souls.' The chief human agencies in the revival have been prayer and personal work and open air meetings."

Coincident with the spread of the anti-Christian movement, there is in progress a nation-wide distribution of New Testaments in connection with the Million Testaments for China Campaign. Funds are now in hand for more than nine hundred Testaments. Thus far between one and two hundred thousand Testaments have been sent out to missionaries and Chinese Pastors and others. Plans are being made to carry on the work of distribution, for the present at least, largely through Chinese Pastors, evangelists, Bible-women and other workers.

A missionary from Anhwei recently told me of twenty young men, some of whom were influenced by the anti Christian movement, and were disturbing the meetings. Little pocket Testaments were presented to each of them. Now they are reading them regularly, attend a Bible class, and are helping in evangelistic meetings.

Dr. Jonathan Goforth, one of the best known missionaries in China, recently expressed the fervent hope that two million Testaments might be available to "put in the hands of pivotal men of China at this critical period of her history."

Dr. J. E. Shoemaker, of Yuvao, Chekiang Province, who has been a missionary in China for more than 30 years, said, to me recently, "I feel it is providential that this distribution of New Testaments has come just at this time when in so many places in China public preaching is prohibited, and Churches are confiscated. It gives the workers something they can do. This is good for their own spiritual life, as well as the salvation of others.

"The breaking down of their own old religions, and the uncertainty of the present situation, is producing a state of mind that is very favorable to the reception of new religious ideas.

I was very pleased to have one of our country evangelists report that the twelve Testaments given him had been willingly received, and the people were quite ready to put down their names on cards agreeing to read and carry the Book daily.

"It is a spiritual warfare that is sweeping over China at this time; and the power that can win the victory must be spiritual. Therefore the best service we can render will be rendered on our knees in closets and in prayer groups. It is not mere formal prayer that is needed, but believing intercession. There is cumulative power in united prayer that cannot be measured: and wins victories in spite of seemingly impossible barriers."

There is increasing intercession in China for a great revival, and a growing expectation that the awakening may be near at hand. In some places the fire has fallen from Heaven, and glorious revivals are in progress. Mr. L. C. Osborn of Chao, Cheng, Shantung, in applying for 2,000 copies of the pocket Testament, writes:

"The Missionaries of our station are waiting on God many hours a day for a mighty revival in China. He has revived our own hearts, and we are having the greatest results we have ever known. Personally the Lord has been getting me up as early as three o'clock in the morning to watch and pray. God's Word was never so precious. People have gotten under conviction of sin right in their homes and have prayed through to forgiveness. Our church is a different church. People are coming daily to be prayed with. The revival is spreading. Praise God! All glory be to Him!

At Tamingfu, in Chihli, a glorious Work of Grace has been in progress for more than two months. One of the missionaries there, Mr. A. J. Smith, in sending a report to Shanghai of the outpouring of the Spirit, said, "I am sure you will rejoice with us over the mighty Holy Ghost revival God is sending over this field. The revival started in the Men's Bible Training School and quickly spread to the Women's Bible Training School, then to the boys and girls primary schools, later to the out stations, and has now reached most of the main stations.

"The missionary from Kuang Ping Fu, writes, "Seems surely as if something miraculous had happened to the Chinese Church here

Many went down in deep penitence confessing many wrongs without our urging them; seeming only too glad to get the thing off their hearts. After they had prayed through, they went out and brought in others, and prayed with them.'

"The revival has also meant deep humbling of us missionaries before God and the Chinese. It has been a time of real heart-searching for us, but God has given us the victory, and we now find it a pleasure to pray from seven to nine hours a day. We have discovered that we can do more through intercession than in any other way, and the Lord is honoring our prayers. We believe that God wants to send Holy Ghost revivals to all the missions in China. The revival here is spreading."

The fires of persecution are purifying and refining the Church, and probably preparing the way for such a spiritual awakening as has never been witnessed in China. The fires of revival have already been kindled. You can help in spreading the flame. Will you not set some time each day for earnest believing prayer for a mighty revival that will still further cleanse and quicken the church, and lead multitudes into the light?

And do not fail to pray for a special outpouring of God's Spirit upon the missionaries who are still in China; and for those who have returned to the homelands. Pray also that great steadfastness and boldness may be given to the Chinese pastors, teachers, evangelists, Bible-women and Christians, multitudes of whom are passing through the fiery furnace of persecution.

Let us praise God that nearly a million New Testaments have been providentially provided in this hour of crisis when so many churches are closed, and so many missionaries have been compelled to leave their stations; and let us pray that the Holy Spirit will illuminate the pages of each Book given out, and that the full million or more may speedily be supplied, and prayerfully and carefully distributed.

Pray also for a blessed Work of Grace among the foreign troops that have been concentrated in China in such large numbers in this time of turmoil.

You can also help in mobilizing prayer on behalf of China by reading part or all of this article at missionary and prayer-meetings, and

Sunday Schools and Bible classes, in your community; and appealing for prayer for this great and distressed land.

THE PENALTY FOR SIN

By J. C. Vanzandt

What is the Penalty for sin? Is it Endless torture? or is it Death? Let us see.

If endless torture is the penalty for sin, one of two things is true: We must all suffer that penalty, or some one must redeem us from it. If the Redemption price has not been paid, we are all subject to endless torture. Has the price been paid? Let us see.

1 Tim. 2:6 says that Jesus "gave himself a ransom for all." Young's Analytical Hebrew, Greek and English Concordance to the Bible defines the Greek word from which Ransom is here taken as: "A corresponding price."

Now, inasmuch as Jesus paid the Ransom, a corresponding price, that is, a price that corresponds to the Penalty laid on man for sin, if endless torture is the Penalty he Must have suffered endless torture. Did he? No!

If endless torture is the Penalty for sin, and Jesus did not suffer it, he did not pay the corresponding price, therefore he has neither the right nor power to redeem man from sin and its Penalty; but if Death is the penalty, he did pay the corresponding price, and has both the right and power to redeem man from sin and its Penalty—from Death.

Jesus did pay the Penalty: he did not suffer endless torture, therefore It is not the Penalty for sin.

Inasmuch as it is impossible for any one to ever pass through endless torture if it is the penalty for sin, the penalty has never been paid; and more yet, it never can be paid hence, we are all doomed to endless torture.

Paul said: "For the wages of sin is death."—Rom. 6:23. Jesus gave his life at the Ransom price for the life of man.—Matt. 20:28. Mark 10:45. Plainly, the Penalty for sin is death, and Jesus paid the corresponding price by giving up his Life—in dying for the sins of mankind.

When speaking prophetically of what Jehovah would do with Jesus in order to redeem us, Isa. 53:10 says: "When thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin—" This verse says that

Jesus in very soul was to be made an offering for sin. The Old Testament law of sacrifice required that any living thing offered in sacrifice for sin MUST die. Our Lord in very soul was Sacrificed for sin, therefore in very soul he died, and this death is the corresponding price for man's sin.

If what is usually termed spiritual death is the penalty for sin, Jesus could not have paid the penalty—a corresponding price—without suffering spiritual death, and this would necessitate that he be an actual sinner.

If what is usually termed spiritual death is the penalty for sin, inasmuch as all sinners are said to be spiritually dead, it follows that All sinners have already received their penalty for sin, hence, there will never be any more punishment for them than that which they are now in

Inasmuch as Jesus paid the penalty for sin paid a corresponding price, and that payment was physical death, it follows the Physical death is the Penalty for sin.

As physical death is the Penalty for sin, and as it will not require endless time to inflict that death, and as torture cannot exist without physical life, it follows that there cannot be any endless torture.

When you refute the above arguments please notify me at once so I can change my views.

"THE LORD REBUKE THEE, SATAN".

Should Satan stretch his cruel hand,
O'er one the Blood hath bought,
Don't wait to argue or to plead,
The battle must be fought,
Just grasp the Shield of Faith, and let
The Spirit wield His Sword;
He has to go, you'll see him go;
He flies before the Word.
The Lord rebuke thee, Satan!
The Lord rebuke thee, Satan!
The Lord that hath chosen Jerusalem
Rebuke thee forevermore.
When Jesus was on earth He said,
"Tis written," to the foe,
"Tis written," three full time He said,
And Satan had to go.
Just cry, "Tis written! Satan!"
And believe the Bible true,
And as Satan went from Jesus
He'll surely go from you.

Wichita, Kansas.
Sept. 13, 1927

Dear Apostolic Faith Readers:

Greetings in Jesus Precious Name; In behalf of our many friends as well as brothers and sisters in the Lord who are interested in the Message of the Full Gospel, we write these few lines so others may know God is still on the giving hand and the Full Gospel going by leaps and bounds. Our Revival at Brownfield, Texas began on Aug. 4 and closed Sunday, Sept. 4, lasting five Sundays. Fifty or more were saved during the Revival, some sanctified, and many of the saints encouraged and strengthened in the things of God.

The business men of the city took quite an active part in the Revival in many ways, on the last day of the campaign, a fund was made up by the business men and a quarter beef was bought to barbecue, the butcher also donating a quarter. The tables were quickly made Saturday morning and never in all my life did I see tables so filled as they were on Sunday. All three services Sunday were the most blessed hours of the whole meeting it seemed, then the last service of the Revival came Sunday night. It began raining before seven o'clock, and we were sure the tent would be practically empty compared to our crowds during the day or at any other part of the meeting. But to our surprise the tent was almost packed and a very dear service followed in partaking of the communion at which a very large number of people were partakers of the emblems we as christians hold so dear. Then came the farewell, many wanting to know when we expected to leave for Wichita (where we are now conducting a Real Hard Fight against the Powers of Darkness.) We could not leave before Thursday so Monday, we were besieged with requests to preach Wednesday night to which we consented if a place could be found. As we had been called to preach the Funeral Service of our beloved Sister, and wife of Horace Watkins; we arrived at the going down of the sun and gave our last respects to the one who was before us in quite and peaceful sleep. (May God richly bless the husband and children with a bright outlook for the future.)

Arriving back in town on Wednesday we found arrangements had been made by Brother Hurst one of the Stewards of the Methodist

church for us to have the church to preach in Wednesday night. But our plans were halted as the Pastor had been out of town, and came in refusing us the use of the church. "The Lord works and none can hinder". A vacant lot next to the parsonage of the Methodist church was used for the services that night. A large load of lumber, a great number of bundles of shingles; our seats and platform was hastily made and praise the Lord the moon was our light. A great number of people gathered and cars parked all the way around for the closing Farewell Services. God wonderfully blessed and after an altar call was made some 75 to 100 people knelt at the altar many coming who previously raised their hands for prayer. A business man of the city came up after the service and offered us the use of his big brick garage one of the largest in the town if we could come back in the winter for another campaign. Mr Hurst Manager of the Lumber Company said he would seat it and another of the business men began the subscription with ten dollars to get us back in the winter. We are pressing the battle to the gate and expect to set our large tent up in Wichita for a great campaign for God and souls. We are open for calls wherever the Lord may lead, and desire the sincere prayers of the saints of God everywhere.

Yours in His glad service.

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LIFE'S SWEETENING

A laugh is just like sunshine;
It freshens all the day;
It tips the peak of life with light,
And drives the clouds away;
The soul grows glad that hears it
And feels its courage strong;
A laugh is just like sunshine
For cheering folks along.
A laugh is just like music,
It lingers in the heart
And where its melody is heard,
The ills of life depart;
And happy thoughts come crowding,
Its joyful notes to greet;
A laugh is just like music,
For making living sweet.

Selected

WHAT DOES BEING "BORN AGAIN" MEAN

It is not being baptized with water.

It is not being made a teetotaller."

It is not becoming religious.

It is not "turning over a new leaf."

Neither of these things, nor all of them put together, is being "born again."

Some people think, when they get "reformed," that it's all the same as "being born again," but that's a great mistake.

A young man once told us he was quite sure he would be in heaven because he didn't drink now. "Very good, sir. Glad to hear it. But when were you born again?"

He knew nothing about that. He was reformed, but not regenerated, and was therefore as unfit for heaven as ever he was.

A minister of the gospel once told us that he "preached seven years to others before he was 'born again' himself."

Terrible work this. It's time that some other religious men and women in the world were asking themselves solemnly this question—AM I BORN AGAIN? Or, do I just go to church, and keep up a profession because I was taught to do it, and it's a fashionable and respectable thing?

"No reformation will suffice.

'Tis life poor sinners need."

When you can say: "My sins have all been blotted out by the blood of Jesus" (for the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son cleanseth us from all sin)

THEN YOU ARE BORN AGAIN

SWEETS FROM SOLOMON'S SONG.

Abbie C. Morrow Brown

Chapter 1. The Song

"The Song of Songs, which is Solomon's." Song 1: 1.

Of the thousand and five songs of Solomon, this is the most precious, because it teaches us how to be ready to reign with a greater than Solomon, the chiefest among ten thousand, in His thousand years of glory. 1 Kings 4:32; Rev. 19: 7-9; 20: 2-5.

The Song is an Epic Poem, a Spiritual Nuptial Ode, a Holy of Holies Hymn. It is descriptive of scenes in the six days of festivities be-

fore an Eastern wedding, when the bridegroom comes in the morning to the home of his prospective bride, returning to his own home in the evening.

Solomon means peaceful. There was no war during his forty years' reign. The Bridegroom is the Prince of Peace. Isa. 9:6. He keeps His own perfect peace. Isa 26:3.

The three prominent characters in the Song are 1. Solomon; 3:6-10. 2. The Bride; 4:8. Sister Bride; 4:9-12; Psalm 45:10-17. 3. The Virgins; 1:3. Psalm 45:14. The Daughters; 2:2.

a. The daughters of Zion, 3:11; the wise virgins. Matt. 25:1, 4, 9, 10; Rev. 14:14.

b. The daughters of Jerusalem addressed by the Bridegroom, 2:7; 3:5; 8:4. Addressed by the Bride, 5:8. Foolish virgins, Matt. 25:3, 11, 12. The Bridegroom addressing her by some pet name, as, "My love, my dove, my undified." 1:15; 6:9.

The Bride addressing the Bridegroom always calls Him, "My Beloved." 1:16; 2:16.

The virgins addressing the Bride call her, "Thou fairest among women." 1:8; 5:9.

The last word of the Bride to the Bridegroom, on the last evening before the wedding, is, "Make haste, my Beloved, and be Thou like a young lion on the mountains of spices." 8:14.

"Mid the tirals, scorn and sorrow

One bright gleam I see,

Christ upon the blessed morrow

Sure will come for me.

"He it is who came to win me.

On the cross of shame;

In His glory I shall know Him,

Evermore the same.

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A WORD FOR TRIED ONES

A blacksmith, about eight years after he had trusted Jesus, was approached by an intelligent unbeliever with the question: "Why is it you have so much trouble? I have been watching you. Since you became a Christian and began to 'walk square,' and seem to love everybody, you have had twice as many trials and accidents as you had before. I thought that when a man trusted Jesus his troubles were over. Isn't that what the parsons tell you?"

With a thoughtful, but glowing face, the

blacksmith replied:

"Do you see this piece of iron? It is for the springs of a carriage. I have been 'tempering' it for some time. To do this I heat it red hot, and then plunge in into a tub of ice cold water. This I do many times. If I find it taking 'temper,' I heat and hammer it unmercifully. In getting the right piece of iron I found several that were too britely. So I threw them in the scrap-pile. Those scraps are worth a cent a pound; this carriage spring is very valuable."

He paused, and his listener nodded. The blacksmith continued:

"God saves us for something more than to have a good time—that's the way I see it. We have the good time alright, for God's smile means heaven. But He wants us for service just as I want this piece of iron. And He has put the 'temper' of Christ in us by testing us with trial. Ever since I saw this I have been saying to Him, 'Test me in any way You choose, Lord; only don't throw me in the scrap-pile.'"

—Selected

REV. BUD ROBINSON'S OWN TESTIMONY

Rev. Robinson is known as the "Cowboy Evangelist." He was converted while on the frontier of the Texas prairies. The following paragraph is quoted from his life story.

"I climbed down out of a Texas saddle at the age of 21 years and went to an old fashioned Methodist camp meeting. I did not change cloths for I had on all that I had. I went down to the altar with my old greasy overalls with the knees out, with an old dirty shirt with the elbows out, and a pair of rundown boots with the toes out, and no socks on, and I went down crying, and met Jesus and came up a flying. I could not read a word, not even my name, but Jesus taught me to read by lightning, for when I came up I could read my titles clear to mansions in the skies. I could not read a word from books, but I went to a Sunday school and a lady gave me a new Testament, and I learned to read from it. I was called to preach the night I was converted lying under an ox wagon, and I went at it the next day, and for more than forty-seven years I have preached the gospel of full salvation."

MABEL

Wife of Evangelist Horace L. Watkins who passed on Sunday Sept. 4th. Funeral service were held at Lovington, N. M. By Evangelist Mack Wyatt.

A loved one now is sleeping,
Just gone on before:
Another link to bind us
To that eternal shore.

The Waters threatened deep,
And, seeming widely rolled;
But weary limbs and tired feet
Soon pressed the sands of Gold.

We loved thee well 'tis true,
But Jesus loved thee best;
So lay thy tired head upon
The Saviors loving breast.

World's trials and temptations
Thy soul again shall never test;
Beyond their power victor,
Thou hast entered into rest.

Over death and grave a conqueror,
A victors crown is thine
While we around thy memory
A laurel wreath will twine.

Now looking for the Savior,
With those who've gone before,
To come again rejoicing,
We'll meet to part no more.

United then a family
To sing His praise, His name adore;
Joining tender thoughts and memories
Of these then happy days of yore.

Composed by Chas. F. Parham

PASTORS CALLED DOLLAR COAXERS

Retired Rector Says Many Divines Today Are
Puny Breed

Chicago,—Declaring "the modern man seems by comparison with former generations to be of a puny breed," the Rev. Dr. Peter Clark Wolcott retired rector of the Trinity Episcopal church,

Highland Park, created a stir among the Episcopal clergy of Chicago.

"No doubt we have great bishops and able statesmen," said Dr. Wolcoss, "but it does not seem to me that the personnel of the Episcopal House of Bishops, or of the United States senate of today, compares favorably with the standards set 50 years ago. They are of a feebleness and punier breed."

He excoriated the modern demand for ministers who are "organizers and efficiency men, administrators and financial agents." He declared the standard of success in the ministry today "is the ability to coax dollars out of the pockets of the people and pile up impressive financial statistics."

"I suppose I am old-fashioned," said Dr. Wolcott, "but I believe that over-organization and energies wasted on secular matters are the ruination of the ministry. They are allowed no time for study and pulpit preparation. Our bishops should make every candidate for the ministry become first a missionary and learn something about the realities of human nature."

THIS PLACE WHERE YOU STAND

The martyr sailor, John Maynard, has given the world a practical illustration of fidelity to God and man. While steering on one of the great lakes the vessel took fire about midship and the passengers rushing to the bow, stood wringing their hands, screaming for mercy, and everything depended on Maynard getting the ship to land, which called for a martyr's fidelity on his part in holding on to the helm while the red-hot flames were raging in the rigging. The ship's rapid passage carried the flames back on the quarter deck, where John stood at the helm. The captain stood on the bow of the ship with the frantic passengers, screaming through his trumpet amid the crackling flames, "John, hold on to the helm and land these passengers!" And John held on to the helm until the flames reached his very face and burned the hair from his head. The plaintive cry of the captain, "John hold on to the helm." John did hold on to the helm till his right arm burned and fell a crisp to his side, he seized the helm with his left arm and held on till he landed the passengers then fell a martyr amid the flames while the passengers stood on

the beach applauding their great benefactor while the flames consumed his mortal body to ashes.

Brethren, this is the age and hour, just before Jesus comes, when the voice is coming out of the most excellent glory, "Hold on to the helm! Hold on to purity! Hold on to the whole truth! Hold on to love! Hold on to God! Stand at your post! Never mind the red-hot embers of public opinion, the red-hot fires of persecution. Stay with the work God has called you to. Be willing to go in rags and die of hunger, but hold on to the helm at highest cost and you will land the passengers in Eternal Life and they will rise up in heaven and call you blessed. "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life."

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The editor of "Japan and Pentecost" praises the Lord for the ability, and the means to edit and print a paper regularly every month during the first half of this year.

The editor, along with the other missionaries, definitely feel that the paper fills a great need amongst Spirit filled saints in these days that "every creature" should have an opportunity of hearing the gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ before the end comes.

Japan in particular presents a wonderful opportunity to the saints of God to preach the gospel. Unprecedented crowds; hitherto unheard of results are the rule of the day. The band of workers that God has created are pressing outward continually and this messenger "Japan and Pentecost" brings the latest news, of the blessed revival that is going on by leaps and bounds in this island empire.

"Japan and Pentecost" has been gladly sent out to all who have requested, or whose names are given as likely interested ones without charge, but it has come to the notice of the editor that large numbers do not come into the hands of those for whom it was intended, through lack of address, or removal, and for other reasons, and drastic steps must be taken to eliminate this waste.

Whilst no charge is made for the paper, it is expected however, that every reader will send at least once a year a freewill offering to cover the expenses of this paper. Even if this be im-

possible it is requested that some acknowledgement, either a word of thanks, or a postcard, confirming the paper to be welcome and so forth, is desired.

The mailing list is now being radically investigated so an immediate reply is requested from those who have not sent offerings, or an acknowledgement during the year.

Additional copies will gladly be sent upon request. Where it is desired to stir up missionary interest nothing could be better than to give to each member of such missionary circle a copy of the paper. Should such members like to subscribe for the paper \$1.00 (5/-) would be the cost of paper and postage for a copy every month a year.

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“IF”

If you can trust when everyone about you
Is doubting Him, proclaiming Him untrue,
If you can hope in Christ though all forsake you
And say 'tis not the thing for you to do;
If you can wait on God nor wish to hurry,
Or being greatly used, keep humble still;
Or if you're tested, cater not to worry
And yet remain within His sovereign will;
If you can say 'tis well when sorrow greets you
And death has taken those you hold most dear,
If you can smile when adverse trials meet you
And be content e'en though your lot be drear
If you can be reviled and never murmur,
Or being tempted not give way to sin;
If you can fight for right and stand the firmer,
Or lose the battle when you ought to win;
If you can really long for His appearing,
And therefore set your heart on things above
If you can speak of Christ in spite of sneering
Or to the most unlovely one show love;
If you can hear the call of God to labor,
And answer “Yes” in yieldedness and trust,
And go to tell the story of the Savior
To souls in darkness o'er the desert dust;
If you can pray when Satan's darts are strongest,
And take the road of faith instead of sight,
Or walk with God e'en though His way be long-

est,

And swerve not to the left hand nor the right;

If you desire Himself alone to fill you,
For Him alone you care to live and be,
Then 'tis not you but Christ who dwelleth in you,

And that O child of God is Victory!

Selected.

WEALTH

Men become wealthy from the timber of God's trees. From the gold and silver dug from God's earth. The fruit of the limb that draws its very life from His soil. Or perchance from iron: yet where is the ore found? In God's earth! Studying it pro and con, anyway you wish, man's wealth was first God's wealth! There is no millionaire, boasting to be sheep king, lumber king, tinsplate king, but what he owes what he has to the original bounty and providence of God! All wealth can be traced down to one source of life or sustenance: the earth! And whose is the earth? God's! Even the man who can display a fortune from the use of his brain alone can only know its tangible reality by the handling of the gold and silver coins. But for God's earth making this gold and silver possible, he would have been deprived of this comfortable possession!

M. L. B. Wallace

COMMENT ON DAY'S NEWS

By Henry James

The fact that the youths of this country, in school and out, are being subjected to the influence of atheism is to be regretted. The sponsors of the movement are hard to classify. It may be that they are poor fools themselves; it may be that there is a sinister purpose in their devotion to a cause distinctly evil.

In attempting to set up rule in Russia, among the first efforts of communism was the abolition of God, and the heaping of contempt upon every form of religion, and on organized belief as the expression of an instinctive and abiding faith. Reeking, rotten, inhuman Moscow is the visible emblem of atheism.

Comparatively few men of intelligence profess to be atheists. The student of science, if he learns anything from his research, learns,

that directing the universe and all its processes of growth, there are laws. He knows that there could be no law without a lawgiver. Therefore he could not be an atheist.

As a rule the blatant proponent of atheism, who proclaims that this life is the whole of existence, lacks one great essential, the essential of brains. He is incapable of thought. His capacity is limited to catching the idea of a half-baked ranter, and reflecting it. He is an echo of futility, the mirror of an atom afloat a mind otherwise vacuous.

Writers who rail at the church, and who in doing so assert that having found flaws in the church, there, of course, can be no good people, and no God, are responsible for sins that ought to lay heavy on their souls. They are blighters of the glory of life.

To argue with an atheist would be as useless as to combat any other form of mania with words. But these baby atheists, these raw and raucous kids, hurling anathemas at high heaven, spanking might do them good.

SPECIAL NOTICES

About one each week are now being delivered from the asylum in answer to prayer. All friends of the Full Gospel movements are invited to Baxter Springs Kansas to the Farewell Rally Nov 6th. all day meeting to bid God speed to the editor Chas. F. Parham as he goes on his world wide mission preaching the Gospel. He is expecting to sail Dec. 3rd reaching Bethlehem for Christmas night to spend that night as near the scene of Christ birth as tradition makes such place known.

Is there any one among the readers of this paper who has a strong field glass one of those with strap to carry over shoulder who wish to donate the editor for this world wide trip. Please mail to him at once.

We will be in need of funds for next months paper. Won't every one especially those who have not given anything this year to the paper and its work of carrying the Full Gospel to the ends of the earth try to make a donation even if small. When all is counted it will help us greatly. God bless you. I know you can if you try and make some sacrifice.

All donations for the Jerusalem trip and the world wide evangelistic message should be sent

in at once as that will enable all the preliminary arrangements to go forward without delay, and you will want to have part in this great work.

I will sell my Ford coupe, run one year, in good shape for 350 dollars. Must be cash, so that I can use the funds on the coming worlds trip and missionary work. Lets hear from you if in the market for such an offer.

I will bless a few hundred kerchiefs so that those who may need them while I am gone can get them by addressing the office of this paper at Baxter Springs Kansas.

WEST NEW YORK CAMPAIGN

Nov. 13th to Nov. 27, Corner of Adams and 17th St.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. J. Boyles, Pastors.

This will be Mr. Parhams farewell meeting in America before sailing to the Holy Land and other countries to carry the Full Gospel. Every one in reach should come and take in the entire meeting, Mr. Boyle has this so say, "Chas F. Parham is the father of the present Pentecostal Assemblies of New York City and vicinity. Come and hear the truth about the "Latter rain Movement," from the original teacher of all Full Gospel Movements." He further says "When our mission in 42nd St., was in danger of being wrecked thru wild fire and fanaticism, Bro. Parham with workers from the west, came and were used of God in preaching wholesome, pentecostal truths, the result is the present sane movements here in N. Y. approved by Dr. John Roach Stratton. members of whose family have been baptized in the Holy Spirit." —Robt. J. Boyle, founder of west New York Pentecostal Assembly.

I walked a mile with pleasure,
 She chatted all the way,
 But she left me none the wiser
 For all she had to say.
 I walked a mile with sorrow
 And ne'er a word said she,
 But, oh, the things I learned from her
 When sorrow walked with me.

—Selected.