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SERMON OF THE MONTH

OUR FAULTS

By J. REGIER

Often we arrive at the conclusion that religion is a doctrine of "don'ts". We read, "Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness. Etc. Etc." But pure religion is not a doctrine of "don'ts" alone. I believe that if we keep up with the "do's" in scripture, the "don'ts" will take care of themselves.

We read of a man named Nicodemus in the third chapter of John. This man needed to learn the mysteries of the new birth. Things, no doubt, had been troubling his mind. He did something! He came to Jesus by night!

In Mark, chapter 10, we read of the blind man named Bartimaeus. He needed sight! He was blind! Jesus came by and this was the opportunity of the blind man's lifetime. But what did he do? Yes, he did something! He cried out, "Jesus thou son of David have mercy on me."

For a moment let us think of the woman who had an incurable disease. For years she had suffered, becoming worse as she used the aid of physicians. She reasoned within herself, "If I can touch his clothes, I will be healed." She did something! Matthew 9:20 tells us that she touched the hem of his garment!

Finally let us consider the plight of that thoughtless selfish son called the prodigal. What a spendthrift! He had wasted his goods in riotous living and was in want. He reasoned within himself thus, "My father's servants fare better than I. I will arise and go to my father and repent". But reasoning thus was not sufficient. He did something! He arose and went home and repented!

These are four of many many examples that show us that something must be done! That something must be the right thing. Not just anything but that something definite that will bring the right results. In these cases, when the right some

thing was done the results were as they could be: 1. Nicodemus learned the mystery of the new-birth; 2. Blind Bartimaeus received his eyesight; 3. The woman that touched the hem of Jesus' garment was healed and went in peace; and 4. The prodigal was forgiven and reinstated as his father's son. All of these received the victory! They did something!

Now for a little while let us discuss our subject, "Our Faults". The proper title for this article should be, "Doing Something About Our Faults". We could say of faults as has been said of the weather, "Everyone talks about it but no one ever does anything about it." Certainly we can do nothing about the weather but talk about it, but it is different when we think about our faults. Talking about our faults and pointing out the faults of others (and isn't that so easy?) is doing something but it is not the right thing to do. Let us go to the scriptures and learn what to do about our faults.

"Examine yourself, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves" (2 Cor. 13:5a) "But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup". (1 Cor. 11:28) We can look at the fruits of others and judge to a certain extent. The Bible says, "By their fruits ye shall know them". But in these scriptures concerning examining yourselves we get the meaning to turn the searchlight into our own lives. We are not told to examine others but ourselves. Let the searchlight of God's word shine in our hearts. Examine our own lives. Pray through for ourselves. Get the victory for us! Then surely we will be able to look upon the faults and sins of others with a right attitude.

We cannot be justified by comparing our lives and faults with the lives and faults of others. This would be an erratic measure and could never be true. We can never arrive at the proper solution in this manner. The Bible says, "For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they, measuring themselves by themselves,

and comparing themselves among themselves are not wise." (2 Cor. 1:12. How can the children of God ever arrive at any degree of perfection if we point out the sins and faults of others or if we justify ourselves by comparing ourselves with others. The scripture here informs us that it is an unwise thing to do. Jesus is our example and by comparing ourselves with Him we can reach that place in righteousness. He has purchased for us with His own blood. Paul wrote to the Phillipian Christians, "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus."

Doing something about our faults will demand a great deal of self-sacrifice. It demands consecration of God's will. It calls for surrender to God, completely. For instance we read in Romans 8:13, "For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live." To the Colossians, Paul wrote: "Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth—". The demand here is not for people to mortify the members of their brethren but their own members. In First Corinthians 15:31 Paul testified that he died daily.

Before one will do anything about his faults, he must first become conscious of them. As we study God's word and will, we will become aware of our weaknesses, shortcomings, faults and sins. Too often too, it is so easy to shrug aside sins by calling them faults or mistakes. Romans 12:1-2 tells of a complete surrender to God: "Present your body a living sacrifice". Then in Heb. 12:1-2 we learn to lay aside weights (faults) and the sin that does so easily beset.

When God forgives, God forgets! In the Psalms we find the forgiveness of God explained, "As far as the east is from the west so far hath he removed our transgressions from us." Often the enemy retards us by making us remember the evils of the past. It may be the faults of others or our own faults. Paul instructed us thus: "Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press forward to the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." We have been told that even a horse cannot kick as long as he is pulling. As

IMMORTALITY

By MRS. ACE SHAFER

Speaking of our Lord Jesus Christ, who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see; to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen. I Tim. 6:14-15-16.

We mortals seek immortality. To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory, and honour and immortality, eternal life. Rom. 2:7.

Jesus said, "And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul; but rather fear Him which is able to destroy both soul

long as we press forward we will have no time for fault-finding.

God deals directly and individually with his children. When I was saved, he dealt with me. When I was convicted of a deeper consecration, He dealt with me. Likewise he does with others. In Romans we find this question, "Who art thou that judgest another man's servant?" We must realize that each of us must answer for ourselves and not for others.

Take heed when you think you are strong, lest you fall! Often after men have judged others, judgement has returned to them. Jesus said that we would be measured with the measure we use. What a tragic thing to realize that after we've judged others, we stand in judgement ourselves. In Romans 2:1, "There fore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou are that judgest for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself! for thou that judgest does the same thing."

Finally, we cannot escape the commendation, yea the requirement of confession. We must confess! Un-confessed sins are unforgiven sins. Un-confessed faults are uncorrected faults. James said, "Confess your faults one to another." 1 John 1:9 reads, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

and body in hell. St. Matthew 10:28.

But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel. II Timothy 1:10.

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. Romans 6:12.

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans 6:23.

But if the spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwell in you. Rom. 8:11.

Behold I show you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is Swallowed up in Victory. I Cor. 15:51-55.

The devil will be chained a thousand years then will be peace on earth. Rev. 20:1-3, and when the thousand years have expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison. Rev. 20:7. What for? To deceive the nations. To gather them together for the last great battle before the Great white throne Judgment day. When time ends, and eternity begins; but there will be a battle fought that expires in the thousand years reign. When our Lord's feet shall stand on the mount of Olives where He ascended almost two thousand years ago, and the Lord my God shall come and all the Saints with thee. Zechariah 14:4,5.

When this mortal shall put on immortality then the scripture will be fulfilled in I Thess. 4: beginning with the 13th verse and read the rest of the chapter. This is what we call the Rapture or the catching away. I don't want to miss it do you?

I believe His second coming is when He comes back with His saints to Mount Olive where He left His disciples standing looking up and

Four-State Youth Camp

It thrills our hearts to be able to write a report for youth camp.

The camp convened June 25, with eight great days of camp in the Ozarks, enjoying God's blessings.

Throughout each day, the youth enjoyed the activities, such as the Bible classes, rallies, hand craft, and recreation. Then all was topped with a great evangelistic service each evening. In these services we experienced the wonders of our God, where his people received his blessings and expectations of their hearts.

Sunday's services were surely blessed especially by the Lord. Over 500 persons were in the camp to enjoy four great services and basket dinner.

We feel a spiritual report is especially needed in this writing, and we feel so small and grateful to God for what he did for our youth. There were 41 saved, 58 sanctified, 30 received the Holy Spirit, and 32 Baptised in water. All drew closer to our God because of his great love to us.

The enrollment was over 160 and with the counselors, teachers, helpers, and committeemen, over 200 enjoyed the youth camp.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone of the churches and individuals who helped in the camp in any way. We have never experienced such wonderful co-operation as we had, and may the Lord bless you all.

God blessed in all ways and we owe him all of our praise. The camp closed with all expenses paid and there was finances left in the treasure, which will begin another youth camp next year, if it's the Lord's will.

May God bless all and may our eyes be opened for a greater vision to work for the Lord.—M. D. Methvin and Four-State Youth Camp Committee.

two men appeared in white apparel and said, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into Heaven. Acts 1:10,11.

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From My Viewpoint

By Gail Schultz
(EDITORIAL)

Greetings again to all of you, in the most precious Name of Jesus. There is such a confidence that God is with us as a Movement as reports come in of the fine soul saving D. V. B. Schools that are being conducted in so many of our churches. Added to this, we have had such out-standing youth camps. Let us all praise the Lord a little more for the things He has been doing for us.

Thank you ever-so-much for all your offerings, items and general good interest in the Report. We have missed printing a few times, either low funds or we were away in meetings or like this time the time for printing did not work out for us until now. However we do try to be on schedule, unless we are we have too much material and something has to be omitted.

The Lord willing, I will be at the Laverne camp meeting, and so I wont write more this time, but just plan seeing you there. Let us pray much that we may onward go with Christ as our leader. Rest, if we must, but don't quit, for Heaven is

NOTICE

A business meeting will be held August 12, 1958, at the camp meeting in Laverne, Oklahoma, for the purpose of electing a Bible School Board Member. The term of Roland Busch expires this year.

IN MEMORY OF:

HUSBAND

Dolphus Lee Jamison
Born Nov. 15, 1886
at Salem, Mo.
Died Oct. 22, 1957
at Ft. Supply, Okla.

WIFE

Mayne Belle Jamison
Born March 2, 1893
at Centerville, Ala.
Died Oct. 29, 1957
at Woodward, Okla.

MID-WEST YOUTH CAMP—

It is too early for a complete story of the Youth camp at Laverne, Okla., but the first day there were 187 enrolled (there may be a few more). Every thing was in running order, with all the needed teachers and expectations are high for a most wonderful camp. This means that about 400 children have been in Apostolic camps this summer. I think that is surely grand and hope that it can be repeated with even a larger enrollment every where this coming year.

GRANBY, MO.—

A revival is now in progress at the Granby Full Gospel Tabernacle. The interest is good, and every body is enjoying the sermons as given by Bro. Otto Busch of Tennessee, the evangelist.

OLATHA, COLO.—

Bro. and Sis. Ray Christensen are now pastoring the work at this place and report that the Lord is with them in the services. They have an increase in attendance and they ask an interest in your prayers and invites ministers of the faith to come by.

now in view. I want the Lord to add to my life only the years that I can be used of Him.

Lines From The Co-Editor

Greetings in Jesus' Name,

To all of the Report readers, we ask God's blessings to be upon your household, and to strengthen you in your work for the Lord.

As we have been meditating about God's great plan and His wondrous works, we come to this conclusion. I'm so glad our wonderful God lets all humanity have a little part in his work. It makes no difference where you live or what your occupation is, you are still a labourer for the Father in his great vineyard. When the Father looks upon his workers he doesn't make one more important than the other, but all are of equal importance. My good Christian friend, remember, what ever your responsibility is in God's service, you are very important, and don't fail in your work for God. Let us keep in mind the words of Christ when he spoke to his disciples — Matt. 9:37. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the LABOURERS are few." Surely we can realize today, LABOURERS are few. There is a great multitude of professors of Christianity in our generation, but few who will consecrate their lives as a labourer for our Father in his vineyard.

We realize that God has blessed his work in a mighty way this year. Our movement has just closed out three youth camps and God was in each one in a wonderful way. We should lift our voice in praise to our God, for his great blessings to his people.

Then looking forward, let us not forget camp meetings, which will begin Aug. 7. We know God will again bless us in heavenly places.

With all these wonderful blessings and experiences of the Lord, keep in mind the words of Isaiah 26:3 — "Thou will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee." Keep your trust in God for He is one who will never fail you at any time.

Your Brother in Christ,
M. D. Methvin.

MAN'S PROFIT

By Rodney Gaines

"For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Mark 8:36-37). These words of Jesus were for all generations; past, present, and future; until the end of this world.

Men are concerned with many things today that will profit them nothing at the end of this present life. Today we need to be concerned with the preparation of our souls for eternity. We need to be concerned with the things of God. Our time in this present world is such a small amount compared to eternity.

How can we be saved and have everlasting life? First we must be convicted of our sin by God, through His Spirit. We must realize our need of God and of soul salvation. We must realize that we have been born in sin and that we ourselves can do nothing to merit salvation through our own works.

When we realize our condition in the sight of God, then we must repent with a godly sorrow; with a broken spirit and contrite heart. We must be sorry enough to truly change. Then we must accept Jesus Christ, as the Son of God, and believe and trust in Him; and the sacrifice that He made for us. Jesus paid the price that we might be saved and enjoy the blessings of God.

We are saved by the grace of God (unlimited mercy, unreserved favor, unmerited love and kindness); by faith in Jesus as the Son of God, and His atoning blood. Salvation is the gift of God. There is nothing that man can do to merit salvation himself. (Eph. 2:8-8).

At salvation we are converted or transformed from death unto life eternal and from darkness unto light. Before salvation we were dead in trespasses and sin. "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Rom. 6:23). Also before salvation or conversion we were without understanding of the words of God; we were in spiritual darkness. We were blinded by Satan to the things of God.

After we are saved, we are not

PALM CITY, CALIF.—

The Youth Camp was a wonderful blessing to our church and we feel it has given us all new zeal for the service of the Lord. We have started work on our new class rooms this past week and are looking forward to having them completed in the near future.

We certainly enjoyed having Bro. and Sis. Raney and family out this way. We feel the church has received a great blessing from their ministry and we are looking forward to having them in service with us again.

Bro. and Sis. Doyle Wiles,
Pastors.

FORTY-FOUR, ARK.—

"We had our first Sunday School June 15, with 14 out and great interest shown, we are holding it in a small school house that has been converted to a community center in the little settlement about ½ mile from us. We need prayers that this would work up into another work and a new church. We ask the prayers of everyone that we can have a sweeping revival here. We are desperate in need of song books and will pay the postage on some unused numbers from a church, the common song type is what we want. Carolyn Long taught the little folks and did real well. We will name this work after our post office Forty-Four, Ark."

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Long.

to continue in sin. Even as Christ died unto sin once; we are to die unto sin. We are to yield our body and its members as instruments of righteousness. We are no more to yield them as instruments unto sin. (Rom. 6:9-14). Through the blood of Jesus we may have dominion over sin.

Some of the attributes of salvation are joy, love, peace, and satisfaction spiritually. There are many seeking these attributes today through the things of this world; through the deceptive and alluring ways of Satan. But the things of the world only bring a temporary, false sense of these attributes. The things of God will give true spiritual satisfaction that will be everlasting.

California Youth Camp

The California Youth Camp reports that they had a wonderful encampment with God's blessings being poured out in a great way. There was an enrollment of 42 in camp; plus a class of six underage children; and a wonderful group of counsellors, teachers, and workers making a total of about 75 in camp with several visitors coming in for the evening services. There were 22 saved, 20 sanctified, and 15 prayed through to the Holy Spirit. We know such a camp was only possible because of the blessings of the Lord and because of the wonderful spirit of unity and the desire to work together for the glory of our Lord.

The last day of camp the Lord gave us a wonderful baptismal service with 18 being baptized in water.

To some it may seem like a small camp but when we stop and think that there are only five churches out here on the west coast and three of these you might say being new works, we can see where God has certainly blessed us in this part of the country.

We certainly appreciated everything that was done to see our Youth Camp be a success. May the Lord bless you is our prayer.

CROSSES, ARK.—

The Crosses Apostolic Church had a very successful Vacation Bible School this year. There was a total enrollment of 92. Everyone here worked hard to see the school go forth for the Lord. Sis. Webster directed the School; with Sisters Lois Allen, Mergie Payne, Helen and Marie Arnold as teachers of the different departments, with local ladies as helpers. The Lord gave us a good closing program, and we enjoyed many blessings from Him.

Rev. Eugene Webster, Pastor

PERRYTON, TEXAS—

The Lord did not fail, but gave a wonderful D. V. B. School at the Full Gospel Church. Sister Lula Parham was in charge, assisted by Sisters Edna Neff, Joann Blackmon, and Jessie A. Tucker.

On the last day, there were 13 saved. Remember every soul has the worth of more than all the world.

SALVATION'S PLAN

By LAMOYNE BARKER

Salvation — 30 Fold Christian

Salvation is the Act of God through the Blood of Jesus whereby sins are forgiven, and one passes from death unto life. We have many promises of salvation, Gen. 3:15, Isa. 7:17, Matt. 1:21, Rom. 6:23, Jn. 3:16-17, and we know the only source by which we can obtain it is through Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Acts 4:10-21, John 10:9, Rom. 5:6-19, I Tim. 9:15, Luke 19:10. This Salvation is offered to whosoever will, Acts 2:21, Rom. 10:13, Tit. 2:11, John 4:14, but there is a condition one must meet, Matt. 7:7, Mark 1:15, Acts 2:38, John 6:44-47, Rom. 2:11.

There are many attributes of Salvation. Psalms 89:26, Isaiah 59:17, Hebrews 1:4, Isaiah 61:10, II Timothy 3:15.

Those Christians that die without deeper spiritual blessings will go to the grave, Gen. 3:19, Ecclesiastes 12:7, John 6:39, and there await the Second Resurrection. Rev. 20:5. They will then be judged, John 5:28-29, Rev. 20:12-13, Rev. 20:5. Their Reward will be to live on the New Earth through-out Eternity.

The Saved Class of people who are living during the closing day or 70th Week of Daniel will have to take the Mark of the Beast, or give their life for the testimony of Christ. Rev. 13:15-17, Rev. 20:4, Rev. 6:9-11. When these ones have given their life as Martyrs for Christ, they have given their all, and will come up in the First Resurrection with the Blessed and Holy Dead to meet Christ in the Air. I Thes. 4:14-16.

Their reward will be to reign with Christ a thousand years, then in the ages to come, in the New Heaven and have Life Eternal. Rev. 20:6.

Sanctification — 60 Fold Christian

The word Sanctification means to render holy; to make free from sin; to set apart for sacred use. It is a work of God through the Blood of Jesus. Eph. 1:3-4, I Thes. 4:3, John 17:17, Rom. 12:2, Gal. 1:3-4, Heb. 10:28-29. It cleanses one not from the sins they have committed, but the sin nature they were born with. This is the imbred sin nature. Rom. 5:12-15.

Jesus loved the church so much

that He gave Himself for it, that He might sanctify and cleanse it and present it to Himself a glorious Church, not having spot or wrinkle, not any such thing, that it should be holy and without blemish. Eph. 5:25-27.

There is a condition one must meet before their life can be made free from this imbred sin nature. They must consecrate 100% to the will of God before their consecration is acceptable unto God. Rom. 12:1, Rom. 6:6,-12, Gal. 5:24. Through the Blood of Christ it is possible to live a holy life before God. In the Scriptures many times we are told to be a holy and separate people. Lev. 11:44-45, Heb. 12:14, I Pet. 1:15-17, II Tim. 1:1-9.

The Sanctified ones who die in the Lord, go to the grave to await the Resurrection of the Blessed and Holy Dead. I Thes. 4:13-16, Rev. 20:4-6.

The woman, which is the True Church, shall be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white, for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints. Rev. 19:8.

At the beginning of the 70th Week of Daniel the Holy Spirit shall be lifted, II Thes. 2:7. Sin will be unrestrained at this time. The Anti-Christ shall begin his reign at that time and will make a covenant with the Jews permitting them to rebuild the Temple in Jerusalem and enable them to worship God according to the dictates of their own hearts. Dan. 9:27. As Palestine shall be the only country in the world at that time to have this privilege, in these days ten men out of all languages of earth shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew saying, "We will go with you for we have heard that God is with you." Zech. 18:23. Thus shall the Bride be gathered at Jerusalem and the Jews shall feed her for three and one-half years. Rev. 6:12. This will be the first flight of the Church.

In the midst of the seven years, the devil is cast to earth and incarnated in the Anti-Christ. He shall break his covenant with the Jews forcing them to cease their worship, then an image is made in his likeness and a decree is sent out that all must worship this image and take

his seal or be put to death. Dan. 9:27, Rev. 13:12-16.

The Saints who are pure and have on the robe of Righteousness will flee into the wilderness and God shall care for her for three and one-half years. Isa. 61:10, Matt. 24:16-21, Rev. 12:13-16.

The Anti-Christ is angry with the woman and sends an army out to destroy her, but God helps the woman and causes a great earthquake to swallow up the army. Rev. 12.

When Jesus comes back to earth at the close of this last three and one-half years, the Bride sees Him coming and soars up to meet Him in the Air. I Thes. 4:17, and partakes of the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. Matt. 23:28. The Bride will come back with Jesus as he comes to Mt. Zion, and when His foot touches the Mt. it will cleave causing a great valley, where He shall leave His saints while He goes to battle against the wicked and ungodly alone with power, and destroy by the brightness of His coming. Zech. 14:3-4.

Their Reward will be to live and reign with Christ through the Millennium or thousand years reign. They will also Inherit the New Heaven, and live with God through-out Eternity.

Baptism of The Holy Spirit

— 100 Fold

The Baptism of the Holy Ghost is the gift or the receiving of the Holy Ghost in baptismal form, the promise of Jesus, the will of the Father, and the seal for believers.

This gift was prophesied by several Old Testament prophets, Isa. 28:9-13, Joel 2:28, Hos. 6:3, and John the Baptist foretold the out pouring of the Holy Ghost. Matt. 3:11, Luke 11:9-13, John 1:33. Jesus himself told how the Holy Ghost would be given to believers who tarried for this wonderful gift. Luke 12:12, Mark 16:17, Luke 11:9-13, Luke 24:49. The evidence of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost is the speaking with other tongues (no fanaticism). Acts 2:4, Acts 10:45-46.

Two main works of the Holy Spirit in one's life is to Comfort, John 14:14-18, 14:26-27, 15:26, 16:7-13, and Teacher or witness, Acts 1:8, I Cor. 2:14.

Those who die with the Baptism of the Holy Spirit will go to the

LOVINGTON, NEW MEXICO—

Bro. and Sis. Larry Welsh are now pastoring the new Apostolic Faith Church here. You should see the building—it is so nice and has been recently finished in a "brick stucco". Pay this friendly church a visit every time it is possible.

grave and await the First Resurrection of the Blessed and Holy Dead. II Thes. 4.

The Baptism of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues, is the seal of believers. Eph. 4:30, 1:11-14. A person must be saved and sanctified and receive the Holy Spirit in order to have this seal.

Those who have the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and do not make Redemption will then be in the Bride Class, and will flee into the Wilderness.

We see the Picture of the Church typified as the Woman who brought forth a man child, which is caught up to the throne of God.

When one receives the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, it is the first payment on their coming Redemption. If one then continues to live without spot or blemish and follows the Lamb wheresoever he goeth.

When one receives the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, it is the first payment on their coming Redemption. If one then continues to live without spot or blemish and follows the Lamb wheresoever he goeth, they will be ready for Redemption. It is the hope of every Spirit filled Christian to make Redemption.

One of the great rewards of the Baptism filled Saints who have followed God perfectly and lived Holy in every way, will be to make Redemption. There will only be 144,000 who will qualify. Rev. 14. They will soar up to the Throne of God and escape the Time of Trouble. Luke 21:36. Then they will come back with Christ at His coming and live throughout the Millennium, ruling over five and ten cities. Luke 19:15-19. Rev. 5:9-10. Also they will live forever in the New Heaven, the City of God where streets are of pure gold.

The Hope of living forever with God should be the desire and prayer of every Christians heart.

OBITUARY

Jessie Payton Woody, 81 year old farmer, died at 9:10 a. m. Sunday at his home at Poyner after a one year illness.

Born February 22, 1867, in Tennessee, he had lived in Ripley County for six years, coming here from Jonesboro, Ark. He was married in Craighead County, Ark., on April 13, 1940, to Dora Byrd who survives. He was a member of the Apostolic Church.

Besides his widow, Mr. Woody is survived by four sons, Dolphis Woody of Hot Springs, S. D., Clyde Woody of Newport, Ark., Lester Woody of Wadsworth, Kans., and Artie Woody of Lavaca, Ark., and three daughters, Mrs. Addie Shelley of Jonesboro, Ark., Mrs. Bertha Tackett of Brookland, Ark., and Mrs. Pearl Hayes of Wayland, N. Y. Also surviving are a stepmother, Mrs. Mary Woody of Timbo, Ark., a sister, Mrs. Arvilla Freeman of Marshall, Ark., several half-brothers and half-sisters, 19 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Mill Creek Church with the Rev. George Hintergardt conducting and burial was in the Poyner cemetery under the direction of the Edwards funeral home.

ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO—

The Lord is blessing as a new work is being started at this place. Sister Ola Crane and Sister Odessa Summerford have rented a large six-room house at 411 East Chism, for services to be held in at present. We had to miss one Sunday as we were moving, cleaning and painting for about a week. The number in Sunday School is small, but we are hoping and expecting an increase. We are hoping to get a building up town by fall for the church.

Odessa Summerford, pastor

Brother and Sister V. E. (Hap) Blythe have resigned as pastor of the church at Taneyville, Mo. They desire to know and do the will of the Lord. Anyone desiring to contact them may do so at the following address: V. E. Blythe, Clairmont Rt., Snyder, Tex., or phone HI 3-4796, Snyder, Texas.

HUDSON, WYOMING—

Dear Bro. and Sis. Schultz,

Greetings in Jesus Wonderful name. We were glad to hear from you again, and happy to get the "Report" again. I have already read it; we are interested in what others are doing for our Lord and Saviour. Oh, how wonderful He is to us who put our trust in Him, Praise His Name!

The work is coming along fine out this way. Sis. Beydler just closed our V.B.S. and I closed a good meeting at Wind River with some making decisions for Jesus Christ. Four were baptised in water. We plan to be having regular services at Wind River in a few weeks. The Indians have accepted us and have asked that we preach the "word" of God. We are thankful they do trust us, that way it will make it easier for us to talk with, and to, them.

We have been very busy out this way this spring, but we like it that way, it makes life more interesting. We want to tell you we appreciate you and your lives, and pray God's richest blessings upon your ministry for the Kingdom of God. We want you to know we do remember you at the throne of Grace. We know the devil tries to keep God's people from helping each other, especially, interceding for them before the throne of God.

We love men's souls, and are trying to win them to Jesus, therefore we even love those who are the enemies of the Gospel, Christ died for all, and we want God's love to fill our souls to win others.

God bless you is our prayer.

Yours in Him,

The Beydlers.

ROCKDALE, TEXAS—

The Lord blessed in a wonderful V. B. S. here with 57 enrolled. Sister Lula Parham and Edna Neff directed the V. B. S. The theme used was "Exploring God's Great Wonders" and the children enjoyed the exploration of each day's lesson. There were several local helpers besides Sister Nancy Young who helped in the V. B. S., who has been working in the church since the close of Bible School in March.

Brother and Sister Morgan are the pastors at this place.

CONFIDENCE GAINED AGAIN IN LIFE

One afternoon in the month of June, a middle aged woman made her way to a very young doctors office for a checkup. The lady was shown to the reception room by the nurse. As she took her seat, and waited patiently for the doctor, she thought of the years that had passed and of how cruel they had been. So very cruel that at times it seemed that her presence was almost reproachful to people. She thought, "Why am I here, is life worth while after all?"

Presently the doctor came in and took his seat across the table from her and sat and talked with her. In testing for temperature, he took the almost calloused hands, by hard work, in his strong young ones. Then and there all that reproachful feeling left the heart of the woman. The doctor did not know that by this little act of kindness and attention, he had given courage and confidence to another that they might go on again. Sometimes it takes such a little act of kindness to help our fellow man.

It does not cost anything to speak a kind word, it does not cost anything to give a cheery smile, and it does not cost anything to pray a silent prayer, but each carries a priceless value. If it comes at the right time, when it is needed most, it may save a life.

From the book of Genesis, the question is asked, Am I my brother's keeper? Let us do all that we can in this busy world to make our brother's cross a little lighter and by so doing, our own cross will become lighter also. KRAG

ARNETT, OKLA.—

Class rooms have been constructed in the church here, which have proved to be a great blessing to the church. A good Vacation Bible School was held here. Among those helping were Vivian Steffins and Jack Hopson, along with others from the church.

Brother and Sister Harold Bollinger, pastors.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Lida Ann Beckway Kerst was born February 2, 1891 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. She, with her family, moved to Galveston at the age of about 18 months.

Growing to womanhood here, Lida was married to Harry Kerst, April 10, 1912. To this union were born two children, a son, Harold, and a daughter, Dorothy.

The family moved to LaMarque in 1947 where she departed this life March 17, 1958.

Mrs. Kerst, a devoted wife, a loving, understanding mother, and a true Christian of more than 40 years was a faithful worker in the Apostolic Faith Church of Alvin.

She leaves to mourn her passing — Her husband, Harry Kerst; a son, Harold L. Kerst; a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Cannon, three grandchildren, Marsha Kerst, Ann Lenor Cannon and Harry Cannon, all of LaMarque; a brother, A. J. Beckway; three sisters, Mrs. Rose Rollish, Mrs. Florence Mitchell, and Mrs. Ada Mitchell, all of Galveston, and many other relatives and dear friends.

Pallbearers were A. H. Beckway, Jr., George Delaney, Edward Mitchell, Jr., Stacy Botter, R. J. Methvin and Winfrey Wooster.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—

We are very happy to say that the Lord is blessing and the church here is growing. Sunday, June 8 we reached our attendance goal for that Sunday with forty in Sunday school. Also, there has been considerable interest in Sunday evening and Wednesday evening services. With the help of God we are looking forward to great things here. Pray for the work here that God will move in the hearts of men and women in our community. The church and I would like to extend a personal invitation to preachers, gospel workers, and laymen to visit us here.

Ross Briles, pastor



DISAPPOINTED

AUTHOR UNKNOWN

"I came to your church last Sunday,
I walked up and down the aisle,
I noticed your seat was vacant,"

Said the Master, with a kindly
smile.

"Yes, I was at home," I answered,
"Some folks from up Salem way
Drove down for a week end visit,
So we stayed in the house all day."

Or, "I had an awful headache,"
"I had a roast in the pan"
Or, "We over slept that mroning,
But I go whene'er I can."

"I went to the morning service,
Not over two months ago,
So much work must wait till Sunday,
There's no time for church, you
know."

The Master gazed at me sadly,
As He was about to speak.
"My child," He replied, "are there
not
Six other days in the week?"

"If all of my other children,
Should treat me the same as you,
My House would be closed—de-
serted—
THEN WHAT WOULD LOST
SINNERS DO?"

I saw I had grieved my Master,
As slowly He turned away,
And I vowed He'd not find me ab-
sent
Again on His Holy Day.

DUMAS, TEXAS—

The people of the church here are enjoying the blessings of the Lord. A Daily Vacation Bible School was held June 9th - 13th, with an enrollment of 74. The Lord really blessed the school. Brother C. O. Bard conducted a good revival June 15th - 29th. There were six saved, five sanctified, two received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and seven were baptized in water. The Van Benthusen sisters assisted in this meeting. Quite a number of the youth from here are looking forward to attending youth camp.

Brother and Sister Lealand Grimmer, pastors.

Wedding Announcement

Miss Lois Nadine Myers, daughter of Mrs. Goldie Myers, 1715 Galena Avenue, Galena, Kansas, became the bride of Herbert W. Toppings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Toppings, Joplin, Missouri, at 8:00 o'clock Saturday night, June 14th in the home of the bride's mother.

The vows were exchanged before a beautifully decorated arch, with palms, gladioli, and white tapers in tall candelabra on either side, in the presence of immediate relatives and a few close friends.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. M. D. Methvin. Traditional wedding music was played by Mrs. M. D. Methvin.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, First Sergeant Henry M. Myers of Rolla, Missouri, wore a white nylon embroidered sheath dress with overskirt of tulle. Her veil of bridal illusion fell from a pearl crown. She carried a bouquet of white carnations centered with baby pink rose buds.

Miss Norma Jean Sears, maid of honor, wore a blue sheath dress with corsage of white carnations.

The candlelighters were Misses Patricia Myers, Sharon Myers and Glenda Smith, nieces of the bride. They wore dresses of nylon net in pretty pastel colors.

Launa Boulware, Deborah Smith and Pamela Magana were flower girls. They wore white embroidered nylon dresses with full skirts and carried white baskets of rose petals.

Van Eugene Boulware was ring bearer and Kenneth Myers, Jr., served as usher. Robert Blotter of Webb City, Missouri, was best man.

Mrs. Myers, mother of the bride, wore a lilac blue sheer dress. Her corsage was white carnations.

The groom's mother wore a pink linen dress. Her corsage was white carnations.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the home. The bride's table was covered with a lace cloth and featured a two-tiered wedding cake decorated with white dove and wedding bells. The punch was served from a crystal punch bowl by Miss Judith Myers, of Rolla Missouri, niece of the bride. Others assisting

KINGMAN, KANSAS—

Sis. Lula Parham and Sis. Jessie Tucker, with co-workers Joan Blackman and Eva J. Neff have just closed a successful D.V.B. School here. There were 11 saved in this school and the last night a beautiful program was presented.

Sunday, June 29th, was a big day for this folk. They had special services and many guests. Bro. and Sis. Ben Barker of Enid, Okla., and their daughters, LaMoyné of the home, Sis. Elmo Gregory of So. Dakota and Sis. Wilbur Fullbright and her three sons of Boston, Mass., were present. Also Sis. Lula Parham of Baxter Springs, Kans., Sis. Jessie Tucker of Katy, Texas, and Sis. Joan Blackman of Rockdale, Texas, attended these services. Bro. Barker brought the morning message which was enjoyed by all, after which a basket dinner was served in the Riverside Park by the entire church which was a great time of Christian fellowship. Bro. and Sis. Chas. Menke, pastors.

ALVIN, TEXAS—

The Alvin Apostolic Church had a wonderful Vacation Bible School this year with an enrollment of 70. The theme used was "Bible Sea Adventures". The teachers and helpers in this V. B. S. were local people, with the exception of Sis. Delilah Wooster; but it is wonderful when you have those in your church that will work to see the church progress and things go for the glory of the Lord. The different classes enjoyed interesting stories, and were able to make interesting handicrafts that corresponded with the theme of the school. The dates of the V.B.S. were June 16-20. The school closed with a program and presentation of certificates on Sunday night the 22nd. The program was enjoyed with a full house; and everyone worked together for the glory of the Lord. They are looking forward to taking several to Youth Camp.

Bro. and Sis. Winston Barker,
Pastors.

at the reception were Mrs. Henry M. Myers, Rolla, Missouri, Mrs. Jack Boulware, Webb City, Missouri, and Mrs. Glen Smith, Galena, Kansas.

The bride and groom are at home at 828 Pearl, Joplin, Missouri.

BIBLE LESSON

By MARCUS ADAIR

"Christian Duties and Obligations"

These are not optional but commands. — "Go ye . . . "Give to Him . . . "Love your enemies . . . "Do good. . . .

I. Define Christian.

Christ like, follower of Christ, believing in Christ's principles.

1. Love your enemies.
2. Return good for evil.
3. Resist not evil.
4. Go the second mile.
5. Love thy neighbor as thyself.

II. Christianity denotes Service.

Matt. 20:27 — "Whosoever will be chief among you let him be your servant."

Matt. 20:28 — "The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many."

Eccl. 9:10 — "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might: for there is no work, no device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the grave, whither thou goest."

Rom. 12:1 — ". . . present your bodies a living sacrifice . . . holy, acceptable."

Rom. 12:13 — "Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality."

Rom. 12:11 — "Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit."

Rom. 12:20 — "Therefore if thine enemy hunger feed him, if he thirst, give him drink; for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head."

Gal. 6:10 — "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."

III. Christian Obligations of Doing.

1. Giving of Time.

Illustration: Peter's Call, Matt. 4:19, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."; Peter's Lack of Performance, Matt. 26:58, "But Peter followed him afar off. . ."; Peter's Fall, John 21:3, "Simon Peter saith unto them, 'I go a fishing.' They say unto him, we also go with thee."

2. Giving of Service, James 2:15-20; I Cor. 3:13, 14; Rev. 20:12.

3. Giving of Substance.

IV. We have a Goal in View.

Phil. 3:13, 14. "I press toward the mark for the prize. . . ."

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Almost But Not Quite

By JOYCE SHACKLEFORD

Once there was a revival in the town where Mike and Ethel lived. The revival had been going a week, and they had not missed a single night. By this time both were miserable because of their sins, conviction was heavy upon them as the Spirit dealt with their hearts. The preacher, Mr. Lee, came back and talked to them one night, he asked them if they were saved, Ethel said she had known the Lord at one time but Mike had never been saved. Mr. Lee asked them if they wanted to know more about Jesus, Mike and Ethel both said yes, but not tonight. Mike said I am going to be saved some day, after I have a good time.

Mr. Lee told them how no man knew when he might have his last chance to be saved, but like so many people Mike and Ethel didn't give in to the voice of God and be saved from sin into every lasting life. Mr. Lee and his wife prayed a special prayer that night that the Lord would continue to deal with the two young people and open their eyes before it was too late for them.

That night as Mike and Ethel left the church Mrs. Lee invited them to come back tomorrow night, they said they would be there. As they were going home Mike said to Ethel I want to be a christian but I am afraid if the kids at school knew I was a christian they would make fun and call me a sissy.

The next day at school Ethel asked Mike if he was going to come by for her as usual, Mike said he would, but all afternoon he was thinking of the dance at Nashville a town about forty miles away. He decided to ask Ethel if she hadn't rather go there than to that old revival. So that night about 7:30 Mike came by, but instead of going toward the church he took the road to Nashville, then he asked Ethel what she would rather do, and she said the dance was fine with her, they could go to the revival another night.

As the roads were slick they

ARITHMETIC

4 men	in the
4 women	ark
12 men	leaves
1 man	apostles
20 days	days of
20 days	rain

SPELLING

J e ... s ... s. D ... v ... d.
M a ... t ... a. P ... t ... r.

READING

Matt. 10:32. Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.

couldn't drive very fast, so it was almost 9:30 when they got to the dance, and after the dance they went to a cafe, they took a booth and ordered hamburgers and cokes. They discussed the doing at the dance, and how much fun they had, then they put money in the jute box and danced to the music. Before they knew it the clock on the wall read 1:00, Ethel was worried when she saw the time, she was not supposed to be out very late, and as her parents thought she went to the church they would be getting worried also. So they left the cafe not paying attention to the fact that the weather had gotten worse, Mike was going much too fast for the road conditions, but they made it alright until they reached the edge of town, where the train tracks crossed the highway. As Mike skidded around the curve he saw the train coming but he couldn't get control of the car on the icy pavement, Ethel screamed as Mike applied the brakes but the wheels did not stop, the car hit the train going nearly forty miles an hour. The engineer quickly ran to the car to help if he could. Ethel was unconscious, but Mike was dead. In the hospital later as Ethel was able to have visitors Mr. and Mrs. Lee came to see her, Ethel was saved right then and there, but as for Mike, he was almost saved but not quite.

Bible Quiz

1. How many parts are there in the Bible?
2. How many books are there in the Old Testament?
3. How many books are there in the New Testament?
4. How many books are called the books of Moses?
5. How many books are named for women?
6. In what book do we find the story of Daniel in the Lion's den?
7. In what book do we find the 23rd Psalm?
8. What is the first book in the Bible?
9. What is the last Book in the Bible?
10. What is the name of one Apostle?
11. Who was the first man to die for the gospel of Christ?
12. How many times did Peter deny Jesus?

TO BE MEMORIZED

1. First five books of the old Testament. **Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy.** Boys and girls these books are called the Books of Moses or the Books of Law. These books were written by Moses, in these books we have many stories about the Children of Israel, and how God brought them out of Egypt.
2. **Genesis 1:1. In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.**

TO BE READ

The Story of Joseph, Genesis 37, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45. Most of you boys and girls will already know the story of Joseph, how his brothers sold him into slavery in Egypt, but it would be nice now that you are big enough to read some for yourself to develop good Bible reading habits. You small children who can't read yet might be able to get an older brother or sister or parent to read the story of Joseph to you, Good luck in your reading, I know each of you will enjoy the story as much as I do.

BE READY TO APPEAR BEFORE CHRIST

By JIMMY WALLIS

TEXT: I PETER 4:17-18.

FOR THE TIME IS COME THAT JUDGMENT MUST BEGIN AT THE HOUSE OF GOD: AND IF IT FIRST BEGIN AT US, WHAT SHALL THE END BE OF THEM THAT OBEY NOT THE GOSPEL OF GOD? AND IF THE RIGHTEOUS SCARCELY BE SAVED, WHERE SHALL THE UNGODLY AND THE SINNER APPEAR?

Luke 6:46. And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

Another Scripture of instruction relates these words, "Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock." Matt. 7:24. The height of folly can be found in these words and thoughts, "The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God—". Psalm 14:1..

Jesus wants us to have His best, the best in salvation and gifts and preservation. He wants us to have that first love. Something that keeps us filled with peace and rest and a love light that will not die. I know when and where I was saved, out on the mesa in Colorado. I was too young to even think about the importance of remembering the date, but I know when my sins were forgiven and when my salvation came. I asked God to forgive me, and He did forgive me and He came into my heart. Something had come into my heart, my life was different now. It was quite a step to tell my school chums about Jesus and His saving power. Do you witness for Jesus, nor never fear to tell the love story of His saving grace? I stand before you tonight, a sinner saved by grace.

A recent writer advanced this thought, that we would not be able to recognize this world by the year

of 2000 because of the changes that will take place. I agree, but beyond his stand-point, because before that time we are looking for Jesus to return to this old world and what a change will take place? What will you do for the first one thousand years with Jesus? All that I will do I do not know, but this one thing I do know, I want to praise Him and thank Him for what He has done for me.

All this I gave to lead to this thought, What will be the end of them that obey not the Gospel? As I look at this Bible, written by Holy men of old as they were moved by the Holy Spirit, I have a complete guide and perfect book of instructions for the road to eternity and home and God. By the added work of preaching, even the foolishness of preaching men are saved. I Cor. 1:21. I am offering to you as an ambassador of Jesus Christ eternal life, yet many will refuse it. Turn away from life, for a few minutes of sin and its deceitful pleasures. If some doctor could by his act or art give you a few more hours when life is over, he could set his price. Many people are now living in the muddy troubled waters of the out skirts of the blessings of God, when there is a river flowing, pure and holy wherein your soul can abide. Most people want their loved ones saved. They want an answer to the ever present question, "What will the end of them be, that obey not the Gospel of God? Excuses mount, until you hide behind them; however face the facts, It is your will standing against the will of God. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak, is contrary, and does not readily accept the will of God. This human will can lead you to death. The author of our salvation brought Himself into the will of God. Heb. 12:2. Heb. 10:7-9.

The life that I now live I live by His grace and His will. His guidance and His love. My will must die daily to His will. May I ask you this question, sinner? Do you really want to be lost? Down in your heart there is a longing for more than that. A better judgment prompts you to come to Jesus and live. Many people are as hard as they want to be, as bound as the Devil wishes, living behind a shell,

seeking only your own selfish desire—but God has a better way for you.

I have two words, so deep and powerful that I want you to consider and weigh with all your might. These words are LOST and ETERNITY. There are three things that I just cannot comprehend. ETERNITY—FAITH— and THE LOVE OF GOD. Through the night travels the moon some 240,000 miles above us. If it were possible to walk to the moon, it would take about 17 years if you walked 40 miles a day. But beyond that is the sun, still higher at a distance of 93,000,000 miles away. Traveling on a train 50 miles an hour it would take about 212 years to reach the sun. Yet all of the particles of the earth could be carried to the sun and returned and eternity would have just begun. Faith is so powerful it meets all needs, and requirements. It deals with God, it changes the life of man. Faith knows no limit. Only by faith are we saved or ever made ready for eternity. The Love of God is so deep, so boundless, with such pity and understanding, that only God could have such love, pay such a price for a sinner's soul. The message of salvation is a story of Good news. A light that shines, a voice that calls, and most of all we have here His love that promotes faith to call us to eternity. Although I know them well, and from my childhood spent much time in them, one day I found myself lost in the Rockies. There in a dense forest and undercovering I began to seek a way out. Soon I saw a shaft of light in a clearing, and from that point I worked my way to a distant road and camp. What a joy it was to know that I was safe again. Lost sinner, come from under your covering, there is a light for you, right directions and a guiding hand to lead you to Christ and to salvation, to make your soul ready for long eternity. Sinner, lost one, hear the voice, heed the warning, and come home. Of all of life's forces and gifts you need God most of all. What will the end of them be that obey not the Gospel?

"And I will deliver thee out of the hand of the wicked, and I will redeem thee out of the hand of the terrible." Jer. 15:21.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

1.—two. 2.—39. 3.—27. 4.—five. 5.—two. 6.—Daniel. 7.—Psalms. 8.—Genesis. 9.—Revelation. 10.—could be one of twelve men. 11.—Stephen. 12.—three.

BE SEEN IN ME

By Wanda Townsend

As I was going about my work, meditating and softly humming the chorus so often sang in our young people's services and at our youth camps, a tender voice seemed to say, "Yes, you sang about it, but just what does it consist of?" I continued to think upon the subject until I could find time to get alone and pray and study. I asked God to help me to thoroughly understand what we are asking for, when we sing, "Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me, all His wonderful passion and purity".

As I began to study about passion and purity, which are two of the attribute in the beauty of Christ, I found a beautiful picture of passion in Webster's new practical dictionary. Webster gave the definition of passion as: The sufferings of Christ during the time between the Last Supper and His death. To look into these sufferings, let us consider some of the writings of Luke and Matthew. In Luke 22:39 through 23:46 and Matt.26:36—27:50, during His time of prayer in the garden, Christ had such passion for a world lost in sin, that He prayed in agony until His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. I wonder how many Christians today can say they sweat in great drops of blood falling down to the ground. I wonder how many Christians today can say they sweat in great drops because of praying in agony for that lost man, woman, boy, or girl.

When Jesus went away and prayed three times, each time returning to His disciples and finding them asleep, He no doubt, was very sorrowful; yet He only said, "Sleep on now, and take your rest." Beloved could it be within our own ranks, maybe one who will read this article, that Jesus has called on to do something so many times and they have failed to obey, that Jesus has just decided that He will bear the cross alone and has said, "Sleep on now, and take your rest". Christians let's awake out of our slumber. When Judas came to betray Jesus, and bold Peter sliced off the ear of the high priest, Jesus showed mercy and peace instead of rebellion, by heal-

ing the ear of the high priest. Jesus knew that the rulers were there to lead Him into trial where He would be falsely accused and then crucified. What passion for mankind.

Then I see Peter who followed Jesus afar off, cursing and denying that he even knew our Saviour. When the cock crew, Jesus didn't scream or yell at Peter, as some do their own children. He just turned and tenderly looked at him.

As the trial continued, Jesus was mocked, spit upon, falsely accused, crowned with thorns and condemned to die; but through it all He held His peace. Beloved, it wasn't because Jesus couldn't get help that He had such passion, it was His love for you and me. Jesus could have called for more than twelve legion of angels and the Father would have granted it, but not so, He fulfilled His mission.

Now we find the definition for purity to read: Freedom from guilt or sin; innocence. I Pet. 2:22, "Who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth." 2 Cor. 5:21, "For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him." Heb. 4:15, "For we have not a high priest which cannot be touched with the felling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."

Christians, we are surely left without excuse if our lives portray temper instead of peace, hatred instead of love, and pride instead of humility. Jesus gave His life for our redemption and suffered the stripes for our healing, and I am persuaded to be-

GALENA, KANSAS—

Sisters Helen and Marie Arnold report that the Lord gave a wonderful Vacation Bible School at Galena, Kansas. There was a total enrollment of 114, with a daily average of about 95. The theme used was "We Worship The Lord", and the children seemed to enjoy their lessons and got a lot from the School. There were approximately 25 children and young people that went to the altar and said they were saved. We were very thankful; and it was a beautiful scene to see almost the entire school gathered around the altar praying.

M. D. Methvin, Pastor.

lieve that through the glorious power of His resurrection we can become overcomers of any obstacle or weight that so easily besets us.

Another meaning of purity found in a Bible commentary written by Faussett - Brown is: Simple, true and genuine. In Isaiah 53:2 we read, "For He shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of dry ground. He hath no form nor comeliness, and when we shall see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him."

Christ was not richly adorned but was simple and humble. He is true and genuine, not one that we depend on today and tomorrow has turned against us. Oh, that we could see the need of winning souls by our lives portraying such beauty of Jesus, that sinners could see such passion and purity in our lives that they would long to know Christ as their personal Saviour.

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