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Lift up a standard for the people.-Isaiah 62:10.

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Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies.-Psalm 23-5.

THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF CHRIST

As we draw near to Christmas, when we commemorate the birthday of our Lord, how sacred is the memory of His birth His life and death on earth for the sake of poor, lost, sinful, sick and suffering humanity.

You may say that Christmas never meant much to you, as it may not be really the day of Christ's birth. Whether it is the exact date or not, I believe it is pleasing to God that we hold one day in sacred memory to the advent of the Son of God on earth to take upon Himself the likeness of sinful flesh, and become the Son of man.

Though we cannot prevent the world celebrating this day as simply a "holiday" for their wordly pleasures, and Christmas time for worldly gain, we as Christians should keep it as a "holy day."

However, even by those who don't know God, there is no day during the whole year when families are united and remember with loving kindness the absent members of the household, also the poor and needy and those in trouble and distress, as they do at Christmas.

Though the curse came by disobedience, God made the home ties sacred by His Son becoming a member of an earthly family, and honored motherhood, by Christ being born of a woman. Isa 9:6. For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulders and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

Matt. 1-21. And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His name Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins. 23. Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring a Son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

Luke. 2:10-14. And the angel said unto them, Fear not, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you: ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God

and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

16. And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. Matt 2. Luke 2.

The shepherds saw the wondrous light. And, kneeling there,

They heard a Christmas anthem fall Upon the air.

"Glory to God,' the angels sang,

And, breathless then,

They listened to the added words:

"Good will to men."

He was an example to children of obedience. Luke. 2:51. And He went down with them and came to Nazareth and was subject unto them. Luke 2:43-52. God gave His only begotten Son (John 3:16) the priceless Gift of heaven. to come to this world and taste of the sorows and sufferings of this life, that He might tread the way before us, and understand our trials and testings. Heb. 4:15. For we have not an High Priest, which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmites, but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. He was weary John 4:6. Jesus therefore, being weary with His journey, sat thus on the well. He sympathized. Isa. 53:4. Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows: John 11:33. When Jesus therefore saw her weeping and the Jews also weeping which came with her, He groaned in the spirit and was troubled. 35 Jesus wept. He knew sorrow and suffering. Isa. 53:3. He is despised and rejected of men: a man of sorrow and acquainted with grief.

2 Cor. 1:5. For the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also abound by Christ. Heb. 5:8. Though He were a Son, yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered.

I Peter 2:21. For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that we should follow His steps.

He became a servant. Luke 22:27. I am among you as He that serveth. Matt 20:27-28. And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant.

Even as the Son of man came not to be minis-

tered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many.

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Phil 2:7. Made Himself of no reputation and took upon Him the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men. 1 John 2:6. He that saith he abideth in Him, ought himself also to walk, even as He walked.

Let us examine ourselves and ask God to search our hearts, that we may measure our lives by the Word of God and by our Great Example.

Dear popular leaders, are you walking, "even as He walked?" And you who are being "persecuted" Are you really "suffering for righteousness sake" and the power of God in your lives or for human weakness, mistakes and failures?

Romans 8:3. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His own Son, in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh. John 1:14. The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten Son of the Father) full of grace and truth.

John 1:18. No man hath seen God at anytime, the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared Him.

John 14:28. For my Father is greater than I.

All though the gospels, and especially in the gospel of John, Christ honors God as His Father. As we worship the Christ, may our hearts be melted in love and reverence to the Father for the Gift of His dear Son.

As we honor the Giver (The Father) we also honor the Gift (The Son) and our hearts in rapture sing, "Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost."

"Son of God"

Testimony of God. Psa. 2:7. I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten Thee.

Matt. 3:17 And lo, a voice from heaven saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Mark 1:11. Luke 3:22.

Matt 17:5. While he yet spake, behold a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye Him. Mark 9:7. Luke 9:35.

Testimony of Christ. Mark 14:61-62. Again the high priest asked Him, and said unto Him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? And Jesus said, I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Also Matt 26: 63-64. Luke 22:67-71.

Luke 10:22. All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is but the Father: and who the Father is, but the Son, and he to whom the Son will reveal Him.

John 9:35-37. Jesus heard that they had cast him out: and when He had found him, He said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God?

He answered and said, who is He. Lord, that I might believe on Him? And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen Him, and it is He that talketh with thee.

John 4:25-26. The woman saith unto Him, I know that Messias cometh which is called the Christ: when He is come, He will tell us all things.

Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am He. John 10:36. Say ye of Him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest, because I said, I am the Son of God?

Matt. 12:39-40 But he answered and said unto them, an evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign: and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas.

For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly: so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

Testimony of disciples John 1:34. I saw and bear record that this is the Son of God.

Matt. 16:16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Testimony of the centurion, Matt 27:54. Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly saying, Truly this was the Son of God. Also Mark 15:39.

Testimony of devils. Matt 8:29 And behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with Thee, Jesus, Thou Son of God? Art Thou come hither to torment us before the time? Also Luke 8:28.

Mark 5: 6-7. But when he saw Jesus afar off, he ran and worshipped Him,

And cried with a loud voice, and said, What have I to do with Thee, Jesus, Thou Son of the most high God? I adjure Thee by God, that Thou torment me not. Also Luke 4: 33, 34-41.

Though I have only given a portion of the Scriptures on this great subject, I trust the Holy Spirit will make them very real to us. That by faith, this Christmas time, we may look backward "over the hill tops of the ages," and see the Babe of Bethlehem, and realize that He is indeed Emmanuel, God with us.

May we as Pilate said, "Behold the Man!" Suspended between earth and heaven, rejected by both for our sakes, yet He was very God and very Man. Even though Pilate was judging, condemning and rejecting the Christ, I believe as he drew the attention of the crowd to look upon Him that Pilate was for the time lost in admiration as he gazed upon the wonderful life and manhood of the Son of man, God manifest in the flesh through His Son.

Bible students may read many books on the divinity of Christ, and try to reason and study it out from an intellectual standpoint, but still doubt and wonder. But those of us who are really converted, and have had a "glimpse of Jesus," do not doubt, but with assurance say, as did Peter, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

We may read of good men in history, and admire the lives of heroes, but they were just human, and can not come into hearts and change our lives.

Neither could the man of Galliee, who lived on earth over 1900 years ago, if He were just a good man, and not divine, our risen Lord, our living Christ!

Truly we stand amazed as we see the wonderful plan of salvation and the love of God.

Romans 8:32. He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

Romans 12:1. I beseech you therefore, brethern, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is our reasonable service.

As we think of the many marvelous scenes in Christ's life, how we would have loved to have witnessed these things but a greater and grander hope is just ahead of us as we look forward into the future.

When we "shall see the Son of man, sitting on the right hand of power and coming in the clouds of heaven," it will not then be the Son of man in suffering humanity, but the Son of God, in glorified divinity.

King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Blessed be His Name.

Yours looking for that glorious Hope.

Sarah E. Parham.

The Shepherd

A stranger once, in Syria, saw An old sheep-fold without a door, A square enclosed by rough stone wall, An opening and nothing more.

He asked in wonder, "Where's the door?" A Syrian answered in surprise, "The Shepherd is the door himself: Just in that opening he lies."

No wolf, that prowling through the night, To find a place that he may sleep. Or enter to devour, can pass This door and shepherd of the sheep.

No lamb, in foolish restlessness Or terror, waking from its sleep To wonder from the fold, can pass This door and shepherd of the sheep.

So Jesus, by Thy parable, Thou art the Shepherd and the Door: Keep out our deadly enemy, Keep in Thy Sheep, forever more.

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Note—I do not know who wrote the above piece but I am publishing it in rememberance of Chas. F. Parham's trip to the Holy Land. While he was in Palestine, he witnessed the same scene, asked the same question and received the same answer. No doubt many of our readers will remember him, telling about this when he showed the pictures of Palestine.

In a Nutshell

"To share with others, in the name of the Lord, is to increase one's own possessions."

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THE STANDARD

"Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the people Isaiah 62:10. Jesus said "I am the way, the truth and the life." In all things we are to follow His example and because people have thought this standard was too high for them to attain, they have fallen short of full redemption. But the Scripture teaches us "He that sanctifieth and they that are sanctified are one." And Paul said "let us go on to perfection." Jesus said, "Without me ye can do nothing." Paul said "The blood of the everlasting covenant make you perfect." And again the Word says "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

We are "to study to show ourselves approved of God." To overcome just as Jesus overcame. "In Him was no sin." If we fail to obey we do not walk as He walked. For "He became obedient unto death." If we fail in love we do not walk in Him, for "God is love."

If we condemn others or judge them we fail for He said, I judge no man neither do I condemn.

He made Himself of no reputation, He sought not honor of men. He resisted not evil. He pleased not Himself. He was meek and lowly and humbled Himself even to the obedience of the cross. The grace of sanctification puts us into a life of holiness wherein we stand and hope for the glory of God and it is only in Him that we can live up to the Standard. This new birth puts you into Christ. "As ye have hither to received Christ Jesus, our Lord, so walk ye in Him" and he "that abideth in Christ ought to walk even as He walked" Are you ready to meet Him at His coming? Surely He is coming soon. "He that hath this hope in him purifieth himself even as He is pure."

And now, little children, abide in Him; that when He shall appear we may be like Him and have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming.

We are admonished to be diligent, that ye may be found of Him in peace, without spot and blameless.

God has given us the Scriptures, and all the instruction we need that we may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works; teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lists, we should live soberly, righteously and godly in this present world.

Looking for that blessed hope and glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ. M. E. Parham, Cheney, Kans.

The Millennium, or Sabbath of the Lord (By Evangelist Chester Jackson)

The Millennium is known in the Bible as "the day of rest," "restoration of Israel," "Christ's reign," "The Kingdom" as "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven" so if His will is to be done in earth, as in heaven, there must come a time when there will be no sin in earth, and we know that this did not happen when Christ was here the first time, for they crucified Him and ever since the days of Adam in the garden has there been no time in earth when there was no sin. While Christ made an end of sin to those that find spiritual life in Him, but God speaks of a time" when the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea." Isa. 11: 19, read Jer 31:31-34, Heb. 8:11; This teaches there is to be a time when all who dwell upon the earth shall know Him, as yet this time has not come. Now the apostles asked Him Acts 1:6. "Lord will Thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel" for they knew that there was to be a time when the kingdom was to be restored, Isa. 1:26 Jer. 33:7 ;24-26, also many others about restoring the "kingdom." Christ also told of a time when He should return and "gather out of His Kingdom all things that offend" and (Matt. 25:31-34) He "shall say to them on His right hand, come, ye blessed of my father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." That which was prepared for them from the foundation of the world, was that which Adam enjoyed before he sinned and was driven from the garden, which was a paradise upon the earth. So God intended that man should live in a place of this kind here upon the earth: this will take place in the Millennium. Other Scriptures could be brought, but will go on to who lives in the Millennium or maybe I had better take up when it begins.

Seven years before the millennium Christ is

to come as "a thief in the night" 1 Thess. 5:314, but He says that it is not to be as a thief to the "brethern" for they are "not in darkness." Now we know "as a thief" and "every eye shall see Him" cannot be at the same time, so He comes at the rapture for those that are "accounted worthy to escape those things that are coming upon the earth" or the tribulation period. So His coming is after the tribulation. Now we know that Christ is not here as some teach, for "every eye shall see Him" Rev. 1:7; Acts 1:11 Luke 21:27; and then He comes, Zech. 14:4-11; "His feet shall stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives.—"11 Thess. 2:8" that Wicked (Antichrist) be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming." This has not happened, so Christ has not come, for all these things are to take place when He comes. Then again 1 Thess 4:15-18 "the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout. with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first; then we which are alive and REMAIN shall be caught up together-"As so many are in doubt as to when the first resurrection takes place, I feel I should stop here and explain this Scripture as I see it. Some say that the resurrection must take place before the rapture, being cofused by the Scripture "we which are alive and remain." I would like to ask, who it is that REMAINS unto the coming of the Lord? It is not the "Manchild" for they are caught away before the tribulation, Rev.12, here we find three classes the "manchild caught up" or the rapture, the "woman that is sheltered in the wilderness," and "the remnent of her seed" which are killed or the tribulation saints, as the only ones, of the people of God that "remain to the coming of the Lord" are those sheltered in the wilderness, or the Bride, and they do to prevent those that are asleep but the dead in Christ rise first, and the Bride, the remaining ones are changed, at His coming to set up his reign.

Some might say who is resurrected? Rev. 20:6, says it will be "the blessed and holy" that hath part in the first resurrection (sanctified ones, for it is sanctification that makes holy) those of the body of believers that live in the Millennium are the raptured saints, the class sheltered in the wilderness, and the blessed and

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holy dead, also there is to be a class of people live in the natural human bodies, "and it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts"Zech. 14:16. These nations will be of the ten lost tribes of the children of Israel, and with the Jews will be united under one king, Ezek. 37:20-22, "I will make them one nation in the land up on the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all" It is over these that Jesus told Peter, Matt.19:-27-28"That ye which have followed me; in the generation (Millennium day) when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of His glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones judging the twelve tribes of the children of Israel." David will be king over them all. Jer. 30:9 Ezek. 34:23-24, Hosea 3:5. Besides these there is to be left another people, Zeph. 3:12. "I will leave in the midst of these an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust in the name of the Lord. "These are the 'heathen given for an inheritance'." Ps. 2:8 Ps. 22:27-31. Thus in the Millennium will reign with Christ the over coming Saints, Israel restored, and the heathen, but there will be no resurrection of the dead to have a "second chance" for "the rest of the dead live not until the thousand years are finished."

Now as to where it is to be. Dan. 2:34 and 44. "The God of heaven shall set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed" and the kingdom shall not be left to other people." Dan 7:18 "The saints of the most High shall take the kingdom" this kingdom is to be upon the earth, Rev. 11:15. "The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdom of our Lord and His Christ.' 'Also Rev.5:10, we are to reign with Him upon the earth. Some are to reign over five and ten cities, so under the twelve apostles, the ruling class will rule the nations, Rev. 12:5.

As to the length of this period, it is to be "one day with the Lord" or a thousand years, Rev. 20:1-5. This is the time when all shall enjoy the fulless of Christ; for "we shall live in His sight" Hosea 6:12 and "nothing shall hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain," Isa. 11: 4-9; every man shall set under his own vine and fig tree and none shall make them afraid." Thus will the dream of poet and sage be realized, also the hearts cry of humanity from the fall of Adam. So we today should "labor therefore to en-

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ter into that day of rest" Heb. 4:11, verse 9 says "there remaineth therefore a day of rest to the people of God" margin "keeping of a sabbath."

This period will end with satan being loosed to try the nations. Many will be deceived, and he will lead them against the camp of the Saints. This will be his last great attempt to destroy the saints of God, but fire comes dawn from God and destroys them. The second resurrection takes place, the books are opened and they are judged out of the things found written in the books. Those that are not found worthy of life are cast into the lake of fire and destroyed and the kingdom is turned over to God, after the last enemy has been destroyed, which is death. 1 Cor. 15:26-28. But when He (Jesus) saith all things are put under Him, it is manifested that He (God) is excepted. Then shall the Son also Himself be subject unto Him that put all things puder Him. that God may be all." 24 verse, "Then cometh the end when He shall have delivered up th kingdom to God, even the Father:" Rev. 21:1 and I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea—and I heard a voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He shall dwell with them."

Brethern the kingdom is almost here, yet the earth is to pass through the tribulaion period, or time of trouble, so watch and pray that ye be accounted worthy to escape those things that are coming on the earth and to stand before the Son of man. We should be found doing as He tells us in Malachi 3:16-18 "Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another and the Lord hearkened and heard—and they shall be mine in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him."

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-Whittier.

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Oh, think of the ones who sit in need In rooms that are cheerless, bare!

With eyes that are dim, with the tears they've shed,

Oh, think of them waiting there!

In serving the needy you glorify Him, As you walk life's great highway; Be mindful of those who sit alone In poverty Christmas Day.

Into your heart let Christmas come, And do what you can to bring Joy to those who are hungry and cold; Tell them of Christ the King.

Into your hearts let Christmas come, Keep envy and strife away;

For He came to bring peace and hope and love, The child that was born on the hay.

Into your heart let Christmas come; What matter though poor you are? The Christ-child in a manger lay, But over Him shone the star.

Into your heart let Christmas come, With its message so fine, so true; What matter if gifts be small and poor, Is Christ not enough for you?

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"LET GO AND LET GOD"

I hung this motto up in our home years ago, and when Mr. Parham came back from one of his evangelistic trips he looked at it thoughtfully and said, "That is a good motto." The more we think of these five words, I believe the more they will mean to us.

For an illustration, with our mind's eye, let us get a glimpse of the dear old country home. The child goes to the barn to help do the chores trying to carry a large bucket of cobs. Though the father knows the bucket is too heavy for him, he is pleased with his desire to help and let's him try. The little fellow trudges to the house, straining every effort, and spending all his strength. The loving father is near, watching his child, and offers his help but the little fellow still believes in his own strength and says, "No, no, I can, let me."

But the burden grows heavier, his strength fails, and he cries, "Now, I will let you daddy." The father is waiting to help, and his strong loving arms pick up the child and the burden and carry them over the rough places, safely home.

Do we not sometimes, as God's children, trying to work for our heavenly Father, struggle along endeavoring in our own strength to carry a burden which is too much for us, and persistently refuse to "let go and let God," carry us through and bear the burden for us. Though He is our burden-bearer, He does not take our burdens from us until we feel our own weakness, and need of help and are willing to make a full and unconditional surrender to Him.

Psa. 55-22. Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee; He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.

Dear sinner friend, let Jesus come into your heart, Let Him take your burden of guilt and sin.

Isa. 1:18. Come now, and let us reason together saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

Psa. 51:7 Purge me with hysop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Job 31:14 What then shall I do when God riseth up? and when He visiteth, what shall I answer Him?

Can we depend on our wisdom? No.

1 Cor. 1:19-20. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent. Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this world? Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? Also 25-29.

1 Cor. 3: 19-20. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written. He taketh the wise in their own craftness. And again, The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain.

Can we depend our own righteousness? No.

Isa. 64:6. But we are all as an unclean thing and all our righteousness as filthy rags: and we all do fade as a leaf: and our uniquities, like the wind, has taken us away. Also Job 15:14-16. Job 22:3. Matt. 5:20. Can we depend on our good works? No.

Gal. 2:16. For by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

Ehp. 2:9. Not of works, lest any man should boast.

We must "let go" ourselves, selfishness and self effort for Jesus said, "Without me, ye can do nothing." John 15:5.

When "God visiteth us" I am sure we don't want to be clothed in filthy rags, but may we have on the wedding garment of His righteousness. "accepted in the beloved." 1 Cor. 1:30-31. But of Him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made into us Wisdom and Righteousnes, and Sanctification, and Redemption.

That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord. If we would "walk even as He walked," we must "let go" our reputation, and die to what people say of us, "for He made Himself of no reputation" and was despised and rejected of men.

How sad it must be, in the sight of God, to see His children jealous of one another, and trying to tear down each others work, and destroy another's influence to establish their own instead of standing together against the common foe, sin and satan, the enemy of our souls. In God's great harvest field there is need of many workers, room for all, and if we could just "let go" of self and "let God" lead I am sure He would bring His true children into unity, and make each one of us fit in our place, as a little cog in the wheel, and the great Ship of Zion would sail on to victory without friction just for His glory, and our lives would be hid with Christ in God.

Perhaps one of the hardest things to "let go" is our sorrow, yet He has borne them for us. I do not believe God will take away the loving remembrance of our departed loved ones, but I believe, if we will let Him, He will take away that bitter heart-ache which makes us "long to go" and which weakens us and unfits us for service for others, and instead will use our sorrows to tender our hearts and make us a blessing.

Sometimes when we think that we have a "burden of prayer" if we will carefully examine our hearts perhaps, we will find that it is more of a "burden of worry" than believing prayer. He will take away this anxious care and worry and give us real faith and a restful trust and confidence in Him and His Word, if we will let Him.

As we enter this New Year, may we gather together our sins, sorrows, heart-aches, worries, failures and regrets and write over it all The Blood Covers: "the past is under the blood" Let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God (1 Cor. 7:1) and set our house in order for His coming draweth nigh.

If we can practice this motto through the coming year and "Let go and let God" undertake for our lives, I am sure He is able to keep that which we commit unto Him, and give us victory over all the power of the enemy.

May God bless you one and all, till we shall meet again—the Lord willing, through the pages of this paper in 1932.

Your servant, for Jesus' sake,

Sarah E. Parham.

Let go, my child, and let the Master do it; Let all thy weary doubt and fear depart;

- Accept the cleansing love and blood of Jesus; Let joy come flooding over all your heart.
- Let go, my child, Dost think thy Father's mercy
 - Is shifting as thy wayward heart and will?
- Dost think He will forsake thee? Never! Never!

He whispers to thine aching heart, "Be still."

- "Let go, my child, and let Me take the burden; So freely now I pardon all your sin;
- Don't struggle 'neath the load you try to carry; Just open wide your heart and let Me in."

-Selected

October, 1931

DEPARTING FROM THE FAITH

(Tim. 4:1-3) 1. "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times, some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils;

2. Speaking lies in hypocricy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

3. Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats which God has created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth."

To realize in this time how sly and subtle is the enemy of our souls is and to be in a place to understand when the spirit of error, is manifesting itself and trying to manifest itself, is a blessing.

Just to know what spirit is at work or really enough spiritual discernment to be able to tell is one of the great blessings God's children can have in these evil days. Then it is we can arm ourselves with the armor of God, and be able to have a fair battle. But to be on the fence as to what spirit one is using, puts us in a place where we can't aim at the enemy of our souls.

One of the surest signs of backsliding is letting up on the prayer life. We don't feel very well today, as the old story goes, and we will put off prayer until finally we would just rather no one would mention going to prayer at all. Do we not remember the words of God emblazoned on the pages of the bible; "Let us redeem the time knowing that the days are evil," and to do this we can be certain we are not grieving our Lord if we are spending at least a part of our time before Him in prayer.

Then omitting the reading of God's Word and rather reading anything else instead, such as the Sunday funnies, jokes or even the current events, and laying aside the Book of all books the most precious of all reading matter. To read the daily or national current events is not enough alone, it must accompany the reading of God's Word.

It is the devil's business to keep us from reading the Bible, and in that way destroy our faith in God. Surely this is a most pitiful condition for one to be placed. When we read, if we don't understand what we read, don't ever, let up for one moment, let the enemy make us believe that the fault is in God's Word. For God cannot lie, neither is He a God to contradict His Word, but the whole fault lies in ourselves. We are not living close enough to God, that His precious Word is revealed to us by His Spirit, or we could understand it better.

Another sign of backsliding, and this is evident among the ministers as well as the laity is this: After having grown cold in the spiritual life, can't stand to have the Holy Spirit to reprove in anything, and to get around this, they say they never let the devil have a comeback. If we are reproved of anything, I find the quickest remedy is to search our own hearts, and if what we are being reproved of is the truth, then we should be thankful that the Holy Spirit is still with us to show us the way, and refrain from the error, repenting to God and take it to Him in prayer. When one gets to a place where they are beyond talking to, then is when we see backsliding from God's way, and love the spirit of error rather than the spirit of truth, "For they love darkness better than light for their deeds are evil."

Jesting and joking and especially using the Scriptures as a basis for jokes renders the Word of God of none effect and is a sure sign of falling from grace. Dear friends, if you will glance back to the time when God so marvelously saved, sanctified and baptized you in His precious Holy Spirit, how did foolish talking sound to you then? Much less filthy jokes with double meanings. God's way is straight and narrow and I am simple enough to believe it is SO straight and narrow, that all jesting and joking with double meanings and idle words will be left outside the straight and narrow way.

Sorry to say I find these conditions actually existing among God's children. And yet we hear them howling about the gifts and graces of God not being manifested in the church than what they are. Well, to simmer the whole thing down, the fault is with no one except ourselves. Let us seek for the old paths and not try to set up a standard than that which has already been set. (1 Tim. 4:16). "Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine; continue in them; For in doing this thou shalt both sav thyself and them that hear thee."

Thank God for reality, ONE OF GOD'S WEAKEST VESSELS.

The power of satan and sin go out, as Christ comes in.

BLACK AND SILVER By Grace Noll Crowell

Within dark firs on Christmas nights Men set their strange and glowing fires— The red and green and purple lights Of globes that burn on unseen wires.

But on His birth-night, none of these. The black and silver of the skies Were all the colors then; the trees Were left unlit before His eyes.

And black and silver was His way— Ah, darkened was the road He went; But many a silver night and day Among Judean hills He spent.

And down beside the silver sea He taught and healed until the light Had gone from glittering Galilee And left Him homeless in the night.

Then silver was His price at last, And black the hill that will not dim! Ah, black and silver! still they cast Their shadows down the years for Him.

POISONS

Hatred is not kept in a bottle with a skull and cross bones on the label, but it is a poison just the same.

So is envy.

So is malice.

So is jealousy.

Mental poisons to begin with, they become physical poisons after awhile. Anger is a sudden and violent poison which temporarily destroys the reason. The others are slower, but they are just as deadly in the long run.

No one can attend to his own affairs when he is busy scheming to bring about the destruction of some one else.

No one can lift himself up when he is trying to drag other people down.

To brood over hatred, to spend unhappy hours worrying because other people are prospering to greatly, speedily spends all the mental powers.

No one is so ineffective as the sourced person who nurses grievances, real or imaginary. The criminal mind is a poisoned mind, and almost invariably it is poisoned by hatred or envy. —Selected.

A GLIMPSE AT OUR CORRESPONDENCE Michigan

"You have a blessed monthly publication (would to God that a thousand as good as it is existed now) which indeed has helped me to have additional faith in Jesus and God; who alone can save and give life everlasting."

Oklahoma

"Just received our little paper yesterday, and it is always a treat to me. How well I remember after receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit, I would hunger for some deep spiritual person to talk to concerning the things of God. Then would come the little paper, which always seemed to come just in time. Seemingly many times I would have given up all and have gone down on the rocks of despair but the little paper would come and as some unseen hand, lift me up until I could go on a little longer. I am sorry that I have not a donation for the paper."

"I felt to write you this morning, to tell you how I enjoyed the last issue of the paper and the piece that you had in it was wonderful. Truly it was words of Life, and I feel that the subject on which you were writing is one of the greatest of the Bible, for surely Christ brought Life and Immortality to light."

Texas

"I thought I would write a few lines to let you know that we enjoy the paper from time to time, but especially the October number. It was unusually good."

Washington

"The paper has been lots of good to me, and I appreciate it very much. I have read it for two years."

Ben Barker of Elmwood, Okla., began a revival meeting Nov. 11 near their home at the Capital View church.

Ben Barker and Jack Barker with their evangelistic parties, held a successful meeting at Wichita, Kansas this summer. As a result of their labors a mission has again been established there.

The greatest miracle is the casting out of the devil of self.

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Houston, Texas

To those contending for the faith once delivered to the saints.

Have you learned to watch and pray and live rejoicing every day? If not, count it all joy when you fall into divers temptation, knowing this that the trying of your faith worketh patience. How can we "live rejoicing every day" unless we can glory in tribulation? All Christions can rejoice in the hope of the glory of God, but it takes the sanctifying grace of God to glory in tribulation. Therefore let us arm ourselves with the mind of Christ, that we may endure hardness as good soldiers of the cross.

Rejoice evermore, and in every thing give thanks. Rejoice and leap for joy when your name is cast out as evil.

Rejoice when men say all manner of evil against you falsely for the Son of man's sake.

Brother, Sister, if you suffer with Him, you shall also reign with Him, So if the refining fire has been working in your life, praise the Lord. Real sanctified folks will stand the purging and rejoice.

Marvel not if the world hate you. Jesus said, they hated me before they hated you.

So let us keep true to God and not neglect this gospel of the Kingdom in living or teaching, and let the refining continue till the dross is consumed and the Lord can use us in the building as it pleases Him.

> Yours for the Truth, S. W. Ditto.

Christmas 1931

There's a gladness that is swelling; In our hearts a joy is welling; For the Savior who was born so long ago; And the "minor in the carol" And the "shadow in the light" All forgotten in that birth so sweet and low.

And that Babe is still caressing And His birth is still a blessing For the heart who owns Him Christ, the Lord. And the heartache and the sorrow Will be lost in that glad morrow When we see Him coming in the cloud.

> Mrs. A. J. Brown, Anaheim, Calif,

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There is great joy in our mission for we had been praying for sometime for God to send us a Holy Ghost revival and He answered our prayers by sending Brother Lee S. Drachenberg and his evangelistic party. The revival started sometime in September. Since that time Bro. Drachenberg has not failed to bring us the Gospel in its fullness. The Lord has wonderfully poured out His Spirit in conviction. Over 40 sinners have been saved and a multitude of backsliders have come back to God renewing their covenant with Him.

Many are wonderfully sanctified, baptized with the Holy Spirit and healed. There were 29 that obeyed the Lord in water baptism.

The message on water baptism at the river brought the light to some that came unprepared to be baptized but exchanging clothes with others obeyed the Lord also in baptism. We are expecting the third wonderful baptizing as the meeting still is in progress with good interest and great crowds and we are expecting great results. We all feel we have been greatly strengthened through the preaching of the word which has brought light to many. A baby girl has arrived to make its home with Brother and Sister Lee S. Drachenberg since coming to Webb City, Mo.

> Your Sister in the Service, Mrs. Pansy Moore.

Mrs. Virgie Parham and Miss Lela Wene of Baxter Springs, Kans, and Mrs. Viola Parkin of Galena, Kansas, held a two weeks revival at Empire, Galena, Kansas.

The meeting was successful in spite of opposition. Our Lord is a great conqueror and He has promised to fight our battles for us, and we should hold our peace, "If God be for us, who can be against us?"

If we put our trust in Jesus, He will carry us through and make us "more than conquerors."

We expect to go on to many more revivals and do all that we can to win precious souls, for the night cometh when no man can work. Please pray for us. With Christian love and prayers for God's people every where.

> Virgie Parham and party. 1942 East Ave., Baxter Springs, Ks.

Flagler, Colo. Nov. 4, 1931

Dear readers of the Apostolic Faith:

Greetings in the name of our blessed Savior and soon coming King.

This has been one of my best and happiest years in our Lord's service, it seems as though the blessed Savior has had so many happy blessings for me.

A year ago in August, the Lord graciously allowed me to accompany dear Sister Parham on a wonderful trip to California, where it was my privilege to meet some of the dear children of God I had met at Bro. Parham's camp-meetings and many others of "like precious faith," who I had never met before. Their marvelous faith and love of our blessed Redeemer was a great spiritual strength to me.

Then this summer God gave us such a wonderful camp-meeting right in our own home town, Cheney, Kans., which was Brother Parham's childhood home. As I saw that fine host of young preachers on the platform, declaring the true Word of God to the people, I was reminded of Bro. Parham's faithful labor for the Master and of the Scripture, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours: and their works do follow them. (Rev. 14:13)

At the close of the Camp-meeting the Lord called Sister Dora Shackelford of Arlington, Kansas, in the work to help me to carry "this gospel" into the highways and hedges. In a few days we started for the eastern plains of Colorado, intending to hold a meeting in the vicinity of Cape, Colo., but when we drove into Siebert, Colo., the Lord spoke to me and said, Flagler. I inquired the way at a filling station and instead of going north to Cape turned west to Flagler.

There we found some hungry children for the Word of God. A hotel lady saw the sign "Jesus Saves," on our car and came out to talk to us of Jesus. An old lottery man came to talk of the "Man of Galilee."

The school house where we held our meeting some nights would not hold the crowd: 38 were saved, 22 sanctified and 12 received the precious Holy Ghost. Among the baptized ones, was their minister, a Mennonite preacher who had been their pastor for 12 years.

We are now in a meeting 10 miles north of Arriba, Colo. There are a number of young people seeking the Holy Spirit and we are praying for a real out-pouring in this place. Pray for us that the Lord will give us utterance of His precious Word to poor, lost deluded humanity, that they too may "earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints "before it is everlasting too late.

Yours in His service,

H. A. Ostrander—Dora Shackelford. Permanent address, Cheney, Kans. Box 144

OBITUARY

Wayne Freeman Hendricks was born July 28, 1914 at Pretty Prairie, Kansas and departed this life Oct. 20, 1931 at 3:20 a. m. He leaves to mourn his loss and companionship his father and mother, two brothers Charles and Carl, four sisters, Florine, Betty Jean, Vivian and Mrs. Freeda Miller, his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Freeman of Pretty Prairie and many other relatives and a host of friends.

He was a lover of nature, music, and showed considerable talent both in pastel and oils. He has left several paintings in his home which will be highly prized by the family and admired by all who view them.

He was of a quiet, patient, kindhearted and home loving nature of high ideals with a bright outlook upon the future, painting being his ambition in the main. He was an ideal young man, having been a Christian all his life and when his loved ones showed emotion because of his fatal condition he would rebuke them saying, "Don't grieve folks, you should be glad. I am ready to go. You have your troubles to face and mine will soon be over."

He would remark time and time again, "Mother, I am going home to rest," and we have that grand assurance that all is well with Wayne.

Funeral conducted by Rev. E. M. Fly of Marion, Kans, assisted by Rev. Kirk.

Love lights up the loved with loveliness.

True patriotism moves upward, rather than outward.

Caney, Kans. Nov. 22, 1931

Dear Sister Parham;

Greetings in the Mighty Name of the Christ: How I praise the Lord for His mighty works that He is still performing in the midst of those who walk humbly before Him, and listen to the still small voice of the Christ.

Just a few words in regard to the revival that just closed tonight. Of a truth I can say that it is the greatest I have witnessed in fifteen years. Bro. Gail Schultz and party were here in September in a tent meeting. The Lord wonderfully poured out His spirit to save, sanctify and baptize with the Mighty Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and many wonderful healings through the Mighty Name of the Christ.

Bro. J. Ollie Hux and party came here and started the meeting which closes tonight. This meeting continued with both parties working together, Bro. Schultz coming later. There was about 50 saved, 40 sanctified and 26 received the Holy Spirit as in Acts 2:4. How I praise God for the marvelous way He lead me into this marvelous light of this Gospel as it was preached. I am going to continue to preach this message with a new and greater determination and stand the battle until redemption takes place. Although I have two boys in school here this winter I am open for calls and want to go forth in this line free from wildfire and fanaticism. How I praise Him today.

> Yours in Him, M. J. McGhee, Caney, Kans.

We just run into the Parham home at Baxter Springs, Kansas, on our way to Joplin, Mo., where we will conduct our next revival meeting beginning tonight, (Nov 24) and we ask you to pray for us and the meeting there. We were so delighted to see the Parhams again, who are just like home folks to us. How blessed it is to know of the love Jesus gives His children one for the other.

Gail W. Schultz.

Caney, Kansas Nov. 30, 1931

Greeting in the mighty name of the Christ: I always love to hear from you and to get

the paper. It is such a help to me in a number

of ways.

We have certainly been in a wonderful revival here in Caney, Kans., with Brother Gail Schultz, and party. It has been a great uplift to me, in the great fight for the Lord. There is strong work established here, Bro. Gail organized a Sunday school with 60 present the first Sunday, and ordained elders, over the work. I preached here last night and will preach here again Tuesday night, and then I will go to Tyro, Kansas, where we will begin another revival in the Union church house. Friday night. So we ask that you all will join us in prayer that the Lord will under take in that place for His own glory, and the upbuilding of the Kingdom of God. Sister Pauline Mansfield is still with us. She was also with us in two meetings in Arkansas, I feel we as Christians should be doing all we can for the Lord.

Yours for the faith once delivered to the

J. Ollie Hux.

Baxter Springs, Kans. Dec. 3, 1931

Dear friends:

saints.

Another year is almost gone, and we are one year nearer to the coming of our Lord. We are very grateful to God for the way He has kept us, and wonderfully blessed us as we have done the little things for Him.

We have spent many nights in homes where there was sick ones and never have we entered a home where there was sorrow that God was not there to comfort those whose hearts were broken.

Mother is stronger in body and the family are very thankful to the many true friends who have stood by us in our sorrow.

It is nearing the time of the year when our family circle was broken and it puts a determination in our hearts to live closer to the Lord that our family circle may not be broken in heaven.

May God's richest blessings, both spiritual and temporal be on each and every one of you throughout the coming year. If we do not meet in this world, may we all be united in heaven is our prayer.

Claude and Lula Parham

Galveston, Texas. November 21, 1931

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Dear Friends:

Although it has been some weeks since Robert L. Parham and his wife, were in Galveston, Texas, conducting a Tent Revival, their visit here will live long in the memory of those who attended the services, and from which many blessings were received and many souls saved at the altar. Brother Parham is a wonderful preacher and knows how to deliver the message, backed by the power of God. Showing of the pictures of the Holy Land, especially the Twenty-third Psalm, were enjoyed by many, and the lectures rendered in connection therewith by Brother Parham made it more interesting. Sister Parham at the machine, handled her job in a very efficient manner.

The song service conducted by Brother Fred Campbell and his wife, did much to carry on the work. Sister Campbell enlisted quite an army of youngsters who were taught songs and rendered solos at the services, both day and night.

Testimonies from many, who had been blessed, were rendered at every service.

Every Saturday, starting at 10 a.m. the service was turned over to the children and prizes were offered for the boy and girl bringing the largest number of children with them and also for reciting the largest number of verses from the Scriptures. It was said that more than one hundred children attended these services.

Brother Robert and Sister Pauline, made many friends in Galveston who have learned to love them, and inquiries are often made as to when they will return.

For older people to take up the work under taken by Brother Parham and his wife, it is natural, but for young people to dedicate their lives to the service of the Lord Jesus Christ, it is wonderful and God is blessing them.

The Galveston Bible Class (nondenominational) at our services on several occasions had as their guests, Brother and Sister Parham, and in appreciation thereof, the Class attended the revival at the tent. God bless them.

We came near forgetting to make mention, that during the stay of Brother Parham and wife in Galveston, his friends came down from Somerville, Texas, to visit them, and they had an all-day time, of it There was much rejoicing. The writer of this article happened to be present, and saw much of it.

On November 15, quite a number of friends drove up to Somerville, Texas, 140 miles to visit our beloved friends, where Bro. Robert was holding his second meeting at Somerville. They received us with open arms, and nothing was left undone to make our visit a most pleasant one, and we all realize it. God bless them and prolong their lives, is our earnest prayer.

> Submitted by Chas. W. Morse. Publicity Agent, Galveston Bible Class. 2715—0½, Galveston, Texas.

Dear Ones of the Faith: Peace to thee!

Just a line to you in haste to let you know we are living in the "Promise Land," that we are having victory in our lives and going forward in the name of our Lord for our complete inheritance in Him, in the land of Cannan and have no desire for the "garlic of Egypt." It is a warfare from the start against unbelief, sin, idolatry, giants; many times friends forsake and storms arise, but as we look to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, we are made to shout the victory. Praise the Lord for causing us to live a life free from sin.

As we look back over the summer field of labor and see how the Lord has healed the sick and suffering by, unstopping deaf ears, opening the eyes of the blind and delivering men and women from appetites, habits and all desire of sin, it makes us rejoice in the hope of the glory of God and many times glory in tribulation, because He has lifted us up by His own blood into this grace wherein we stand.

Our desire as co-laborers in the gospel is to forge forward till He comes, as it will not be long now.

Yours for greater service for the hungry and needy people.

> Robert and Pauline Parham, Box 6 Baxter Springs, Kans.

Please order your books for Christmas early to avoid the Christmas rush in the mail.