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"YE ARE COMPLETE IN HIM"

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**A PERFECT SALVATION  
FOR  
SPIRIT - SOUL - BODY**

# This Moment

A very present help—Psalm 46:1.

By Annie Johnson Flint

He's helping me now—this moment,  
    Though I may not see it or hear,  
Perhaps by a friend far distant,  
    Perhaps by a stranger near,  
Perhaps by a spoken message,  
    Perhaps by the printed word;  
In ways that I know and know not,  
    I have the help of the Lord.  
He's keeping me now—this moment,  
    However I need it most,  
Perhaps by a single angel,  
    Perhaps by a mighty host  
Perhaps by the chain that frets me,  
    Or the walls that shut me in;  
In ways that I know and know not,  
    He keeps me from harm or sin.  
He's guiding me now—this moment,  
    In pathways easy or hard,  
Perhaps by a door wide open,  
    Perhaps by a door fast barred,  
Perhaps by a joy withholden,  
    Perhaps by a gladness given;  
In ways that I know and know not,  
    He's leading me up to heaven.  
He's using me now—this moment,  
    And whether I go or stand,  
Perhaps by a plan accomplished,  
    Perhaps when He stays my hand,  
Perhaps by a word in season,  
    Perhaps by a silent prayer;  
In ways that I know and know not,  
    His labor of love I share.

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## TITHES . . . . .

Tithe is to give or to pay a tenth part of. Tithe is to come from the first fruits, and is to be paid on the increase. Lev. 27:30-33 gives the first enactment of the tithing law. It was to be given or assigned to the Levites, as a reward for their services. The ministry of today should be thus supported on a free will offering plan.

### THE OLD TESTAMENT SPEAKS

Lev. 27:30-33. The tithe of the field, orchard, herd, or flock is the Lord's, ie., one-tenth of the increase in any business or occupation, that is gained in profit or salary.

Levi. 27:31. The tithes should not be used in a personal manner, but if they are, there is only one way to redeem them, that is to pay them and add one-fifth more to the original sum.

Gen. 14:20. Abram gave to Melchizedek, as the priest of God, the tithe or one-tenth. God blessed Abram for it too. To those who object to tithing, saying it is a part of the old law, here is proof that God honored tithing before the law was given.

Num. 18:24-28. The Levites had no inheritance, but the tithe was theirs. They in turn owed an offering, that is, one-tenth of the tenth. This was to go to the sons of Aaron or the high priest.

Heb. 7:9. The New Testament regulations are the same, so that the tithe of the tithe must be paid. So as a minister, be sure to pay the tithe.

Deut. 12:5-6. They were to bring the tithe and all manner of offerings.

Neh. 13:5. The tithe of the corn and wine and oil was to be given to min-

isters and singers. The tithe today is to go to pastors, evangelists and their co-workers and helpers.

Neh. 13:10-12. The ministry sometimes lacks, and has to do manual labor. This should not be, and would not be if the tithe was paid, and equally and properly to each worker as his work or environment needed.

Prov. 3:9-10. Give God the first and the best, and He will bless and multiply gain to you. It is hard for a stingy man to get a blessing. You cannot out-give God.

Prov. 11:25. To have a liberal heart and give is pleasing to the Lord, and His blessings are sure to follow such actions.

Deut. 14:22-23. Give the tithe of the increase from year to year. Don't give just once, but always.

Mal. 3:8-12. God has been robbed. The whole nation or all are cursed because the tithe is not paid. Received a blessing in abundance, in spirit and soul and body for paying the tithe. You owe God the tithe for the right to live on His earth and inherit all His good things. Heart-ache and sadness follow rebellion, and the Devil often collects.

### THE NEW TESTAMENT SPEAKS

Matt. 6:32-33. Seek God's kingdom first and He will add to you the necessary blessings of life. A selfish life is a ruined life. Let your daily life speak for you.

Matt. 6:19-21. Seek for treasures in heaven, for the heart follows your wealth. To give to the poor is to loan to the Lord. To give to His least ones is to remember Jesus.

Luke 6:38. Give of the substance that you have, be that small or great. Tithe is for the support of the ministry and not for the ones that are naturally your liability.

Mat. 23:23. The paying of tithes was all right but a person must also have mercy and faith and salvation. Money will not buy a way to heaven, but by paying tithe, the payer blesses and receives a blessing, and gifts and offerings and alms add to his glory. Try it and see.

Luke 21:1-4. The widow gave of her little and was blessed. God asks people to give as they possess. The more that is owned, the more is required. Large amounts are often thought too big to pay, but if one-tenth is too much to pay, the nine-tenths is too much for you to keep. The small offering will be received gladly, and God will bless. The tithe is not yours but God's. Let Him have it.

Acts 4:34-37. This custom of selling all, and giving all and having all things in common, seemingly was practiced for only a short time by the early church. It involves too many problems. But you cannot get a hundred-fold blessing on a ten cent consecration, and anything that stands between you and your God\* must go regardless of cost, for Heaven is cheap at any price.

Acts 20:35. More blessed to give than to receive might not always involve the tithe or gifts; it might be spiritual strength or knowledge; but give, help, instruct, admonish, live for Christ and His cause and the Lord will richly reward.

1 Cor. 9:13-14. A minister should be supported by the one he ministers to. People say, "Have faith, trust in God." This must be done by all ministers, for God wants you to look to Him and not man. But if you, as a Christian, fail to pay tithe, and give, God will withhold blessings from you. You might need

God's help and even his ministers' help some time, so be good to both. Some sinners pay tithes and are blessed. You cannot stop God's work but you might hinder it, and cause unpleasant conditions.

I Cor. 16:1-3. This is speaking of a collection to be given to the poor saints at Jerusalem. Giving to the poor is not tithing. We are to pay tithe when it is due. By the week, or the month or the season, or by the business transaction. Work out a system, so that at all times, all part of the Gospel, in all places, will be cared for properly.

II Cor. 9:6-7. Give willingly and gladly and the Lord will reward you. Salvation cannot be bought with wealth, but by the blood of Jesus Christ; however, this is not a free-of-support Gospel, as some would have you believe. It costs to publish, to broadcast, to conduct revivals, to pastor, to build new churches, to expand, and go forward in general. You can have a part in all this program if you wish, and at the same time obey God and be blessed at His hand.

### REMEMBER TO:

Pray much about where your tithe should go. God will help you to act and pay wisely.

Support your home church and the pastor that is there. Not the one that just left, or one you like best.

Support the evangelist and all gospel workers while at your church, be their service there long or short.

Support by letter or other means the ones that you feel led. They may need help badly and God is using you.

Support the radio broadcasts; they help tell the story.

Support publications and printing, tracts, etc., that send the word where you and others maybe cannot go.

Above all, pay tithe.

### SOME IMPORTANT DON'TS

Don't withhold part of your tithe. Be honest with God.

Don't give to a half gospel, a compromiser or a tickler of the ear and expect God to bless you.

Don't worry how the preacher spends his money. If he fails God, God will require of his hand and not yours.

Don't feel you own a soul because you have given financial help in the past. Each day has its day's worth.

Don't give to special friends or kin-folks and let others suffer. Give, with an eye single to Christ and His work.

Don't deduct living expenses before paying tithe. God cares for His own.

Don't charge preachers for room and board, and take it out of tithes. They are your guests.

Don't as ministers, count a man's income to measure the tithe. That might fail, and is altogether unwise.

Don't be a tithe solicitor. Let God lead, as to whom they should be paid.

Don't hint, they feel and know as much as you.

### CONCLUSION

I Chron. 29:9. The house or church was built God's way, from willing hearts and helping hands.

Ezra 1:4-6. The house of Jerusalem was restored by willing hands. So build and expand, have nice places to worship. Work to see nicer camp grounds and Bible schools. Be progressive, and meet the need of the hour with God.

Some say: "Let the preacher work, Paul did." (I Cor. 4:12) There are cases where this may be necessary, but as a whole and rule, devote your time to prayer, study and do the work of an evangelist or pastor. You will be busy. Jesus said the laborer is worthy of his hire. (Luke 10:7) Paul said the laborer is worthy of his reward. (I Tim. 5:18.)

Some say: "I don't believe in paying tithes, but in giving all." My experience has been that as a rule that person gives but very little; the Lord in sentiment get all, but in reality nothing.

When you move to a new place, do not line up with a lesser Gospel, or backslide, but put your dollars to work there to establish a work. Tithing is for the support of the ministry. Offerings are for building and expansion. Alms are to be given to the poor.

There are so many angles to tithing that the whole cannot be covered in so short an article, but this will help you to be faithful to God and give or pay your tenth, and more, as God leads. Many testimonies are given of what a blessing tithing was to them. Ministers, be sure to teach your congregation to tithe. You are keeping back a part of the gospel and robbing them of a blessing, unless you teach tithing.

May God bless you so that your harvests, both in the natural and spiritual  
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With best wishes,

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## How I Ascertain the Will of God

By George Muller

1. I seek at the beginning to get my heart into such a state that it has no will of its own in regard to a given matter.

Nine-tenths of the trouble with people is just here. Nine-tenths of the difficulties are overcome when our hearts are ready to do the Lord's will, whatever it may be. When one is truly in this state, it is usually but a little way to the knowledge of what His will is.

2. Having done this, I do not leave the result to feeling or simple impression. If I do, I make myself liable to great delusions.

3. I seek the will of the Spirit of God through, or in connection with,

the Word of God.

The Spirit and the Word must be combined. If I look to the Spirit alone without the Word I lay myself open to great delusions also. If the Holy Ghost guides us at all, He will do it according to the scriptures and never contrary to them.

4. Next I take into account providential circumstances. These often plainly indicate God's will in connection with His Word and Spirit.

5. I ask God in prayer to reveal His will to me aright.

6. Thus, through prayer to God, the study of the Word, and reflection, I come to a deliberate judgment according to the best of my ability and knowledge, and if my mind is thus at peace, and continues so after two or three more petitions, I proceed accordingly.

—Selected.

# OBSTACLES TO REVIVAL

The great hindrance to the working of God's Spirit in our lives can be summed up in one word sin. Sin is the great barrier. Oswald Smith in his book "The Revival We Need" lists some searching questions to assist men to discover sin in their lives; sin that will keep them from God's best. We list some of these questions with the suggestion that every reader let the Holy Spirit search his or her heart with them.

1. Have we forgiven everyone? Is there any malice, spite, hatred or enmity in our hearts? Do we cherish grudges; and have we refused to be reconciled,
2. Do we get angry? Are there any uprisings within? Is it true that we still lose our temper? Does wrath hold us at times in its grip?
3. Is there any feeling of jealousy? When another is preferred before us, does it make us envious and uncomfortable? Do we get jealous of those who can pray, speak and do things better than we can?
4. Do we get impatient and irritated? Do little things vex and annoy? Or are we sweet, calm and unruffled under all circumstances?
5. Is there any pride in our hearts? Are we puffed up? Do we think a great deal of our own position and attainments?
6. Have we been dishonest? Is our business open and above reproach?
7. Have we been gossiping about people? Do we slander the character of others? Are we tale-bearers and busy-bodies?
8. Do we criticize unlovingly, harshly, severely? Are we always finding fault and looking for the flaws in others?
9. Are we worldly? Do we love the glitter, the pomp and the show of life?
10. Do we harbour a spirit of bitterness towards others? Is there hatred in

our hearts?

11. Have we wronged anyone and failed to make restitution? Have we restored the many little things that God has shown us?

12. Are we worried and anxious? Do we fail to trust God for our temporal and spiritual needs? Are we continually crossing bridges before we come to them?

13. Are we guilty of lustful thoughts? Do we allow our minds to harbour impure and unholy imagination?

14. Are we true in our statements, or do we exaggerate and thus convey false impressions? Have we lied?

15. Have we committed the sin of prayerlessness? How much time are we spending on our knees? Have we crowded prayer out of our lives?

16. Are we neglecting God's Word? How many chapters do we read each day? Are we Bible students? Do we draw our source of supply from the Scriptures?

17. Are we burdened for the salvation of souls? Have we a love for the lost? Is there any compassion in our hearts for those who are perishing?

"If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive."

"Judgment must begin in the house of the Lord." — Selected in the Magazine "Revival."

Thanks: Several of the churches have been sending regular monthly offerings to help with the expenses of publishing the magazine, we surely do appreciate this and ask God's richest blessings upon every one whether individual or group who are helping to spread this glorious Gospel.

# Faith! Hope! Charity!

(What Lackest Thou?)

By **Hattie Boulware Jones**  
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"... Faith, Hope, Charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity." Paul's exhortation to abound in love, placing it first in essentials of Christian living. True we need faith and all other qualifications to don the **Whole Armour of God**, but it most assuredly is impossible to dress up in His Armour without love dominating our lives. We will give an outline of some thoughts which came to us recently along the line of Faith, Hope and Love. We do not imply that we have covered the subjects completely; nay, for verily, we could have written pages and pages of scripture references alone; our hearts was thrilled as, under the inspiration of God, we began to look into His word for certain scriptures; although we had Crudens' Concourse at our command, we hardly had to use it; wonderful how His Holy Spirit sometimes leads us into the bible to the exact passage needed.

First we shall deal with Faith; although countless sermons have been preached on this great subject the half has never been told of it's vastness; the possibilities wrought by faith. Now, let us ask ourselves this question: "Are we in **THE FAITH** of the Lord Jesus?" "Do we act like the children of Father Abraham?" Paul said: "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith." II Cor. 13:5. How? By The Word of God! "For Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." Rom. 10:17. The first step to take toward getting into The Faith is repentance with a Godly sorrow; repentance to God, and if necessary, to man, believing God for forgiveness of sins; this transaction

comes under the heading of Justification. "Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord, Jesus Christ." Rom. 5:1. And the next step is into the grace of Sanctification. "... By whom also we have access by faith into **THIS GRACE WHEREIN WE STAND**, and rejoice in the hope of the glory of God." "For this is the will of God, even your sanctification." I Thess. 4. Hear the words of the writer of Hebrews 10:22 "Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast our profession of our faith." "Now the just shall live by faith." Heb. 10:23. "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward, for ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God (Sanctified) ye might receive the promise." (The Gift of The Holy Ghost) Heb. 10: 25-36. And as we read that wonderful report in Heb. 11 of the victories won by the Prophets of old through faith, again we ask ourself the question: "Are we in the faith?" Are we laying aside every weight and the sin that doth so easily beset us, and are we running with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith? Are we, as He did, enduring our cross, for the joy that is set before us? Are we going without the camp bearing His reproach? Can we say: "The Lord is My helper, I will not fear what man shall do unto me." Are we so abiding in the faith that we are not fearful? These are days of shakings. Everything is being shaken that can be shaken. Are we standing, unshaken, in the faith of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ? Are we asking our needs to be supplied, in faith, never wavering? As we pray for the sick do we believe the

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"WHAT SHALL WE SAY OF A MAN WHO IS ALWAYS WHETTING HIS SCYTHE, BUT NEVER CUTTING?"—Dwight L. Moody



prayer of faith does save the sick, or just saying it? It is time for us to examine ourselves and see whether we be in the faith! Do we stand as firm in our convictions of the Gospel today as we did when it was first preached to us? Do we let the trial of our faith bring rejoicings, knowing that it will work for us a far more and exceeding weight of glory? That after we have been tried we will abound unto praise, honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ; that we shall, at the end of our faith, receive the salvation of our souls. I Peter 7:9. Just because unbelievers say: "Your Gospel is too straight; I don't believe in all the things you teach—Divine Healing, Sanctification, The Baptism of The Holy Ghost, The soon return of Jesus, etc." is no sign that the Power of the Word by faith has been diminished. "For what if some did not believe? Shall their unbelief make the faith of God of none effect?" Rom. 3:3. Folks, let us diligently, yea desperately seek after a broader, deeper, and higher faith in the living God. If God bestows upon us that special gift of faith we shall not boast knowing it is God that worketh in and through us to His glory. Boastings are excluded by the law of faith. Rom. 3:27. If we are truly in the faith we will be clothed with humility and subject one to another. Pet. 5:5. We will learn to resist the enemy in the steadfastness of our faith. I Pet. 5:8. If we overcome it will be through faith in God. Therefore again we repeat: Let us examine ourselves and move up to our privileges in God.

### Hope

In the grace of Sanctification by faith we are begotten unto a **LIVELY HOPE** according to His abundant mercy by the Resurrection of Jesus. I Peter 1:3. And hope maketh not ashamed. Rom. 5:5. Yea, in all things do we rejoice, whereby we are strengthened in Him. We are not ashamed of This Hope. Our eyes of understanding need to be opened that we may know what is the hope of His calling, and what is the riches of the

glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power to us, who believe, according to the working of His mighty power, which He wrought in Christ when He raised Him from the dead . . ." Eph. 1:18, 19, 20. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as He is pure." I Jno. 3:3. Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both steadfast and sure." Heb. 6:19. We need to be endowed with the Holy Spirit whereby we can readily give a reason to every man for the Hope that lieth within. We live in faith, in hope of the glorious appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ. Titus 2:13. Let us keep this hope aflame in our hearts from day to day until the Advent of our Saviour is no longer a future event, but a present glory!

### Love

Love is the fulfilling of the law. Rom. 13:10. The first and great Commandment tells us we must love the Lord with all our heart, mind, soul and strength, and our neighbor as ourself. That is why Paul said it was greater to love than to have faith and hope. John said to love God and not the world, nor the things in the world. I John 2:15. Love in word and in deed, portraying mercy by acts of mercy, revealing humility by being humble. Love begets love and does not draw back from sacrificial service: service to God and man. We cannot love as He loved unless we return good for evil. If we hate our brother we are a murderer. I John 3:15. Pure love for God and our fellowman will reap for the bearer riches untold; blessings unnumbered in this life and mansions above in the future. Let us have faith in God, Hope in God, Love God with a fervent heart patiently enduring the present tests, knowing that the clouds will soon roll back as a scroll; then our Hope, our Faith will become a reality, when Jesus, the Lover of our souls, claims His jewels. For now abideth Faith, Hope, Charity; these three, but the greatest of these is charity.

# Revival Helps And Hindrances

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Wilt thou not revive us again, that thy people may rejoice in thee?—Psa. 85:6). O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years, make known, in wrath remember mercy. (Hab. 3:2). From these passages we conclude that God is anxious to revive His work. There are many other references which go to show the willingness, and ability of God to save. May we not ask then, why do we not see greater manifestations in the work of soul saving? There can be only one answer (Hindrances). We will reverse the order and consider hindrances first, for if we can get these out of the way something is sure to follow. What are some hindrances to a revival? There are many, let us consider prejudice. What is prejudice? It means partiality or judging. Many people are prejudiced and are not aware of it, or you may be prejudiced to your own hurt, anyhow prejudice is a hindrance to God in His workings. A broad minded man may become prejudiced, but upon investigation, immediately changes his mind. It is the little, narrow man who never changes his mind and keeps feelings hurt. Sad to say, there are many of them. You may be prejudiced against the preacher, you have heard or read something and have gotten an impression that will make it hard for him to help you. You may be prejudiced against the singer, or the song books used or against the method of altar work or the carrying on of the meeting. You hear some one pray or speak, against whom you are prejudiced

and immediately you cease to fellowship and cooperate, hence you bring about a jar, a coldness against the speaker, singer or even the Sunday school teacher, and instead of being a blessing you are a hindrance to your self and to the meeting. There are a lot of good people in this condition. Is there any wonder that it is some times, days and weeks before the break in a revival comes? It was when the disciples were in one accord that the Holy Ghost fell upon them. It seemed to require about ten days, we can hurry up or hinder the outpouring of the spirit. Remember God's plan will continue, our God always has a way to spread the gospel, the wonderful plan of God that He would bring the gospel down through the channels of the preachers mind and into the hearts of His people. It's a terrible thing to be prejudice minded. O' it were better if we had never been born then to hinder the work of the Lord.

Now we come to another hindrance, more serious than that of prejudice. Read (Prov. 28: 13). He that covereth his sins shall not prosper; but who so confesseth them and forsake them shall have mercy. A person professing to be a christian coming into a meeting with unconfessed sin in his heart and life is a hindrance to the meeting. Perhaps God has tried for several months or even years to get him to make the restitution he owes, but yet he sets his mind against God and when the speaker tries to help him, he thinks the minister is meddling. He may pretend to be alright, he may assent to the truth, and take active part in the meeting but if there is crookedness or deception in his back life he will be a hindrance rather than help. Unconfessed sin will not pay. Make those restitutions, remember that a wrong is not right until you have made it right. It is not

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"THERE IS NOTHING SO POWERFUL AS TRUTH—AND OFTEN  
NOTHING SO STRANGE."—Daniel Webster

enough while at the altar or on a sick bed, or at the Sacramental Service to promise yourself and God that you will make certain things right and then as time passes you feel you were beside yourself and soon forget the matter. There is where satan has gained many a victory, turn from sin, and confess your sins. Yes unconfessed sin will hinder a revival.

Another hinderance to a revival meeting is bondage. A spirit of bondage will hinder the operation of the Holy Spirit. Many times when the meeting is about to close we hear a timid soul pray through and finally leap to his feet declaring, I am not in bondage any longer. For days he had been in bondage to the evangelist, his neighbor or some visiting relative, but at last he flings the opinions of others to the winds and declares his victory in the Lord. Now it was too bad that he did not get free at the beginning of the revival, and thus many others would have been saved, or helped by his example. If God wants your expression by uplifted hand, an Amen, the announcing of a hymn or any other way, do not quench the spirit. For ye have been not received the spirit of bondage again to fear but ye have received the spirit of adoption, wherewith the cry Abba, Father. (Romans 8:15-). These mentioned facts are some of the hinderances to a revival but now let us notice some helps to revival.

**Cooperation:** What is cooperation? It is simply everybody at it and always at it. If you think the Evangelist has brought a revival his suit case and as soon as he opens it the revival will fly all over the community, you are sadly mistaken. Everyone has a part and a lot in this matter and you can help in various ways. For instance you can use a telephone, write post cards, hand out announcements, talk on the street, at the postoffice and everywhere you

go, you can agitate the subject of the meeting. Little things are sometimes big things. We look into the natural for a moment, there is a starting place in every thing small or great. When buliding a large building, first one brick, then two, and so on until the great mechanical structure is finished. We read, not by might, nor by power (marginal—not by might not by armies) but by the spirit saith the Lord. (Zech. 4:6). Yes we can help by cooperating to bring about a great revival.

Self Sacrifice is another help. There is something beautiful about self sacrifice, it pleases God and almost compels His recognition and assistance. One reason the old time Methodists had such revivals was that they counted it a privilege to walk ten or fifteen miles, sleep on the floor, and share their last crust of bread to help entertain others. Where is God working today? Not in big churches, cathedrals, and synagogues, but in the humble misions, tents, camp meetings and mission filds where there is a lot of self sacrifice and self denial. Be practical and you can help along these lines. Use your automobile to the glory of God, go out in the higways and byways and bring in the maimed, the halt, and the blind. Write some of your friends or relatives to come visit you and thus get them under the influence of the revival. Bring your hired help along with you to the meeting, do not say it will cost me too much to entertain my help or wife is too nervous and we cannot have a crowd about us. I tell you it will cost you more not to do something. The majority of people good people are forever taking in but never giving out unless they are squeezed. They have sponge religion. They can sometimes sing, pray and shout but they cannot fast, give liberally, or wrestle in secret prayer until something happens. Now brother, if you would be a blessing to others forget ease and

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**"PRAYER IS NOT CONQUERING GOD'S RELUCTANCE, BUT TAKING HOLD ON GOD'S WILLINGNESS."—Phillips Brooks**

fleshly desires and see what God will do. He can humble and bring down your loved ones who are proud and self willed, but it may mean some midnight praying on your part, but what of it? Would you not rather lose a little sleep and see a revival break, souls being saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Spirit? Self sacrifice means much on our part, let's do our best.

Very essential to a revival is prevailing prayer. The singing may be good, the preaching may be fair, but nothing will make a meeting like prevailing prayer. A half dozen prayers are worth more than a score of preachers who never prevail in prayer. Some one had to prevail with God for your sould and mine and now in return we must prevail for others. Again I say unto you, that if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in Heaven. (Matt. 18:19). If we are to see a revival it will take all that is in us but we cannot bring it about in ourselves but we can beseech the God of all Grace to pour upon the community a mighty revival. Yes, if we prevail with God it may mean fasting, sleepless nights and many tears but it is a good investment. O Lord, wilt thou not revive us again that thy people may rejoice in thee? Who then is willing to pray? Lord, revive thy work and let it begin in my heart and in my home.

### INTO DARKNESS UNAFRAID

I said to the man at the gate of the year, "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown." And he replied, "Go out into the darkness and put your hand in the Hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way."—M. L. Haskins

## The Death of John Huss

When John Huss, the Bohemian martyr, was brought out to be burnt, they put on his head a triple crown of paper, with painted devils on it. On seeing it, he said, "My Lord, Jesus Christ, for my sake, wore a crown of thorns; why should not I then, for His sake, wear this light crown, be it ever so ignominious? Truly I will do it, and that willingly." When it was set upon his head, the bishops said, "Now, we commend thy soul to the Devil." "But," said Huss, lifting his eyes to heaven, "do commit my spirit into Thy hands, O Lord Jesus Christ; to Thee I commend my spirit, which Thou hast redeemed." When the fagots were piled to Huss' neck, the Duke of Bavaria was officious enough to desire him to adjure. "No," said Huss, "I never preached any doctrine of an evil tendency; and what I taught with my lips I now seal with my blood."

### THE IMPORTANT POINT

A layman visited a great city church during a business trip. After the service, he congratulated the minister on his service and sermon. "But," said the manufacturer, "if you were my salesman, I'd discharge you. You got my attention by your appearance, voice and manner; your prayer, reading and logical discourse aroused my interest; you warmed my heart with a desire for what you preached; and then—and then you stopped without asking me to do something about it. In business the important thing is to get them to sign, on the dotted line." Ah, preachers too often fail just here. They must press for decision for Christ. In the words of Joshua they must say to their hearers, Choose you this day whom ye will serve (Joshua 24:15).—James Duff

**IT IS A SAD RELIGION THAT IS NEVER STRONG EXCEPT WHEN ITS OWNER IS SICK**

## New Converts

C. O. Ferry, West Fork, Ark.

There has been a revival in your community and you and others have been converted. You are to be congratulated; you have made a glorious start on the path that leads to eternal life. But, remember this is only the beginning, it is a daily, weekly, monthly, yearly service you have begun.

If you remain in God's hands and go or stay, whichever He chooses and commands, obeying in all things you will find a constant source of enjoyment and happiness.

You may take money and deposit in a bank, return at any time you choose and draw it out but you can't hoard salvation; either you use your experience of salvation or it is gone from you, Jesus said, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman, every branch in me that beareth no fruit He taketh away." It is a sure thing that if you bear no fruit you are lost; "every branch that beareth fruit, He purgeth it that it may bear more fruit."

If God points out to you things which you are doing which are displeasing to Him or things you are not doing that you should do then give Him immediate and unquestioning obedience so you may bear MORE fruit. "As the branch cannot bear fruit except it abide in the vine, no more can you—" "If you abide in me and my words abide in you ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you." You may say, how can I abide in Him? First, you must come into Him before it is possible to abide, this is accomplished by a complete consecration, a promise from the heart to obey in all things, placing yourself and all you possess at His command, then by faith believe God has accepted your consecration and Sanctified you.

You may then inquire, how can His words abide in me? The answer, "Search the scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life and they are

they that testify of me."

You should not feel after you have read one chapter that you can have completed the command, one chapter is not searching. You can read an average of seven chapters in one half hour, that is one forty-eighth of the time in this manner you will read the Bible through two times in one year.

Keep in constant touch with God through prayer, now back to our thought, you will recall when Jesus came to the fig tree which had no fruit He said, "No man shall cut fruit from you forever," the fig tree withered away. This happened because it bore no fruit.

"Then obey the voice of the Lord For He offers great reward."

## YOU MAY—AND YET BE LOST

Reader! ponder over the following statements. You may offer like Cain (Gen. 4:3), weep like Essau (Gen. 27:38), serve like Gehazi (II Kings 5:20), leave Sodom like Lot's wife (Gen. 19:26), tremble like Felix (Acts 24:25), be zealous for God like Israel (Rom. 10:2), be a disciple like Judas (Acts 1:25), take part in worship like Korah (Num. 16), have a house of worship like Micah (Judges 17:5), desire to die the death of the righteous like Balaam (Num. 23:10), make long prayers like the Pharisees (Matt 23:14), prophesy like Saul (I Sam. 10:10), have lamps like the foolish virgins (Matt. 25:13), be near the Kingdom like the young man (Matt. 19:16), almost a Christian like Agrippa (Acts 26:28)

### And Yet Be Lost!

Reader, think over this! Are you saved? "Ye must be born again" (John 3:7). "Now if any have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his" (Rom. 13:9). "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved and thy house" (Acts 16:31).—Our Hope

"Character is what a man is when he's alone."

## ARTICLES OF FAITH OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH MOVEMENT

Acts 2:42

### ENLIGHTENMENT

By the Spirit of God and the preaching of the Gospel, St. Jn. 1:8-9.

### CONVICTION

By the Holy Ghost, St. Jn. 16:8.

### REPENTANCE

Resulting in forgiveness of sin and **CONVERSION**, Lk. 13:3, Ac. 3:19.

### SANCTIFICATION

#### Spirit, Soul and Body

A positive second definite work of Grace received, by perfect and entire Consecration and Faith in the Blood of Jesus which cleanses from all sin, delivers from Carnality, making the heart ready for the in-dwelling of the Holy Spirit and providing the Grace wherein we stand, II Cor. 1:15, St. Jn. 17; I Th. 4:3-4 Also Sanct., the New Birth by removing of the spirit of carnality and the birth of the spirit of Christ in our heart. Heb. 2:10-11.

### BAPTISM OF HOLY GHOST

According to Acts 2: with evidence of speaking in other language, and not with fleshly and fanatical manifestation, Lk. 24:49, Ac. 1:8, Ac. 2:39.

### THE BAPTISM OF HOLY GHOST AS THE SEAL UNTO THE DAY OF REDEMPTION

Eph. 1:13-14, Eph. 4:30.

### DIVINE HEALING

The door to Divine Health, through the Sacrifice of Jesus' broken body. Isa. 53:5, Mat. 14:17, III Jn. 1:2.

### TRINITY OF THE GOD-HEAD

Namely: God the Father, the forgiver, Jesus Christ the Son, the Sanctifier, He, the Holy Ghost, the Baptizer and indwelling spirit.



### RADIO "The Highway and Hedge Call"

★  
PROGRAMS  
of  
The Apostolic Faith Movement

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"Sunday Fellowship"  
Sunday, KOAM, 2-2:30 p. m.  
Pittsburg, Kansas  
Olen Bachler, Sec.-Treas.

★  
"Lights of Home"  
Sunday, KANS, 9:15-9:30 a. m.  
Wichita, Kansas  
Albert L. Durham, director

★  
"Gospel of the Kingdom"  
Tuesday, KPND, 2-2:30 p. m.  
Pampa, Texas  
Ralph A. Durham, director

### THE PERSONAL RETURN OF JESUS CHRIST

Ac. 1:9-11, to reign over this earth for one thousand years or, the Sabbath of the Lord, Rev. 20:4-6.

### CONDITIONAL IMMORTALITY

Or life, only, through Christ. St. Jn. 6:53-54, I Jn. 5:11-12.

### FINAL DESTRUCTION OF THE WICKED

Rom. 6:23, Mat. 10:28, Mal. 4-1.

### THE ORDINANCE OF THE LORD JESUS

As He instituted them namely: Water Baptism as into Christ Jesus, the answer of or testimony of a clear conscience toward God. The Sacrament of bread and wine or the Lord's Supper to shew forth the purpose of His death 'till He come again; Foot-washing as an act of humility, in obedience to the example of Jesus washing the Disciples feet.

### THE SUPPORT OF THE MINISTRY

By the Bible plan of Tithes and Offerings and without collection or solicitations.

### A CHALLENGE TO ALL!

With charity in our hearts to all men, let us strive for the faith once delivered to the Saints, endeavoring to bless humanity and save the lost by serving the Lord in a sinless—Sickless—surrendered life 'Till He shall come as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Wherefore—give diligence to make your calling and election sure: For if ye do these things, ye shall never fall. For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. II Pet. 1:10.

"Keep not back part of the price. Make a full surrender of every motion of thy heart; labor to have but one object and one aim, and for this purpose give God the keeping of thine heart. Cry out for more of the divine influences of the Holy Spirit, so that when thy soul is preserved and protected by Him it may be directed into one channel, and one only, that thy life may run deep and pure, and clear and peaceful; its only banks being God's will, its only channel the love of Christ and a desire to please Him."—Chis H. Spurgeon.

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# YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

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## Do I Measure Up?

As we look forward into this new year that we have entered only a few days ago, all of us have plans for this year and a hope in our hearts that our earthly desires will be fulfilled. Then as I think a little farther, a thought enters my mind of something far greater and so much more important to us, as Christian soldiers in a fight against sin, that we should stop and consider our own lives as to whether we measure up or are striving to measure up to the goal Jesus set, with our best ability. In Hebrews 10:23-25 Paul exhorts us to "hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering: (for he is faithful that promised;)" he goes farther in exhorting us, "not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching".

The Father has promised us, yes, even the young people, the richest blessings in His kingdom if we will surrender to his will completely. Of course it means giving up everything the enemy has to offer, but who is able to do that any better than we who are young. We have everything to look forward to with God on our side this year and every year. These words will go to many of my friends on foreign soil and I surely am proud of all of you who are standing for God. You young people at home who think its foolish to trust God for everything, I can imagine that those fellows out there could tell you a great deal about how almighty God really is. His blessings are rich and full and free to everyone that will come to him.

In these last days it behooves us to hold fast to our faith for the enemy is on every hand. Do not forget to attend services with each opportunity and when you see your best friend or buddy

falling the Lord remember Paul said to exhort one another. The closing day of time will soon be here and who will be able to stand? Those who trust God and do His whole will.

Julianna Regier

## God's Young People

The Young People's Services of the Perryton Full Gospel Church are growing in every way, for which we give God all the credit. We are made to realize that without the spirit of God in each service, it would be of no benefit.

On Sunday evening, December 17, it seemed as though several young people were especially burdened for our services, and for lost souls. You know, the Bible teaches us to share one another's burdens, and pray one for another, so six of us went to the platform and knelt down for a season of prayer. The spirit of God was with us, and He poured out His blessings upon us. An hour was spent in praying and rejoicing in His name.

We should be ever filled with praise and thanksgiving for God's many blessings to us. How proud we are to have such a wonderful and understanding friend. I have seen and heard of young people who were not so proud of the fact, but if you only realize it, to be called a child of God is the highest honor ever offered to anyone. Be proud to be called a Christian, someone different from the world, and thank God for grace to stand.

Put God first in everything you do. Although you feel your best is not good enough, offer yourself to God's service and He will magnify your talents used to His glory.

Our motto is:

Let all of God's Young People work in one accord for His sake, that our light might shine into worldly darkness.

and lead some soul to the light of this gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

As president of the Young People's Association here, I ask an interest in your prayers for our work. You pray for us, and we'll pray for you.

With sincere prayers,  
Opal Pearl Murray

## THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT

Mr. Spurgeon once preached what in his judgment was one of his poorest sermons. He stammered and floundered, and when he got through felt that it had been a complete failure. He was greatly humiliated, and when he got home he fell on his knees and said, "Lord, God, Thou canst do something with nothing. Bless that poor sermon." And all through the week he would utter that prayer. He would wake up in the night and pray about it. He determined that the next Sunday he would redeem himself by preaching a great sermon. Sure enough, the next Sunday the sermon went off beautifully. At the close, the people crowded about him and covered him with praise. Spurgeon went home pleased with himself, and that night he slept like a baby. But he said to himself, "I'll watch the results of those two sermons." What were they? From the one that had seemed a failure he was able to trace forty-one conversions. And from that magnificent sermon he was unable to discover that a single soul was saved. Spurgeon's explanation was that the Spirit of God used the one and did not use the other. We can do nothing without the Spirit who helpeth our infirmities.

## FOR HIS SAKE

At the close of a battle in the days of the war, a young man was found dying on the battlefield. A soldier stopped to render him assistance, and as he moistened his lips and made his head rest easier, the dying man said, "My father is a man of large wealth in Detroit, and if I have strength I will write him

a note and he will repay you for this kindness."

And this is the letter he wrote: "Dear Father, the bearer of this letter made my last moments easier, and helped me to die. Receive him and help him for Charlie's sake."

The war ended, and the soldier in tattered garments sought out the father in Detroit. He refused to see him at first because of his wretched appearance. "But," said the stranger, "I have a note for you in which you will be interested." He handed him the little soiled piece of paper, and when the great man's eyes fell upon the name of his son, all was instantly changed. He threw his arms about the soldier, and drew him close to his heart, and put at his disposal everything that wealth could make possible for him to possess. It was the name that made the difference. And thus we stand on redemption ground, before God in the Name of Jesus Christ, and He speaks for us as did Paul for the Roman slave Onesimus.—J. Wilbur Chapman

## THE BEST OF ITS KIND

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M/Sgt. Woodson W. Betz

## THE BEST COMMENTARY

Matthew Henry, the great commentator, loaned one of his works to Mose, a colored help. Several days later he came to return the book; he laid it upon Dr. Henry's desk and started backing out of the room. "Well, Mose, how did you like my commentary?" asked Dr. Henry. "Strange, Massa, how much light the Bible do throw on your commentary," replied Mose. The Bible is indeed the best Commentary on the Bible.—H. M. Miller



# TRINITY IN THE BIBLE

By RALPH A. DURHAM

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There is a wonderful portrayal of the trinity of the God-head set forth in the bible, and indeed it brings to us who are living in the fullness of the dispensation of the Holy Ghost the greatest opportunities and blessings of any people who have ever lived, because we have the fullness of the work of the God-head offered to us today if we will pay the price to receive these things. Yea we have the privilege of looking into the things that the angels desire to look into and are not privileged to do so. And also to strive to be a part of that triumphant host which shall rise victorious over all the powers of Satan even to REDEMPTION of the body by the power of, the third person of the God-head, namely the Holy Ghost.

But let us notice that while there is a trinity of the anti-godhead which is running parallel in time with the plan of God. Not only parallel in time but with deceptive teachings and even signs and wonders which sometimes must run so closely to the teachings of God that they deceive many who are not established in the truth of the Bible, for that deception which will deceive most is those things that bear close resemblance to the true yet will turn aside somewhere from the Bible. And for that reason the devil is going to manifest himself in the close of this age even in GREAT SIGNS AND WONDERS which will be mistaken by many for the work of God, the result, the master deception of the age. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie, (IIThes. 2:11) so many will fail to be ready for the rise of the sceptre of RIGHTEOUSNESS.

LET US OBSERVE A FEW OF THE PARALLELS OF THESE TRINITIES:

FIRST: God the Father dealt with

humanity in a personal way. For many years it was God himself that dealt with people in various ways offered humanity great blessings and opportunities, only to find his work opposed from the first by Satan, who is the first person in the anti-godhead, just as God is in the God-head.

God placed Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden with great opportunities and blessings offered to them for obedience to his will, which is always the best for people. Now we find that Satan came on the scene to oppose God's purpose in them, by telling them that God's word was not true, and in passing may we leave this thought: the same thing is going to result in the deception of great number in the close of this age. Not only did Satan deny the truth of God's word, but he offered them something attractive and popular besides. God doth know that in the day we eat thereof ye shall be as God's knowing good and evil.

Popularity and modernism have been very valuable tools in the hands of the devil all thru the ages. I can almost hear Mother Eve as she told Adam now we are not popular enough in this state and here is an opportunity to be as God and after all let's not take our religion too serious; so they obeyed Satan, who was opposing the work of God.

Both the Sons of God and the sons of men were to be blessed by obedience to God, and we notice the result. Abel obeyed God and was acceptable, while Cain obeyed Satan; the Sons of God and the daughters of men obeyed Satan and brought upon themselves death and destruction in the flood.

On down thru the years while God was yet working in his personal way, we find Satan is still opposing, while Daniel was praying and confessing his

sins, and the sins of his people, Satan hindered, twenty-one days.

There was a day when the Sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan came also. (Job 1:6).

God told Satan there in the Garden of Eden that because he had brought disobedience and sin into the lives of Adam and Eve, He would send His Son to redeem man out of the condition that he had fallen into through obedience to Satan, and that there would be opposition between the seed of the woman (God's son) and his seed (Satan's son); and I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between **THY SEED AND HER SEED** and it shall bruise thy head and thou shall bruise his heel. (Gen. 3:15).

**JUST AS MUCH AS THERE WAS A PROMISE OF THE SON OF GOD IN THIS SCRIPTURE, THERE WAS ALSO THE SON OF SATAN SPOKEN OF AND OF A PERSONAL OPPOSITION BETWEEN THEM.**

Jesus came, **THE SON OF GOD**, the second person in the God-head: And lo, a voice from Heaven, saying: This Is My Beloved Son In Whom I Am Well Pleased. (Mat. 3:17).

Anti-Christ appears in the form of Judas, the son of **PERDITION** or **SON OF THE DEVIL**; or that referred to by God as **THY SEED**. Jesus said: Those That Thou Gavest Me I Have Kept and None of Them **IS** (present tense) Lost But the Son of Perdition, that the **SCRIPTURE MIGHT BE FULFILLED**. (Jn. 17:12).

We find that not only did both of the persons spoken of appear but also that opposition that was spoken of by the mouth of God himself, began to manifest itself.

Jesus said in speaking of the twelve: One of you **IS A DEVIL**, he spake of Judas Iscariot. (Jn. 6:70-71).

Jesus went about doing good, ministering to the needs of humanity, filling his place as was spoken of concerning him. He was continually opposed by the spirits of wickedness and unbe-

lief, of which the anti-christ is chief.

Jesus came to do His Fathers will, did all those things that were spoken of him and never sought his own will.

Judas did the will of Satan. Then said Jesus unto him, that thou doest do quickly. (Jno. 13:27).

**Jesus came, THE PRINCE OF PEACE:** For 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. (Isa. 9:6).

The anti-christ will take peace from the earth; and it was given unto him to make war with the saints. (Rev. 13-7).

The anti-christ is mentioned in the prop. of Ezek. as Prince of Tyrus, a prince in the son of a king. We find in the same chapter also King of Tyrus (SATAN) described. Son of man say unto the prince of Tyrus; Thus saith the Lord God, Thou hast said I am a God. I set in the seat of God. (Ezek. 28: 2).

Jesus laid down his life for sin in the fulfillment of that that was said to the devil in the Garden of Eden. Thou shall bruise his heel, at the hands of Judas did this come to pass.

Judas laid down his life because of sin; the betrayal of Jesus.

Jesus came in his Fathers name and was rejected, (Jn. 5:43) by his own people but also said: Another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive, the anti-christ will come in his own name and will be received by the world.

Jesus was resurrected from a grave, a victor over the power of the devil which had sought to destroy him in this conflict between these two second persons in their respective places in this dispensation of Christ and anti-christ.

But in view of the fact of the resurrection of Jesus thus proving the supreme power of the God-head, we notice that the power of the anti-godhead will seek to duplicate the power and work of God for the purpose of accom-

plishing the great deception that is going to result in the damnation of great numbers when the spirit of Judas, the **SON OF PERDITION**, is resurrected or comes from, **HIS OWN PLACE**, (Acts 1:26) which place no doubt was the bottomless pit, (Rev. 17. 8) to parallel the resurrection of Jesus, thus step by step seeking to match the work of the God-head and accomplish the work of opposition thru deception.

Jesus humbled himself, said: Take my yoke upon you and find rest; the anti-christ exalts himself, causes many to take his yoke or mark and be tormented.

Jesus ascended to the throne of God to intercede for man, and to wait until the time when He shall bruise the head of the serpent in a reign of righteousness.

The anti-christ will ascend to the throne of the world and destroy many by his power.

**LAST. BUT FAR FROM LEAST, LET US CONSIDER THE THIRD PERSON OF THIS BIBLICAL TRINITY:**

The Holy Spirit, the third person in the God-head, was to come in a general way, for a definite work in the plan of God in the **LAST** days; And it shall come to pass in the last days saith God, I will pour out of my spirit, upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophecy, and your young men shall see visions, your old men shall dream dreams. (Acts 2:16).

The work of God in this dispensation is in the hands of the Holy Spirit, and true prophets or minister prophecy by the power of the Holy Spirit; not only that but all works of the Lord, such as miracles, gifts, etc., are by the Holy Spirit, the third person.

This will continue to be the case until the work is finished or until that time spoken of in II Thes. 2: Only he who now getteth will let (**THE HOLY SPIRIT**) until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that wicked be revealed, the son of perdition, or man of sin.

The spirit of the false prophet, the third person in the anti-godhead is now, and has been, working in a great way in the world in this; that there are many false prophets gone out into the world. And without hesitation I will say that every prophet who knowingly denies or rejects the gospel of Jesus, or a part of it, is motivated by the **SPIRIT OF THE FALSE PROPHET** who is a person just as truly as the Holy Ghost is a person, and will reach his fullness in the person of the false prophet under the reign of the anti-christ (Rev. 13) and by him many signs and wonders are going to come, even great miracles at his hand and all who have not loved the truth of God's word and stand for it are going to be deceived in this great deception and go down for destruction and damnation.

Now let us compare these two persons in their respective dispensation:

The Holy Spirit leads men to God, gives power for service, works miracles, hinders the work of Satan until his (the Holy Spirit's) work is finished; seal unto redemption, and last lifts those who have the seal out of the great time of trouble to the throne of God.

The spirit of the false prophet leads men away from God, into deception and false teachings.

Empowers the many false prophets; works signs and wonders, great miracles, seals men unto their doom with the mark of the beast, and last, casts them down in torment to the judgments of God upon the wicked nations at that time.

**THEN AT LAST THE SEED OF THE WOMAN BRUISES THE HEAD OF THE HOUSE OF THE WICKED (HAB. 3:13) AND THE ANTI-CHRIST AND THE FALSE PROPHET WERE CAST ALIVE INTO A LAKE OF FIRE. (Rev. 19-20).**

**JESUS REIGNS AS KING OF KINGS FOR A THOUSAND YEARS.**

After which time: Then cometh the end when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father;

when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.

Then shall the son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all. (I Cor. 15:24-27).

And finally and at last in this great victory won by God thru His Glorious scheme of Redemption of man shall be revealed in all its beauty.

May those whose spiritual eyes are opened look upon the eternal truth and grand harmony of the word of God.

It lingers and follows winding paths, yet the way is straight, does not turn aside to the right or the left, and with

divine precision leads straight to the eternal goal.

And the end finds again the same beginning. Eternally the same trees of life under which Adam and Eve walked; trees of life that never wither or dry up, and there crystal rivers of life flow.

No longer the man in childlike innocence and naked but **KINGS AND PRIEST, IN SHINING ROBES PASS IN AND OUT OF THE PEARLY GATES AND ROAM THE GIGANTIC PALACES OF THE CITY OF GOLD.**

**O THAT WILL BE GLORY FOR ME!**

# CHURCH ORDER AND GOVERNMENT

By RALPH A. DURHAM, Perryton, Texas

## Church Should Be Set in Order:

For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city as I had appointed. Tit. 1:5.

## Elders in Every Church:

And when they had ordained elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed. Ac. 14:23.

## How Chosen:

**BY THE CHURCH ASSEMBLY:** Wherefore brethren look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom whom we may appoint over this business, Ac. 6:3.

## Qualifications of Elders:

If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children, not accused of riot or unruly.

For a bishop must be blameless, as the steward of God; not self willed, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre;

But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate;

Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able

by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gain sayers.

For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers—

Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not. Tit. 1:6-11.

One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity;

(For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)

Not a novice lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the Devil.

Moreover he must have a good report of them that are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

Even so must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things. I Tim. 3.

## Ordination of Elders:

And they chose—

Whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them. Ac. 6:5-6.

And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed

with fasting, they commended them to the Lord. Ac. 14:23.

#### Duties of Elders:

TAKE CARE OF THE CHURCH: I Tim. 3:5.

OVERSEERS OF THE FLOCK: Ac. 20:17-18 and 28-30.

APOSTLES AND ELDERS TO COME TOGETHER TO CONSIDER DOCTRINAL QUESTIONS AND BUSINESS MATTERS. Ac. 15:2 and 4-6.

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Jas. 5:14.

KNOW AND HOLD THE DOCTRINE OF THE LORD: Tit. 1:9-11.

#### Duty to Elders:

Honour them: I Tim. 5:17.

BE SLOW TO ACCUSE THEM: I Tim. 5:19.

## Young People Meet Elect New Officers

The Full Gospel Young People of Perryton met Sunday evening Dec. 17, 1944 for election of 1945 officers—before the Christmas holidays began.

After a short program conducted by President Eunice Perkins, the following officers were elected:

President—Opal Pearl Murray, Vice-President—Eunice Perkins, Secretary—Treasurer—Luella Russell, Pianist—Eunice Perkins, Ass't. Pianist—Luella Russell, Song Leader—Donald Eiland, Ass't. Song Leader—Luella Russell.

After the general service was closed, a number of the young people met for prayer, and several expressed their desire to see a larger, and more spiritual young peoples group in the future.

The new officers took charge beginning with Sunday night, Jan. 7, 1945.

**God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.**  
**John 3:17.**

"I need no other argument,  
I want no other plea;  
It is enough that Jesus died,  
And that He died for me."

## New Church Dedicated

The new church of the Apostolic Faith Movement at Perryton, Texas, was dedicated with an all day service Sunday, January 21, 1945. In spite of inclement weather a near capacity crowd was in attendance with delegations from other churches in the Panhandle district.

A large Sunday School enjoyed their first session in their respective class rooms under the direction of Supt. Travis Flowers and their teachers; the morning devotion was given to dedication of the altar with the pastor preaching the sermon from the text, "For they kept the dedication of the altar." II Chron. 7:9 and emphasizing several following verses. A glorious and victorious altar service closed the morning service at 1:15 p. m.

The afternoon service was another wonderful manifestation of God's presence as various special singers rendered songs under the anointing of the Holy Spirit and the following Ministers spoke; Bro. Hap Watkins, Sister Greever, Sister Viola Modrick, Bro. Bitsie Rees, Bro. Murphy Barnes, Bro. Ruben Busch, Bro. Robert Girouard brought a message on "Sound Doctrine" and Bro. John Modrick preaching the Communion Sermon which was followed by a very sacred Communion service with the altars filled with people seeking for the blessings of God and the sick prayed for. The afternoon service closed about 5:15.

The evening service was conducted by Bro. Murphy Barnes with Bro. Ruben Busch preaching the sermon, and so from our hearts we express our greatest thanks to God for another new church and extend a special invitation to all Ministers and Gospel singers to visit with us and also to the public to worship with us.

# What Shall I do

By RALPH A. DURHAM

**TELL JESUS:  
OUR PERILS.**

And his disciples came to him, and awoke him saying; Lord save us; we perish. Mt. 8:25.

**OUR QUESTIONS:**

And as he sat upon the mount of Olives the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? Mat. 24:3.

**OUR SICKNESSES:**

But Simeons wives mother lay sick of a fever, and anon they tell him of her. Mk. 1:30.

**OUR DIFFICULTIES:**

And when the day was now far spent, his disciples came unto him, and said, This is a desert place, and now the time is far spent,

Send them away, that they may go into the country round about, and into the villages, and buy themselves bread: for they have nothing to eat. Mk. 6:35-36.

**OUR NEEDS:**

And Jesus answered and said unto him, what wilt thou that I should do unto thee? the blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight. Mk. 10:51.

**OUR FAILURES:**

And when he was come into the house, his disciples asked him privately why could not we cast him out?

And he said unto them, this kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting. Mk. 9:28-29.

And Simeon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all night, and have taken nothing; nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net. Lk. 5:5.

**FAMILY TROUBLES:**

And, behold, a man of the company cried out saying, master, I beseech thee, look upon my son; For he is my only child. Lk. 9:38.

**VICTORIES:**

And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the Devils are subject unto us thru thy name. Lk. 10:17.

**OUR DISAPPOINTMENTS:**

And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas answering said unto him, art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days? Lk. 24:18.

**OUR BEREAVEMENTS:**

Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. Jn. 11:21.

**BECAUSE:**

**HE IS DIVINE:**

And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom, and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord. Is. 11:2.

**HE IS WISE:**

And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears. Is. 11:3.

**HE IS JUST AND FEARLESS:**

But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked. Is. 11:4.

**HE IS FAITHFUL:**

And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reigns. Is. 11:5.

**HE IS TENDER:**

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; He shall gather the lambs with his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and shall lead those that are with

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**SATAN TREMBLES WHEN HE SEES EVEN THE WEAKEST CHRISTIAN ON HIS KNEES.**

young. Is. 40:11.

**HE IS GENTLE:**

A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench, he shall bring forth judgment unto truth. Is. 42:3.

**HE IS PERSEVERING:**

He shall not fail nor be discouraged, Till he have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for his law. Is. 42:4.

**HE IS COMPASSIONATE:**

But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, the harvest truly is plentious, but the laborers are few. Mat. 9:36-37.

**HE IS BURDENBEARING:**

Bear ye one anothers burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. Gal. 6:2.

**HE IS LOVING:**

And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savor. Eph. 5:2.

**BELIEVERS ARE ALWAYS:**

**ACCOMPANIED BY HIS PRESENCE:**

Teaching them to observe all things what so ever I have command you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Mt. 28:20.

**HELD BY HIS HAND:**

And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck out of my hands. Jn. 10:28.

**LIKE BRANCHES IN VINE:**

Abide in me, and I in you as the branch cannot bear fruit, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. Jn. 15:4.

**IN PERPETUAL FELLOWSHIP:**

I in them, and thou in me, that they

may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me. Jn. 17:23.

**NO POWER CAN MOVE US:**

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord Rom. 8:38-39.

**No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. Isa. 54:17.**

"Sometimes on the Rock I tremble,

Faint of heart and weak of knee,  
But the steadfast Rock of Ages  
Never trembles under me."

**I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee. Jer. 31:3.**

"In sweet communion, Lord, with Thee  
I constantly abide;  
My hand Thou holdest in Thy own  
To keep me near Thy side."

**Call unto Me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not. Jer. 33:3.**

"How gentle God's commands,  
How kind His precepts are!  
Come, cast your burdens on the Lord,  
And trust His constant care."

**Be still and know that I am God. Psalm 46:10.**

"Lord, I believe; Thy power I own,  
Thy Word I would obey;  
I wander comfortless and lone,  
When from Thy truth I stray."

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**—Admiral Beatty**





## *A Personal Letter*

Our time has been about taken up with the duties of the new church building program for the past three months but now that we are in our new building we shall be able to give the magazine the time it should have and so we greet you again in the precious name of our saviour.

Some have asked why we did not get the January issue out, it was all because of limited time and help and we are looking forward to being able to send out each months number from now on.

As the weeks pass and the changing conditions come we feel we should all seek more to help share the burdens and sorrows of one another; the war is coming to touch more and more homes with its sting and scourge so let us all lean more on the "everlasting arms."

To our service personnel everywhere we are yet saying, God is able and will stay by you when nothing else can give the help you need. The many prayers which are ascending to God in your behalf will not be disregarded or go unanswered.

We wish to request the prayers of all as we try to fill the place in the Master's vineyard to which we have been called. The wide-spread circulation of this little gospel "Evangel" has been made possible by the co-operation and support of all our dear friends and we wish to again express our appreciation to you.

We are glad to announce that we have a new member on our radio and magazine staff and we feel it is in direct answer to our prayer, Sister Lenore Peck has graciously offered to work with us in this ministry.

We are always glad to hear from any or all of you and your letters are a great encouragement to us. May God's richest blessings rest upon you.

Yours in the work of the Lord,

MR. and MRS. RALPH A. DURHAM and MRS. LENORE PECK

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**"MAKING OTHERS AWARE OF THE LIVING CHRIST IS THE BEST CONTRIBUTION I CAN MAKE TO A STRICKEN WORLD."**

—Charles G. Becker

## Tomorrow

God is in every to-morrow,  
Therefore I live for to-day,  
Certain of finding at sunrise  
Guidance and strength for the way;  
Power for each moment of weakness,  
Hope for each moment of pain,  
Comfort for every sorrow,  
Sunshine and joy after rain.  
God is in every to-morrow,  
Planning for you and me;  
E'en in the dark will I follow—  
Trust where my eyes cannot see:  
Stilled by His promise of blessing,  
Soothed by the touch of His hand,  
Confident in His protection,  
Knowing my life-path is planned.  
God is in every to-morrow,  
Life with its changes may come;  
He is behind and before me;  
While in the distance shines Home!  
Home—where no thought of to-morrow  
Even can shadow my brow;  
Home—in the presence of Jesus  
Through all eternity—now.—Exc.

Jim <sup>Bonner</sup> 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  ✓  
BT Washington 4 ✓  
James Washings 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  ✓  
Miller 4 ~~What Then?~~  
Adam Harris 4 ✓  
(John 3:16; Malachi 4:1)  
Adams Boy 4 ✓

When the great plants of our cities  
Have turned out their last finished work;  
When our merchants have sold their last yard  
of silk  
And dismissed the last tired clerk  
When our banks have raked in their last  
dollar  
And paid the last dividend;  
When the Judge of the earth says  
"Close for the night,"  
And asks for a balance—  
**What then?**

When the choir has sung its last anthem,  
And the preacher has made his last prayer;  
When the people have heard their last sermon  
And the sound has died out on the air;  
When the Bible lies closed on the altar  
And the pews are all empty of men  
And each one stands facing his record—  
And the great Book is opened—  
**What then?**