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I will work a work in your days, which ye will not believe, though it be told you. — Habakuk 1:5.

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#### **FOREWORD**

In the past few years there has been a great number of requests for the reprinting of this book, *The Everlasting Gospel*, written by my father, the late Charles F. Parham, founder of the Original Apostolic Faith Movement. At the insistent urge of many people this book is now coming to you.

The book is reprinted in its original form and we trust the readers will bear in mind it was written in 1911, A. D., prior to World War 1. We are now in the midst of World War II, and it is our desire to get these Biblical truths to you and to the general public, that all may be edified and blessed by reading it.

It is almost entirely a prophetic book, and its truths are of great importance today and are now an immediate reality. If these pages become blest to the awakening of sinners and the edifying of the body of Christ, may all the glory be ascribed to Him "who gave himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works."

"Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ."

- ROBERT L. PARHAM

#### PREFACE

"He that hath eyes to see, let him see." Many have witnessed a tropical storm slowly gather, first a haze or vapor, a darkening of the heavens, fitful puffs of irritant winds emitting groans and sighs, distant mutterings of thunder preceded by painful silence, while the storm musters additional strength for a Titanic upheaval. Caution prompts the wayfarer to seek shelter. Soon the elemental monarch with a wail and roar falls upon the peaceful valley, and in an instant all is confusion, and chaos reigns supreme.

"He that hath eyes to see, let him see." Command your physical eyes to cease their functions, permitting your spiritual eyes to reveal to you the counterpart of the foregoing description through a period of years, events transpiring which slowly yet surely drew into the vortex the different nations of the world until death and destruction encompassed the globe. The fury of the ages fell upon us, and death stalked throughout the lands. The roar of artillery struck terror into human hearts, and hissed from country to country, leaving in its wake upon the battle-fields myriads of mangled bleeding forms. God's glorious sunshine was veiled, and darkness followed fiery explosions, while vapors contaminated the pure air we breathed and pestilence followed swiftly, befouling the very fountains of existence, and shaking the foundations of our institutions.

"He that hath eyes to see let him see." God, in His word, calls attention to these minor casualties, and also paints a pen picture more harrowing advancing upon us, which will eclipse the vainest imagination of mankind, and make futile all powers of description. Read Isaiah 13:6-16: "Howl ye; for the day of the Lord is at hand; it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty. Therefore shall all hands be faint, and every man's heart shall melt: and they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall

take hold of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall be amazed one at another; their faces shall be as flames. Behold the day of the Lord cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it. For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine. And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible. I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir. Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the Lord of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger. And it shall be as the chased roe, and as a sheep that no man taketh up: they shall every man turn to his own people, and flee every one into his own land.

"Everyone that is found shall be thrust through; and everyone that is joined unto them shall fall by the sword. Their children also shall be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be spoiled, and their wives ravished."

Also Jer. 16:1-12: "The Word of the Lord came also unto me, saying, Thou shalt not take thee a wife, neither shalt thou have sons and daughters in this place. For thus saith the Lord concerning the sons and concerning the daughters that are born in this place, and concerning their mothers that bare them, and concerning their fathers that begat them in this land: they shall die of grevious deaths; they shall not be lamented; neither shall they be buried; but they shall be as dung upon the face of the earth: and they shall be consumed by the sword, and by famine; and their carcases shall be meat for the fowls of heaven, and for the beasts of the earth, For thus saith the Lord, Enter not into the house of mourning, neither go to lament or bemoan them: for I have taken away MY PEACE from this people, saith the Lord, even LOVINGKINDNESS and MERCIES. Both the great and the small shall die in this land: they shall not be

buried, neither shall men lament for them, nor cut themselves, nor make themselves bald for them: Neither shall men tear themselves for them in mourning, to comfort them for the dead; neither shall men give them the cup of consolation to drink for their father or for their mother. Thou shall not also go into the house of feasting, to sit with them to eat and to drink. For thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will cause to cease out of this place in your eyes, and in your days, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride. And it shall come to pass, when thou shalt shew this people all these words, and they shall say unto thee, Wherefore hath the Lord pronounced all this great evil against us? or what is our iniquity? or what is our sin that we have committed against the Lord our God?

"Then shalt thou say unto them, Because your fathers have forsaken me, saith the Lord, and have walked after other gods, and have served them, and have worshipped them, and have forsaken me, and have not kept my law; and ye have done worse than your fathers; for, behold, ye walk every one after the imaginations of his evil heart, that they may not hearken unto me. Instead of heeding the warnings and seeking safety while safety might yet be found, the human family obstinately and vaingloriously plunge deeper into the mad race for the things of this world, and amidst ribaldry and debauchery sneer at God and His plans, more completely immerse themselves into the wildest speculations, more cruelly fleece the unwary, and oppress the poor, heaping unto themselves treasures for the last days; James, 5th chapter. "When the fig tree puts forth its leaves we may know that spring is nigh. Just as surely, we may see by many signs and hear through His chosen trumpeters, and read in His written message, that very shortly the World will enter into the shadows of stupefying calamities, such as the world has never seen and will never see again. The unleashed passions of mankind, the brutality of greed, avarice, envy, malice, hatred; the haughty, self-exalted egotists, will unbridle forces they cannot

check; and will themselves find burial beneath the ruins of the temple which they builded upon shifting sands. (Dan., 12th chapter.)

Too frequently it is dinned into our ears, when calling attention to the gathering storms, "I won't allow myself to worry about those things." "On with the dance; let joy be unconfined", was the flaunt hurled into the face of fate years ago, when France was in the throes of the black plague, and citizens were falling dead on the streets by thousands. As they did then, so they do now. Instead of repenting and calling upon God, they, with seemingly bravado, inject themselves into the giddy whirl of debauchery and crime, daring the powers of Satan, and spurning the mercies of God.

Self-exaltation precedes a fall, and millions of spiritually (?) dignified dandies litter the earth, and have become as dung to enrich the ground. Self-effacement and repentance, acceptance of extended mercies, and an unwavering dependence in God's promises is the only highway to genuine spiritual exultation.

"He that hath eyes to see, let him see."

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#### **DEDICATION**

To those who desire the truth, coming from any source whatsoever, this volume is reverently dedicated.

Many people realize that a change has overtaken the earth, and the signs foreshadow a dissolution of all things human.

"As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be in the latter days." The rain fell, and yet all had seen it rain before. But later it began to dawn upon them that this was no ordinary rain, and that destruction was slowly, but certainly, creeping upon them. In this age, the prophecies are as rapidly fulfilling, and already many minds are searching for a meaning of the present day phenomena.

Some seek consolation in the oft-reiterated statement that these things are in no way out of the ordinary, but the instinctive faculties of nature warn us that Nature's God is decidedly manifesting His power and is bringing about great changes, in accordance with His divine plans.

So apparent, even to the casual observers, are the encroaching miseries and woes, that thousands are beginning to enquire the why and wherefore of these manifestations. To these this book is extended as a message to make straight the path, and to shed light into dark places. Many years has this work been developing; in the midst of Satanic oppositions it has grown, waiting for God's time to place it before the world. What God's Word says is the paramount question confronting mankind. A careful perusal and an equitable comparison of the following topics will convince many that it behooves them to prepare to meet God.

To this end, we prayerfully offer this tribute.

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# CHAPTER I.

#### CREATION AND FORMATION

In writing this chapter, we seek to answer the questions of sceptics and infidels in regard to The Creation, Where Did Cain Get His Wife, The Reason for the Flood, The Base Conception of Purgatory, The Second Chance Theorists, and Universal Salvationists.

Long ago the theory that the seven days of creation were of twenty-four hours' duration began to lose its force upon the minds of the people, and today is found only in narrow intellects with a moss-covered growth. The sun, moon and stars, which govern man's computation of time, did not exist until after the fourth day. These were God's days, reckoned from the standpoint of Eternity, and computed by the Mind which governs the same, with whom "a day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day" (2 Peter 3:8.). The Jewish Talmud declares: "A day of God is a thousand years." The day of creation spoken of in Gen. 2:3 is not a twenty-four hour day, but is used as we refer to "the day of Washington, or day of Napoleon," meaning a period; so this, in Genesis, refers to the period of creation.

During the first day (age, or thousand years) the Bible and science beautifully agree. The earth was withou form and void, and "darkness was upon the face of the deep." The Spirit of God moved upon this nebulous mass, and when he said: "Let there be light," there was light.

During the second day (age, or thousand years) God separated the waters from the fast evolving earth, thus forming rings around the earth, as they exist around the planet Saturn. The flood was the result of these contracting rings being drawn to the earth by the power of gravitation.

In the third day (age, or thousand years) the waters remaining on the earth were gathered into seas. There being no sun, the earth brought forth a gigantic fungus growth. The Bible description declares this to have the appearance of grass and trees. This proven, not only by scientific lore, but by the literal Hebrew translation, which declares it was tender grass. The seed of the tree was in itself, thus evidencing a mushroom growth. This vegetation producing phosphorus, the world would be illuminated to some extent.

Through the fourth day (age, or thousand years) was shown the power of God controlling the planetary systems; the force of other planets penetrated the vaporous masses surrounding this earth, dividing the day from the night, to be for signs, for seasons, for days, and for years. During this age nebulous masses throughout the universe blazed forth, burning themselves into perpetual stars.

In the fifth day (age, or thousand years) God spoke into existence the living creatures of sea and air, and the law governing their propagation. Through the effect of the sun, vegetation had gradually changed, until the birds of the air reveled in the delights of gigantic forests, or boundless meadows most luxuriantly carpeted, thus preparing the earth for the animal life of the sixth day.

During the sixth day (age, or thousand years) a most marvelous creation of animal life was produced. Serpents and lizards had wings, and quadrupeds were mastodons of gigantic proportions. Then God said: "Let us make man in our own image, male and female." Here were created the first inhabitants of the earth, having everlasting human life, who bore the stamp and attributes of Divinity, whose fall was most pitiful, whose destruction most complete.

The difference between these people and the Adamic race of the eighth day was, they were CREATED, and had dominion and authority, while Adam was FORMED from the earth

(earthy), and put in the garden to tend it. According to the teaching of orthodox theologians the second chapter of Genesis is explanatory of the first; that God had to repeat his description of the origin of man so people would know it was true. Infidels found irreconcilable passages, the one contradicting the other. The word creation did not tally with formation; and dominion and authority failed to tally with being put in a garden to tend it.

During the closing years of the sixth age, and all of the Sabbatic age, or thousand years, when God rested, this created race was obeying the command to increase, multiply and replenish the earth; yet in the opening of the eighth day (age, or thousand years) the second chapter of Genesis, fifth verse, declares: "There was not a man to till the soil." For this purpose was Adam formed, from whose rib Eve was formed; for whose benefit God formed a second and different class of beasts and fowls. They were placed in the garden, a portion of the earth not then inhabited, separated from the rest of the world, called Eden.

After Adam had sinned, he was driven from this Paradise, but received the promise of a Redeemer, which the created race never did.

When Cain killed his brother he fled to the Land of Nod and there took unto himself a wife, one of the sixth day creation. Thus began the woeful inter-marriage of races, for which cause the flood was sent in punishment, and has ever been followed by plagues and incurable diseases upon the third and fourth generation, the offspring of such marriages. Were time to last and inter-marriage continue between the whites, the blacks and the reds in America, consumption and other diseases would soon wipe the mixed bloods off the face of the earth.

The sixth chapter of Genesis says: "When the Sons of God (the sixth day creation) saw the daughters of men (the Adamic race), they took them wives of all that they chose." When God beheld men — created in His own image — giving themselves

over to the gratification of every fleshly pleasure, whose every imagination and thought was only evil continually, it grieved Him in His heart to see creatures of such exalted origin and purpose surrender to such a contemptible, delusive foe. None of these people could ever die — death only passed upon Adam and his descendants — hence the flood was necessary to destroy them. When intermarriage occurred between the races, the offspring became giants, mighty men of renown.

The infinite mercy of God manifested itself. A respite of one hundred twenty years was granted in which men were called upon to repent. Failing to do so, God declared he would destroy "man whom he had created," not whom he had formed.

If orthodox catechisms and creeds were true, that the Adamic race were the first and only people then existing, God could be charged with a most gigantic piece of folly, and would certainly be a creature of most extraordinary diabolical qualities, for while utterly destroying the great mass of the human race, let slip through His fingers a few seed which soon propagated and became as devilish as any of their ancestors.

The fact is that God was seeking to punish and destroy those people whom he had created with such mighty attributes and advantages, but whose self-selected sensual habits brought upon them their own destruction — creatures who were no longer worthy of any existence, fit only for wrath. (Read Rom. 1:21-24.)

The reason for the flood is plainly seen. God intended to destroy man whom he had created, with all the half-breeds resulting from intermarriage. Yet having made a promise to Adam of a Savior, he is compelled to preserve the Adamic race.

For this reason Noah was chosen, not only because he was a just man and walked with God, but was perfect in his generation; a pedigree without mixed blood in it, a lineal descendant of Adam.

The flood destroyed not only the human part of the sixth day creation, but both man and beast. The pictures of these

created animals are met with in natural histories and the skeletons are found in museums, both properly termed antediluvian, because they have not existed since the flood. The animals of the Adamic, or eighth day formation, were preserved in the Ark, two of every unclean and seven of every clean.

Of this created race, Jude said: "The angels (Gr. angelos — equal of the angels) which kept not their first estate, are reserved under the everlasting chains of darkness unto the great day. Verse 6.

Again, Know ye not that ye shall judge angels? (Gr. angelos.) The created race (or angelos) never had the promise of a Savior, so when Jesus was put to death in the flesh, but quickened in the Spirit, he went and preached to the spirits in prison, which sometimes were disobedient, when once the long suffering of God waited in the days of Noah while the Ark was preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls, were saved by water. (1 Peter 3:19, 20.) This occurred during the three days of His burial. These spirits, never having the promise of a Savior, nor having ever heard of Him, were not having a second chance, but their first. For this cause the gospel was preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in flesh, but live according to God in the spirit (world).

While the heathen who are without the law will be judged without the law, beings who have had sufficient opportunity and time in which to repent, need not be buoyed up by such damnable heresies as "second chance," future, or purgatorial salvation.

#### CHAPTER II.

#### ADDRESS

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The Apostolic or Pentecostal movement contends for a hundredfold consecration, both for the laity and the ministry.

That means that you shall not lay up treasures on the earth for your children to fight over, but that the increase (not the tithe only of the increase and the offerings throughout the year), but that the entire increase of your possessions at the end of the year, unless absolutely needed in the furtherance of your business or occupation, shall be turned over into the services of the Lord.

According to the Scriptures, the laity and the ministry are called to consecrate to God one hundredfold of what is called, in modern commercialism, "profit," and that belongs to God. Is not that better than "tithes"? Tithing is the meanest, scrubbiest, stingiest way to serve God there is in the world. God put that on the Israelites, I think, because they were golden calf worshipers; he had to do it to get anything out of them.

For the ministry, this movement teaches an absolute one hundredfold—forsaking all of property, bonds, chattels, and everything else. The Levitical priesthood were not allowed to own land or hold possessions; God was their heritage and the tithes of the people were their support.

Jesus called the New Testament ministry not to tithes, but from homes and friends, and all, with a "Whosoever will forsake father and mother and houses and lands, and all, for my sake, shall have one hundred-fold in this world and in the world to come life everlasting." God was their all sufficiency, in all things.

"Lacked ye anything?"

"No; Lord."

"Did ye not go out without purse or script?"

"Yes; Lord; and we did not lack anything."

But these modern preachers, on a stipulated salary, chosen because of their mental acumen and position and ability, what do they know of consecration?

This movement stands for the Apostolic ministry, pure and simple. The old-fashioned, saddle-bag preacher could ride through the frontier districts and sing:

"Not a foot of land do I possess, No cottage in this wilderness."

Yet he, with Wesley, could stand in triumph and declare: "The world is my parish."

If I did not live this I could not preach it.

Permit just a word of reminiscence: When I first took this way I was getting from \$500 to \$700 a year in a Methodist pulpit; I now get from \$5,000 to \$7,000 a year. I had the confines of a pastorate, with a lot of theater-going, card-playing, wine-drinking, fashionable, unconverted Methodists; now I have a world-wide parish, with multitudes to preach the gospel message to, and numbers of them are saved and sanctified and many filled with the Holy Spirit. I had but a small pretense of a home then; later I was the possessor of more property, but I gave it all up, and now there are thousands of homes that are mine in

Christian love and fellowship. I have a thousand brothers and sisters today in holy love, for we love one another with pure hearts fervently. I speak this only to let you know that God will not fail.

Never, as ministers and workers, put your faith in men; put it in God. The apostles went out without script or purse, or any financial backing; they trusted in the all-sufficiency of God, who never failed them; and they carried the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

Shame on you of the twentieth century — you, who are afraid to do this! I dare you preachers to try it! Most of you are miserable cowards, afraid to step out on God's promises, afraid to trust Him; and that's why your work amounts to so little.

Thorough consecration is as necessary to sancification as repentance is to conversion; you are dead in trespasses and sins; you have no life in you; you are a rebel; you must bring yourself and your possessions into the realm of God and under the control of His government. Yet you are the personal possessor of yourself and of your possessions, but as having been given life and brought into the Kingdom of God, so to speak, you have a right to turn around and place upon the altar yourself and all of your possessions for the good of your country. This is consecration.

# Relation of Consecration to Sanctification

Repentance and surrender bring real salvation; entire consecration to God and abandonment to His will brings sanctification and cleansing to your life.

The stinginess of we mortals is amazing! I tell you again, that the Devil is the Lord's collie dog to herd the Lord's sheep, but the Devil has another duty to perform; he is the Lord's collector, and if you do not pay into the service of God that which belongs to Him, the Devil can collect it, and he does. He will steal some member of the family, and you will have the funeral expenses to pay; or he gets in the stable and takes a horse

or cow. He will get something to collect that debt, if you do not pay it to God.

God is calling His people today, all over the earth. The last days are upon us. Oh, friends, God is calling an Apostolic ministry today—the restoration of the Apostolic Faith; and the Word says that in that day—the latter day—the shepherds will not bind up that which is broken, will not heal that which is sick, will not feed the flock; therefore, the Lord will take them away from being shepherds over His flock, and will give them shepherds after His own heart. That is what He is doing today. God is calling an Apostolic ministry; God has called us, not as leaders, but to do the work that God gives us to do. The only position in this movement is that of seniority in the declaration of the Pentecostal truth, which has given me many years of preaching and teaching the truth, and experience in dealing with spirit forces, fanaticisms, and wild fires, thus giving me knowledge concerning these things.

God is calling us, as laity and ministers, to come to a hundred fold consecration. We are living in a crisis of the world's history. This government of ours is going down, is going absolutely to pieces. The government that will eventually rise and control this country will be of a socialistic character, a government that will not recognize land titles as personal, or private property, the medium of exchange will not be used then that is used now, and your gold and silver will be of little value. It will be of no more use to you than the Confederate money is now. Oh, that you would do for God whatever you intend to do, in a hurry! Again I say, God is calling the laity to an hundredfold consecration.

When you have thoroughly consecrated, and when sanctification comes, you will know it! If I were to buy a horse, and the horse was worth \$50, and the owner would not take a cent less, I could not claim it as mine if I had but \$49. That would not buy the horse; \$49 would not buy it. But if I were to give the man \$50, I could claim the horse. When you have made a com-

plete and full consecration of yourself, and all that you have; when, in the eye of God, there is no lack, the blessing is yours, and you take possession.

#### Sanctification

Holiness is a growth. Sanctification is a work of grace, an instantaneous operation, but holiness is the life you enter into through the grace of sanctification.

Holiness has no bounds, no limits in its growth and development. Sanctification takes one away from the shore line, away from the dragnets, away from the shoals, out into the immensity of the ocean of His love. I can see the angels, methinks, on mountain peaks in the delectable ranges of heaven, dwelling in the vastness and grandeur of eternity, meditating, having never been privileged to climb along the pathway of the stars and snatch from them sparkling rays of imagery and thought, and weave them into shining raiment of literature and wonder-lore. Oh, if we could just understand that there is no end to the vastness of our privileges in God.

# What Happens In Sanctification?

In conversion there is conception — the spiritual man, the babe man, is conceived; but the Christ life of that spiritual man is in an embryonic state. The natural child is circumscribed by the surroundings of the flesh; the passions and desires of the mother impress themselves upon the unborn babe. Just so with the babe in the spiritual life; the spirit within us is surrounded with the appetites, passions and lusts of the flesh — by doubts and fears that pass through the physical mentality — until it is well nigh suppressed in its operation.

Sanctification operates not upon the sins that you have committed, but upon the sin that was born in you; it deals with the inbred sin. Justification deals with sins committed, but sanctification deals with the inbred sin that causes you to sin, that

leads you to sin, and which conversion does not take out. These things are in the flesh-man; they are the inherited appetites, passions and lusts that rise in the flesh and are of the flesh. But friends, when God sanctifies you, He will take all of that out. Oh, the sweetness that God will give us, the humility and love! I want to tell you that God will help you, if you will let Him; He will take out, not merely suppress, all that inbred sin which was your natural inheritance.

Sanctification goes out to the physical through the spiritual man; it deals with the physical brain, with the physical body and turns the flesh of that man over to the spiritual man, and the spiritual man gains supremacy inside; this physical mind is brought into subjection to this spiritual mind; deals with the lusts, appetites and passions of the body. So far as the functions of the natural man are legitimate and so far as they may be properly used and temperately exercised, we are given liberty and freedom, but the intemperate, illegitimate and unholy exercise of the desires of the flesh is cleansed out when sanctification takes place. Man cannot do this, man cannot conquer this old nature; it is the enthroned Christ that conquers for you. When sanctification of the spirit, soul and body actually takes place, there is

#### The New Birth

The child is born; the fleshly surroundings have fallen away, and the babe unfolds, so to speak; but it has only reached the babyhood of that life. Sanctification is not the end of the Christian experience. It is but the dawn. You have been, to express it in another way, hatched out of the shell. It takes the sanctifying power of the new birth to bring one on to the real spiritual plane and open the way for the goal — joint heirship with the Master.

When the chicken gets big enough to break the little film in the end of the egg — there is just sufficient air in that room to last the chicken until it can peck its way out of the shell — then it works itself out. And that is the way when you get sancti-

fication; you will work your way through the middle wall of partition of sectarianism, and sanctification will make you one with Christ; and if the sanctification you have does not make you one with Christ as He is One with the Father you have got cranktification and not sanctification. Sanctification is that stage or condition where the chicken hatches — stretches its wings — has a chance to fully develop.

Therefore, do not hurry seekers. Give them plenty of time. When the eggs are first "pipped" you cannot help the chicks out by pulling the shells off; there is a period of twenty-four hours from the "pipping" time of the chickens to the hatching; they need to get acclimated — certain things must take place preparatory to coming in contact with the outside air, and if you break the shell and let the chicken out as soon as the chicken is "pipped," the chicken will die. So with some Christians — they get out of the shell too quick and get chilled.

I may differ a little bit in my explanations from what people are accustomed to, but this is simply the way I have learned God. It may be the way you will learn God. Oh, we want to get to the place where we have an individuality in God, not do things just because somebody did them before us.

# The Body Is the House

in which we live — just a frame, just a machine. This machine is capable of anything, in spite of what the doctors and scientists say, when it is run with the oil of the Holy Spirit. The body is simply a house in which we live, and when we get through with it, it will crumble and be of no more use to us; but do not let the Devil turn you out of your house with sickness and disease.

The soul embraces the conscience, and all there is of life, all there is that lives and moves and has being, both in time and eternity. The soul is that part which develops into the spiritual being, that heavenly spiritual being who lives forever. The soul in it survives. Today it is animated, today we meet our loved ones at the door with a bloom on the cheek and glisten in our

eye; tomorrow we lie cold upon the board; we are not there; life has gone. Man dieth and giveth up the ghost, and when we knock on the coffin lid there is no response. The arms that would have opened wide the door, and with love encircle us, are gone. "For I know, said Job, "that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God. Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another."

# What Is Spirit?

There are several meanings to the word. Man has a spirit. God is a spirit. There are psychic waves of influence, spirit influences that emanate from each one of us, sometimes so strong that when sitting in a room, with no knowledge that there is another individual in the room, his presence is felt; one may become so responsive to these influences that when blindfolded in the presence of different people they are differentiated purely by the atmosphere, or aura. Madam Guyon says in her memoirs that when Father LaCombe came to see her, her husband would not allow her to speak to the priest, but that such a radiating influence proceeded from that holy man of God that strength came to her when he came to talk with her husband. What we need as Christians is a sanctified influence, a sanctified spirit, so that the people with whom we come in contact with will feel a benign, a beneficial influence flowing out from us to them. Then others will feel and know the power of that spirit life. because out from our inward parts will flow streams of living water to our fellow men, imperceptibly, and which cannot be resisted. Then the influence of our life upon others will be such as to win them to God, and parents will have an influence over sons and daughters never dreamed of before. Oh, for a sanctified spirit in every Christian!

Sanctification is the second work of grace and also the last work of grace. Sanctification is a cleansing to make holy, and is an act of God's free grace. Sanctification begins in the inner man and reaches out until the soul is sanctified entirely; then comes the sanctification of the body from all inbred disease, and from the inbred principle of disease. Disease came with the fall, "When dying thou shalt die" was pronounced upon the body as well as the soul. But when the body is sanctified from its inbred tendency and predisposition to disease, as well as all other forms of inbred sin and carnality, when the spirit influence of our lives, whether it covers only the radius of our own families or whether that influence shall reach out to our neighborhood, or shall become world-wide, we shall send forth a sanctifying influence wherever that tide of influence reaches, and its power shall be for good — it shall be a sanctifying influence.

#### Sanctification Is Not Pentecost

The disciples were God-fearing, Godly, justified men before Jesus met them. Make note of that. The moment that Jesus called them to consecrate their lives they did not stop at sentimental consecration; they made one hundredfold consecration, such as is scarcely known in these days, and followed Him every step of the way. For three years and one-half they followed Him. The disciples were sanctified before the day of Pentecost. "Now ye are clean through the Word which I have spoken unto you." — John 15:3; 13-10.

Too many confuse the grace of sanctification with the endowment of power, or the Baptism of the Holy Spirit; others have taken "the anointing that abideth" for the Baptism, and thus failed to reach the glory and power of the true Pentecost. The great difficulty with modern "holiness" teachers has been that they have tried to make holiness the bone, marrow, fiber, tissue, and muscle, of our faith. Should we build a church on the coming of the Lord, or on Divine healing, or any other thing? It would be just as reasonable as to build on holiness; for holiness is but one step in the plan of God's great salvation. When people get side-tracked and narrow and hobbified on a subject, everything begins and ends with that subject; just as some people have

set their minds on "tongues," and can see nothing in this Pentecost movement but "tongues."

The witness to sanctification is the same power that witnesses to our conversion, no more, no less; but you have a cleaner life, you have a maturity, a conquering power; the carnal nature has been cleansed, the flesh purified. The witnessing power of the Holy Spirit has the same character it had in conversion, witnessing to what has been done by the blood of Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit witnesses in justification and sanctification; you are forgiven and cleansed, and you have the protection of the blood of Iesus Christ. But you are not sanctified by the Holy Spirit; the Bible does not teach it, neither does the Word say that the Gentiles were sanctified by the Holy Spirit. Read carefully, and you will see that they were legally sanctified or set apart, making it possible for them to receive the Gospel, and it was not a process of purification. "For, by one offering he hath perfected forever them that were sanctified. Whereof the Holy Ghost is also a witness to us." — (Heb. 10:14, 15.)

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is a gift of Power upon the sanctified life; so when we get it we have the same evidence that the disciples had on the Day of Pentecost. — (Acts 2:3-4), in speaking new tongues. (See also Acts 10:45-46; Acts 19:6; 1 Cor. 14-21.)

If sanctification were Pentecost you would get the same result as in the second chapter of Acts. How dare anyone claim to have the same evidence as in the second chapter of Acts unless the result agrees! The witness to your sanctification bears out the work of cleansing through the power of the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. God gave His only begotten Son that we might be converted, but Jesus gave Himself to the Church that He might sanctify and cleanse it by His precious blood. It was Jesus who gave himself for your sanctification.

Wherever justification is mentioned in the Bible it refers to your sins; where sanctification is mentioned, it speaks of the cleansing power. It is God's business to clean you up, and when you are wholly set apart, He will sanctify you.

# The Anointing of the Holy Spirit

I want to distinctly nail one thought. The teaching that one has not the Holy Spirit at all until one gets the speaking in tongues is absolutely untrue and not borne out by the Scriptures. As we have previously stated, the Holy Spirit enlighteneth every person born into the world; the Holy Spirit convicts individuals, witnesses to conversion, and witnesses in sanctification.

The anointing of the Holy Spirit takes precedence to the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. When the vessel is cleansed and prepared as an instrument, then it needs something else. Soon after His resurrection Jesus came where His disciples were assembled, "the door being shut," and He breathed on them, and said: "Receive ye the Holy Ghost," and they did; but it was seven weeks before Pentecost fell. (John 20:19, 22.)

Many Christians, preachers, and people have had the experience for years. God comes to them from time to time in what we may term occasional anointings. The anointing of the Holy Spirit is sometimes given even before sanctification comes. When people tell you that you should not work before you get tongues, they are putting a premium on tongues that will tempt people to make gutteral sounds and simulate a speaking in tongues, which leads to many false and injurious things under the guise of the Holy Spirit. I want to say that unless you use all that you have got in your justified experience you will never get sanctified. It is the fruit bearing branches He purges. If you want sanctification you have got to bear fruit, got to be purged and cleansed, and if you want Pentecost, you have got to obey the commandments before He will send the Comforter. Have you spiritual discernment enough to know whether you are in that place or position where the travail of your soul is really going to give birth to a new experience? If you have not, then there is work that you must do before you receive the blessing.

A man passing down the road saw a little boy in the field plowing some corn that was yellow and thin.

"Son," he said, "it does not look like your corn would amount to much; it is so yellow."

"Yes," said the boy, "father planted the yellow kind."

"It doesn't look as though you would have much of a crop."

"No," was the reply, "father planted on shares."

That is the trouble with so many people's religious experience. Their time is taken up with the world, the flesh, and the Devil, and the Lord gets only a little share of it; unless you are living up to all the light you have in your consecrated and sanctified experience, you are not ready for Pentecost.

The anointing of the Holy Spirit is given to illuminate His Word, to open the Scriptures, and to place the spiritual man in direct communication with the mind of God; man will be in instant communication with the mind and will of God, and not only so, but to directly connect this mind with your spirit. This is occultic in the sense that the mind of the spirit in you becomes the receptacle for the thought waves of wisdom that have been let loose by the minds of the church of the past ages, until the wisdom of the ages, floating ever upon the waves of ether, are at your command to draw from. This is a profound, though little understood, truth.

But let us get this one simple thought: Let us realize that it is not this poor, spongy brain that has absorbed a little modern wisdom — the thought of other people — but let us know that it is possible for God to speak through the subconscious mind by His Holy Spirit's power, until, trained and in touch with the power of Divinity, beautified and enhanced in spirituality, it is tuned to catch the deeper thoughts of God and of the ages and transmit them to others.

The anointing of the Holy Spirit tunes the instrument, the sanctified instrument that has been cleansed by sanctification —

tunes it for the reception of truth and knowledge until we are become as a well of water, ever springing up, in the garden enclosed by a wall, full of blooming flowers and sweet smelling spices and trees of various fruitage; and watered by these ever springing wells, the gathered perfumes of that garden becomes almost incapable of being walled in; then the blessed experience of Pentecost comes to waft those sweet perfumes o'er the hill and vale, and to gather up the water of life that is ever bubbling in your soul, that it may issue forth as streams of Living Water over all the earth.

#### CHAPTER III.

# THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

It is needless to minimize the fact, the world faces the greatest crisis in history. An age-old civilization is threatened with dissolution. A scarlet colored beast appears upon the horizon, and threatens the overthrow of all governments. We are facing a precipitous fall from the heights where civilization has mastered science, art and literature to a pitiful chaos of savagery and barbarism.

Two ultra forces oppose each other for their existence. An old civilization, upheld by the spirit of nationalism, which in turn was upheld by the spirit of patriotism, faces a rising tide of Bolshevism which believes in the universal brotherhood of mankind, the nationalization of all industries, the effacement of all national boundaries. The old order is maintained by the ruling class, which is more or less militaristic, the rich whose lives and financial interests are at stake, and the churches, who are always unprogressive. The new order finds its chief support among the restless laboring class, the Socialists, the I. W. W.'s, and Bolsheviks. A restless tide of humanity in whose bosom burns the fires of revolution that will never be quenched until the working class rule or ruin the world. The only remedy offered us to save the world from barbarism is the League of Nations, which Mr. Wilson seeks to establish among the nations, which at present seems to be sure to die, as only four or five nations have as yet subscribed to it, and some of them are doubtful. Mr. Wilson is no doubt sincere and really believes it possible to inaugurate a League of Nations, but there are certain elements that make this impossible. In the first place, you cannot unite the age-old moss-covered standards of European monarchies with the ideals of up-to-date modernized republics and democracies. Secondly, the differences between the rich and poor in each

nation can never be adjusted, or their diverging interests harmonized. We may have, in a measure, overthrown the autocratic spirit in the world, but the plutocratic spirit is still to be dealt with. A struggle between capital and labor is inevitable and cannot be averted. The masses are determined on the overthrow of plutocracy. This imminent struggle will tax the very existence of all nations.

The Bible really teaches that there will be a League of Nations, but the accomplishment of the same is utterly foreign to the plans held by Mr. Wilson, with all respect to his views and plans. I shall endeavor to give the Prophetic Word as to how this League will come into existence.

According to the Word of God, we are facing an international struggle, wherein the governments, and the rich and the churches will be arrayed on one side. On the other side will stand the masses of wage slaves who have been ground under the iron heel of oppression, whose lives have been exploited in industries and sweatshops until their whole being cries out for revenge. Conditions have obtained similar to those when a nation is sorely oppressed by a foreign power and the people patriotically arise to overthrow the power of the oppressor. So now the working masses of the world, whose hearts burn with patriotic fire for their homes and families, seek to avenge themselves on their exploiters and the ungodly profiteers and the rich.

The Bible declares that the rich will be killed like dogs. James says in the fifth chapter, translated into modern language: "Come, you rich men, weep aloud and howl for your sorrows which will soon be upon you. Your treasures have rotted, and your piles of clothing are moth-eaten; your gold and your silver have become covered with rust, and the rust on them will give evidence against you, and will eat your flesh like fire. You have hoarded up wealth in these last days. I tell you that the pay of the laborers who have gathered in your crops — pay which you are keeping back — is calling out against you; and the outcries of those who have been your reapers have entered

into the ears of the Lord of the armies of Heaven. Here on earth you have lived self-indulgent and profligate lives. You have condemned — you have murdered — the righteous man, and he offers no resistance.

It is God's purpose to let all the plans of humanity fail, that they may be ready and willing to accept the rule of the Son of God.

Our reason for believing that the present plan for the League of Nations will fail is this: The Bible League of Nations is to come up out of the sea of disorganized humanity. In prophetic symbols the Heavens and Earth represent the plane on which the Spiritual Church lives, on which formalistic churches and organized forms of government and society live, while the sea represents the masses of unorganized humanity. The last beast of Daniel, that arises with great iron teeth (Bolshevism), and the scarlet colored beast of Revelation (anarchy), both come out of the sea of humanity. It will be after these two beasts have done their work of devastation that the ten-toed, ten-horned League of Nations comes into existence.

Many who are watching events closely have reached the conclusion that, at best, the contemplated League of Nations will fall far short of the ideals which called it into existence, and that the tendency will be to embroil the United States in quarrels and complications which may ultimately endanger the stability and integrity of this government.

# CHAPTER IV.

#### THE MILLENIUM OR SABBATH OF THE LORD OUR GOD

Prophets, priests, seers and sages of all the ages have written of a Golden Age in flaming words of poetry or prose. Reformers have promised the dawning of such a day when their views will be universally applied. Ministers and theologians promised it when they have succeeded in converting the world. It remained for God, in prophecy, to locate time and place. In the beginning the Lord sanctified a seventh part of time, the seventh day, the seventh month, the seventh year, and seven times seven, or forty-nine, and then the year of Jubilee. This will necessitate the sanctifying of the seventh thousand years. By all possible ways of computing time, we are closing six thousand years from Adam, and the next thousand years is the Sabbath of the Lord. Our God. As God labored and toiled six thousand years and rested on the seventh, the human race was to labor and toil for six thousand years, then Christ was to descend, bind the Devil, and with His resurrected saints inaugurate a reign of righteousness for one thousand years (The Sabbath).

Two widely diverging views are held regarding the reign of Christ during the next thousand years:

First View — That the coming of Christ means to catch away His Bride into the Heavens, there to live and reign with Him a thousand years. The earth will then be desolate and barren, the inhabitants be destroyed by the wraths and plagues shortly to fall. After a thousand years of desolation, God is to descend with the Holy City, purify the earth, and make it the abode of the redeemed.

Second View — That Christ will come and catch His watching, waiting ones away from the anarchy and plagues and wraths, shortly to come, and at the end of these judgments to

return to the battle of Armageddon, destroy the fighting forces of the world, appointing His immortalized saints as kings and princes. To literally reign with these saints over the rest of humanity, lifted from the curse right here on this earth.

With the latter view we heartily concur. Ezekiel plainly states that the Sanctuary of the Lord will stand just northwest of the present City of Jerusalem, from which a stream will issue, forming a mighty river to the north of Jerusalem flowing through the split in the Mount of Olives, made by His foot, when He returns in power, and on into the Dead Sea, making a large body of inland water. On either side of this river will grow the Tree of Life, whose leaves are for the healing of the nations. Zachariah says that the rule of the Lord in that day will compel the families of the earth to come up year by year to bathe in this stream and to eat of the Tree of Life. Failure to obey this rule will bring death, by dry murrain, upon them and upon their cattle.

Positive proof of the literal reign of Christ upon the earth is illustrated by Daniel's image, the head of gold, the Babylonian Empire, which was an earthly kingdom. The breasts representing the Medo-Persian Empire, the bowels representing the Alexandrian Empire. The two legs representing the eastern and western Roman Empire. The feet of iron and clay representing the twenty-three kingdoms and principalities now engaged in war which will terminate the feet and bring into existence the Ten-Toed Kingdom, or League of Nations.

If the head, as we stated, was an earthly, literal kingdom and all the rest from then on down have been, it would follow then that the toes would be also. If Christ descends like a stone cut without hands out of the mountain, crushing the ten toes, and setting up, on their domain, His Kingdom of Everlasting Righteousness, it gives us positive proof that His Kingdom will be an Earthly Kingdom.

The ruling power of this new age will consist, first, of Christ and His bride upon the throne, while the immortalized saints of six thousand years will occupy positions of reward commensurate with their lives. The nations that have heard the Gospel, and rejected it, will be largely depopulated by the judgments of God, in anarchy and plagues and wraths which will shortly break upon them. The heathen will compose the largest body of human beings during the next age. The Old Testament was specially a Jewish age, the New Testament the Christian age, but the Bible says that in that day, the heathen will be given to Him for an inheritance. Between this and the coming of the Lord, not only will the Jews return to Palestine, but large numbers of the ten lost tribes from all parts of the world will find their way back to Palestine, so that in the opening of the next age all twelve tribes will form a Jewish Empire. Each tribe will hold territorial rights, according to Ezekiel, reaching from the Mediterranean to Damascus on the north and from the Red Sea to the Persian Gulf on the south, each tribe possessing a seacoast on the west. Over these twelve tribes David is to reign as superior King, while the Twelve Apostles occupy lesser thrones over the twelve tribes. The rest of the immortalized saints will receive their reward by being appointed kings and princes and rulers over five and ten cities.

At the opening of this new age, the human race will be lifted from all sin and disease. The chief cities of the earth having been destroyed in anarchy, man will turn to live next to nature, to sit under his own vine and fig tree, and none to make him afraid. He will build houses and long enjoy the privileges of them, plant vineyards and eat the fruits thereof, "For the life of my people shall be as the life of a tree." Gold and silver, for which men killed and oppressed and destroyed their fellowmen, for which they have sold their bodies and souls, to gratify the lust of possession, will be thrown to the moles and bats. When Christ comes to reign, the nations will beat their swords into plowshares, their spears into pruning hooks, and learn war no more. The curse of weeds will be lifted, there will be no burning heat nor bitter cold. Thus eased, the earth will produce bountifully in all the fullness of a perpetual spring, the lion shall lay down with the lamb, the leopard with the ox, the

child shall play unhurt at the den of serpents. As there will be no unsaved in that age or no resurrection of the dead for instruction, we shall need no preachers. No one shall say to his neighbor, know the Lord, for they will all know Him from the least to the greatest and the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the water does the fishes of the sea.

Two momentous events mark the opening and closing of the Millenial Age - the battle of Armageddon, which will gather all the fighting forces at Jerusalem in a world-wide struggle between the king of the north (the coming dictator of Russia and Northern Europe) and the Anti-Christ, whose seat and power will be at Jerusalem, the dictator of the Ten-Toed League of Nations for world-wide supremacy. While thus contending for the city of Jerusalem there appears the sign of the coming of the Son of Man in the clouds of Heaven, with great glory. So frightened are these two kings that they sign an armistice and together gather all their fighting forces in the valley of Esdraelon, northwest of Jerusalem. Christ descends, His foot splits Mount Olivet; passing down to the battlefield, He destroys the fighting forces of the world, making Himself King of Kings and Lord of Lords. The Millenium closes, with the host that Satan deceives and leads up against Christ and the camp of the saints at Jerusalem. The human race, living under the benign and beneficent reign of Christ for a thousand years, have had no temptation to evil and not having been tested, there is no proof as to whether they are worthy to live on into eternity among the meek that inherit the new earth, or not. The Devil is therefore let loose a little season at the end of the thousand years to test them out as to their worthiness and, strange to say gathers a company that no man can number, and leads them up against Christ and the camp of the saints. This time it is not Christ who descends to their destruction, but fire descends from Heaven and utterly destroys them. Having been tested, tried and proven unworthy, there is no record that they ever come up into the judgment or are even resurrected. Christ now ascends the judicial throne for the Great White Throne Judgment. (Rev. 20:7, 9.)

## CHAPTER V

## IMMINENT EVENTS IN THE UNITED STATES

It would be unfair, indeed, to give the future history of other nations, and not give what prophecies there are concerning the United States. The wave of Bolshevism, now sweeping Europe, is as sure to reach this country in its devastating influence, as the plagues of Europe have always found their way to this country. You could no more quarantine against this power than you could against a pestilence originating in Europe. Besides, United States, with her I. W. W.'s, radical socialists and anarchist element, afford a more fertile soil for the propagation of Bolshevism than Russia herself. The statescraft of the world offers no panacea for the cure or any remedial action to kill the germ that has caused Bolshevism. The gulf between capital and labor is so wide and deep that it can never be filled or salved over by any governmental or capitalistic propaganda. Capital must exterminate and enslave the masses completely or be exterminated. The death struggle is on, and the working classes are determined to rule in the future, not only in Europe but in the United States.

Two great forces are at war. An old civilization is dying, her groans have been heard upon the battlefields of Europe. A new order arises from the masses of humanity, to utterly destroy the past order of government, church and society. The struggle is inevitable. The only possible conclusion would be victory for the masses. Our past civilization has been made possible by the early teachings of Christianity. The teaching of regeneration and holiness made possible lives of virtue. This, with the general distribution of wealth among the people has been the foundation for every past world's civilization. When these ceased, the civilization and the nations they gave birth to perished. Babylon, Egypt, and Rome fell when the wealth was

gathered into the hands of the few, and gross immorality corrupted the people. To this, in Rome, was added the fact that most of the young men left the agricultural districts and crowded the cities. Ceasing to be food producers, they became only food consumers, their energies being expended upon building buildings and public roads. All these elements are driving our present nation to the same doom, coupled with the fact that today we not only have the wealth of the world gathered in the hands of the few, but piled up in combines and corporations and trusts, as recorded in the fifth chapter of James, as one of the proofs of the soon coming of the Lord. This quotation is taken from the translation of the New Testament into modern speech, "Come, you rich men, weep aloud and howl for your sorrows which will soon be upon you. Your treasures have rotted, and your piles of clothing are moth-eaten; your gold and silver have become covered with rust, and the rust on them will give evidence against you, and will eat your flesh like fire. You have hoarded up the wealth in these last days. I tell you that the pay of the laborers who have gathered in your crops - pay which you are keeping back - is calling out against you; and the outcries of those who have been your reapers have entered into the ears of the Lord of the armies of Heaven. Here on earth you have lived selfindulgent and profligate lives. You have stupified yourself with gross feeding; but a day of salughter has come. You have condemned - you have murdered - the righteous man; he offers no resistance

"Be patient, therefore, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. Notice how eagerly a farmer waits for a valuable crop! He is patient until it has received the early and latter rain. So you, also must be patient, keeping up your courage; for the coming of the Lord is close at hand. Do not cry out in condemnation one for another, brethren, lest you come under judgment. I tell you that the Judge is standing at the door."

The past order of civilization was upheld by the power of nationalism, which in turn was upheld by the spirit of patriotism, which divided the peoples of the world by geographical bound-

aries, over which each fought the other until they turned the world into a shamble. The ruling power of this old order has always been the rich, who exploited the masses for profit or drove them en masse to war, to perpetuate their misrule. The principle teachers of patriotism maintaining nationalism were the churches, who have lost their spiritual power and been forsaken of God. Thus, on the side of the old order in the coming struggle, will be arrayed the governments, the rich, and the churches, and whatever forces they can drive or patriotically inspire to fight for them. On the other hand the new order that rises out of the sea of humanity knows no national boundaries, believing in the universal brotherhood of mankind and the establishment of the teachings of Jesus Christ as a foundation for all laws, whether political or social. For a long time the voices of the masses have vainly sought for relief, by agitation and the ballot, but the governments of the world were in the hands of the rich, the nobles, and the plutocrats, who forestalled all legislative action in the interest of the masses, until the wageslavery of the world became unbearable; until the worm, long ground under the iron heel of oppression, begins to burn with vindictive fire, under the inspiration of a new patriotism in the interest of the freedom of the working class. Therefore, would it be considered strange if the over-zealous already begin to use the only means at hand for their liberty - by bombs and assassination to destroy the monsters of government and society that stand in the way of the realization of their hopes? It is impossible to inspire a Bolshevik or I. W. W. with patriotism or nationalism, for they belong to a new order whose basic principle is universal brotherhood. Thus, I say, we have come to the parting of the ways. On one side will be arrayed the government, the rich and the church. On the other side the masses. There is no possibility of harmonizing these two; one or the other will perish. Offering a better wage, or better home conditions, as a bribe to the working class is only an insult, for he is fighting for a principle, for universal liberty and the rule of the working class.

The first direct prophecy I desire to call your attention to is found in Daniel 7, where from the sea a lion arises with eagles' wings, which were plucked up and made to stand upon the earth, and a man's heart was given unto it. These eagles' wings represent the United States, the first nation to establish a religious liberty and common brotherhood of mankind as the fundamental principles of civil government, thus representing the human heart. Again, in the Apocryphal Esdres 11 and 12 chapters, wherein he saw the eagle that came up from the sea, a nation to be feared above all other nations that were before it. Regarding the end of this nation he says: "Thou hast afflicted the meek, thou hast hurt the peaceable, thou hast loved liars, and destroyed the dwellings of them that brought forth fruit, and cast down the walls of such as did thee no harm. Therefore hath thy wrong dealings come up before the Highest, and thy pride unto the Mighty. The Highest hath also looked upon thy proud times, and behold they are ended, and thy abominations are fulfilled. Therefore, appear no more, thou Eagle, nor thy horrible wings, nor thy wicked feathers, nor thy malicious head, nor thy hateful claws, nor all thy vain body." The struggle without and within continues until the whole body of the Eagle is burned.

For the description of the burning of the body of the Eagle, we desire to quote the latter part of the vision of George Washington, which he saw at Valley Forge, of the future of the American Republic. He beheld the war of 1812, the progress of the nation, the horrible Civil War, and its happy reunion. Then toward the close, after the nation had forgotten God, and lifted up in great national pride, he beheld the following:

"Again I heard the mysterious voice saying: 'Son of the Republic, look and learn. At this the dark shadowy angel placed a trumpet to his mouth and blew three distinct blasts; and taking water from the ocean, he sprinkled it upon Europe, Asia and Africa. Then my eyes beheld a fearful scene; from each of these countries arose thick black clouds (foreign emigration)

that were soon joined into one. And, throughout this mass there gleamed a dark red light (anarchy), by which I saw hordes of armed men who, moving with the cloud, marched by land and sailed by sea to America, which country was enveloped in the volume of the cloud. And I dimly saw these vast armies devastate the whole country, and burn the villages, towns and cities that I beheld springing up. As my ears listened to the thunderings of cannons, clashing of swords, and shouts and cries of millions in mortal combat, I again heard the mysterious voice saying 'Son of the Republic, look and learn!'"

Over and over again, the Scriptures declare that when a nation forgets God, loses its spirituality, is lifted up in pride, oppresses the widow and the fatherless, and the hireling in his wages, and turns aside the stranger from his right, and fears not God, that every such nation shall come to its end. When your cities are run with blood, God will destroy the nation. For the benefits in revenue, fines, license derived from saloons and brothels, this country has given scores of thousands of men to drunkards' graves, and hundreds of thousands of women and girls to nameless graves every year. No wonder Isaiah 66:16 says: "For by fire and by the sword will the Lord plead with all flesh: and the slain of the Lord shall be many."

Some readers may think this is a dark picture, yet how long can this nation go unpunished when the principal support of our city governments is blood money, drawn from the saloons and brothels, wine presses where the blood of your sons and daughters is ruthlessly trodden out. Thousands perishing year by year, with scarce a pitying eye, save of Him who shall render a judgment. Ere long Justice, with flaming sword, will step from behind the pleading form of Mercy, to punish a nation which has mingled the blood of thousands of human sacrifices upon the altar of her commercial and imperialistic expansion.

#### CHAPTER VI

# THE EARLY AND LATTER RAIN

Since so much has been written under the above caption, and many ask why this latter rain does not bring the results as the first Pentecost, we advance two reasons:

First — Two-thirds of this tongue stuff over the country is not Pentecost. The counterfeits have no real languages, and fleshly controls of spiritualistic origin have destroyed their soulsaving power.

Second — A careful study of the subject in the Old Testament proves that the early rain fell upon the newly sown seed, to sprout it and grow it; and that the latter rain fell on the fields at the time the grain was in the milk state to full it for the harvest.

This is true of all Pentecostal work today. Christianity was in the milk state. Nineteen years ago, at Topeka, God baptised his true ones with the real Pentecost (not chattering or jabbering).

Captain Tuttle, who assisted in dedicating the Bible school, where afterward the Holy Spirit fell in Pentecostal power, saw above the building a great lake of fresh water. It overflowed until the whole earth was refreshed by its floods.

This has been true of this Latter Rain. Wherever it has gone it has been like "rain upon new mown grass," filling the wheat for His "Glorious Harvest."

The purpose of this Latter Rain is two-fold: The preaching of this "gospel of the kingdom" to all the world "as a witness," and the fulling of the grain for the harvest.

The purpose of the divers tongues at Babylon was to stop the man-made way (the Tower of Babel) to heaven. The falling of divers tongues today is to utterly confuse this modern Babylon and her Protestant daughters. This hated Tongue movement, "everywhere spoken against," freed from the devil-mists of fanaticism and false doctrines of Finished Work at Calvary, etc., "clear as the sun, fair as the moon, and terrible as an army with banners," will continue on down into the darkening shadows of the "time of trouble," and stand immortalized on Mount Zion when all these modern Towers of Babel (modern churches) have crumbled in the anarchial struggle between capital and labor.

Recently we heard Mr. Goldstein of Boston at Pittsburg, Kansas. In a lecture he proved that if Socialism succeeded, the churches would be doomed. No doubt the churches would be doomed, but "though heaven and earth pass away", yet Christianity stands for ages on ages.

We are satisfied that in the coming industrial revolution, Babylon will fall, and that with fire and sword the masses will utterly destroy the modern churches with vengeance, and they will be permitted of God to punish them for their pride, pomp, deadness, dearth, and unfaithfulness and almost lack of caring for the interest of the poor. This will be the time of Laodicea when God will utterly "spew them out of His mouth." (Rev. 3:16.)

The Lord demands today of every true follower that he drop narrow creedisms, sink denominationalism into oblivion, accept the full gospel with all its gifts and graces, and purify their hearts for His soon coming, or be lost in the chaos and darkness of the coming overthrow of nations in the "struggle of the classes."

The last message of the age peals forth. The time of repentance will soon pass forever. As Noah was shut in by God seven days before the flood came, just so the door of mercy will close seven years before Jesus comes again, and the most horrible time ever known upon the earth will ensue.

Let everyone who has the hope of His soon coming prepare his heart. The time is AT HAND.

## CHAPTER VII

# THE ANTI-CHRIST

The discussion as to who and what the Anti-Christ is has brought forth some peculiar teachings from various sources which it is not our purpose to discuss at any length. The main point that we want to prove in this chapter is that the Anti-Christ is a man, not a system. Some teachers upon the subject of Anti-Christ hold that Mahommadism, Catholicism, or other religious movements are Anti-Christ. Some of these points may be well taken, but no religious movement which honors the blood of Christ for Salvation can be termed Anti-Christian; yet it can be truthfully said that all churches have more or less imbibed many Anti-Christian doctrines. Others hold that modern lodges, unions, higher educations, are Anti-Christian. While we are not personally a member of any lodge, or union, neither have we aught against them, for if the church had done its duty in feeding the hungry and clothing the naked, these institutions would not have existed, sapping the life of the church. Lodges exist and thrive because there is a demand for them, and will be until the church learns to practice pure and undefiled religion, visiting the widow and the orphan in their affliction. If men fail to find in modern churches, avenues for the expression of philanthropy, humanitarianism, and true brotherhood, innate in every human being, is it any wonder that they should seek, by a thousand different routes, ways to express the above principles which are the common attributes of the Creator indelibly stamped upon the creature? As there were many prophets and priests who preceded the Christ, there are many Anti-Christian teachers paving the way for the Anti-Christ.

The Anti-Christ will make his first appearance in the closing days of the Bolshevik revolutions which will wipe the present nations and ruling class from the face of the earth. At about the

time the Pope calls the combined forces of Catholicism into the field and restores order out of chaos, the man who becomes the Anti-Christ will print a book on Socialistic Democracy in which he will use the teaching of Jesus Christ as the basis for all law, the establishment of universal brotherhood and the inauguration of a new social order. With enthusiasm such as the world has never seen, the masses, withered by the power of anarchy, will rise as one man, overthrow the Catholic rule, and establish the Ten-Toed Socialistic Democracy, ruled under the light of this new order by a commission of ten men. For three years and one-half, the man who will become Anti-Christ seems to hold the position as the world's dictator of thought in the affairs of state, honored as no other man ever has been. In the middle of the last seven years he is wounded with a sword unto death. After the soul of this great Socialist has really left his body, and while he yet lies in state, mourned by the world, the spirit of Anti-Christ enters his body and he comes to life. He is accepted by the Jews as the Messiah, by the Pope and reunited churchanity as the Christ, and ascends the throne as the absolute dictator or autocrat of the Ten-Toed Democracy. Against him and his kingdom the two witnesses will witness for three years and one-half, and, like Moses and Aaron, will call down the plagues and wraths upon them as recorded in Revelation, and as Pharaoh was destroyed in the Red Sea so the Anti-Christ will be destroyed at the battle of Armageddon.

The resurrection of this man fulfills the Scripture where the deadly wound is healed; and when his body comes to life, it is animated by another spirit entirely. Read the word picture of this man (Daniel 2:7-25, and 11:36-39; also Revelation, Chapters 13 and 17; then Second Thessalonians, 2:2-4); wherein Paul says: "Let no man deceive you by any means, for that day shall not come unless there come a falling away first and that man of sin be revealed". Now, who is this man of sin, "Son of perdition?" Judas Iscariot, the arch-deceiver. Jesus said of him, "He is a Devil." Just as much a devil incarnate as Jesus Christ was the Son of God Incarnate. He was lost that the Scriptures

might be fulfilled. When Judas hanged himself "He went to his own place", to come forth, to be revealed (literal Greek, to be brought from under cover). Thus by entering the body of this beloved leader lying in state at Jerusalem, he comes to life, and in him we have a resurrected Anti-Christ at whom all wonder when they see the deadly wound healed. (Revelation, 13:3.)

In no other way could the beast be the eighth; and of the seven, the seventh king or Prince must die and into his body come a new spirit. There must be eight personalities in seven bodies. Judas Iscariot is the beast that was not; even he is the eighth and of the seven. (Revelation, 17:11.) As they have already formed images of the Virgin Mary, the Son of God, and many other saints, and offer veneration and worship to them, the Pope, who becomes the false prophet with the consent of the Jews who cease their daily sacrifices, place an image of the Anti-Christ in the Holy of Holies in Jerusalem. This will be "The abomination that maketh desolate standing in the Holy place". (Daniel 12:11 and Matthew 24:15.) A decree is then issued that no one can buy or sell save he has the mark of the beast in his right hand, or forehead. Not only does the Anti-Christ come into possession of the political, but all the ecclesiastical powers, and all the forces of darkness will work mighty miracles. Following the decree of the Pope compelling everyone to accept the mark of the beast, a reign of terror begins. Everyone is starved, killed, or martyred who does not worship the beast or his image.

The mark of the beast is simple to understand; under the rule of the Ten-Toed Socialistic Democracies, the world enjoyed universal brotherhood; but upon the ascension to power of the Anti-Christ, a world-wide union or protective association will be organized by the fanatical patriotic followers, and one will be compelled to subscribe to this union or association, and receive a literal mark in the right hand or forehead, or he cannot buy or sell. This has already been evidenced in Russia, where only Bolsheviks were allowed to buy and sell. Ostracism, persecution,

and all kinds of horrible martyrdoms await the persons who do not take the mark of the beast.

Finally, the Anti-Christ will lead his fighting forces to the battle of Armageddon, and there be destroyed by the Real Christ, who comes to be King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

# CHAPTER VIII

## SIGNS OF HIS COMING

The day recedes, the evening shadows gather, and in the birth-throes of the Millenium Day "we stand on tiptoe, our hands upon our thighs, looking for the things that are coming upon the earth".

Among the signs of Matthew 24 are enumerated "wars and rumors of wars, earthquakes in divers places, and distress upon the earth, with perplexity", but one sign comes to us with tremendous force: "THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM shall be preached to all the world as a WITNESS unto all nations; and then shall the end come." (Matthew 24:14.)

The current daily news of unparalleled accidents on land and sea, horrible murders and suicides, the awful increase along immoral lines until every sin mentioned as prevalent before the flood is now so common that, were the truth brought to light, it would be impossible to believe it all.

Terrible cyclones and storms, the awful earthquakes and disasters, which, no doubt, will increase until the whole surface of the earth will be changed, culminating in the darkening of the sun; the moon turning to blood; the falling of the stars, and that great earthquake which will remove the mountains and slough the islands into the sea — all these are nearly upon us, and will soon be seen and felt.

Perilous times in business, politics, and religion are here. Everything seems to lack stability. If we are going to do anything for God, let us do it at once, before the night cometh, when no man can work.

While many are gazing into the clouds for His coming, they neglect to hear in tones of thunder this command: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15.). We venture this assertion: That Christ will not come until this Gospel shall be witnessed to in "all nations".

"Oh," says the churchite, "the gospel has been sent to all nations". Well, creeds of various churches and their narrow and contracted ideas of the gospel have been preached, but THIS GOSPEL—the same as Jesus and the Apostles preached—has been sorely neglected by these imitation missionaries.

"This Gospel of the Kingdom" is that of which Jude writes: "We should earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints", and of which Paul speaks in Heb. 2:1, 4: "Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip.

"For if the word, spoken by angels, was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard Him?

"God also bearing them witness both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will.

This is the gospel that modern Christianity has sorely neglected.

"This gospel" covers three subjects, viz.: To give remission of sins (John 1:29), to destroy the works of the Devil in disease and affliction (Matthew 8:17), and to baptise with the Holy Spirit (John 1:33, Mark 1:8).

"This gospel" not only bears all the friuts of the spirit—love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance—but the "gifts of the Spirit" are equally available: Wisdom, knowledge, faith, gifts of healings, working of miracles, tongues, discerning of spirits, prophecy, and interpretation of tongues.

"And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily, prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles. Then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues." (1 Cor., 12:28.)

Those who bear this gospel are to have accredited credentials. "And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them. They shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover." (Mark, 16:17, 18.)

"And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the Word with signs following." (20th verse.)

No wonder, then, that amidst the "beginning of sorrows" we can hear the sound of the cyclonic, siesmic revival, separating the wheat (the spiritual) from the tares (the formalists), and heaving the Church of God out of its dead, easy calm into a storm of service for the Master. A crucifixion of its hypocrisy, and utter deliverance from ecclesiastical upholstery, restoring Pentecost and a world-wide preaching of "this Gospel", freighted with all the power and simplicity of the Apostolic faith, is the only remedy.

The Lord is wearily waiting for the modern church, with its medical missionaries, to do something, and has chosen to again give His wisdom, grace, healing, miracles, and empowerment in speech through a restored Pentecost to carry this wonderful Gospel to all the world.

#### CHAPTER IX

## THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON

Perhaps the most interesting subject we may have to write about is the Battle of Armageddon. Many theories have been advanced as to how the battle would be brought about and fought. The following facts I consider to be the real Bible explanation concerning this struggle, and the events leading up to it, which will be fought in the valley of Esdraelon, northwest of Jerusalem.

The final governing powers of the world will resolve themselves under two heads; the coming dictator of Russia, as the King of the North in Prophecy, governing all of the north of Europe and Asia, while the Anti-Christ, as dictator of the tentoed League of Nations, virtually governs the rest of the world. These two rulers, fired by the desire to rule the world, seek each other's destruction. According to the Bible, they gather all of their fighting forces and push one against the other, until finally the dictator of the north comes down from the north like a whirlwind, driving southward east of the Jordan; he enters Egypt. There he gathers the gold and silver treasures of that land, and gains the favor of the Egyptians, Libyans, and the Ethiopians, who rise to his assistance against the Anti-Christ's power at Jerusalem. Hearing the tidings out of the north concerning the military preparations of the Anti-Christ at Jerusalem he hastily marches against Jerusalem, following the exact route taken by General Allenby in the late war. Laying seige to Jerusalem, he begins the struggle which culminates in the great Battle of Armageddon.

The following are the Scriptures concerning this great event.

"Therefore, Thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech (Moscow) and Tabal (Southern Russia). (See first map of International Teachers' Bible.)

"And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee, and I will cause thee to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel.

"And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand.

"Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee: I will give thee unto ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the fields to be devoured. Thou shalt fall upon the open field: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord God.

"And I will send a fire on Magog, (Siberia) and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles: and they shall know that I am the Lord.

"So will I make my holy name known in the midst of my people Israel; and I will not let them pollute my holy name any more: and the heathen shall know that I am the Lord, the Holy One in Israel.

"Behold, it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord God; this is the day whereof I have spoken. (Ezek., 39:1-8.)

"Behold, the day of the Lord cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.

"For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. (Zec., 14:1-2.)

"For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to battle of that great day of God Almighty.

"Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth. and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

"And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon. (Rev. 16:14-16.)

"And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army." (Rev. 19:19.)

About this time "appears the sign of the Son of Man coming in the heavens", the seige is lifted; and as Herod and Pilate were made friends a few days before Christ's ascension, so these two kings combine their forces to fight against the King of Kings.

They marshal them in the valley of Esdraelon, where Joshua destroyed the five kings of Canaan.

The sun and moon standing still to aid; and later the army of Sennacherib was destroyed by angelic hosts.

Now stands the combined forces of the world, breathlessly awaiting their destruction at the descent of Christ. How fast the world is drifting today into infidelity, rebellion, and forgetting of God, paving the way for this marshalled force, who in terror and mad riot seek to destroy him whom justice sends forth to cut down the ungodly and stiff-necked people.

Christ's descent: "Then shall the Lord go forth and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle." (Zec., 14:3.)

"And I saw heaven opened, and beheld a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war."

"His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew but he himself.

"And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood; and his name is called The Word of God.

"And the armies which were in Heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

"And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations; and he shall rule them with a rod of iron; and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

"And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords." (Rev. 19:11-16.)

"For this we say unto you by the Word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

"For 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 with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord;

"Wherefore comfort one another with these words." (Thess., 4:15-18.)

HIS ARRIVAL. "And His feet shall stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south." Zech., 14:4.)

Leaving the Bride in the valley made by the division of the Mount of Olives, He passes down to the battlefield alone, destroying the rebellious wicked with the breath of His coming, and casting the beast and the false prophet into the lake of fire.

"And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image." (Rev., 19:20.)

These both were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.

At the close of the battle the inhabitants of Jerusalem, surprised at their deliverance, not only from the onslaught of Gog, dictator of Russia, but also from the terrible reign of the Anti-Christ, send forth a delegation to meet him who make this inquiry: "Who is this that cometh up from Edom with dyed garments from Bozrah? — this that is glorious in his apparel, traveling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save.

"Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel and thy garments like him that treadeth in the wine vat?

"I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me; for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment.

"For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come.

"And I looked, and there was none to help, and I wondered that there was none to uphold; therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me; and my fury, it upheld me.

"And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I poured out their life blood on the earth. (Revised Version.) (Isaiah, 63:1-6.)

Where Christ declares that He trod the winepress alone, we are reminded of what John, the Revelator, said: The treading of the life of these millions would mean that the blood would stand to the horses' bridles (about four feet) for a thousand six hundred furlongs (about two hundred miles). (Rev., 14:20.)

After the blood is subsided, the birds of the air and the beasts of the field are invited.

"And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the Great God;

"That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great. (Rev. 19:17, 18.)

"And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth; and all the fowls were filled with their flesh." (Rev. 19:21.)

"And, thou Son of Man, thus saith the Lord God; Speak unto every feathered fowl, and to every beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to my sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, even a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel, that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood.

"Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, of rams, of lambs, and of goats, of bullocks, all of them fatlings of Bashan.

"And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you.

"Thus ye shall be filled at my table with horses and chariots, with mighty men, and with all men of war, saith the Lord God." (Ezek., 39:17-20.)

Following this feast all the people of Palestine proceed to gather the wood from off the battlefield, which provides fuel for seven years, so that nothing is taken out of the forests.

"And they that dwell in the cities of Israel shall go forth, and shall set on fire and burn the weapons, both the shields and

the bucklers, the bows and the arrows, and the handstaves, and the spears, and they shall burn them with fire seven years.

"So that they shall take no wood out of the field, neither cut down any of the forests; for they shall burn the weapons with fire: and they spoil those that spoiled them, and rob those that robbed them, saith the Lord God." (Ezek., 39:9, 10.)

Then again all the people in Palestine spend seven months in burying the bones, which was followed by hiring men of continual employment until all of the bones are gathered and buried.

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will give unto Gog a place there of graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea; and it shall stop the noses of the passengers; and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude; and they shall call it, The Valley of Hamon-Gog.

"And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them, that they may cleanse the land.

"Yea, all the people of the land shall bury them; and it shall be to them a renown the day that I shall be glorified, saith the Lord God."

"And they shall sever out men of continual employment, passing through the land to bury with the passengers those that remain upon the face of the earth, to cleanse it: after the end of seven months shall they search.

"And the passengers that pass through the land, when any seeth a man's bone, then shall he set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the valley of Hamon-Gog.

"And also the name of the city shall be Hamonah. Thus shall they cleanse the land."

About forty years will be consumed in the arrangement and establishment of Christ's kingdom, (Ezek., 39:11-16.)

#### CHAPTER X

## THE PLAN OF GOD

Most of the religious world have failed to realize or recognize that God, in the beginning, had a Divine plan for this world, and that He is carrying out that plan to the letter. The failure to comprehend God's plan has led theologians into wild, peculiar and spectacular conceptions of what the future holds. Unless we can understand this plan and study the Scriptures from that standpoint, we become lost in the maze of imaginative or sentimental thought, and all Prophetic teaching becomes conjectural to us. Whatever men may teach or prophets dream of, whatever may be the hopes of the nations, or the profound demands of diplomats or statesmen at peace conferences, God's Word will be fulfilled; and as in the days of old, God still rules and reigns in the affairs of nations, and puts down whomsoever He will. (Daniel 5:19.)

Two schools of prophetic thought confront the students of prophecy today. First, held by the majority of professional preachers, is the Post-Millenial teaching that the world grows better and better, that the organized churches, uniting, will force the inauguration of reforms, the enactment and enforcement of laws, and by the preaching of formalistic adherence to the Christian tenets, produce a state of Millenial bliss; or, in other words, convert the entire world, and then invite the Lord back to live with us in their kingdom. The majority of preachers today teach that the late war will have a mighty purifying effect upon the world; that the peace conference will readjust the political lines of the world; that the League of Nations will bring eternal peace, and that Christ may not come for a million years, or, at least, until they have converted the world. I would like to add right here, that if we wait for these modern, professional, hireling, salary-grabbing, worldly, honor-loving ministers

to convert the world, it will take them a million years, at the rate they are going.

The second teaching, held by all the intense, earnest, selfsacrificing, spiritual ministers, is the Pre-Millenial doctrine, teaching that the world grows worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived; that the late war, instead of purifying the world, has only produced the conditions which must result in universal anarchy; that from the war where nation rises against nation, which is the beginning of sorrows, we are to plunge into the struggle between capital and labor in every nation, producing the time spoken of by Daniel, "A time of trouble such as there never was," (Daniel 12:7) which will end the Gentile age. That the Peace Conference, instead of adjusting the political divisions of the world, will utterly fail; that when they say "Peace, peace, when there is no peace", then sudden destruction shall come upon them, and they shall not escape. (Jeremiah 6:14, Jeremiah 8:11, First Thess. 5:3.) That the League of Nations will be unable to perfect any condition of peace with the conglomorate mass with which it has to deal. Internal conditions in monarchies and kingdoms can never be harmonized in a world's pact with the conditions that have obtained in modern republics and democracies. That the conditions arising out of the labor question have produced a gulf between the rich and the poor that is as impossible to cross with the waters of reconciliation as it was for Lazarus to relieve the suffering of Dives in Hades. A struggle between capital and labor in every country is impossible to avert, which will overthrow and reorganize the countries of the world into the Ten-Toed, Ten-Horned, Socialistic Democracies, or Red Republics, over which the Anti-Christ will arise as the world dictator. On him and his kingdom Christ will descend, like a stone cut without hands out of the mountain, at the battle of Armageddon, when the kingdoms of this world will become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. (Daniel 2:34, 35, 44, 45; Isaiah 60:12; First Cor. 15:24, 26.)

The world is not to be converted before the coming of Jesus Christ, but grow worse and worse; and He will come shortly

in the darkest midnight hour of the world's history. In the time of trouble, now breaking over the world, the watching, waiting, purified Christians will be delivered by immortalization in redemption, the door of mercy will close, and during the closing days of this age no one will be saved. There will be a period corresponding to the seven days that Noah spent in the ark, after God closed the door, in the closing of this age, wherein no man can get saved. The prophet said to take a year for a day, and a day for a year, which probably will mean a seven-year period lasting from about the time the Gentile age closes in anarchy, till the coming of the Lord.

The plan of the ages was typified in the Creation. Barnabas, who traveled with Paul, states in his writings, which are still extant, "As God labored and toiled six days and rested on the seventh", the human race would labor and toil for six thousand years, then Christ will descend, bind the Devil, and bring to suffering humanity a glorious Sabbath of a thousand years. This view has been held by the best theologians and most spiritial commentators since the days of Christ. While not a Sabbatarian, yet the Bible strictly teaches that God sanctified a seventh part of time. He sanctified the seventh day, the seventh month, the seventh year, then seven times seven makes forty-nine, and brings us to the jubilee year in which all slaves were set free and all land sold for debt, or otherwise was restored to the original owners or heirs. By all possible means of computing time, whether astronomical, solar, or lunar, or from historical data, or from Biblical chronology, we are closing six thousand years from Adam, and the next thousand years is a Sabbath of the Lord our God. Before its dawning Christ must come to set it in order. As to the exact date of His appearing, no one can be absolutely certain, but all the signs that were to prove His returning are now being emphatically proven by current events. From Daniel, we learn that seventy weeks were determined upon the Jews in their own land as a distinct people. Sixty-nine were used by them until the time they were sold on the slave markets by Titus. The seventieth week floats out on prophetic wings, and is

yet determined upon the Jew in his own land, as a distinct people, before the coming of the Messiah-Christ. The deliverance of Palestine from the cursed Turk — the granting of the country to the Jews by the Peace Conference, the world-wide Zionistic movement, with their intense work, proves the early establishment of a Jewish state. As the Jews are to return in a great time of trouble, and as Bolshevism and kindred revolutionary movements threaten our system and the overthrow of every government, we can readily see that that time of trouble in which the Jews are to return is brewing. Seven years from the time the Jews return, or from the day they are proclaimed a distinct nation, or possibly a member of the League of Nations, Christ's foot will touch Mount Olivet, returning in mighty power to the battle of Armageddon, destroying the fighting forces of the world, making Himself King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

As God created man upon the sixth day and called them the Sons of God, giving them dominion and authority through the first Sabbath in which God rested, in like manner, in this, the close of six thousand years, those truly saved by the power of the Blood of Christ will be recreated in Redemption, through immortality bestowed, become the Sons of God, given dominion and authority as kings and priests to live with Christ during the next thousand-year Sabbath. As to the method of their resurrection, we will not speak, but suffice to say this much; that only those who have been truly born again and lived lives of true holiness will be resurrected before or at the coming of the Lord. (Revelation 20:4, 6.). The rest of the dead will live not again until the Sabbath of a thousand years is past. Christ then changes the Sabbatic order of the seventh day, and ascends the White Throne of Judgment, opening the eighth day or thousand-year period following the thousand-year Sabbath. All the dead will then come forth to judgment; the babes will all be there, formalistic adherents of all religions, the wretchedly wicked, and the darkened heathen, all who were not truly born again during the week period of six thousand years. In the White Throne Judgment, man will not be judged as to whether he was converted or not. That separation of humanity occurs at the Coming of Christ in the opening of the Millenial Sabbath. They already have their reward. After having reigned with Christ a thousand years, they are then seated upon the throne as His jury judging the nations. In this judgment, every man will receive a fair trial based upon the facts of what his life and acts have been. If found worthy of life, he will be placed upon the right side; if not, upon the left. (Revelation 20:4, 11, 15.).

All those who have their part upon the right side will not receive eternal immortal life and joint heirship with Jesus Christ, or have a place in the Holy City, but will be the meek that will inherit the new earth, restored to what was lost in Adam through the general blood atonement of Jesus Christ. They will have everlasting, perfect human life, live on the earth made new like the Garden of Eden. This company will be composed of all the babes, and all those from the formalistic churches, or wretched publicans and harlots, or darkened heathen, whom the Christ of God deems worthy of life.

At the conclusion of the judgment, the wicked will be cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, which is the second death, where He will utterly destroy them, root and branch, soul and body, where they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet, or, in other words, fertilizer to enrich the soil for the inheritance of the meek. Those who compose the company on the left will be largely made up of those who have heard the Gospel and rejected it, or reprobates concerning the faith. Those who hear the Gospel, feel the call of God's spirit, professors who have accepted Christ, and then, for fear they will not hold the social, financial, or political standing they desire in this world, fail to live true to God, sell their inheritance for a mess of pottage; preachers who, for fear of their bread and butter, or for fear they will not attain earthly prominence and honor, fail to declare the whole counsel of God, will furnish the principal fuel in the lake of fire and brimstone. Multitudes that orthodoxy, by their teaching, consign to an endless hell, will be found on the right

side among the meek. (Revelation 20:14, 15; Revelation 21:8; Mal. 4:1, 3.)

The current belief among Catholics and Protestants of a present existing hell, wherein souls have been, and are, in a horrible torture and torment is impossible, as well as un-Scriptural. This would mean that judgment has been, and is, going on all the time, when all Scripture teaches a final judgment, and that only after Resurrection has taken place. Therefore, the wicked are not yet in torment, and cannot be cast into hell until they have been resurrected, properly judged, found worthless, then cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, which is the "Second Death."

Then the Christ, having finished His judicial work, the righteous filling the new earth, the wicked having been destroyed, the Lord and His elect stand waiting their reward from the Eternal Father. Orthodoxy no doubt, at this point, would teach that the Lord with all His saints would fly away to some sky-blue heaven, but the Bible teaches that at this juncture God descends out of Heaven with the Holy City, the everlasting gates are lifted up, and the King of Glory with His glorified elect enters the city. Christ having finished the work the Father had given Him to do, now turns the scepter over to the Father, takes His place with His joint heirs, the elect who have as much as He has, and He no more than they; joint heirs, to be the inhabitants of the Holy City throughout all the ages to come. Then, with all the universe, including man (reconciled to God through our Lord Jesus Christ), becomes the kingdom of God, who becomes ALL in ALL, over ALL, and above ALL. The Bible further teaches that the nations of the earth that are saved will walk in the light of the city of God and bring their tribute unto it. God will walk among the people of the new earth, wipe all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more sorrow, or sighing, or death.

In tune with the infinite, the ages to come, or eternity, opens with all of God's creation symphonizing in the hymn of praise before the Eternal Throne. (Revelation 21:10, 27.)

#### CHAPTER XI

# "AS IT WAS IN THE DAYS OF NOAH"

This striking reference to the days of Noah should be carefully considered by every Christian.

First: Because it discovers to us the exact time of Redemption. Seven days before the rain fell, God commanded Noah to enter the ark, and God shut the door. (Genesis 7.)

The Prophet says: "Take a year for a day, and a day for a year." Thus, seven years before the Lord comes to earth again, the saints will go into Redemption, the dead raised, the living changed, and the door of mercy will close on this ungodly and perverse generation.

Second: To define this time more carefully, by a comprehensive view of the Bible, the Jews are to rehabitate Palestine seven years before the Lord descends, or the seventieth week of Daniel. (Dan. 9:24.)

The Jews return in a time of trouble such as there never was. This return occurs at the downfall of Turkey, and the release of the Holy Land from being trodden down by the Gentiles, or closing of the Gentile age. (Matt. 24:15; Daniel 9:27.)

I call your attention to these facts: The time of trouble is on; Turkey is doomed; the Jews are ready for their restoration, and as they return seven years before the coming of the Lord, all these events being imminent, our Redemption is at hand. (Luke 21:28.)

It is in the time of trouble that God's children are to be delivered, whose names are written in the Book of Life. "And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

"And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

"And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." (Daniel 12:1-3.)

Third: Russia will speedily turn her whole attention to the conquest of the Ottoman Empire, holding only a defensive line on the German and Austrian frontiers. This will compel England to change front and fight Russia over their frontiers, in Persia and Palestine. Russia will seize Constantinople, and England Palestine, and then, as a war measure, England will invite the Jews to their own land, and provide ships to carry them. The Bible says they are to be carried by the ships of Chittim. (Daniel 11:30.) Chittim is the land of tin from whence Solomon obtained tin for the temple.

This will insure Britain's position in the Near East. The Jews, tired of the world's wars and impending anarchy, will rejoice in their restoration, and fulfill the Prophecy: "What are these that fly as a cloud, and as doves to their windows?"

The remnant (the Bride) will return with them. The Church (His Body) will go into Redemption about this time, and a general condition of anarchy, pestilence and famine on the earth will follow.

From these things we can readily see our Redemption is nearer than we realize. How thorough, then, ought to be our examination and invoicing of experiences to see how we stand with God. For this hour let us turn our attention to personal purity and perfection of our character, in God, rather than the

maintaining of missions and factions, churches, creeds, and denominationalism.

The necessary preparation for Redemption can only be found in a thoroughly sanctified life. There is no promise except to the overcomer, and no one can live a victor, in God, without true holiness, and this is only entered by an instantaneous definite second work of grace. To this must be added the sealing of the Holy Spirit of promise. (Eph. 1:13, 14.)

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit of promise is an essential in your preparation for Redemption, and your experience must tally with the second chapter of Acts. You may have been wonderfully sanctified and had the "anointing that abideth", as the disciples received from Jesus, in the upper room, when the door was locked, but no one has the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, unless their experience tallies with that received on the day of Pentecost.

By the Baptism with the Holy Spirit I do not mean all the chattering and jabbering, wind-sucking, holy-dancing-rollerism, going on over the country, which is the result of hypnotic, spiritualistic and fleshly controls, but a real sane reception of the Holy Spirit in baptismal power, filling you with glory unspeakable and causing you, without any effort, to speak freely in foreign languages. This is called the sealing. (Revelation 7; Second Cor. 1:22; Eph. 4:30, 1:13, 14.

This sealing will not preserve you without effort on your part. You must live a clean, holy life, on the Pentecostal plane, or the sealing loses its validity.

Hear this: Three-fourths of the so-called Pentecosts in the world are counterfeits, the devil's imitation to deceive the poor earnest souls, so they will not escape the coming time of trouble through Redemption.

The saddest thing about these deluded ones is their unteachable spirit and their fanatical zeal in propagating the false. God pity them!

Your attention will now be called to a very important preparation, and that is the death of the old man, or self. Sanctification cleanses out the law of sin, or carnal nature, and the old man is nailed to the tree and dies by the daily crucifixion route. Yet the very things that come to us to help kill the old man fail to do so, because we fail to show the Christ-spirit, or properly die to the self-life.

Between us and Redemption is an experience where we can truly plant both feet and say: "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." (Gal. 2:20.)

It is appointed unto man once to die, and those who expect to meet the Lord must surely die to the "old man", or the self-life.

A final thought: The body must be considered in the preparation. The Bible not only teaches an occasional healing, but a pure, sanctified body, freed from every taint of sin, both in-bred and acquired. It also teaches, further, that we may have the spirit of the life of Christ (Romans 8:2), setting us free from the law of sin and death; that He will remove the death principle and change our graveyard proneness to that looking-up attitude, which leads to the full fruition for our bodies into immortality.

Most professors of divine healing are "sorry" specimens of health. They look as though they were cheating the undertaker, playing hookey from the graveyard, or would make good running-gears for a katy-did. Shame! Full of catarrh, aches, pains, and innumerable returns of former afflictions.

Brethren, let us put away this shame, seek a sanctified body, and live above sickness as well as sin. The exhortation is given: "Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." (2 Cor. 7:1.)

Again, he promises to sanctify our bodies: "And I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Thes. 5:23.)

"For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones." (Eph. 5:30.) "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?" (1 Cor. 6:19.)

Paul says: "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." (Rom. 12:1.)

In the last two verses of Joel, He promises to cleanse our blood: "But Judah shall dwell forever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation. For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed. For the Lord dwelleth in Zion."

What more do we need to give us faith for pure bodies?

It is my profound conviction, after years of careful study, and sixteen years in a sanctified body, my blood being cleansed from in-bred and acquired germs of disease, the principle of death gone from my body, that it will require this experience to be enabled to put on Redemption. Are you seeking purification for body, soul and spirit?

"And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure." (1 John 3:3.)

May the God of all grace help everyone throughout the world to whom I have been permitted to minister, to look up, for our Redemption draweth nigh.

#### CHAPTER XII

# SIGNS OF THE COMING OF THE LORD AND REDEMPTION

When you see all these things come to pass, then "look up, for our Redemption draweth nigh." That Redemption is the most imminent event to be anticipated by the church today can most readily be seen after we have stated some of the following facts: First, A brief statement of the signs. It is true that all the signs from Genesis to Revelation that were to mark the hour of Redemption are now in the course of fulfillment; but we will quote a few of these. The Gospel of the Kingdom (that was taught and practiced by Christ and the Disciples), was to be preached to all the world as a witness, and then the end of the age should come. This the full gospel movements are doing. The nations have been and are engaged in the conflicts to fulifll the Scripture, "Nation shall arise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom." Famines are in divers places, and the influenza is the first of the pestilences, and will be followed by many others that physicians cannot diagnose or cure.

We have finished the image of Daniel down to the end of the feet.

The nations are now crumbling in order to make a way for the Ten-Toed League of Nations, finishing the image of prophecy. Of the Beasts of Daniel, the Bear has yet to crush three ribs. Russia, under a dictator, will subdue all of Germany, Austria, and Turkey that did not belong to the former Roman Empire. Italy, the Leopard, assisted by four other governments, or heads, is about to arise and exploit herself while the last or diverse beast, Bolshevism, is prepared to arise and devour much flesh. The work of Bolshevism will be to destroy the present nations, preparing the way for the Ten-Toed League of Nations,

out of which the Anti-Christ will arise, and over which he will rule as supreme dictator. We are up against a world-wide struggle between capital and labor, as recorded in the fifth chapter of James. The war with Germany may have settled the question of autocracy, but the question of plutocracy is still to be settled, creating revolutions through strikes and riots in every country, destroying public buildings, including the churches, killing the rich, overthrowing the governments, and readjusting boundaries, so as to form ten Red Republics, which will be the ten toes as recorded above. In this struggle between the rich and the poor, not only will the unions and the lodges be destroyed, but Babylon and her daughters, the Catholic and Protestants, will be utterly destroyed and disorganized, as recorded in the 17th and 18th Chapters of Revelation. This will fulfill the latter verses of the third chapter of Revelation. In speaking to the church he says He will "utterly spew them out of His mouth". We are living in the last or Laodicean period of the churches' history, and though they are neither cold nor hot, but lukewarm, and though they continue to boast of their wealth, power, and religious institutions, God says that they are poor and miserable, and blind and naked, and counsels them to buy of Him gold tried in the fire (experimental salvation), and white raiment, that they may be clothed (the righteousness of Christ); that the shame of their nakedness be covered (the filthy rags of self-righteousness or their unconverted state), and anoint their eyes with eye salve, that they might see. (The anointing of the Holy Spirit). Jesus is not only standing at the door of the church, knocking, but He is standing at the door of the world, returning in majesty and power.

Since 1892 we have been living in the period of the Pale Horse and his Rider, which will close with a period of world-wide anarchy, following the international war. During this period a fourth of the earth is to be killed with hunger and death, and sword and pestilence, and with the Beasts (The nations represented by beasts.) The fifth seal does not cover any separate space of time, but covers a part of the closing of the fourth seal

and the opening of the sixth. During the destruction of churchanity by the I. W. W. and Bolshevik elements, many real Christians will be killed for their religion. They will be the souls under the altar who will cry aloud unto God for vengeance, and are given white robes and commanded to wait a little season until their brethren will be killed in like manner, will be fulfilled. This latter company are the ones who are martyred for refusing to take the mark of the Beast, in the reign of Anti-Christ, during the last three years of this age. So the fourth seal merges immediately into the sixth seal, which only covers a small period of time in the close of the age.

We have passed the eleventh hour of the world's history, and have marked the midnight hour. The opening of the war, in 1914, marked the descent of the Devil from the Heavens, or (spiritual plain) to the earth, or plain of human organization. We are living in the midnight cry, "Behold He cometh, go ye out to meet Him," when most of the professed Christians have pled their worldly possessions to excuse them from consecration and holy living, and have already been excused. It is now at the opening of the midnight hour, when Jesus says to his servants (real consecrated Christians), "Go ye out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in". This is the last call of the age before the closing of the door of mercy, and thousands of Christians are working, everywhere, all sorts of ways, gathering in the maimed, the halt, the lame, and the blind (physically and spiritually) to get them ready for the coming of the Lord.

The watches of the night, referring to His second coming, do not represent one of our twelve-hour nights, but the night of time from when the sun set on Calvary, in a sea of blood, until the Sun of Righteousness arises with healing in His wings, in the dawn of the Millenial Sabbath. The Jewish watches were divided as follows: First watch, from 6 to 9 o'clock; the second watch, from 9 to 12; the third, from 12 to 3, and the fourth, from 3 to 6. He did not come in the evening watch, covering the first 500 years of the history of the Church, when the early fathers

kept the twilight fires burning, after the sun had set on Calvary, preaching the full Gospel as Jesus Himself had done. The midnight watch began with the dark age, the Papacy, and so forth, when for 1,000 years gross darkness covered the face of the earth. The cock-crowing represents one period of the Reformers, from Huss and Jerome, Luther, Calvin, Knox, Fox, down to Wesley. It is very evident that Christ did not come during any of these three watches. We are therefore now in the fourth watch of the night. It is dawning toward the day. The world is experiencing the darkest hour before the dawn, when Christ shall come.

Now, for two of the most positive proofs of His soon coming. God has sanctified a seventh part of time. He sanctified the seventh day, the seventh month, the seventh year, and seven times seven, or forty-nine, which brought the year of Jubilee, in which all debts were cancelled and slaves were set free. We are now closing six thousand years of labor from Adam, which will make the next thousand years a Sabbath, at the dawning of which Christ is to come, binding the Devil, to establish His rule for a thousand years. The second evidence is the indisputable fact of the return of Palestine to the Jews. The Gentile age is swiftly closing. In a time of trouble such as there never was, which is now brewing, the Jews were to return to Palestine. Their re-establishment as a nation was to close the last seven years of the seventy weeks of Daniel. Literally speaking, the Jews are to be a distinct nation the last seven years of the seventy weeks of Daniel. Seven years from the day the Jews are declared a restored nation, the feet of the Christ will rend Mount Olivet, coming in power to reign.

Now, directly to the subject in hand: Redemption is to take place in this same time of trouble in which the Jews return to Palestine, and not at the immediate descent of the Lord. The sounding of the trumpet, in the 15th chapter of First Corinthians, is Michael's trumpet, and not Gabriel's. It is then that Michael, the great Prince, stands up to deliver God's people, that they may escape all these things that are coming upon the earth. First the

terrible time of anarchy, which will immediately sweep the world, and later the reign of the Anti-Christ. Therefore, with a glance, we can see that Redemption takes place just before the last seven years of this age begins. As the time of Bolshevism and anarchy is now beginning to sweep the world, and the Jews are preparing throughout the world to re-establish their state, we can truly look up, for our Redemption draweth nigh, yea, is even at the door.

What, then, will Redemption consist of? First, the Rapture of the Man-Child, the Highest Order of Saints, typified by Enoch and Elijah, who will be caught up to the very Throne of God itself. Second, the immortalizing of the body of Christ, the church who may or may not leave this sphere until the Lord descends. Third, the fleeing of the Bride, who is the woman of Revelation 12, with the Jews to Palestine.

Now, not all who go to Palestine with the Jews may be considered the Bride, but all through the Scriptures we are taught that a remnant, or small company of people, will go with the Jews to Palestine. By a careful study of all the passages relative to this company, they constitute the Bride. After remaining in Palestine for three years and one-half, the abomination that maketh desolate is set up, the image of the Anti-Christ in the rebuilt Temple; then, those that be in Judea will flee into the wilderness, into the secret chamber, until the indignation be overpassed. This wilderness, or secret chamber, are the sixty cities of Og, king of Bashan, out of which Moses destroyed the king and all his people. Here will be found a haven of refuge for the Bride of Christ during the last three years and one-half of this age. From this secret hiding place the Bride swings up and meets the Lord in the air as He descends to the battle of Armageddon (She cometh up out of the wilderness leaning upon Her Beloved.) She will remain in the valley made by the split in the Mount of Olives when Christ descends until after the battle is over, when the Marriage of the Lamb takes place.