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WE MUST CHOOSE

The world must choose—and soon—between the man with the gun and the Man with the Cross. America has that choice. You have it, I have it.

No matter what Russia does, we have the choice of going to war or living at peace. If we go the human way, the world's way, the way we're going now—we will go to war. If we go Christ's way, we can be at peace.

We always have the choice, no matter what others may do, of following the ways of the world or following Christ.
I'm not talking ‘church’. The present-day church isn't the answer. Before the church can speak with authority or lead men to the light, the church must be converted. must put Christ's commands into daily practice, instead of merely worshipping Him and talking about Him.

I'm not pointing men to Christ because I'm religious. I know a lot of men that are religious, but who don’t let religion interfere with their business, or their pleasure or their politics.

I don’t quote the words of Jesus to be religious. I quote them as I would quote a decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in a law suit: because it is the final word of wisdom and authority, and I would quote Him in defiance of the Supreme Court, the Democratic Party, the President, the Congress, the U. N. O. or the church. I don’t obey any other voice that is contrary to His voice.

That's all that’s the matter with this world, and us. We've thought we could get by with disobeying the One who made us: we thought we could figure out an easier answer than the one He laid down for our problems.

If we want to build a house we get an architect to draw up a plan, and we follow that plan. If we substitute materials, leave out some of the beams, or foundation posts, no one would be surprised if the house fell down.

And that's why, if the Herald doesn't go on, someone else MUST raise the banner of truth. If folks won't listen to us, SOMEONE MUST ARISE that can command their attention.

We MUST come to our knees before the Author of the game of life, if we are to save America, the world, the church, ourselves.

If not, then we are all blown up, period.

We are living on the dreams of yesterday. We don't realize what two world wars have done to us. We condemn the Russians and the Germans, yet war has made us surprisingly like them. Our sons fought for “freedom”, but we acquiesced in our allies working millions of prisoners in slave labor battalions. We hung the man who ordered the destruction of Lidice, but we hung medals on the man who destroyed Hiroshima.

We condemn Russia for crowding into the British Empire's preserves yet we demand bases in Ireland, the South Atlantic and the far off Pacific. We condemned Hitler's militarism, yet we have peace-time conscription and a president who advocated drafting men who strike.

The Cause to which the Herald calls is more important than going off to war. War didn't solve any of the problems that faced the world, and left many new ones still to solve. The next war won't solve them either.

If men want Peace, Security, World Brotherhood, and what common man is there who doesn't?) then it is high time they gave their allegiance to the only Leader who can give what He promised, and quit being led by political pied piper in perpetual struggles for power and profit among those in high places.

It is high time that the millions who profess to be His "servants" begin literally to 'obey God rather than men", whether those men be in Berlin, Moscow, London, Washington, or Austin, Texas.

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"Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you than unto God. judge ye. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." Acts 4:19-20.

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We earnestly request your prayers that God will provide the guidance and the funds needed for The Texas Herald and The House of Prayer, that they may glorify His name and help build the Kingdom of Heaven.

J. A. D.
GOD'S PLAN FOR PEACE

"When a man's ways please the Lord, He maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him." (Prov. 16: 7)

Transportation, communication and economic interdependence have shrunken the world to one community and men are desperately seeking a way to live in this small world where the man across the ocean is my neighbor, where every act of his nation affects my country, my income and my sons. "None of us liveth to himself and no man dieth to himself." (Rom. 14: 7)

Various proposals have been put forth ranging all the way from the United States as world policeman, to world union. All these are man-made plans and there is no assurance that any one of them will be successful.

But does God have a plan for peace? One that will work?

Of course God has a plan. He created the world, put man upon it and foresaw the day when nations would be forced to live in close proximity. When men would sense the need of some higher plan than nationalism or imperialism or allied nations to insure justice and keep the peace.

God always has the answer to man's need. stored up, waiting man's seeking. "Seek and ye shall find." (Matt. 7: 7) "For your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him." (Matt. 6: 8)

When man felt the need of swifter transportation, he found steam, waiting. When he needed fuel for the newly invented automobile and airplane, he found oil stored in safe warehouses far inside the earth, waiting.

When he felt the need of more light and swifter communication, he found electricity and radio, waiting.

Just so has God had His plan for world peace ready for centuries, waiting the seeking, waiting for the day when men would realize the need of some plan better than their own minds could conceive. At last there is hope that man will recognize its worth from sheer necessity. No other plan will work for this is God's earth and we are His children. His laws are still supreme. It is still: obey and live—disobey and perish.

Proud as we are of American Democracy, it is not the best form of government in the world. There is a better ruler than our President. a code of laws higher than our constitution, and a flag more beautiful than the Stars and Stripes. There is a Kingdom that offers higher freedom than American liberty and citizenship greater than American citizenship. That Kingdom is here on earth, now. It is the Kingdom of Heaven: a real Kingdom, world-wide, with the Cross as its flag, with the greatest code of laws ever printed. God's laws, as its Law and the one and only incorruptible ruler Christ, as King!

Jesus did not come to bring a new religion, but to teach men how to live. Some say that He spoke to individuals only, that He had no plan for the world, no plan for peace. The Kingdom of Heaven is His Answer.

"To know whom you worship, let me see you in your shop, let me overhear you in your conversation, let me know how you rent your houses, how you get your money, how you keep it, how you spend it."

"The sacramental test of your religion is not your Sunday idly spent, nor the words of David or Jesus to which you listen or repeat; it is your week-day life,—it is your work and not your words."—Theodore Parker.

Like John the Baptist. Jesus began His ministry with the startling statement, "Repent! for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!!" (Matt. 4: 17) He sent His disciples out with that message, and He went about "preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom." (Matt. 4: 23) He taught His disciples to pray, "Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in Heaven." (Matt. 6: 10)

What is this plan for peace that Christ proclaimed?

It is a devoted and total allegiance to Him and His way of life above every other allegiance on earth. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven." (Matt. 6: 33)

When I was a boy my highest loyalty was to my family, my home town, my high school. Later it was broadened to become my state and its university, and little was said of county or town. Later, when I went overseas, I ceased speaking of "my state" and began saying, "I am from America!"

My loyalty extended to the national boundaries. But there, for most people, their allegiance stops.

World government has made little progress because we have so few world citizens. The delegates to the United Nations still think as citizens of America, Russia or England, and matters are settled in terms of national advantage.

But citizens of this new Kingdom of Heaven "must obey God rather than men." (Acts 5: 29) They must put allegiance to Jesus and humanity above loyalty to country, state or nation. He alone is King. When He speaks. His subjects must obey, no matter what their lesser loyalties might demand.

From the day the convert takes out citizenship in the Kingdom of Heaven and pledges allegiance to his new King, he is no longer a citizen of Galilee or Judaea or Rome—or England or America. He is a citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven, and is only a temporary sojourner in the lesser nation. Whi?—"visiting" in any of these "foreign" countries, he gives that nation partial allegiance and obeys its laws up to the point where, they conflict with the laws of his own King. He renders unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, but reserves unto God the things that are God's. (Matt. 22: 21) When his work is ended the citizen is called home with a "well done, good and faithful servant", to dwell in the Kingdom forever.

An American, living in England or Germany or France, gives a certain amount of loyalty and respect to that nation in return for the privilege of making his temporary home within its borders. He pays taxes and respects its laws. But should he be asked to take an oath of full allegiance to its ruler, serve in its army, or protect its flag with his life, the American would proudly refuse. "I'm sorry, but my allegiance is to my own country, America. I enjoy living in your country and I will obey all laws that do not conflict with the laws of my own land. But I can serve only in the American Army, and give my life in defense of no flag other than the Stars and stripes." And though the nation insist to the point of imprisonment or death, he would stand steadfast in his allegiance to America.

"REPENT FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND"

PAGE THREE
AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT

Box 2156, Capitol Station
Austin, Texas
December 3, 1950

President Harry S. Truman
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Truman:

Millions are saddened to hear the President of so-called Christian America talk casually of dropping atom bombs on some of God's other children, a statement that has horrified even the pagans of the world.

It is a dark day for America when the prerogative of Congress to declare war is an empty rubber-stamp gesture: when Executive or Military leaders can involve the United States in war without Congressional consent or the people's approval; when we find ourselves being maneuvered into the madness of a war in which half the people of the world would be arrayed against us: when America has lost her moral leadership in the world and other nations feel constrained to beg us to change our policy of devastating violence: when America's foreign policy seems to be sending out ambassadors with a billion in one hand and a bomb in the other, to either buy or burn those who do not agree with our economic and political system; when other peoples look upon the United States with fear and hatred as a threat to peace instead of the torch-bearer of Liberty.

Do you not realize that war itself is our worst enemy -- more than Russia or China or Communism? Your administration has led us to the brink of a war which may well destroy America or which, at least, no matter who claims to win it, will leave the world including America ripe for Communism which thrives on poverty and despair.

Isn't it time to admit that your foreign policy of "getting tough", the age-old policy of "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth" has failed, as it always fails?

Isn't it about time for America to try the only peace plan that has any hope of achieving peace: the plan of the One called the Prince of Peace? Is there any Christian reason why our sons should be dying in Korea and killing millions as America's foreign policy seems to be sending out representatives who do not agree with our economic and political system; when other peoples look upon the United States with fear and hatred as a threat to peace instead of the torch-bearer of Liberty.

Does this nightmare have to continue in order, perhaps, to "save face"? Whose face? How about the faces of those young men that are being blown off in Korea? Or the faces of the men, women and children who will be buried beneath the rubble of American cities when the war your present policy is bringing upon us gets underway? No face in Washington is worth the destruction of these little ones. Perhaps you do not know the bitterness in the hearts of the young men who are dragged off to a foreign war by conscription, an institution our founding fathers fled Europe to escape. Or the hopeless ache in their mother's hearts as they kiss their sons and peace goodbye.

For what? Few in America believe war will settle our differences with Russia or Communism. No one has hopes that war will bring peace. The last two futile wars have proven that.

Isn't it time to call America to her knees in repentance and prayer instead of strutting in her military might? From the White House and the Capitol to the humblest citizen we need to repent of our national sins: the subservience of government to liquor and brewing interests which always get grain for their business though groceries may be rationed; for selfishness that plows up crops, kills livestock and restricts acreage so that we may enjoy high profits while others starve; for racial arrogance which has been a large factor in turning China from friend to foe: for economic greed that forces American youths to defend oil and trade interests all over the world; for Militarism, long the plague of Europe, now brought to its height in once peaceful and democratic America.

Mr. President, as a citizen of the United States and therefore as one of those for whom you are employed, I beg of you to stop the policy that is inevitably leading us to war and destruction. He who keeps America from war is her best patriot, he who leads her into war is her worst traitor.

And in the name of Jesus Christ, whose minister I am, I call upon you to change your tactics, to call America to her knees before God in repentance, to put her trust in Almighty God instead of military might, and to follow the commands of Him who said:

"Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

"Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword."

"Love your enemies, bless them that curse you. do good to them that hate you. and pray for them that despitefully use you. and persecute you."

"Is mine arm shortened that it cannot save?"

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways: then will I hear from heaven, and will heal their land."

No man is wise or big enough to be President and hold in his hands the lives of millions of people without God's help. You were never bigger than the day you first took office and prayed Solomon's prayer for God's guidance. May you seriously seek and follow that guidance rather than the advice of the men around you, is my prayer.

For Christ and America.

J. A. Dennis

WORDS OF WISDOM

"In time of actual war, great discretionary powers are constantly given to the Executive Magistrate. Constant apprehension of War, has the same tendency to render the head too large for the body. A standing military force, with an overgrown Executive will not long be safe companions to liberty. The means of defense against danger, have been always the instruments of tyranny at home. Among the Romans it was a standing maxim to excite a war, whenever a revolt was apprehended. Throughout all Europe, the armies kept up under the pretext of defending, have enslaved the people."

—JAMES MADISON, at the Constitutional Convention.
BETWEEN THE LINES

CHAS. A. WELLS

AT LAST THE TRUTH is breaking through as to how our allies feel about America's foreign policy, and how our actions and attitudes look to the rest of the world. The awakening is coming from such sources as will jolt the Republicans as well as the Administration for while the Hoover-Wherry-Taft GOP element is pulling for withdrawal from foreign entanglements, GOP Senator McCarthy, Knowland, Nixon, et al. have whooped it up for diving all out into war with Red China behind the repainted banners of Chiang Kai-shek.

Things are being said that shake the back teeth of Washington by such top industrialists as Ernest T. Weir, chairman of the Board of the National Steel Corp., in his widely read report from Europe; by Howard K. Smith, chief CBS European News Staff; by authoritative and conservative columnist Walter Lippmann; by the noted English writer, Arthur Moore, writing for the North American Newspaper Alliance and the N. Y. Times and other figures.

Briefly here are the points that are being driven home till they hurt — facts that will soon begin to have influence on public thought and national policy.—facts and trends that Between The Lines has long forecast or reported to our readers:

1. We cannot face Russia without allies, and our attitudes and behavior are making allies for Russia instead of for ourselves. Even our natural allies like Britain and France are talking about following the example of the Swedes and letting America fight the next war alone.

2. Almost all top Europeans feel that Gen. McArthur has shredded UN decisions to its U. S. policies which in world opinion have made an aggressor out of the U. S., especially when we drove our armies against China's frontier. It is widely felt that Mao Tse-tung was considerably justified in his counter-attack, thus the UN reluctance to brand China an aggressor.

3. As much as we may admire Chiang Kai-shek, it is time to admit that almost all leaders in world capitals, except for a little clique in GOP ranks, consider Chiang Kai-shek through, finished as a leader, and that nothing could be more futile than to try to check communism by refurnishing Chiang's discredited corteges. All the effort to build up Chiang again has produced no evidence that his followers who sold out to the Reds so often before would not do so again, or that the soldiers who fired one shot and ran would not also repeat that performance.

4. It is widely believed in world capitals that the Mao government should be allowed to enter the UN, for whether we like it or not, he has a strong government, the only one representing the great people of China (one fifth of the earth's population). For the UN is not just an organization for the folks Americans like. Despite the very one-sided reporting that has been flooded over the American public by the multi-millionaire publishing clique, who are plugging for an "American century" dominated by American dollars and guns, the Chinese people are far more united behind the Mao government than we realize. There is mounting evidence that Mao is China's man and not Moscow's puppet. Evidence that is screened from the American public by the above mentioned publishing clique (the Life, Reader's Digest, Scripps-Howard, McCormick groups, etc.)

5. The rest of the world resents the way the U. S. manipulates the Latin American vote in the UN (which comprises 40 per cent of the UN). An unimportant little country, with a population smaller than Paris and with less than 50 miles of railroads, will be solemnly pitted against the rights and will of 400 million in China or India. This is regarded as one of the main reasons for Russia's non-cooperation in the UN.

6. The American public for rearming Germany and Japan has created tensions and fear all over the world, doing far more damage to the cause of democracy than any benefit that could be derived from such action.

REARMING EUROPE

The American public is not getting a fair or true picture of the rearmament of Europe. As Between The Lines reported many months ago, it is now openly conceded that the people of Europe do not want to be rearmed. Even the German people whom we are determined to rearm voted against it. (The west German elections in November). Europeans know that rearmament means poverty; they do not have enough for both butter and guns and Uncle Sam is trying to tell them to forget the butter. That doesn't go well with people who have been hungry for 10 years. We are determined to rearm Germany because few in our high command believe the French or Italians will fight, and because the British are far from enthusiastic allies. The people of Europe cannot be counted on to fight because they feel there is little to fight for. People who are hungry and poorly housed are not concerned about political freedom.

Most of all the working class to whom the Communists make their appeal are embittered by the fact that the Marshall Plan dollars have returned the wealthy to their former pinnacle of riches and power and little has been shared with the worker. (See BTL. Dec. 18. '50). Yet it is the workers who must make up the armies to fight Russia. "Fight for what?" say these embittered workers.

For this reason, the same minority in Washington official circles who tried to warn of the danger of our course in Korea (and whose voices were never permitted to reach the public) are also now endeavoring to warn our military.

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“Hear Ye Him” . . .

Christ Speaks to America

“The way of peace they know not; and there is no judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace.”

Isaiah 59: 8.

Tiring of tyranny our Pilgrim fathers left the monarchies of Europe and braved the unknown seas, to find a land where they could worship God without restraint.

From our soil has sprung a political freedom and a religious liberty hitherto unknown. We have abounding wealth and opportunity, rich earth, favorable climate, gold, silver, coal and oil. We have freedom of speech, press, assembly and conscience. Ours was to have been a land where men of every race and creed were welcome.

In no other nation under Heaven were men given the opportunity, by their own government, to adopt the Kingdom of Heaven whose citizens "must obey God rather than men."

Here at last was the hope that the people of a great nation would accept Christ as their King.

But what have we done?

We have “done mighty works” in His name. We have put “In God we trust” upon our coins, but have trusted the coins and the things they buy more than God.

We have spoken out for liberty for all peoples, yet we have not given liberty to all our own citizens.

God has given us the richest land in all the world and we have restricted production for selfish profits, while His children starved in other lands.

He has given us most of the world’s gold and we have buried it in the earth from whence it came. Because we were afraid someone might get it away from us, we forgot the parable of the talents and what became of the man who buried his because of fear. (Matt. 25: 14-30)

He has given us freedom to worship Him without hindrance and we have split His church into fragments over petty differences.

He has protected us with oceans and friendly neighbors, yet we have gone thousands of miles to engage in war.

We were His hope. We could have lived as an example to the world and drawn all men unto Him.

But we have seen fit to compromise His message, follow the ways of the world and the selfish pattern of nations before us.

We point condemning fingers at Germany and Russia and Japan, yet we have adopted many of their wicked ways.

We, as well as they, think and act in military terms.

We talk of peace, yet spend most of our budget for war.

WHEN YOU HAVE READ THIS ISSUE OF THE TEXAS HERALD PLEASE HAND IT TO A FRIEND

Thank You!

Conscription is as much a sin in America as when practiced in Russia or Germany.

Racial intolerance is as evil in America as when espoused by Hitler.

Greed is as wicked in America as anywhere else in the world.

Keeping state secrets and government policies from the peoples' ears is wrong whether practiced at Washington or Moscow.

War atrocities are wicked whether perpetrated by Germans or Japanese or Americans. We hung the man who destroyed Lidice, but we hung medals on the men who destroyed Hiroshima with the atomic bomb.

"Think ye that these were sinners above all men? Nay, but except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish.” (Luke 13: 4-5)

"For thou that judgest doest the same things.” (Rom. 2: 1)

"For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed: lest at any time they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.” (Matt. 13: 15)

"If you yourself only knew today the conditions of peace! But as it is, they are hidden from you. For a time is coming upon you when your enemies will throw up earth-works about you and surround you and shut you in on all sides, and they will throw you and your children within you to the ground, and they will not leave one stone upon another within you because you did not know when God visited you!” (Luke 19: 42-44, Goodspeed)

REPENT OR PERISH!

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways: then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.” (II Chron. 7: 14)

"Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse: a blessing if ye obey the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you this day and a curse if ye will not obey the commandments of the Lord your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day.” (Deut. 11: 26-28)

PRESIDENT

"Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister: and whosoever shall be chief among you, let him be your servant.” (Matt. 20: 25-27)

CONGRESS

"Whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.” (Matt. 23: 12)

"For there is nothing covered that shall not be revealed: neither hid that shall not be known. Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light: and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.” (Luke 12: 2-3)

LAWYERS

"Woe unto you, also, ye lawyers! for ye lade men with burdens grievous to be borne, and ye
CHRIST SPEAKS TO AMERICA

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"Agree with thine adversary quickly whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison."

"If any man shall sue thee at the temple, let him have thy cloke also."

LIQUOR AND TOBACCO

God has given us golden grain and we make it into degrading liquor, while His other children starve for want of bread. Instead of foodstuffs we plant our richest soil to tobacco and make slaves to its deadening fumes.

"Wherefore do you spend money that which is not bread?"

"Take heed and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."

"Verily I say unto you, that a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven. And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the Kingdom of God."

"Therefore take no thought saying, What shall we eat? or What shall we drink? or Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things."

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

"Then when ye stand praying, if your brother shall reproach you, say unto him, This trespass is forgiven thee; and if he shall say again, This trespass is forgiven thee, again say unto him, This trespass is forgiven thee."

"The son of man came not to destroy men's lives but to save them."

"And the third hour was killed. and they that were killed were four thousand. and when he had said this. he slept."

"Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another comitteth adultery against her And if a man shall put away his wife, and be married to another, he comitteth adultery."

"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."

"If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy: for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are."

DIVORCE

We have made America a land of legalized adultery. Where do we get permission to change husbands and wives almost at will? Surely not from His word!

"From the beginning of the creation God made them male and female For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh. What, therefore, God hath joined together let not man put asunder."

"Who seeth this may give to her that which is not bread?"

"Nevertheless I tell you that many foolish virgins were filled at midnight. and the virgins said one to another. Bid the maidens come. and we may make a supper."

"Now by the grace of God I am come unto you. and I will confound the wise. and will convert the foolish."

"Therefore take no thought saying, What shall we eat? or What shall we drink? or Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things."

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

"For what is a man profited if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

CAPITAL AND LABOR

"Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets." (Luke 6: 31-32)

"Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, as unto Christ: not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart; with good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men: Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free."

"And ye masters, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that your master also is in Heaven; neither is there respect of persons with Him." (Rom. 12: 10-11)

RACE

"God . . . hath made of one blood all nations of men." (Acts 17: 26-27)

We have forgotten our early declaration that "all men are created equal" and "all men are entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

"Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, Circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free, but Christ is all and in all." (Col. 3: 11)

WAR

"Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?"

"Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you."

"Who is he that will harm you if ye be followers of that which is good?"

"Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword."

Put up those atom bombs! For all they that drop atom bombs shall perish from atom bombs!

"The son of man came not to destroy men's lives but to save them."

"Repent: for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand." (Matt. 4: 17)
“I know not by what methods rare, but this I know, God answers prayer. I know that He has given His Word, and will be answered, soon or late. And so I pray, and calmly wait.”

—Eliza M. Hickok.

God repeatedly promises, in His Word, that He will hear and answer prayer: and His Word is forever settled in Heaven. “The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: but the word of the Lord endureth forever.” (Peter 1:24). “God is not a man, that He should lie; neither the son of man, that He should repent: hath He said, and shall He not do it? Or hath He spoken, and shall He not make it good?” (Num. 23:18).

“What things soever ye desire, when ye pray... believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them” (Mark 11:24).

A Record of God’s Answers

God answers prayer. This we know, not only because He hath so promised, but, because “so great a cloud of witnesses,” in and out of the Bible, have added their “proof positive”—glorious testimonies of answered prayer! “In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established” (2 Cor. 13:1).

Great and mighty were the answers to prayer which God granted to His servant Elijah. When Ahab and his prophets challenged this man of God, Elijah said, “Call ye on the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of the Lord: and the God that answereth by fire, let him be God.” From morning until evening the prophets of Baal called unto their gods—“but there was neither voice, nor any answer, nor any that regarded.” Then Elijah prayed and the fire fell. God had answered! “And when the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and they said, The Lord, He is God.” This was not the only time that Elijah received an ‘answer from the skies.’ James 5:17, 18. “Elisha was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.” Why pray?

Elijah would advise: “God answers prayer!” “Elisha was come into the house... behold, the child was dead, and laid upon his bed... He went in therefore, and shut the door, and prayed unto the Lord... and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes.” (2 Kings 4.) Another supernatural miracle: the dead raised to life, in answer to prayer!

Peter was kept in prison: “...but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.” God supernaturally answered, and Peter was delivered from prison, and he went to the house of Mary the mother of John, where many were gathered together praying. “But he declared unto them how the Lord had brought him out of prison.” Acts 12. Paul and Silas were thrust into the inner prison, and their feet were securely fastened in stocks. “And at midnight, Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God... and suddenly there was a great earthquake... and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one’s bands were loosed.” Acts 16. Another glorious deliverance, wrought by God in answer to prayer, which resulted in the conversion of the Philippian jailer and his family.

George Fox writes of “...cases in which sick people were healed, the devils cast out, in answer to prayer.” John Wesley writes: “About three in the morning, as we were continuing instant in prayer, the power of God come mightily upon us.” God answered the prayers of Wesley, by using him as the channel, to shake several continents for God. Personally, he relied strongly upon prayer for his own strength and health. Writing concerning one of these occasions, he said: “I then thought, ‘Cannot God heal either man or beast by any means, or without any?’ Immediately after prayer, my weariness and headache ceased, and my horse’s lameness, in the same instant.” (Journal, March 17, 1940.)

It is estimated that Charles G. Finney, in one year, 1857-1858, led over one hundred thousand persons to Christ. In London, England, between 1,500 and 2,000 persons were seeking salvation in one day, in Finney’s meetings. What was the secret of such success for God? Prayer! Finney was a man of prayer, spendings days and whole nights in intercession, and God mightily answered.

It is said that George Muller could testify to several thousand answers to prayer. When God put it into his heart to build orphanages, he had only two shillings (50 cents) in his pocket. Without making his wants known to man, but to God alone, over a million, four hundred thousand pounds ($7,000,000) were sent to him, for the building and maintaining those orphan homes. At the time of his death, six hundred pounds ($3,000) a week was required for the support of the orphans, and the Lord met every need in answer to prayer!

Why pray? Because God has repeatedly answered prayer for America. From its earliest days, even until now, when sincere prayer has reached the heart of God, for this nation and people, God has answered. In the forming of the Constitution when a deadlock threatened, prayer changed things, and divine wisdom was granted.

In the early spring of 1877 Minnesota farmers anxiously surveyed their lands, dreading the first hordes of locusts that had caused such widespread destruction the summer before: another such plague threatened to destroy the rich wheat crops. Suddenly Governor John Pillsbury proclaimed April the 26th as a day of fasting and prayer, urging every man, woman and child to ask divine help against the “pestilence that walketh in darkness, and the destruction that wasteth at
WILT THOU BE MADE WHOLE?

When folks came to Jesus for healing. He asked or implied two questions: 1. "Wilt thou be made whole?" (John 5: 6) Some people unconsciously prefer sickness, with its attention and sympathy and freedom from toil, to health. We so often say, "I feel terrible!" "I didn't sleep a wink," "I have an awful cold". These statements hinder our being well instead of helping. Then why do we say them? To get attention, sympathy, or to excuse our laziness.

2. "Believe ye that I am able to do this?" (Matt. 9: 28) An answer of "Yes" meant that they believed Him to be "the Christ, the Son of the Living God", for only Christ had the power to heal.

God Hears and Answers Prayer

From PAGE EIGHT noonday." Schools, shops, offices closed: a strange hush fell over the land as Minnesotans solemnly assembled to pray. Three days passed, and the unseasonable heat hatched out a vast army of locusts that threatened to engulf the wheat crop. This was a strange answer to prayer! Then, on the fourth day, the sun went down in a cold sky; the night frost gripped the earth: the locusts froze, were destroyed as surely as though fire had swept them from the earth. When summer came the wheat waved tall and green in Minnesota. The grateful farmers put April 26 down in history as the day when a people's prayer had been answered.

Some few years ago, an engineer on the Pennsylvania Limes became very ill: later taken to the hospital in Philadelphia. He became greatly wasted, weighing less than one hundred pounds. Finally the attending doctor pronounced him dead. The wife refused to believe the verdict, and strongly insisted her husband was not dead, or, if he were God would bring him back from the dead. "For," said she. "I have prayed for his conversion for twenty-seven years. God is faithful. Do you think God would let him die now, after I have prayed for him twenty-seven years, and he is not saved?"

A screen was drawn around the hospital bed, to separate the living from the dead. So great was the wife's insistence that her husband was not dead, that seven other physicians were brought. one after another, until each one had made an examination and confirmed the verdict that the patient was dead. This wife still believed that God, who answers prayer, would not fail her so she knelt by the bed in quiet expectation. A nurse placed a pillow under her knees, for comfort: one hour, two hours, three hours passed. The screen still stood by the bed: the patient apparently dead. Four hours, five hours, six hours, thirteen hours passed: in spite of the advice of loved ones and medical authorities, the wife refused to allow the body to be removed. "No, he has to be saved. God will bring him back, if he is dead. For twenty-seven years I have covenanted with God for his conversion. And God is faithful who hath promised!"

At the end of thirteen hours, the husband opened his eyes. His wife said: "What do you wish, dear?" He said: "I want to go home." You shall go home." But when she proposed it, the astonished doctors raised their hands in horror. "Why it will kill him, it would be suicide." She replied: "You had your turn. You said he was dead already. I am going to take him home.

God did a complete work in him, body and soul. The husband was restored to perfect health: he gained until he weighed 246 pounds. And again he was engineer on a fast train, on the Pennsylvania Limes. But, best of all, he was a soundly converted disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ, witnessing and leading souls to salvation.

"Prayer will be answered. God's word is true:
Victory is coming, if you pray through.
Keep on believing, trust and obey.
Prayer will be answered, it pays to pray!

Jesus sometimes added a third requisite to healing: "Go thy way, show thyself to the priest." "Go thy way, thy son liveth," "Go thy way,..." Do something to prove that you believe He can and does heal you. (Quit praying for healing and act as though you had it)

Many people who say, "Yes, I believe Jesus can heal me" (Question 2) have conversation or hopes, not belief. Jesus then says, "Prove your belief - let your actions prove your statement!" The lepers got up at this command and started towards the temple. Then they were healed. Act as you would act of you knew you were healed NOW! You would discard your ills and pills, your doubts and fears, you would rise up and walk" if in bed, stretch forth thy hand" if bound up with arthritis; you would "leap and shout for joy", instead of complaining of your state.

Jesus still says to you and me when we ask healing: 1. "Do you really want to be well?" (And have to work, with no one feeling sorry for you, not even yourself?) 2. "Do you really believe I can heal you?" Then why all the medicine? 3. Your actions, not your words are the answer to these questions.

The lepers did not continue to pray before Jesus for cleansing, did not continue to show Jesus their diseased flesh. To have done so would have proved their lack of belief in what He said, "Go thy way. They went, obediently, just as they would have if their flesh was whole - and it was!

Take your eyes off of appearances and obey Jesus - NOW! Failure to do so is proof of your doubt, your unbelief; and your sickness will remain just as you secretly fear (believe) it will.

Thank God right now for a perfect body. It is perfect. He made it perfect. Your sins of disobedience have made it imperfect. Confess those sins and accept forgiveness and perfect health. And thank God right now for both. And begin acting, speaking, thinking - RIGHT NOW - as you would if you really believed Jesus were healing you, had healed you. For He really did heal you on Calvary when He atoned for your sins. "Who forgiveth all thine iniquities who healeth all thy diseases" (Psalm 103: 3) He did both jobs for you at the same time.

Your healing is already done, as soon as you ask repentently and believe, just as your forgiveness has already been paid for as soon as you confess your sins and ask for forgiveness. Healing, then. IS; it only remains for us to accept it, take it - by acts, words, belief; acting, thinking, speaking as we would if we knew it had really come. The power to heal all thy diseases (Heb 11: 1)

No more then, can we indulge in the luxuries of self-pity and the sympathy of friends.

No one got sympathy from Jesus - they got something much better: health, and forgiveness for the sin or self-centeredness that had made them sick.

He has the same for you.

"Wilt thou be made whole?"

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extremists of the danger that the arms we ship to Europe will only strengthen the hands of the Communists. By increasing Europe’s poverty as their resources are diverted to armaments, the masses of Europe will be more inclined to listen to Red wooing and then, if communism starts to move, all of our armaments will fall to the Communists and the Russians. This is THE TRAP the Communists are setting for us in Europe. Will we repeat our mistakes of Asia? Don’t forget—we armed the Chinese Communists through the sieve of corruption surrounding the Chiang Kai-shek government, a fact apologists for Chiang never attempt to refute.

The poverty of the people, the corruption and blindness of feudal wealth and our own blind confidence in guns being able to create and defend democracy—where it often doesn’t even exist—that is the formula of Communist success! Must we repeat it for them in Europe?

RACE WAR

When war began in Korea we reported, (1), that, in the light of Communist teachings, doctrines and long range plans, Russia would stay out of the Korean war; (2), endeavor to entangle us with the masses of Asia; and (3), that the basic issue would be race rather than communism. The first two phases have evolved and the race issue is the big thing that Russia is utilizing now. But the “bigger and gook” complex that dominates much of American political and military thinking has meant that the American mind including, unfortunately, much of our leadership, has not yet discovered what it is all about. The British have, for they have experienced the sting of race recrimination, thus London and other European officials are frightened at America’s blindness. The warped and hysterical radio and press comments on British and French reactions to American attitudes on Red China have probably brought a new low to world respect for America. This is especially visible at the UN where foreign delegates have been flabbergasted that the American press and radio does not even understand WHY London and Paris are worried. Many ill-informed radio commentators accused the Europeans of being cowards, non-cooperative in saving the world from communism, as the UN delegates put it, “The Americans haven’t even discovered they are allowing Russia to maneuver the Communist world conflict into a racial war. If once started, a racial war will last a century, bringing communism to four-fifths of the world in the first decade.”

THE HARSH TRUTH:

The Russian Reds have staged a piece of super strategy and we have fallen for it hook, line and sinker. The hundreds of millions of people of color, accustomed to poverty and tyranny, both native and foreign, are very dim about the difference between communism and democracy. But they react strongly when they see “white capitalist armies” killing men of color. The Russian Communists have for thirty years emphasized their kinship to their “proletarian brothers of the yellow, brown and black races.” For a whole generation Communist posters all over Asia have cried. “The white imperialist-capitalist is your enemy, your exploiter, enslaver and spoiler.” Now, the masses of Asia have been given fresh and dramatic reasons to hate and fear the “white capitalist West” and Red Russia has likewise been given a great opportunity to vastly widen and deepen the Soviet’s favored position in Asia.

PATH TO TYRANNY

PERMANENT CHANGES, coming in our economy and in our way of life, changes that will affect all of us, are being neatly glossed over or smothered so the public will not “get panicky” or too disturbed. BUT SUCH EVASION OF THE TRUTH AND DECEPTION OF THE PUBLIC IS NOT THE WAY OF A STRONG AND WHOLESOME DEMOCRACY. IT IS THE PATH TO TYRANNY. But that’s the point, the road we are now beginning to enter is the road toward the dominant power of the few over the many. There is no other way to run a military state, no other way to operate an artificially supported economy.

MILITARY CONTROL

THE MILITARY CONTROL OVER CIVILIAN LIFE which becomes inevitable when we set up a military-dominated economy to support national mobilization over a long period, as is now being undertaken, means a heavy hand on education, science, culture and the arts. Military minds are not creative minds and never have been. No matter how sincere and fine military men are as neighbors or citizens, with such minds running the country, dominating the schools, governing science as science is enslaved for war, in complete command of all youth during two or three of the most impressionable years, our cultural standards will not go up.

There will be educators, scholars, artists and clergy who will fight this influence as they already have been doing (See Between The Lines May 22, ’50) but with the military in the saddle those who speak out will be smothered and stifled unless and until public reaction against military domination sets in.
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Prayer will be offered daily for a great revival to sweep America to her knees in repentance that God may give us and the world, Peace.

Christianity is bigger than any denomination, wider than any race or nation, deeper than any creed, and higher than any earthly wisdom. Christ has the answer to every problem, whether personal or international. We can obey Him and live, or disobey Him and Perish.

A Church divided against itself will fall. Our greatest division isn’t between denominations—it is between Christ and the World. A Church half Christian and half pagan cannot endure.

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GOD'S PLAN FOR PEACE

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If an American should bow to the foreign demand, swear allegiance to the nation where he temporarily lived, in defiance of his own country, and should he afterwards claim to be a citizen of America and seek entrance to our shores, our State Department would in all probability say what Jesus has promised to say to His turncoat citizens. “I never knew you. Depart from me, ye that work iniquity.” (Matt. 7: 23)

Before this world can know peace, men must some day surrender a part of their allegiance, and nations a part of their sovereignty, to an authority higher than their own national government. To this all proponents of any type of world order will agree. When Christians in Japan, Germany, England, Russia, America, every nation, if ordered to fight and kill, or to break any other law of their God, proudly but firmly say, “I’m sorry, but I have taken out citizenship in a new Kingdom; I cannot disobey the explicit orders of my King. Him only will I serve with my life.” than God will begin to rule the world.

PLEASE PRAY for the HOUSE of PRAYER and the TEXAS HERALD

That God Will Send The Helpers and the Funds Needed, that through these two channels men and women may know the reality of God, and that His name may be glorified.

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Write to Us!

“Let us raise a standard to which the honest and good can repair; the event is in the hand of God.”

—George Washington.