

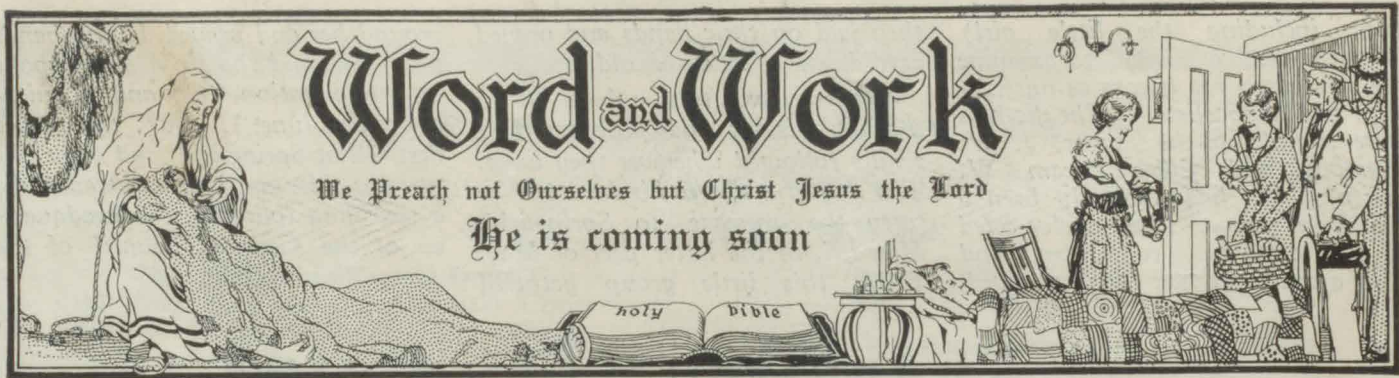
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"IN THE LAST DAYS, SAITH GOD, I WILL POUR OUT OF MY SPIRIT" Acts 2:17.



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In the rude mission on Azusa Street, Los Angeles, here once the embattled warriors kneeled, and prayed down the fire, that spread 'round the world.

Above are the little company who tarried before the Lord for cleansing and sanctification; and were the first, at the old Azusa Street Mission, Los Angeles, California, to be filled with the Holy Ghost and fire according to Acts 2:4—This began in April, 1906. The manifestation of the power of God was soon noised abroad and crowds flocked here from all parts of the world. The revival spread like a prairie fire to the ends of the earth and grows stronger each year. It has been called the "Latter Rain Revival of Pentecost."

Seated are Sister Evans, Brother Hiram W. Smith, Brother J. W. Seymour, Sister Lum. Standing, second are Brother Evans, Sister Moon, Brother Cook, Sister Crawford and at the end is Sister Prince. Inset Sister Sizelove. The little mission was carefully organized along scriptural lines. The twelve shown in the picture

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(not including the little girl) were the twelve selected to examine the candidates for license as missionaries and evangelists. The licenses were signed by the Pastor, J. W. Seymour and Elder Hiram W. Smith, who had formerly been a Methodist pastor. These twelve acted as the credential committee, and after a candidate had been approved,

they laid on their hands and prayed as did the apostles of old.

People were told where to go through visions and prophecy and results followed wherever they went. The day that Sister Sizelove left to carry the message to Springfield, Missouri, in the latter part of May, 1907, this little group gathered

around her and prayed, laying hands upon her, and the Holy Spirit spoke by interpretation, "Go, and go quickly!" On June 1, 1907, the power first fell at Springfield, and grew like a rising tide, and later it became like a sparkling fountain, the headquarters of the General Council of the Assemblies of God.

A Sparkling Fountain

By Rachel Harper Sizelove, 1892 Stanley Ave., Long Beach, California

Circuit riding the old Methodist camp meetings in Oklahoma and Kansas where later the Holy Ghost fell.

IN THE YEAR 1892 my husband and I were appointed by the Free Methodist Church to a circuit which included eastern Kansas and a large portion of Oklahoma. We had heard how God had poured out His Spirit in the camp meeting at Caldwell, Kansas a few years previously and we were anxious to meet a brother Higdon, whom God had so wonderfully used at that camp meeting. So we were looking forward to a real manifestation of the power of God in our work in this field.

Our first quarterly meeting was held at Arkansas City, Kansas. Here a brother and sister Harnley invited us with our four small children, home with them for dinner. Sister Harnley had what was then called lingering consumption and was very weak and sick. After the dinner we went into the front room to pray for the evening service at the little church. As we were praying the Power of God fell and sister Harnley began to praise God in a strong and loud voice. Brother Harnley had been slain under the mighty power of God. As he heard his wife praising God and praying in a loud voice, his happiness knew no bounds, as she had only been able to speak in a whisper before. "O! Lord," he exclaimed, "I have spent all my money with doctors and here You have healed her. How I praise You!"

We went to the evening services and our sister testified in a strong voice how God had healed her. The people who had known her all rejoiced and praised God for what He had done.

We returned to Argonia, Kansas, our home, until we had rested awhile

and then we went on our circuit again. The next meeting was at Enid, Oklahoma. We may talk of depression now, but I have never witnessed such poverty as there was there. There were only a few box houses in the town. The country was new and there had been very little rainfall during the previous year and the crops had been ruined. We had consecrated all to the Lord, so we knew He would take care of us. The Lord sent in a dear brother from one of the adjoining claims, with a load of kafir corn he had threshed by hand, which he ground with an old fashioned coffee hand mill into a meal and made into mush for us. He said the Lord told him to bring it to the camp-meeting for us. How the Lord did bless us in that meeting! The very sweetness of Heaven seemed to be there.

Oh, dear ones it means something to consecrate your life to the Lord and be willing to go through on bread and water if necessary only to see souls saved, and endure hardness as a good soldier of the cross. How the Lord did bless in that camp-meeting! The morning after the camp closed we all marched around the grounds and sang hymns.

The next meeting on our circuit was to be held in about two weeks at Ponca City, Oklahoma, which was then just a new town, but so much closer to Arkansas City, Kansas, where things to eat were more plentiful. I thought what a glorious time we have had in the Enid meeting, surely when we get to Ponca City, where so many of the Arkansas City saints will join us, we will have a wonderful time.

We were several days driving our ponies in our little spring wagon, making our bed on the ground when night came. I was so tired holding my babe in my arms, sitting in the front seat beside my dear husband, the three little children in the back of the wagon on a pallet, sometimes crying and hungry, saying, "Oh, mamma, when will we get there?"

Oh, dear ones, I loved to work and have plenty of this world's goods and comforts of life the same as you do, and the Lord has since blessed us in material ways, but when the Lord says to you, "Come follow Me and I will make you fishers of men," you had better drop your fishing nets and follow the Lord. I would not exchange the experiences I have had with the Lord by stepping out upon His promises and following Him for ten thousand worlds.

What a sadness greeted us as we drove into the grounds. Instead of shouts and praises to God, all were down on their faces, crying and calling upon God in prayer, and some travailing in agony in prayer. I thought how different from the camp meeting at Enid, but I remembered the Scripture, "When Zion travails she shall bring forth sons and daughters." The spirit of prayer seemed to be upon the whole assembly of saints. There was no visiting and talking through the day.

The saints began to come in from Arkansas City, Kansas, among them was dear Sister Harnley, who had been so marvelously healed. She found her way to my tent and brought a goose berry pie, she had baked for me. Brother Higdon also

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-- A Monthly Devotional Heart Talk --

By Alice Reynolds Flower 301 Spruce St., Lititz, Pa.

THE ALTOGETHER LOVELY ONE

The Altogether Lovely One! This is what the Holy Ghost has come to make Christ to us. First to us personally, and then through us by testimony and life to a dying world! This is ever the stamp of true Pentecost. In the blessing of great exterior manifestation some fail perhaps to emphasize properly the importance of a deep and vital inward life. The power and resultant blessing of our exterior moving absolutely depends on the fulness of our interior moving. You may have ridden in on a breaker of glory; but someone touched God before the roll of heaven's breaker ever started to sweep in your direction. A dearth of outward moving should mean renewed seeking for God, a strengthened inward moving; until Jordan's banks overflow within us and stream forth to water the desert waste around us.

The Altogether Lovely One! Is He this to you away from all others in the holy quietness of your secret place? Do you have a secret place? Is Jesus real to you there? Do you know seasons of deep communion, holy meditation, when apart from all others your inner soul melts before His conscious presence until you cry with trembling lips, "*He is altogether lovely*"? The hours of Christian fellowship are sacred, sweet; the presence of other believers inspiring; but the vital, enduring portion belongs to that soul who meets his Lord thus continually.

The Altogether Lovely One! Can you say this now when some great sorrow has crossed your life? You have loved—you have cherished someone, and they have been removed from your circle. Perhaps you did not realize how closely your heart tendrils surrounded another. You loved Jesus, but your vision of Him was growing dim in the lustre of another's shining. And He loved YOU and longed for all YOUR affection. Then came the storm. Your heart still bleeds and you feel that no one quite understands. Yet—

*"He knows, He loves, He cares,
Nothing this truth can dim."*

Are you letting Him fill your vision now completely? Just allow the stifled heart-yearning to reach toward Him, and see how wonderfully He satisfies. Let your heart-tendrils wind around Him who never fails. Wonderful Jesus! He would draw you so near Him through this very disappointment, that you may know Him in all His loveliness as you have never known Him before.

*"Draw and win and fill completely
Till the cup o'erflows the brim;*

*What have we to do with idols
Who have companied with Him?"*

The Altogether Lovely One! Oh the fragrance and beauty that His presence brings into the dull routine of a commonplace life! Have you ever entered a dreary room to discover a fragrant blooming plant sufficiently lovely in itself to make you forget the otherwise cheerless surroundings? And what does His presence similarly do? Your home is very humble, your task so ordinary, your associates most uncongenial, your natural outlook constricted, your opportunities limited—truly a dark room of circumstances. But a ROSE blooms for you in the very heart of those circumstances, its beauty overshadowing the crowding ugliness; its fragrance permeating the remotest recesses of the undesirable conditions. Actually you are living in the Lord's Garden. His presence makes the desert waste a fruitful valley. Forgetting the sordid strain, you are lifted to breathe heaven's atmosphere and I hear you exclaim, "Ah yes, He is altogether lovely even here in this unlikely spot!"

The Altogether Lovely One! The very One we expect soon to meet! No bride thrilled in the anticipation of her returning bridegroom as thrills our hearts in the glad expectancy of His soon return. How far short the fairest vision will seem when we look upon His face—our Saviour and Lover divine. Yes altogether lovely! Forgotten the trials, the heartaches, the failures for

*"The toils of the earth will seem nothing
When I look in my dear Saviour's face."*

This is why Jesus means so much to us now, and will mean increasingly more through all eternity; for we are to shine in His beauty. What a prospect divine grace has opened to our view! From Spurgeon's scrap-book comes this gem—the heart message of a true Spirit-filled life.

*"What the hand is to the lute,
What the breath is to the flute,
What is fragrance to the smell,
What the spring is to the well,
What the flower is to the bee,
That is Jesus Christ to me.*

*"What the mother to the child
What the guide in pathless wild,
What is oil to troubled wave,
What is ransom to a slave,
What is water to the sea,
That is Jesus Christ to me."*

THE MOUNTAINEERS

By Fred T. Corum

THERE ARE about three million mountaineers in the United States, who are more or less land-locked. They are chiefly in Appalachia, but there are many in the Ozarks, Adirondacks, Rockies and Nevadas. Here they love "the freedom given by the rugged steeps and ledges, the sighing of wintry winds through hemlock boughs, the shouts and murmurs of brawling streams deep in dusky gorges." A people "beleagured by nature, the world forgetting, by the world forgotten." In many ways they are a romantic people, but it would make them blush to suggest it.

Appalachia has been described as "more English in speech than Britain itself, more American by blood than any other part of America." They are descendents chiefly of Scotch-Irish and Scotch colonists, who straggled up into the mountain fastness. They are also of Swiss, Anglo-Saxon, and Palatinate German origin. They represent a larger proportion of Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution than any other group of people in the United States.

Hundreds of their words have been obsolete since the sixteenth century or have survived only in the dialects of England. Some have a decided Chaucerian flavor, such as smilingest, talkingest, knittingest, jail-house, Bible-book, creek o'land. In certain localities to be angry means to be ambitious; worried, to be tired; lonesome for learning, to want an education. Their independent attitude is quaintly expressed as follows: "We uns that can't read or write have a heap of time to think, and that's how we know more than you all."

Typical mountain people are hospitable; but when once aroused, they speak bluntly and without fear of consequences. Their honesty is rarely questioned. They are noted for strong physiques and powers of endurance with unjaded nerves, and are indifferent to luxury and possess an unflinching sense of justice. They love liberty and in time of national war always volunteer. Social castes are almost unknown among mountaineers.

They have been much slandered by movies, by sensational fiction scrib-

blers and magazine and newspaper writers, who see in the mountaineer only a lank, uncouth, slow-spoken, unlettered individual and fancy him a "moonshiner or a feudist," but his lack of book learning does not connote stupidity, for his brain is as keen as the city man. In general there are no people who thirst after knowledge so eagerly. Life is beset by toil and difficulty and few people possess greater and more restless energy. They have great endurance in strain and privation. Scholars, scientists, legislators have come from mountain cabins, and many more potentially great men and women have gone to waste there because they never had a chance. This country has produced such leaders as Stonewall Jackson, Daniel Boone, Andrew Jackson, Henry Clay and Abraham Lincoln.

In a greater portion of the mountains the feud is unknown and conditions are more peaceful than in most of our cities. There is less quarreling among mountain families

than among city families. The mountaineer would be dumbfounded if he walked down the crowded streets of Boston or New York and saw how the children lived, receiving vicious cuffs and shrieked threats and reproofs.

But the commercial invasion of the mountains has been mercenary and ruthless. Labor agents lured many families from the mountains into the cotton-mill towns. In recent years many, dazzled by the promise of a regular income, have left those beautiful highlands to labor in near-by lumber camps and coal mines, where they enjoyed prosperity for a while, but often they have found a more drab, toilsome, unhealthy, dreary and misfit existence than they had known before. And upon those who went to the coal mines has now fallen the tragedy of unemployment, famine and despair. In those log cabins they found a greater security than they have found since leaving them. But they are a proud people who would not think of asking aid.

Kentucky Mountain Missions

By J. J. Corum

GOOD NEWS continues to come from the Kentucky mountains where more than fifty missionaries are working. One station reports about sixty saved in about four months. Praise the Lord!

Sunday schools are being established and attendance very good, especially the young people and children seem to be much interested.

Miss Wave Berg at Campton, Wolfe County, reports thirteen boys and girls under twelve years of age who can repeat the books of the New Testament, four of them can repeat all the books of the Bible and one child only two and half years old can repeat all the books of the New Testament.

The people seem to be very hungry for the deeper things of God. One missionary writes, "We had communion services and this was the first time many had taken it as there were

so many babes in Christ. It was a time of real heart searching and getting down before God, big strong men wept like babies under the power of God, the power of God was so real and the blessings so great that there was not a dry eye in the audience." This station during the month of December, gave out more than 400 garments, shoes, stockings, winter coats and other clothing. During the last half of last year this same station gave out more than 3000 Sunday school papers, pictures, cards, etc., 129 gospels, 19 New Testaments, 15 Bibles, and more than 1000 articles of clothing, held about 200 services, walking hundreds of miles over the hills, up and down the creeks and branches.

This station is located on about ten acres of ground with some old buildings which have been partially

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NOTES AND COMMENTS

By The Editor

Money Column

Recently a stockbroker stated to the editor that *Word and Work* was a very good magazine, but was a little one sided in that everything in it was religious. He suggested a financial news column because that affects everybody.

It is true that under the system of civilization in which we live all people are affected by the monetary policies. The Bible has much to say about the good and the bad use of money. Christ used money and paid his taxes. Most of the tax collectors made a racket of their business, but Christ dined with one, and another became His disciples. But His greatest anger was manifested when he came in contact with the religious racketeers in the temple, who made their money out of the people who came to worship.

Money has come to be as necessary in the exchange of goods as language in the exchange of ideas. The economic world of today could not exist without money. Our civilization is, materially, a cash and credit system, dependent upon men's confidence in the value of money. It is almost exclusively through the medium of money that various causes operate to injure or promote the economic well being of society. Money should be made to promote and not to hinder the work of the world.

Our whole industrial order is based on production of goods for sale at a monetary profit. Human success is measured mainly by salaries and wages. Individual initiative is rewarded mainly in terms of money. Now and then we read of a minister who declines to accept a large salary, or a young idealist who scorns a legacy. Human interests, ambitions, and activities tend to gravitate around money. They are deep rooted fundamentals of the present order. The history of money is one of the most interesting and human phases of social and economic progress. The monetary chaos through which we are now passing is due to a great extent to unsound public finance.

I once attended a lecture of Roger Babson's and he was asked what he thought of a certain Harvard professor's definition of a successful business man, "that he was one who made money and stayed out of jail." He replied that was a definition of a

successful robber. Mr. Babson believed that success could not be measured in terms of money.

William Jennings Bryan was once asked if he thought it possible for a person to actually earn a million dollars. He said he believed it possible for a person not only to earn a million, but even a hundred million, but those who earned it were so busy earning it that they did not have time to collect it, and those who collected that much during a lifetime were so busy collecting it that they did not have time to earn it.

Mission Racketeers

One of the most despicable means of gaining wealth is through the medium of preying upon the people's love of God and the advancement of His kingdom. This business has often become carefully organized rackets. The bootleggers and beer barons scorn the charity racketeer, but the religious racketeer is even more contemptible.

Practically all the successful financial rackets have been endorsed by capable and respected men, from the days of the great "South Sea Bubble" to the present time. They are carried away with the great expectation of results, or some fancy or idealism has caught their attention and they know nothing about it. It is an old gag, but still in use. So they are used as a screen to give respectability.

There was once a millionaire who foreclosed the mortgage on a farm and took away the only means of livelihood of the wife and children of his own dead brother. One time he had a lot of worthless stock in a corporation, so he went to a minister and gave him a friendly tip to buy stock in that company. He said if the minister lost, he would pay him every cent out of his own pocket. People began buying heavily and the stock went up, and he unloaded all. Then the stock proved worthless. The grief stricken minister came to him and said that he had lost. The big hearted millionaire said, "How much," and paid him in full, and said, "I do all that I agree." Then the minister said, "but what about my poor parishioners, whom I advised to invest in this?" The millionaire rubbed his hands together gleefully and said, "Ah, them were the guys I was after."

A mission racketeer came to the assembly at Springfield, Missouri, several years ago and told a story of grief, privation, famine, persecution, and hunger for the gospel in Afghanistan. His stories were so pitiful that many in the audience wept. He wanted money for this great work, but brother E. N. Bell, who has been called "The father of the General Council," was there. He arose and said that the stories were indeed sad and our brothers plight was pitiful, but we know nothing about it and objected to an offering. Brother Bell dug into his own pocket and gave him money for a night's lodging and told him to come to his office next day. Several became a little hostile to brother Bell because he refused to allow us to take up an offering, but would that we had more men of his caliber today.

CRIME AND THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Two kidnapers, a man and woman, were tried and convicted several years ago. When the woman was asked what her religion was, she said, "I do not know what the inside of a church looks like."

An attorney, convicted of forgery, said before going to prison, "My downfall commenced when I left the church."

A youth of eighteen years, convicted of murder, said, "My downward career started when I stopped going to Sunday school."

The annual crime bill of the American nation is \$13,000,000,000; 140,000 Americans are in prison, 400,000 persons are regularly engaged in criminal activities. Last year 40,000 homes and other places were burglarized and more than \$100,000,000 was lost in incendiary fires; 100,000 persons were assaulted, and 50,000 robbed. There were 554 hold-ups and a loss of \$3,384,000. An inhabitant of the United States is murdered every forty-five minutes.

"During my experience of more than twenty-eight years on the bench," writes Justice Lewis L. Fawcett of the Supreme Court of New York, "I have passed sentence on 8,000 persons convicted of crime. Very few were members of, or attendants at any church or Sunday school. However, the evil-doer realizes the important relation of the church to

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THE WAY OF SALVATION

By J. R. Elsom

"Jesus' Answer to Nicodemus," Sermon, Broadcast over KMJ, Fresno, California

WE ARE CONTINUING our survey of the life and ministry of Jesus and will consider tonight the visit of Nicodemus with Jesus, as recorded in the third chapter of St. John's Gospel.

This event evidently occurred immediately after the cleansing of the temple by the Lord. It seems highly probable that Nicodemus was a witness to this scene, and to the performance of the miracles of healing that took place afterwards. When the eventful day was over and Jesus had found a place to rest, He was disturbed by this anxious inquirer of the way of salvation. Nicodemus had been made to realize by that which he had seen, that Jesus was more than an ordinary man. He knew that He had come from God, Heaven's messenger to earth, and he was certain that God was with Him, but this knowledge did not satisfy his heart.

Assurance

More is required than a mental assent to the fact of the deity of Jesus Christ if one would have the assurance of salvation in his heart; more is necessary than merely a recognition of the inspiration, authenticity and authority of the Bible or in intellectual approval of the Gospel plan of redemption. True religion appeals to the intellect, but it primarily deals with the heart. "Out of the heart are the issues of life." Yes, Nicodemus gave mental assent to Christ and to His teaching, but still he had not the assurance for which he sought at this midnight hour, in his soul.

Jesus knew better than Nicodemus for what he asked, so in answering the unmasked question of the nocturnal inquirer, He went directly to the heart of the matter, and said, "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

A New Heart Required

This doctrine of the new birth was as impossible to be understood by Nicodemus as it is impossible of being understood today, but thank God, it was as possible a realization then as now, and now as then. It is only those who have experienced it who know anything about it, for it has to do with the heart. There are

too many, who like Nicodemus, try to get into the kingdom of God head first. Jesus' way is heart first. God does not say, "Give Me thine head," but He does say, "Give Me thine heart." "With the heart man believeth unto righteousness," and afterward, "with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Where there is no heart faith there is no testimony, and where there is heart faith, there is a positive, convincing one. "Out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaketh." So it is quite evident in what a terrible state of putrefaction the hearts of many are in America today. If Hollywood is the spokesman for the multitudes who throng the gilded portals of the movie houses to see and hear for the most part, the infamous, degrading, demoralizing, iniquitous stuff produced there, then it is very evident that the majority of Americans need a change of heart. To add pathos to the case, the movie industry advises us that without the patronage of the fifty million church members in America, their industry could not survive. If that be true, it is quite evident that the vast majority of church members need a change of heart; that is, if Hollywood gives expression to what is in the hearts of the many who show by their patronage their approval. May God help us to return to Him by the way of the Cross.

After all, it is not so important that we understand the processes whereby one is made a new creature by way of rebirth, as it is to see and know the need of the experience in ourselves, and then entering into it.

Nicodemus, when told of the absolute necessity of it, exclaimed, "How can these things be?" And millions since his day have echoed, "How can these things be?" That which is impossible with man is possible with God.

Jesus, the Son of God, who, the inspired Word of God tells us, made the world and also made man, told Nicodemus "Except a man be born again, He cannot see the kingdom of God." And I will rest my case upon the statement of Christ, who is going to be my judge, and Who thought enough of me to die for me.

Dead in Trespasses and Sins

The fact of the matter is, men are dead in trespasses and in sins, as the Bible has declared. The Creator told our first parents that in the day they ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, they would die. They ate, and died. It is true that they walked about, and looking at the physical, one would not be able to detect death in them, but it was there. In the first place, they began to die physically, the seeds of death being sown when they committed the sin of disobedience against God, with the result that many years later death, which was then begun, was fully consummated.

But man is a tripartite being, a trinity with a bodily form, a soulish or self-conscious nature, and a spiritual or God-conscious nature. It was the latter, the spiritual nature of man, which suffered sudden death when man transgressed God's holy law. His God-consciousness became a dormant thing within his breast; he cared not for fellowship with God. He did not care to what extent he displeased God. He was dominated by the soulish, selfconscious or animal nature within him; he was quite incapable of enjoying the presence of God, so he hid from Him amid the trees of the garden, and not being able, his spiritual nature being dead, to enjoy God's companionship on earth, he was quite incapable of desiring it in the future life. Jesus told Nicodemus that this spiritual nature had to be brought to life again, before a man can see the kingdom of God, and this is done by being born again, born of the Spirit, regenerated.

Many of you have gone to your garage and after getting into your car, have stepped on the starter, only to get no response. You wonder if there is a loose connection somewhere, and you investigate, turning on the lights you get no light; trying the horn you hear no sound; lifting the floor board, you get no spark by short-circuiting the terminals. You conclude the battery is dead. You call a battery service man, and he comes, takes the battery out, and puts it on the line. Electricity from the power house flows through it, and it is regenerat-

ed, made alive again, and is ready to perform its intended service.

Jesus said, "Ye must be born again." "I will take away that stony heart and will give you a heart of flesh." I will remake you and put My Spirit within you, and the Word tells us that "Except we have the spirit of Christ, we are none of His."

The Mystery of the New Birth

This work of regeneration is a mystery, the which the angels desired to look into, but were unable. Only God understands the mysterious process which goes on in the heart when one is born again, but nevertheless, there are millions who have experienced it to their profound enjoyment and satisfaction. Charles Wesley wrote and sang after his conversion, regarding the experience, *I then rode on the sky, freely justified I,*

*Nor did envy Elijah his seat
My glad soul mounted higher, than
his chariot of fire*

And the moon, it was under my feet.

There are exquisite delights associated with the experience of being born again, and many subsequent, profound blessings, but the best of all is the experience that marks the beginning of a new life, a life connected with God. By the process of the new birth, one who has been a stranger to God, a rebel against Him,

becomes instead His very child, and God, his heavenly Father to provide for his every need. No longer a foreigner, an outcast, but now a citizen of the kingdom of God, an heir of heaven, a joint heir with Christ to all the wealth that God possesses.

Through the new birth, the old life with its sins, habits, failures, disappointments, unholy appetites and desires is left behind and a life of increasing victory, joy and satisfaction begins.

Come to Christ

How may this change of nature, this new birth, this regeneration, this conversion, call it what you will, be brought about? Well, it's all very simple if one is sincere. The apostle Paul said, "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature. Old things pass away, and behold, all things become new." And Jesus has said, "Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Him that cometh unto Me, I will in no wise cast out." So, since Christ receives all who come unto Him, and by being taken in by Christ, one becomes a new creature. All that is necessary is to come to Christ and the work of regeneration will be performed in us.

When we come to Him in faith, believing in Him and His Word, we

will be made to loathe, confess, and forsake our sins, for we will see how exceeding sinful sin is. We will see the sorrow of Christ in Gethsemane, and His suffering on Calvary on account of sin, and we will confess to Him that we have sinned. He has said, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." With the forgiveness of our sins, and the cleansing of our hearts, the Spirit of God begins to flow into our naturally dead and unspiritual beings, and like the battery, we will have new life, a life of power, service, blessing, and usefulness. We will be born again to grow into strong manhood and womanhood, possessing purposeful Christian characters, so long as we partake of the milk and meat of the Word, and feed our souls upon Christ, the bread of life.

Nicodemus received from Jesus a very plain answer to his very important question, and in answering the question, Jesus made it clear that the rule applied not only to Nicodemus, but to all. "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." How altogether wise and essential to our present and future happiness it is to receive this all important experience of the new birth from God! May He help you so to do.

The Origin of Man

By Dr. J. N. Hoover, over Station KWKC, Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 31, 1935

What is the human soul?

IF YOU will turn to the seventh verse of the second chapter of Genesis you will find these words: "And the Lord formed man out of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." Out of the dust upon which we tread God made man in His image, and into this earthly body, He breathed His own life, which made him a spiritual or heavenly body. The coming of a divine body into an earthly body distinguished man from all other earthly bodies and made him a part of God.

Some of our agnostic evolutionists, who have made themselves more conspicuous than popular, tell us that this is an untruthful statement, but they cannot prove their daring

assertions. Certain agnostic evolutionists have assumed the position as judges of a matter of which they know practically nothing, and over which they have no control whatever.

Science and Evolution

We must distinguish the difference between evolution and science, for science deals with facts, while evolution is only theoretic, a philosophy of the origin of life based upon hypothesis. When a Darwinian evolutionist tells me that from a speck of protoplasm came a multitude of creatures including man, I ask him to give me the origin of protoplasm. The mental condition of some men who claim much learning is pathetic.

No well informed person objects to the study of evolution in its broad term. I am not at this time dealing with natural developments of the

achievements of men, but with the origin of matter and life. The fact is, after all of our scientific investigations, there is no authentic record of the creation of the earth, sun, moon, and stars other than that recorded in the Bible. Beyond the Biblical statement of creation, man has no knowledge. Theories are not facts. These evolutionists who tell us man is the offspring of the ape and monkey ought to go and visit their own folks once in awhile.

Hear me friends, man no more has his origin in the ape family than the offspring of an elephant is a canary bird. Like begets like. The offspring of a horse is not a cow. Let us be practical and exercise common sense. The evolutionist who rejects the Biblical account of the origin of man should tell us what insect, reptile,

fish, bird or brute we should address as father. Foolish speculation brings about mental distress and soul condemnation. If you are disturbed about these things, go to your knees in sincere prayer, and let God speak to your soul.

How Long Has the World Been Created?

How long this world has been created we do not know, and it would be of no help to us if we did know. We know the world has been created and that we are a part of that creation. How long Adam lived in the Garden of Eden we do not know. He may have lived there one day and he may have lived there ten thousand years. Such speculation gets us nowhere. The fact of facts is that he lived. The agnostic, evolutionist recognizes life in matter, but is not able to tell us the origin of either. Since Darwin's conception of the origin of life is a conglomeration of theories and not facts, let us be done with it; let us cling to the Bible, for no word or work of man can take its place. The denial of the Holy Scriptures and the rejection of the supernatural is the fundamental propaganda of the agnostic evolutionist. These infidel forces, are God-denying, law-defying, and civilization-destroying. They have no God but self, and no eternity but the present.

Modern Theology Responsible For Unbelief

After years of study, travel and observation, I have come to believe that present day modern theology is largely responsible for the wave of unbelief in the Scriptures which is sweeping the world as never before. I believe modern theology is organized infidelity, operating under the high floating banner of Christianity. Modern theology is doing more to keep people from the church today than all the motion picture shows combined. We need simple faith in the pulpit, and the old-time Christian experience in the pews. When the man behind the sacred pulpit can no longer believe the Biblical account of the creation, the virgin birth, the blood atonement for sin, the resurrection of the dead, and the second coming of Christ, he should not be permitted to hang around and live off people who do believe it. Evolution is the chair of religion in the school of modern theology, and you are taking atheism in small doses

when you accept the theories of evolution.

Another class of Biblical critics tell us that the soul is a part of the bodily organization, and as the body is not immortal neither is the soul immortal. But this is not in harmony with the Scripture, for on one occasion the Apostle Paul prayed, "*and I pray God that your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.*" This statement leads me to this conclusion: That man is a triune being, spirit, soul, and body, which is in perfect keeping with the statement in Genesis.

The soul is not subtle air, it is not a flame of heavenly light, nor is it the essence of thought. The soul is a heavenly body, invisible to the natural eye. This Spirit-filled soul within the natural body came direct from God. It was the soul that sinned in the garden of Eden, and the evidence of that sin immediately became visible in the natural body. The soul is not the life of the flesh, nor is the soul controlled by the conditions of the flesh, but the natural body is controlled by the condition of the soul. While the body is of the earth and perishable, the soul is from God and everlasting. Physical death does not affect the life of the soul. That which is within us, which came direct from God, cannot die any more than God can die.

Physical Death

The question is asked, "Where does the soul go at physical death?" Your answer is found in the sixteenth chapter of Luke. Here we find two men lived in the world, and both passed out of the world in the natural way. Their faith in, and their appropriation of God's plan for the salvation of their souls determined the destiny of their souls. How necessary it is that we believe the Bible, believe in Christ, and be ready when physical death comes. We are not saved by much speaking or by works, but by faith in Jesus Christ.

My dear friends, hear me. Your life in this world will soon end. Physical death is certain. We cannot prevent it. All you have accumulated will soon pass into the hands of another, and you, yourself, your soul, will pass into eternity. Are you ready for this event? This is the great question. We are here, and we will soon be gone forever. Do you believe in Jesus Christ? Have you

ever accepted Him as your own Saviour? Are you depending upon Him to save your soul? If not will you do so right here and now? Tomorrow may be too late.

REAWAKENING IN PALESTINE

How a land that was formerly idle, untilled, pest ridden, filled with malaria, trachoma and other deadly diseases has been transformed into a glorious country with new roads, thriving cities, blooming orchards and vineyards, modern hospitals and education system is told by Rabbi Pinchus D. Horowitz, who is back in Boston from a year's stay in Palestine.

The rabbi, who is a scion of a distinguished rabbinic lineage, his family having been favored by faithful Hassidic followers for several generations, was not a stranger to Palestine when he got there since it was his place of birth. However, he pointed out that anyone returning to it after being away from it as recent as 10 years finds difficulty in recognizing it because of the many changes.

"Everywhere one turns in Palestine," he said, "one sees a reawakening. A people that has been persecuted for centuries returns home again to rebuild its glorious past. To the many who ridicule and question the Jew's ability as a farmer and herder, there is the answer manifested in the hardy development of farms, of vast tobacco fields, of citrus fruits and cattle grazing by Jews who came to Palestine from the ghettos of eastern European and the cities of the western world.

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Healed of Tuberculosis, Hemorrhage and Dope

By Mrs. W. G. Russell
Prescott, Arizona

NEVER KNEW what it was to be well until Jesus healed me on April 12, 1929. Even as a small child I suffered terribly and always had a sore throat and cold during the winter months. I would cough so hard until they would have to give me a shot of heroin to stop the coughing so I could rest.

Tuberculosis

I was still a girl when I broke down with tuberculosis and was not expected to live. In 1920 I married and almost a year later a baby girl came into my life but I was almost too weak to be a mother to her. I would lie awake each night until the early morning hours coughing.

I was advised by a doctor to have my tonsils removed as they had rotted and fallen down my throat. After the operation I coughed more than ever and at times I would turn black in the face. My people decided to put me in the sanitarium for T. B.'s there in Mississippi, but the thoughts of giving up my baby almost drove me insane and I decided to kill her and then myself rather than give her up. My brother was working in the hospital at Fort Whipple and wrote me to come west, which we did. They didn't think I would even live through the trip but I stood it pretty well and grew quite a bit stronger out here.

In the spring of 1926 I broke down again. My doctor advised me to undergo an operation for another trouble I had suffered from for years and I could hardly stand on my feet without fainting. My nerves were shot to pieces after this operation and I lay a hopeless wreck for eleven months just living on drugs. I finally grew better, then in the summer of 1928 I broke down again and went to death's door. The doctor said my digestive organs had given way and there was nothing to be done. A lady friend told me that Jesus could heal me but I wouldn't believe her.

A Voice from Heaven

One day I was all alone when the sweetest voice spoke to me from above and said, "You are going to get well." I knew that voice was from God and I told my family that night that I was going to get well but I

did not know what I was going through first. I grew very sick a few days after this and started in to coughing more than ever. No dope would relieve me. I finally grew too weak to cough and started in with hemorrhages. I lay there day after day with my very life blood oozing through my lips. I would faint away and be cold and stiff for hours. I got to the place where I couldn't even open my mouth to receive any nourishment and my eye sight had almost left me. I couldn't even move in the bed. My bladder was swollen so and I suffered torture. They could not give me enough dope to ease me. I realized I was dying and forgot God's promise to heal me and I was afraid to die. I had been a church member for years but I found out it takes something more than being a church member to be saved. "Ye must be born again."

While lying so low I experienced the way a Christian dies and also had a glimpse of Heaven and heard the sweet music, then I experienced a sinner's death. I want to say it is torment to know you are in a place where you can never call out to God again. After this I knew I was back in this world again but it seemed my body was dead. I wished for some one to come and help me when all at once my heavenly vision unfolded before my eyes and I knew God could help me. My sins flashed out before me and when I saw what a sinner I was, I cried, "My God, forgive me," and the sweetest peace stole over me. I wasn't afraid any more. I had found joy unspeakable. This was on the thirteenth day of March and a month later I was healed. During this month I learned to talk and had to learn every thing as a tiny child learns. I read of all the miracles Jesus performed while here on earth and I knew He could do the same for me. I went back to death's door several times and two nights before I was healed I almost passed away. The day I was healed I was too weak to hardly move or speak to anyone.

"Rise and Walk"

At 6:30 P. M. I was all alone in the room when the sweetest voice from above told me to arise. I said,

"Lord I can't. I am dying." He spoke the second time and I knew I must obey. I raised up in bed and an electric shock started in my head and went through my body and I layed my hands on my body, then stepped out of bed. I ran to my piano and played and sang one song after the other and my voice was so strong. That night when I went back to bed I told the Lord I would trust Him about the dope too, and for the first night in years I did without that terrible stuff. God had healed me. The hemorrhaging, coughing and all ceased when I stepped out of bed. I only weighed sixty-nine pounds and looked like a walking skeleton. For about ten days I had no feeling in my body and could not taste the food I ate and my skin was like dry leather and I grew afraid sometimes but Jesus always spoke peace to me. One morning it seemed God breathed into my body and I felt real life come in and I knew I could taste food once more. Hallelujah! I received the blessed Baptism according to Acts 2:4 a little more than a year after my healing.

I know He is just the same Jesus as when He walked the shores of Galilee and He is real to me.

An Allegorical or Literal Fruit?

IT HAS been averred by some that the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil which our foreparents ate was not a literal fruit, but an allegorical representation of the satisfaction of sensual desire on the part of Adam and Eve. But if this allegorical interpretation be true, then

The tree which produced the fruit was not a literal tree, and

The trees surrounding it were not literal trees, and

The garden in which these all grew was not a literal garden, and

The man who was commissioned to "dress it and . . . to keep it" was not a literal man; and

If the dresser and keeper of the garden was not a literal man, we are compelled to search elsewhere for the origin of our very literal race.

The allegorical interpretation becomes a reductio ad absurdum in the light of the common sense interpretation of the Genesis narrative.

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The Piercing of the Heart of Christ

By Howard Carter

The message of the Cross must first affect the one who delivers it, otherwise it may simply become a "pathetic story-telling." The service we render Christ must be ever subordinate to the gratitude we feel for His salvation. We must rejoice more in "our names being written in Heaven" than in the greatest manifestation of the power of the Spirit in our service.

A Roman spear rends the heart of Christ. This is man's final thrust at the body of the Son of God. The sword at His birth, the brow of the hill at Nazareth, the stones raised in the Temple, the lash, the reed, the thorns in the Judgment Hall, the Cross on the hill-side, and now the piercing of the heart of the One who loved to the last.

"The heart of man is desperately wicked." The heart of Christ is divinely pure. The Roman spear pierced it, to spill, as it were, the love of Heaven on to a cursed earth; to open the fount from whence would

flow the cleansing stream; to prove to men the measureless mercy of God.

What does the broken heart of Christ excite in us? After such a vision, can we live the old self-centered life we used to know before conversion? If we do, the heart of Christ has been broken in vain. Never! We must consecrate ourselves to Him who died for us. Our hearts must be full of love to Him, love shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost. Our lips must be filled with psalms of His praise. Our eyes kept on the blessed focus of His face until His rising glory needs a veil to fall between. We love Him — because He first loved us.

But even service for the Lord can become self-centered if we do not watch and pray. The pure delight we find in the Lord Himself and in His salvation can be supplanted by a love of service for Him. The work can become the passion of life instead of the Christ. We *must* serve Christ, but we are not primarily "saved to

serve." We are saved to worship God in Spirit and in Truth. The Father seeketh such. We will naturally serve if we are saved, but worship must ever come before service.

When service for Christ exceeds our love for Him, then the story of the Cross becomes a "message" rather than an experience. We shall be repeating its pathos without experiencing its pain. The story of the suffering Saviour may make our hearers weep, and their weeping may give us, not a similar sorrow, but a secret pleasure—we have told the story well! The Lord forbid! We are not called to tell stories, even spiritual ones, for the interest of the curious.

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"ENDURE HARDNESS"

By Mrs. H. R. Pannabecker, Assistant Pastor, Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Toronto, Canada.

ENDURING hardness is the lot of the soldier's life. Those who are not willing for the exercise of enduring hardness are not ready to become good soldiers. The words were spoken by the Apostle Paul to his son in the faith, Timothy. Timothy was a young pastor. He was meeting with things that every young and old Christian meets with — discouragements — testings and trials. They were numerous. They were of a misleading nature. This is why Paul tells Timothy to "be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus." The only ones who will ever become strong are those who are willing to endure hardness. To try to escape things that are discouraging, that are trying, that are testing will mean to lose the benefits that accrue therefrom.

Take as an illustration the sturdy oak tree, if it were possible for that young sapling to speak it might say, "I do not like the stormy winds that blow. I do not like those heavy rains. I do not like the snow. I would sooner have the sunshine. I much prefer the balmy breezes. I

hate the sleet, the ice and all the other things that are not pleasing to the feelings." If someone should be near that young sapling and protect it from all the things it would not prefer to pass through, what would the tree amount to? Would we ever see any sturdy oaks? No, not so! But taking all together, the storms, the rains, the snows, the sunshine, the balmy breezes, the sleet, the ice, and all the many other things that come its way, we eventually see one of the most sturdy oaks that the eye of man may wish to see. The oak could truly say, "All things work together for good."

Will you be among those who will endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ? Will you remain true to the Lord no matter what will come your way? Shall it be said of you at the end of your earthly journey, "She hath done what she could"? To endure hardness is only made possible by the Lord Jesus Christ. He must supply the strength. He must give the needed grace. He must keep your eyes on the goal be-

fore you so that you will not become discouraged by the hardships of the way. When His presence is with you nothing will seem hard. He takes the heavy end of the load. He bears the yoke for you. All you need to do is to walk with Him step by step as He leads the way.

"Endure hardness." This will become easy the more your eyes are centered heavenward. Paul and Timothy endured hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ. Some endure hardness with Christian love and grace, others go through hard places with complaint and self pity. The reward for enduring hardness will be according to the way you have gone through it.

This is the evil day when it is necessary to look unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our Faith. Who for the joy set before Him endured the Cross, despising the shame.

When we are called to go through hard places we know that He is with us and knows the way for He has trod the way before us.

This Fanaticism

By
Donald Gee

OUR ATTENTION has again been drawn to the charges of "FANATICS" and "FANATICISM" where the Pentecostal Movement is concerned; and although we are very familiar by now with this particular criticism, yet it may be worth while to consider it once more, particularly for the sake of those newly rejoicing in Pentecostal blessing who might be disturbed thereby.

Let us say immediately that there is a genuine fanaticism, which one dictionary defines as "wild and extravagant in opinions," which we condemn in every shape and form as thoroughly as any other sound evangelical body. It is unfair and untrue to infer that Assemblies of God are less opposed to fanaticism than other sections of the Pentecostal Movement.

Unbalanced Interpretation of the Bible

We consider that such fanaticism consists in a lack of support from a balanced interpretation of the Bible upon the subject in question; a disregard for the Spirit of truth dwelling within other believers; and an unteachable spirit. Its unhappy manifestations will consist of various "wild and extravagant" doctrines and actions. It may often be founded upon some isolated and misinterpreted verse of Scripture. In such a class was the temptation Satan presented to our Lord to cast Himself down from the pinnacle of the temple (Matt. 4:6); and a modern illustration is where certain gatherings in some parts of America pass around snakes, supposedly acting on Mark 16:18.

Such genuine fanaticism is unbalanced, unreasonable, and unprofitable. It is also essentially un-Christlike, for it is not actuated by love for either God or man, but only love for personal opinions and "visions." It is the very opposite to that which a true Pentecost stands for. Those who have been filled with the Holy Spirit can say, "God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind" (II Tim. 1:7).

It should be noted, however, that this verse immediately follows Paul's exhortation to Timothy to "stir up

the gift of God which is in thee by the putting on of my hands." Some today would seem to query the soundness of mind of a man who dared to claim any such experience! Yet in I Tim. 4:14 the apostle is even more explicit regarding the supernatural element involved; "*Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.*"

Why are Pentecostal People Persecuted?

It is principally because the Pentecostal Movement seeks to stand for these spiritual gifts and experiences as a present reality that it is accused of fanaticism by so many cold, formal Christians. Yet the doctrine has a full balanced foundation in the New Testament, and is also eminently reasonable if we believe in the unchanging character of the Godhead. It has also an impressive support from the experience of spiritual believers all down the ages, and from world-wide testimony today.

There are doubtless cases where a newly-found faith in these things tends to an unwise enthusiasm for a time; but we have always found that where a genuine operation of the Holy Spirit was at the heart of the burning enthusiasm for manifestations of the Spirit, there was also a corresponding love for the Bible, and an eminently teachable spirit. Some teachers may have shut the door in their own faces by not approaching in a sympathetic, Pauline spirit, and with an obvious intention to crush and forbid. But in that case the fault has been with the teacher, not the believers.

Over heated or Frozen Christians—Which?

If we Pentecostal people are accused of fanaticism because we have become enthusiastic, or perhaps even a little "over-enthusiastic" (to use another dictionary definition), we need not feel too concerned. The obvious reply is that the great bulk of the churches today have become so cold and lifeless, and utterly lacking, it is necessary for some of us to go a little farther in the opposite direction in order to maintain the balance,

The engines of our automobiles may sometime get a bit over heated when climbing hills; but it is because they have been climbing anyway! A pause to enjoy the enlarged vista while the engine cools down a little is the very simple remedy. And every motorist would prefer an over heated engine to a frozen one, for the latter alternative usually spells complete uselessness. A slightly over heated Christian is usually preferable to a frozen one.

Ultimately the question of religious fanaticism is largely one of viewpoint. "Extravagance" is a matter of standards, for one man's extravagance may be another man's commonplace.

To the stiff and conservative church member, trained in a tradition of formalism and rigid orthodoxy, to whom religion consists merely in the more or less regular observance of certain outward forms, practically anything approaching life and reality in religion amounts to fanaticism. Any display of emotion, except perhaps at rare occasions of national or personal crisis, is regarded as an unpardonable sin. The repression of enthusiasm in religion is almost elevated to a virtue.

Fanaticism of Today May Be Accepted Tomorrow

Yet history reveals that the supposed "over enthusiasm" and so-called fanaticism of the one age can become the accepted thing in the next—though usually after a Gethsemane of persecution. The open-air preaching of John Wesley is a case in point, while the aggressive evangelistic methods of the Salvation Army provide a still more modern illustration. Those who are accused of fanaticism today may therefore find that they are in quite good company. Even the apostle Paul was charged with being mad (Acts 24:24). Very often the accusation of fanaticism may be a far more adverse reflection upon the accuser than upon the accused. Those who charge others with fanaticism must first make sure that their personal standards are true.

There was One greater than Paul Who suffered the taunt of fanaticism

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A SPARKLING FOUNTAIN

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came. He had been so mightily used of God at the meeting in Caldwell, Kansas.

Mighty sermons were delivered by our district elders, T. M. Childs and Brother Higdon, but the agony of prayer still seemed to pervade the camp ground. Many nights after the meeting had closed in the big gospel tent, saints would gather in little groups and go way out among the black jack trees or scrub oaks to pray all night so as not to disturb those who were sleeping in the tents, the moon shining so brightly as it does on those western prairies.

I have never witnessed anything like it, except the early days of Pentecost at the old Azusa Street mission in Los Angeles, in 1906 and 1907.

One night after the message from the Word of God in the big tent, I took my babe and went to my tent and went to bed. About twelve or one o'clock my husband came and woke me saying one of the sisters was being mightily used of God as brother Higdon had been used at the Caldwell, Kansas meeting. I hurriedly dressed and made my way to the large tent. There was a large crowd standing around in front of the pulpit. I made my way through the crowd and to my great surprise saw dear sister Martha Harnley, whom God had so marvelously healed, lying on her back under the mighty power of God. There was such an awe upon the people as they looked at her. When I recognized her I hurried to her, but someone took hold of me and said, "Don't touch her." Oh, so true, what a miserable mistake people make in laying hands on the Ark of God, when people are under the mighty power of God. I just slipped up close to her and sat down by her. She put her hand on my head and smiled so sweetly and pointed toward Heaven. It was then I saw that God had given her the spirit of discernment. As each person came near her, when she would discern that they were right with God, a smile would come over her face and she would point up, but if they were not right she would shriek and cry this startling word, "Hell." Men tried to run from the tent, but would fall on their faces; one young man came to me crying, "Oh sister, is this the day of judgment?" I said, "Fall upon your knees and call upon God," and he did. One young girl, who

had made a loud profession of religion, grabbed a sheet of paper, ran to the pulpit and wrote a letter. It seemed strange to be writing in such a time. As soon as she had written it, she held it up and said, "I have written a letter and must take it to Winfield, Kansas tomorrow and make a confession which will bring my old parents to shame and put me in the penitentiary. But oh, I will not be there long for I will spend eternity with my Saviour and I would rather make this right now while I have a chance than lose my soul."

Sister Harnley pointed to one of our district elder's wife and cried, "Lost!" The sister cried to God and said, "I knew I was not right with God, but it is so hard to confess."

Then our sister cried, "Higdon! Higdon! Higdon!" He was asleep in his tent but some one ran to bring him. He came in and she pointed at him and looked so sad. He said, "That is right sister, be honest with me." He then turned toward the congregation and said, "This sister sees us as God sees us." Then he buried his face in his hands on the ground. We had looked on our brother Higdon as a man who walked and talked with God and to see him so pointed out made us realize the solemnity of the occasion. He then arose to his feet and told how God had given him the spirit of discernment but he had not been faithful in his dealing with his fellow men as God had shown him. It was so hard to tell his fellow men the condition in which they were spiritually. "From now on," he said, "I intend to obey God." God had so wonderfully used him at the camp meeting at Caldwell, Kansas in the past. Often he would walk back in the congregation while preaching and tell people what was wrong in their lives.

It is wonderful the things God will do for us if we just surrender ourselves to Him. I can still look back and see the wonderful things God did for us in the great outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the old Azusa Street Mission in Los Angeles, California. But God's hand is not shortened that He cannot do the same things for us today if we will only consecrate ourselves to go through. These experiences make me feel how closely we should walk before our God.

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Surely there is no limit to what God will do for those who will not limit Him. He who does not know the hand of God has never known God.

We wish to share with each of you the blessings of the Lord and with much appreciation, we are glad to report the Lord has blessed all of us with good health, kept us warm this cold weather and fed us another month. All our needs have been supplied and so far as I know not one of us have made the mistake of asking for more. We told you some months ago that we were not going into debt for anything, and we praise the Lord and thank you that this has been made possible.

We thank friends in Hornell, N. Y., for curtains and other articles sent in a few days ago, also thank an unknown donor for curtains coming to us without name or postmark showing point of origin.

As the Spring season returns, the thought of friends come, and the anticipation of fellowship with those, who like ourselves, have the same common interest through the life and love of our Christ. Do you love Him?

Our entire household was made to rejoice a few days ago upon receipt of a very generous supply of canned blueberries from a good friend in North Sedgwick, Maine. Blueberry pie with a real generous supply of berries, the kind you do not get in restaurants decked our tables the next day for dinner, and all praised the Lord and thanked the kind friend for his thoughtfulness of us.

We are praising the Lord for letters received from those who have requested prayer for themselves and friends, telling us of how the Lord has blessed them.

Our God has said, "*Fear thou not; I will uphold thee with the right hand of My Righteousness.*" Possibly Isaiah did not know of whom he was speaking when he uttered these words several hundred years before the Sun of Righteousness began to shine in this dark world, but

thanks be unto God, none need walk in darkness now.

We are often asked the questions, are you supported or aided by old age assistance? Do you have state aid? Do you receive help from the welfare department? Our answer to all such questions is no, and then we are usually asked how do you manage to feed and care for all those old people and keep things going. Have you not read, "*If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you*"? We are supported only as the Lord lays it upon the hearts of His people to assist.

Millions are dying today because they try to spiritually live on cold-storage religion. The call of the Master still sounds, "*Come unto Me and live.*" Many a wanderer has never knocked at the door of the living Christ to find his better self.

We thank a friend in Lockport, N. Y., for some very useful articles to be used in the home.

Our hens are producing a good supply of eggs and our cows are giving milk enough for the Home. We expect to have our incubator going soon if the Lord blesses the hatching and raising of the chicks this year as He did last year we will have a good supply of chicks on hand about the middle of April.

REMEMBER, we need your prayers, your love and your cooperation as we have battles here such as you have and others unknown to most of you. The world says "I want to live

by bread alone," God says, "*My Word.*"

We have had much snow the last two months and plenty of it on the ground now, but the cold has not been so severe as last winter, however our coal bill has not diminished on account of the raise in the price of coal.

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Please remember Bethel Home with an offering from your assembly or Sunday school.

Have friends forsaken thee and cast thy name

Out as a worthless thing? Take courage then;

Go tell thy Master; for they did the same

To Him, who once in patience toiled for them,

Yet He was perfect in all service here; Thou oft hast failed; this maketh Him more dear.

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Sudden Destruction!

By Frank Isensee, Modesto, California

"For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them" (I Thes. 5:3).

IN A RECENT news issue, Mr. Brisbane states that New York City could consider herself fortunate if a hostile air raid killed only one million inhabitants as a day's work. A great student of world affairs, he visualizes the present world race hatred as soon crystalizing into bitter aerial warfare. Great cities will be the focus of bombing raids, and modern inventions of destruction can wipe out whole populations in one stroke.

Just think how near we are to that awful world calamity that is surely coming, according to Jer. 6:19-25; Isa. 65:12, 66:16; Joel 2; Zeph. 1:17; Matt. 24:21; Rev. 18:8-9, and also many other references in the Word of God. It is so near that world leaders are frantically trying to arouse the masses to preparedness.

Just within recent weeks, both France and Italy have issued official bulletins for all inhabitants concerning the use of gas masks, where to hide away, and what to do when certain sirens are blown. They claim it is absolutely necessary for every man, woman, and child to be prepared for sudden air raids. As well as aerial defense is perfected, there are bound to be a number of hostile planes slip through the defenses.

In many places in the Word of God, too numerous to mention, we read of the great speed such as a "whirlwind" or "swift as an eagle" will destruction come. That certainly fits the description of a fleet of bombers coming 300 miles per hour. The French bulletin even advised those who could to flee to the country and hills. How clearly that warning coincides with Rev. 18:15. Notice carefully, it speaks of the merchants, the ones who are financially able, stand afar off to the hills, and they cry for all the destruction that comes so suddenly—one hour. (Rev. 18:17).

They certainly do not stay around the cities which are being bombed. Also in Jer. 4:29 we again read how the whole city shall flee to the country. Again in Jer. 4:7 we read that the cities will be left without inhabitants, and in Ezekiel 7:16 we again

read how those who escape the coming sudden destruction of the cities shall go up on the mountains—how? Like doves flying from the valleys, (aeroplanes).

Note carefully Isaiah 26:21, "the earth shall no more cover her slain!" No wonder! Millions of dead, and those left living all flee to the hills.

French bulletins just recently issued advised those who could to get quickly to the country in case of aerial raids. It did not say how to gather up the dead.

Then will be a time when the god of Gold and Silver will be of no avail. (Zeph. 1:18) All their lives they found no time to pay homage to the True and Living God, and now it is too late (Jer. 7:28, Matt. 7:23, II Thes. 2:10). Ezekiel 7:17 describes the physical condition of those refugees, trembling with fear, hands helpless, knees weak as water.

I had the experience of being in the Long Beach earthquake. The description of that night would be impossible, but as I shut my eyes and visualize the surrounding scenes, there are groups of huddling humanity, trembling and weak-kneed, and praying on vacant lots. How quickly proud and haughty human beings will try to seek God when they think the end of their earthly affairs is in sight!

In Zephaniah 2:11 the Word plainly describes how men will get down to pray to the Living God, when they see their earthly gods being destroyed. How proudly they strut among the works of their own hands without giving God the glory for all things. How the different cities point with pride to the building projects, bank accounts, lodges, societies, clubs, and insurance; and otherwise trusting in the arms of flesh and according to Jer. 23:16 they listen in the assemblies of modern cults (II Peter 2:1) for words that please their ears (II Tim. 4:3). Everyone running to his own house (clubs, shows, lodges, cold churches, etc.), while God's houses (Full Gospel Churches) are wasting away for lack of congregations (Haggai 1:9).

The time is about here when God is weary of withholding His anger. The world is restless and expecting a climax soon. It is on the lips of world leaders. When the storm breaks, a universal question will come from those trembling lips: (Jer. 22:8-9) "Wherefore hath the Lord done this unto this great city?" Then they shall answer, "Because they have forsaken the covenant of the Lord their God and worshipped other gods and served them."

Now is the time to examine ourselves and see if we be of the faith (II Cor. 13:5). "Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought His judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness; it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger" (Zeph. 2:3)

Jer. 22:29: "O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the Lord."

CRIME AND THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

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society and turns to it for help when in danger of being deprived of his liberty." Speaking of the annual crime bill he says: "It would cost many times that if the churches were closed. There would be a carnival of crime loose in the land. Black-handers, white-slavers, highwaymen, burglars, bigamists, and the habitues of the underworld are unchurched."

Here is a ringing call of encouragement from an official representative of the forces of law and order to the church and Sunday school workers in America.—*Sunday School Times*.

Vermillion, S. D.

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QUESTION BOX

By Milton E. Fish

Question: Please explain the first part of Matt. 6:13 reading, "And lead us not into temptation." Why should we ask the Lord not to lead us into temptation?

Answer: This petition expresses a Christlike abhorrence against any sort of contact with Satan. Christ manifested the same spiritual reaction when in Gethsemane He prayed, "If it be possible, let this cup pass from Me," and also when He prayed, "Father, save Me from this hour; yet for this cause came I to this hour."

Even though He was and is glorious in holiness, He so fully partook of our human nature that He shrank from the hour of darkness. Moreover He was and is so fully God that He knew that He would rise triumphant. In coming to grips with that foul arch-fiend, His agonized praying was heard, "in that He feared." So in the Christ-given manner of praying, we should shrink from meeting our superhuman devastator of men.

Mankind has been careless and even interested in experiencing temptation. We have a morbid interest in moral pollution. We dally with the arguments of the Tempter, and discuss them in their various possibilities, not intending to go so far as to commit sin in the open. In contrast to this perversion of human nature, this moral recklessness, let us with Christ have a holy horror of sin. Jude had this horror when he wrote Jude 23.

But does God lead men into temptation, you ask? Yes and no. The Bible recognizes two kinds of temptations, namely the beneficial and the malicious. Into the former God brings us. Into the latter our own lusts bring us.

God brought Abraham into temptation. He also brought Job into a place of terrific temptations. In the latter case God let Satan work upon Job within certain well-defined limitations. God's purpose in dealing thus with His servants is that afterward they should stand forth approved and stronger in their integrity. See James 1:3-4. Moreover these temptations came upon these men while they were walking in the path of duty. This was plainly the case when Jesus was tempted in the wild-

erness. The Spirit of God "drove Him" into the wilderness. Jesus knows the awful anguish of temptation into which God has brought one, even though "a way of escape" is divinely provided.

The latter sort of temptation has in it no divinely provided way of escape. It is the temptation that men find when they have deliberately gone out of God's will, and presumed to expose themselves to the attacks of Satan. Judas fell under such a temptation when he sought conference with the priestly foes of Jesus. Likewise David sought inevitable failure when he loafed about his palace while his army was in the field against the Ammonites. Of these temptations James wrote in James 1:13-15.

If after we have told the Lord of our eager desire not to be tempted, He brings us into the place of Satan's (James 1:2). In that distressing power, we may "count it all joy" (James 1:2). In that distressing event, we know the joyful fact that there is a way of escape, and that through victory we will shine more brightly for our Lord.

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—and worse. "And when His friends heard of it, they went out to lay hold of Him, for they said 'He is beside Himself'" (Mark 3:21). There have been many who have expressed the opinion with good reason that if the Lord Jesus returned in the midst of the present generation of nominal Christians He would be speedily charged with being the greatest fanatic of all.—*Redemption Tidings*

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—Alfred Wight

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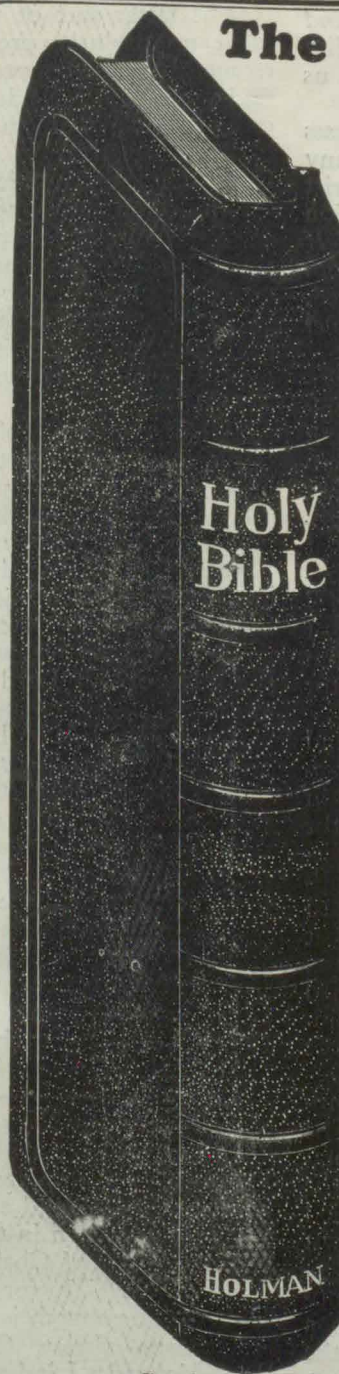
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14 But Jōhn forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?	CHAP. 3. ch. 2. 22.	14 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by E-sā'jas the prophet,
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