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Before this generation goes much further in the all consuming program of armaments, we must face the mounting evidence that modern warfare no longer means "defense" for anyone. In Korea we have killed many more of the civilians we sought to defend than the enemy, and the destruction of productive wealth, homes, schools, hospitals — all property which we set out to defend — is so vast and complete that this generation will never know recovery. There is little new about communism; it is simply a new word for the old evil of tyranny and oppression. But the weapons we are using to oppose these evils have become as destructive as the evil itself, for poverty and despair are the principal causes of tyranny and oppression. The popular view that tyranny can only be remedied by military assault is contradicted repeatedly by some of the greatest chapters in history. The time has come to rediscover the spiritual and moral forces available to man for his deliverance before our dilemma is sealed in doom.

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"If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

GIVE ME THIS MOUNTAIN

"Now therefore give me this mountain." (Josh. 14:12)

When the children of Israel had been led by Moses out of their Egyptian bondage, across the Red Sea and to the border of the Promised Land of Canaan, they demanded that spies, or scouts, be appointed to go in and spy out the land before they should try to go over and take it. (Deut. 1:27-33)

This land, flowing with milk and honey, had been promised to Abraham and his seed. It had been definitely "given" to them by God's promised word when they left Egypt.

Yet, now that the actual borders of their new home were in sight, instead of marching boldly in to take possession of God's gift, they hesitated, feared, and sent men in to see whether it would be safe or possible to proceed farther.

At the moment of asking for spies, the people got their mind off the promised Word of God and began to look at appearances, hills, walls, giants. Just as Peter, walking on the water at Christ's command, got his eyes off Jesus and on the wind and waves, and began to sink.

The twelve spies walked over the land and returned with a specimen of its fruit. (Numbers 13:23-26) Ten of them reported: "Surely it floweth with milk and honey, and this is the fruit of it. Nevertheless the people are strong that dwell in the land, and the cities are walled and very great..." (Numbers 13:31-33)

Their report was "good... BUT." Ignoring the fact that Almighty God had given them the land, that He had, by signs and wonders, delivered them from Pharoah's hand, had miraculously opened the Red Sea for their passage, and caused it to swallow up the pursuing Egyptians, that God had brought them out of bondage with the sole purpose in mind of their possessing the land of Canaan, His gift to them; they lost faith, fell back on appearances and man's reasoning, and so wrote their own death warrants.

Joshua and Caleb brought back a good, though a minority, report; boldly urging:

"Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it... If the Lord delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it to us: a land which floweth with milk and honey." (Numbers 13:30; 14:8)

But the people, frightened by the evil report of giants and walled cities, threatened to stone Joshua and Caleb and demanded a new captain who would lead them in their return to Egypt. (Numbers 14:4, 10)

GOD'S WRATH

Only the intercession of Moses spared the Israelites from God's wrath at this unthinkable doubting of His Word, this rebellion against His commands. The women and children were allowed to live, also Moses, Joshua and Caleb, but God decreed that this people, instead of possessing the Promised Land at once, must wander fruitlessly in the wilderness until all the adult males had died. The ten fearful spies died at once.

What a fearful thing to doubt the Word of God!

Yet we do it every day. We are continually acting out this Old Testament drama in our own lives. Whenever we are faced with a promise from God's Word, as we stand on the threshold of entering in upon the enjoyment, the manifestation of that promise; our reasoning, doubting minds, like the Israelites, sends out spies—questioning, reasoning, speculating—to investigate the possibility of its fulfillment. And by so doing we are saying, "Is God's Word true?"

Like the twelve, our mind's spies bring back a conflicting report, with the evil usually in the majority—the dangers and obstacles, the slim chance of its achievement, the giants and walls and hills to overcome.

But there is always a good, though minority, report, by two good spies: Jesus, represented by Joshua in the story, and God's Word—represented by Caleb who "Wholly followed the Lord." (Joshua 14:14)

Many times we, like the Israelites, listen to our fears and doubts, ignore the assurances of Jesus and the Word, and so doom ourselves to further wanderings in the wilderness of frustration and failure.

The followers of Jesus were faced with a similar decision when they could not "swallow" a statement by the Son of God: "Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you." (John 6:53)

They said: "This is an hard saying: who can hear it? — From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him." (John 6:60,66)

But Peter, like Joshua and Caleb, replied when asked if they too would go away: "Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." (John 6:68)

When we face these crises, these borders to some promised land, and turn back "for fear" there is no place to go but back to the sin of Egypt or back to wandering in the Wilderness.

FEAR NOT

But we need not fear. Fear itself is the greatest foe. God has already given us the great promises in His Holy Word, confirmed and demonstrated by Jesus Christ. All He asks us to do is to go in and "possess our possessions," claim and appropriate what he has already given us, bought and paid for by His blood.

Our healing, our guidance, our joy and peace, the provision of our every need, these and other clusters of good things are promised to us in His Holy Word. Jesus and the Word says we can go in and possess them. The world, our reasonings and doubts and fears tell us we are not able.

Whom shall we believe? Jesus and His Word — Joshua and Caleb — or the evil spies of our minds — Fear, Doubt, man's Reasoning, Imagination, Discouragement by friends or neighbors, Pride, Selfishness, etc.?

Shall we wander aimlessly in our self-inflicted wilderness, shall our hopes, our faith and our spirit life die by the way? Or shall we join the ranks of the Overcomers, march in and take the land on no other authority than God's Word which promises it is for us, with Jesus as our new Leader?

The answer lies with each of us.

This remarkable drama is also re-enacted in each of us as we advance along the Christian Way. In bondage to Sin, we are set free by the Blood of the Lamb, even as the Israelites escaped the death of their firstborn by the blood of the Passover Lamb sprinkled on the door posts. We signify that we have passed from death unto life by submitting to baptism, even as Moses led the Israelites...
through the waters of the Red Sea.

But after baptism we are not yet in the Promised Land, the place of an adopted Son of God, promised His Word. We are in the Wilderness. We go first to Mt. Horeb for instructions. We are under Moses — our own wills, our own Selves.

This Self cannot “see” the glory of God’s promises; health, Holy Spirit, rest, provision, guidance, joy, peace. It is beyond man’s reasoning. It is unnatural. It is super-natural.

So, we come up to the border of our promised land and seek to enter. But the Self is afraid, the Self sees only the obstacles. The Self pictures all the dangers, and objections. The Self cannot enter, even as Moses, himself, could not enter the Promised Land because of his disobedience. (Numbers 20:7-12)

SELF MUST DIE

The Self must therefore die. And we must turn to the New Leader, Joshua — Jesus — to lead us into our “possessions.”

If we, without murmuring and without doubting, surrender our lives completely into the hands of Jesus, He will lead us across the Jordan — the second Baptism, of the Holy Ghost at the hands of Jesus — and we will find ourselves well able, under Him, to “possess the Land.”

Filled with His Holy Spirit, we indeed find ourselves in a land “flowing with milk and honey”. Here is Trust, Communion, Sonship, Guidance, Joy, Peace, Gifts of the Spirit, Power. This is the Promised Land for the Christian. (Acts 2:38-39) This is the foretaste of Heaven; this is the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, here and now.

Can we possess it? In Christ and by His Holy Spirit “we are well able.”

Surely there are giants there. The Jordan overflows its banks and there is no bridge. The hills are steep and the walls are high. All true, as the evil spies reported.

But they overlooked the one central fact: God had already GIVEN them the land, had already promised to LEAD them into it and to ENABLE them to take it! It was His Plan for them. He wanted them to have it even more than they wanted it. And with God all things are possible.

So with us; the world, the flesh nor the devil himself cannot keep us from possessing OUR Promised Land IF the old leader, Self, is dead and we keep our eyes and our minds stayed on our new leader, Jesus, and His partner, Caleb, the Word of God.

YOUR PROMISED LAND

Is the Baptism of the Holy Spirit the Promised Land you are seeking to enter? It is for you — it is yours for the receiving — whenever your old leader, Self, is completely dead.

“And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.” (John 14: 16-17)

“But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.” (John 14:26)

“For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.” (Acts 1:5)

“But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me.” (Acts 1:8)

“Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.” (Acts 2:38-39)

Is healing the Jordan you are seeking to cross? It is yours for the receiving whenever you can give yourself completely into the hands of Jesus and His Word, and get your eyes off of Self, Symptoms, Appearance, Fear, Doubt, Unbelief and the rest of the evil spies that would turn you back.

“For by his stripes ye were healed.” (I Pet. 2:24)

Or is the provision for your needs the Promised Land you wish to enter? It, too, is yours for the taking, when you are willing to leave doubts and fears behind and step out boldly into the Jordan’s waters with no trust in anything but Jesus and His Word.

“But my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.” (Phil. 4:19)

Joy, Peace, Rest are all for you, if you will allow Self to be crucified and know only Jesus and His Will as your Guide.

“I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.” (Gal. 2:20)

Gifts of the Holy Spirit, too, are yours whenever you want them only for His glory and the deliverance of His enslaved children. (I Cor. 12:4-11)

GIVE ME THIS MOUNTAIN

After Joshua had led the second generation of Israelites across Jordan, Caleb — the other faithful spy — came to him and said:

“Give me this mountain — if so be the Lord will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the Lord said.” (Josh 14:12)

Caleb picked the highest mountain, the land of the giants. He disregarded the difficulties and the dangers, because he put his trust, not in himself, but in the Word of God.

“If so be the Lord will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out.”

No doubt many of you feel, as I do, that we are today right on the border of the Promised Land for the Christian, the land of Exploits and Signs and Wonders, the Land of Victory, of Miracles. The Land where ALL of the promises in God’s Holy Word will come true before our eyes: where the blind will see, as we lay our hands on them in the name of the Lord Jesus; where the lame will leap and walk and shout for joy; where cancers and tumors and arthritis will disappear at our command in His Name; where the sick will rise up and walk, and the dead shall come to life; where the words of Jesus will be literally fulfilled:

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.” (John 14:12-13)

I pray that this cry of Caleb will become your heart cry, as it is mine:

“Give me this mountain.”

'THANK YOU'

We wish to sincerely thank all the many friends who have sent in Love Gifts for The Texas Herald, The House of Prayer, and for the "Holy Spirit" booklet.

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May the Lord richly bless you,
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"And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee." (Ex. 23: 25)

Jesus paid the price for our healing by the stripes laid on His body, at the same time. He paid the price for our salvation, by His blood shed on the Cross.

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Our task is to BELIEVE God's Word and to CLAIM the healing which Jesus has purchased for us. Here are five steps that will enable us to appropriate our healing.

1. Know by His word that it is God's will to heal you. First, we must believe that God is able to heal us, today.

"Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: but your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear." (Isa. 59: 1-2)

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever." (Heb. 13: 8)

2. Have your heart right with God. Some are not healed because their hearts are not right with God. They have unconfessed and unforgiven sin in their lives. They have resentment and hate for someone. They have not attempted to be reconciled with those who have "ought against them." Consequently their prayers for healing are blocked, just as Jesus said they would be.

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"And, behold, there was a man which had his hand withered. And they asked him, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath days? that they might accuse him. And he said unto them, What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and it fall into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift it out? How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days. Then saith he to the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it forth; and it was restored whole, like as it was the other." (Matt. 12: 10-13)

What would you do RIGHT NOW if you believed God had healed you?

"Faith is not trying to believe something regardless of the evidence; faith is daring to do something regardless of the consequences."

—Sherwood Eddy


Many people confess their fears, their
doubts, worries, symptoms, pains, etc., to all who will listen. This but helps to keep them sick. Confess your Faith! Your faith that God is healing you and will complete the job.

Many will eagerly tell their friends and neighbors of a new doctor they have discovered and confess their confidence in him to make them well. But they seem ashamed to confess to the world that they have gone to the Great Physician, Jesus Christ, and that they believe He will make them every whit whole.

"Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." (Mark 8: 38)

"And they overcome him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death." (Rev. 13: 12-13)

"For verity I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he sayeth." (Mark 11: 23)

5. Thank and praise Him, NOW, for your healing.

Some folks seem to think it hypocritical or dishonest to thank God for their healing before it is fully in evidence. But they thank people who promise them some future gift, though they have not yet received it.

Thanking Him, now, for the healing He has promised you is but evidence of your believing that He will make His Word good. And God delights in that kind of faith.

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." (Heb. 11: 1)

"But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay that I have vowed. Salvation is of the Lord, And the Lord spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry land." (Jonah 2: 9-10)

"Them they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.

"And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth. And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go." (John 11: 41-44)

"Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you." (I Thess. 5: 16-18)
Blessing In The Kingdom

I have previously talked to you about the responsibilities of living as a citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven: the obligation of giving our first and highest allegiance to the Kingdom and to Jesus Christ, our King. Just as officials in the United States government are required to put loyalty to America above loyalty to any business or to any State, We saw that Mr. C. E. Wilson was required to dispose of his holdings in General Motors before he could become Secretary of Defense, in order that there would be no temptation to put his company or his private profit ahead of the national interest.

And then the obligation of obedience to God's Word, which is the Law of the Kingdom of Heaven, if we would claim its benefits; just as a citizen of the United States must obey our national laws if he would expect the protection, liberty and rights which our Constitution provides.

And, coupled with obedience, is the responsibility of every citizen in the Kingdom of Heaven to know the Word of God, to search the scriptures until he does know the Word. For ignorance of the Law of God is no more an excuse for its breaking, than is ignorance of the laws of America an excuse for our violation of them.

Today, I want to tell you about some of the BLESSINGS which are promised to the loyal and obedient citizen in the Kingdom of Heaven, who seeks FIRST the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, who knows the Word of God, and who obeys that Word: the blessings which are provided for in the Constitution of the Kingdom, the Holy Bible.

First, is the tremendous gift of Salvation, the forgiveness of all our sins, whenever we come to Jesus our Saviour, confess our sins, ask Him to forgive us, and accept His salvation. Jesus said:

"Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." (John 6: 37)

"For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3: 16)

Paul says, "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." (Rom. 10: 9)

And Peter said: "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins." (Acts 3: 38)

The plan of Salvation is here simply stated in His Holy Word: Come to Jesus, believe in Him as the Son of God, repent and confess your sins, and openly claim or confess Jesus as your Saviour, and be baptized in His Name and you will be saved.

Salvation from sin is a priceless gift. It cannot be earned or purchased.

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast." (Eph. 2: 8-9)

This gift was bought and paid for by the blood of Jesus, by His atoning death on the Cross. It is a wonderful gift. It lifts the load of sin and condemnation and a burning conscience from your heart. Instead of torment you have peace; in the place of fear you have faith; instead of despair you have hope. He replaces the hate in your heart with love, instead of sadness He fills your heart with joy.

Salvation makes the world you live in a new and different world, a better world. It makes the people around you seem new and different and better. You feel that it is good to be alive, that life has a meaning, a purpose. No longer is life the meaningless, crazy existence it was before. Because you are a new creature in Christ Jesus.

If you have never known the joy of salvation, if you have never been re-born, if you have never had your sins washed away and forgiven, I tell you you have passed up the most priceless gift God has to offer, and you are not only a sinner and lost, but you are a fool, living on the dregs of life when God has the riches of the Kingdom of Heaven waiting for you. Won't you accept Jesus and become a citizen in the Kingdom of Heaven?

Then to the loyal and obedient citizen in the Kingdom, God promises Divine Health. Not only healing of your present sickness, but deliverance from sickness, if you will trust and obey Him. Healing and Divine Health are heritages of good citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus bought and paid for them at Calvary at the same time He paid for your sins.

"Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed." (I Peter 2: 24)

"Who forgiveth all thine iniquities: who healeth all thy diseases." (Ps. 103: 3)

"Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses." (Matt. 8: 17)

Don't let anyone cheat you out of your rightful claim to healing and health by telling you that God quit healing the sick when Jesus went back to Heaven and the Apostles passed away. God has always healed those who believed in Him and obeyed Him, long before Jesus came to earth, and He is doing it all over the world today, wherever He can find citizens of His Kingdom who believe Him and obey His Holy Word. Listen to these verses away back in the book of Exodus:

"If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord, thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee." (Ex. 15: 26)

"And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and he shall bless thy bread and thy water, and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee." (Ex. 23: 25)

There are only two things that keep God from healing the sick: unbelief and disobedience. For years, in many of our churches, we have been taught that God doesn't heal the sick anymore, that we must rely on doctors and medicine for that now. So, instead of faith, we have unbelief.

Then God doesn't honor disobedience or unclean and un-holy living. If we are living like the world lives, thinking like the world thinks, talking as the world talks, bound by the world's habits, we can not expect to be healed or to be God's instruments in the healing of others.

"Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing: and I will receive you." (II Cor. 6: 17)

"Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh, and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, revellings, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." (Gal. 5: 16-21)

These sinful and unclean habits have swamped America. Some of them are rampant in the Church. If we want to receive healing or Divine Health or any other good thing from God that He promises to citizens in His Kingdom, we must separate ourselves from sin.

"Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him
supply of their every need.

"If our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight." (I John 3: 21-22)

So, before asking any longer for God to heal you, perhaps you need to examine your life and see if you are living the holy life God demands of those who would claim citizenship in His Kingdom.

Another great blessing promised to citizens in the Kingdom of Heaven is the supply of their every need.

"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 their 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." (Matt. 6: 31-33)

If you are working for a reputable business firm or corporation or for the United States Government, you do not have to worry about your business expenses. The company will pay them.

If you are really working for the Kingdom of Heaven, first and foremost, above every other allegiance, God promises to take care of your needs. Not all your greed, but all your needs. He is richer than any oil company, or General Motors or the United States. He is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." (I Cor. 6: 19-20)

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." (Romans 12: 1-2)

Another blessing which our King, Jesus Christ, has promised us is peace.

"The dayspring from on high hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." (Luke 1: 78-79)

The world today sits in darkness and the shadow of death. Millions in foreign lands sit in the darkness of ignorance, filth and paganism, and in the shadow of death by starvation, disease or political purges.

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A Healing Miracle

Yes, and in 1953!! Here is the story.

At 5:30 a.m., on June 11th, 1953 in Seguin, Texas my fourth daughter was born. She weighed 6 pounds and 10 ounces. During the delivery the attending physician noticed that the baby was greatly distended in the abdomen, and it was impossible to determine the nature of the difficulties causing this abnormality and the vomiting of green bile.

Within four hours the baby was in San Antonio, Texas, where further examination and X-rays by two pediatricians and a surgeon failed to disclose a diagnosis. It was agreed that immediate surgery was pertinent.

During the twelve hours between our arrival in San Antonio and the beginning of surgery at 9:00 a.m., a Camp Farthest Out (“Christ for Others” — C.F.O.) friend and I prayed for our baby and kept the air clean by being “fanner bees” to counteract the negative thought swarming the baby. During the afternoon a local Rector of the Episcopal Church baptized the baby Janis.

My wife, Kathryn, recovering from the delivery in our Seguin Hospital, was in continual prayer throughout this two weeks experience and was in complete agreement with me on all spiritual aspects of this case.

When Janis was sixteen hours old she was on the operating table under the care of two excellent surgeons, an outstanding anesthetist and two pediatricians, plus the required nurses and hospital staff. The operation occupied three hours and during that time four close “praying friends” and a Rector of the Episcopal Church prayed with me for God’s Guidance to the doctors and nurses for the healing of the baby.

Local prayer groups in San Antonio and Seguin were praying to God for the healing of this baby. My brother Harold and a praying friend, on their way to a C.F.O. Camp in Claremore, Oklahoma were praying for my baby. The comments were true, but the experience and was in complete agreement with me, this little girl here on earth to carry on the work of The King­dom more than You need her here.

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As the surgeons proceeded, the difficulties increased. There was a mass of weeks old pus, dead tissues and small intestines massed together with adhesions. In addition, there was peritonitis and gangrenous tissue. Originally, “atresia” had caused the trouble in that the lower third of the small intestine had not connected to the upper two-thirds, and this lower third had completely liquefied. At one step in the operation the surgeons had this remaining two-thirds of small intestine outside the abdomen and strung around the operating table while it was carefully examined and “milked” for leaks. The lower end of the upper two-thirds had blown up to seven times its original diameter and had come to an abrupt end, causing a complete intestinal block. After removing the dead tissue, the large intestine, which was five times smaller in diameter than the lower end of the salvaged small intestine, was joined to the small intestine.

Twice on the operating table the infant had quiet breathing and for various reasons the operation appeared “hopeless.” Janis was treated for shock and was brought to her hospital room, where oxygen was administered. The surgeon advised at this time that there was only “a semblance of life left.” He was an understanding Christian and advised further that he was the “plumber” operating with the natural laws to make the specific “pipe lines” continuous by clearing out obstructions, and that God had to do the rest, the healing. At this midnight hour no special nurses were available for duty and another dear friend sat up with the baby all night, nursing and praying. I slept in the hospital room, completely exhausted.

In the morning I called Order of Saint Luke (O.S.L.) friends about the country and asked them to pray for my baby. At the Claremore C.F.O. Camp the recovery of the baby was taken as a special project and Janis’ name was also submitted to The Prayer Tower in St. Paul, Minnesota. Various friends contacted J. Rufus Moseley, Mary Light and Dr. and Mrs. John Gayner Banks.

At the Claremore C.F.O. Camp were Mit­tie Watters, Salena White, Norman Elliott, Louise Egleston, Marge Lawrence, Gene­vieve Parkhurst, Marcia Brown, and Glenn Clark along with other praying friends. I state this merely to advise of the scope of the “prayer power” put in motion to intercede on behalf of this baby.

One of the pediatricians, who had wit­nessed the operation, ran into the hospital room the next morning saying, “I never expected to find this child here this morning!” Two days later the doctor in charge of the case advised me by phone that he was not coming down to the hospital that evening, but that he wanted to tell me that it was medically impossible for the baby to live. Negatives abounded and continual prayer by the “fanner bees” was required to keep the air pure, fresh and positive. The doctors were utterly amazed at the “staying power” of the baby. They continued to be amazed at her apparent hour-by-hour recovery.

The fourth morning after the operation at about 8:45 a.m. my left arm began to shake; it was a good feeling and I felt as though something glorious were happening. I quieted myself and prayed, feeling strongly God’s Presence. At the end of my prayer I told God that I had said too much and done too little and that it was time that I listened to what He had to tell me. Immediate­ly Jesus appeared to me and told me to have no fear. He gave me a blessing and then we were across the hospital building beside the bed of Janis. Standing there He looked up to the right and made a cross with His right hand, talking to “Father.” Then He bent over and kissed Janis on the forehead. Next He placed His right hand upon her abdomen and again looking up said, “Father, help this child and give her complete salvation.” Again looking up to the right and making the sign of the cross, Jesus thanked “Father” and left.

Quickly I returned to the room where Janis lay. At this moment the discharge from the tube running through her nose to her stomach quit discharging bile and she had two bowel movements! Four hours later my brother Harold called from the Claremore C.F.O. Camp stating that they knew something glorious had happened this morning and they wanted to hear it from me! Janis’ recovery since was accelerated to the extent that we brought her home to Seguin on her second week birthday.

The newspapers and radios carried the story of the “rare surgery” which had saved this baby. These comments were true, but I want understanding Christians to realize the coordination between faith, prayer, Jesus Christ, God and all His agents — the doctors, nurses, hospital staff, medicines, and praying friends. The surgeon is writing a technical paper on this remarkable recovery for the medical journals. The newspapers have relayed a factual story for the human interest of newspaper readers. I am here witnessing for the initiated Christian.

In reviewing this spiritual experience I should like to share some thoughts with you. My continual prayer was the 118th Psalm, in part, “The right hand of the Lord bring­eth mighty things to pass. The right hand of the Lord hath the preeminence. The right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.” And the affirmation, “Heal her and she will be healed. Save her and she will be healed.”
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to attack her before she strikes us first.

She is like a giant bird, charmed by the evil serpent eye of
Communism, hate and war, knowing that unless she changes her
course she will be destroyed, yet seemingly helpless to move to-
wards safety.

Our political leaders, our scientists and our ministers know
that an atom bomb war will destroy us; destroy our cities, our
homes, our lives, our liberties, perhaps our nation and our civil-
ization. Yet, mesmerized by militarism, goaded by false fears, and
led by blind guides, she moves daily towards the thing she fears: total
militarization, total war.

The American people, seemingly helpless to think and act
for themselves in this hour of crisis, are not told the whole truth,
and content themselves in parroting politicians, commentators,
headlines and news handouts.

The nation is slowly but surely being conditioned to support
and submit to a permanent military state, where decisions are made
according to military expediency, and policies are defended solely
by military needs.

We have conscription, year after year after year, we have
civil defense teaching our children to “duck and run” at air raid
signal. Our radios and TVs and newspapers are continually blaring
forth that Russia is about ready to strike, her great armies ready
to march. Again and again the Pentagon has set a probable date
for the march to begin. Again and again these false fears have
been thrown out in order to jam through Congress another spend-
ing spree for arms, for planes, for landing fields all over the world,
for our armies sent to the four corners of the globe.

Communism is certainly a menace, and Russia a rival of
no small proportions. But the American people have not been told
that Russian Communism has set out to win and rule the world,
NOT BY MARCHING RUSSIAN ARMIES, but by capitalizing
on injustice, unrest and economic collapse in the “capitalistic”
countries.

No Russian army has yet marched, except to take over what
has already been won by internal revolution. In spite of repeated
cries of “Wolf! Wolf!” by our military leaders, no newsman or
government spy has unearthed any valid evidence pointing to
an early march by the Russians “upon America.”

Russia has a large land army, sur... And so have we. But her
armies are at HOME, ready to defend any attack upon her home-
land, while our armies are uneasily housed in some forty foreign
countries.

She has many fine planes, but mostly defensive fighters, not
long range bombers as are many of ours. Her submarines, likewise,
are of the small defensive type, rather than the type necessary to
launch an all-out attack upon America. Her navy is entirely in-
adquate to land or supply an expedition upon our shores.

WAR PHOBIA

Our military and political leaders know all these things. Yet,
they use as drunks and men who cannot rid themselves of the ob-
session that Russia is about to attack us, and we must get ready
to attack her before she strikes us first.

Two things are, I believe, responsible for this delusion. First,
our nation, after two world wars and the tremendous growth of
the military power in America, is largely ruled—in thought and
deed—by the military heads in the Pentagon.

The Pentagon pretty much tells the President, the Congress
and the people what to do and when to do it. They need only
to hand out another “war scare” to get almost any appropriation
bill through Congress. Any opposition to their demands is labelled
“against security” if not actual treason. They have been permitted
to assume this almost total rule because of the climate of fear which
they themselves have built up.

Second, three decades of war and preparation for war have
been years of rich profits for business, especially “big” business
in America. This means that when the Pentagon asks for big war
appropriations and big spending for defense, business is all for it.

The danger in all this is the fact that never in all history
has an armament race between two major powers resulted in any-
thing but war. And, when we decry the fall of country after
country to Communism, we are draining our resources to the
breaking point by our frenzied war spending, while refusing to
help materially the very nations that are being weaned to Com-
munism because of their economic plight.

While historians all agree that the colonial peoples of the
world are on an inevitable march towards freedom and equality;
we, in our blind stupidity, are still pitting our military might
and monetary aid AGAINST their struggles for independence as
we spend the help to send the hand of armistice that alone enables them to
hold back their colonies from freedom.

FALSE HOPE IN U.N.

Another mirage that has hypnotized and disillusioned the
American people is the false hope of peace through the United
Nations. This idea of One World through the United Nations was
oversold to the people of the world and America by the usual
grinding out of propaganda by press and radio and public speakers.
The ideal was fine but the hope of attaining it through a loose
alliance like the U.N. was dim indeed to anyone versed in world
politics.

The U.N. has less power than the defunct League of Nations
which the United States scuttled by refusing to accept it after
President Wilson had brought it to birth. The hamstringing veto
which Russia has used so devastatingly was put in the U.N. as much
by United States sanction as by Russian. It was merely a guarantee
that no nation or group of nations could make us do anything we
didn’t want to do. It was a refusal to give up any of our sovereign
rights. And without the giving up of national sovereignty, any talk
of world government is rank hypocrisy.

No nation today is ready for World Government, no nation
is willing to give up any of its national sovereignty.

Therefore the U.N. has been a will-o-the-wisp as far as
peace is concerned. It has been a debating society with no authority
to enforce anything it passes upon, except the nations VOLUN-
TARILY accept and obey the decree. It is not even as good an
organization as the Articles of Confederation that loosely bound
together the thirteen Colonies in America before our Constitution
and Federal Government was born in 1787.

A CHRISTIAN SOLUTION?

Do you ask, What should we do about all this mess? Is there
any CHRISTIAN solution to our world debacle?

Of course there is. Jesus always has the answer to every need
of man, ready when man recognizes his own inadequacy and
throws himself on the mercy of God. God’s Word has some
clear storm signals warning the United States that “this is not the
way.”

First, God warns against alliances with foreign heathen
powers. (Isaiah 30: 1-7)

"Say ye not, A confederacy, to all them to whom this
people shall say, A confederacy; neither fear ye that fear,
but be not afraid. Sanctify the Lord of hosts himself; and let
him be your fear, and let him be your dread. And he shall
be for a sanctuary." (Isaiah 8: 12-14)

Our own Monroe Doctrine, if abided by and applied in re-
verse, would have kept us from the killing and the guilt and
the aftermath of sin and economic collapse of the two world
wars and this third one in Korea.

Anyone who talks against the United Nations is smeared as
an “Isolationist,” a selfish head-in-the-sand ostrich who refuses to

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see the approaching storm. We in America are prone to be isolationist in regards to mankind's need, but interventionists in time of world strife, thus exactly reversing the Way of Jesus who said, "Give ye them to eat" (Matt. 14:16), but also said, "Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword." (Matt. 26:52)

Christ's Way is not a selfish, hiding-behind-a-ring-of-steel way. Neither is it a way of alliance or reliance on the military might of other nations for our security. God was very angry with Israel because she refused to trust Him for protection and insisted on making military alliances with Egypt for her safety.

Christ's Way satisfies man's instinct and longing for brotherhood in a much bigger and better way than the U. N., without the sin of its alliance with evil, its selfish veto, its weak leaning on force of arms.

Christ's World-Wide Plan is the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. Where all His Citizens give first and final allegiance to Him and His Way of living, above any other allegiance on earth. This enables them to give to all who are in need of food, clothing, and shelter; but rules out the sending of arms or armies anywhere.

If America had adopted His Way instead of the Pentagon's way, we would not have any Disabled Veterans of America, no American Legion, no Gold Star Mothers, no "White crosses, row on row," no billion dollar system of hospitals filled with war-crazed shells of men who were once fathers and husbands and sons of America. We would not have any 271 billion dollar debt, no burden of taxation, no fear of Communism, no Korea, no U. N. headache, no allies, no enemies and no fears.

GOD'S PURPOSE FOR AMERICA

God called America into existence for His own purpose, not to meddle in world wars nor seek to police the globe. America was to win the world, not to rule the world; to feed the hungry, not to kill the helpless; to show mankind Jesus and His Way, not the Devil and his way.

But what about now? Isn't it too late to do anything about it? It is never too late to repent of our sins and to ask God to save us from the results of our stupidity.

If America would withdraw her armies, her planes and her bombs to her own shores; break off all military alliances; announce her intention of walking after Jesus and His Way and giving of her wealth and technical know-how to all in need; the tension would go out of the world overnight, Communism would eventually die of its own weaknesses, and people everywhere would once more hail America as the Hope of the World.

What holds us back?

Fear, and unbelief in God. We doubt God's ability to protect us, we doubt our worthiness to be protected, and we are too proud to confess our sins and ask Him for the pardon He has promised if we do.

"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 sins, and will heal their land." (II Chron. 7:14)

Without repentance, without a coming back to God and claiming His mercy and forgiveness and His protection rather than resting in the false security of our atom bombs; America is doomed to go the way of all rich, proud nations before her. One after another they have risen, grown fat and prosperous and powerful, and because of sin and the flaunting of God's authority, have either decayed or been destroyed.

Communism is a real threat to America. But not the marching Russian armies. Rather the Communism that will follow the economic and moral collapse which are the inevitable results of a devastating atom war (no matter who won or lost), or which might well follow the collapse resulting from an over-extended "ring of steel" and men around the world, thus exactly revering the Way of Jesus who said, "This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honourmeth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." (Matt. 15:8-9)

And where does the Church stand in this day of decision? Sad to say, the Church stands with the world, with America and the Sword; and not with Christ.

"So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable; and poor and blind, and naked." (Rev. 3: 16-17)
In The Kingdom
He is able to protect those who trust and obey Him, away back in Old Testament days as told in the 8th chapter of the Book of Ezra.

Ezra was among the children of Israel held captive in the land of Persia, but was permitted by the Persian king to return to Jerusalem to help rebuild the city and the temple. He took with him several hundred other Jews and a considerable sum of gold. Before this little band started on their long and dangerous journey on foot, they stopped to pray.

"Then I proclaimed a fast there, at the river of Ahava, that we might afflict ourselves before our God, to seek of him a right way for us, and for our little ones, and for all our substance. For I was ashamed to require of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen to help us against the enemy in the way: because we had spoken unto the king, saying, The hand of our God is upon all them for good that seek him; but his power and his wrath is against all them that forsake him; but his power and his wrath is against all them that forsake him." (Ezra 8: 21-23; 31-32)

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

This is a truth that not many church members today have learned: that Jesus offers them divine protection if they will trust and obey Him, adopting His weapons of Truth and Love, rather than the world's weapons of force and killing.

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee." (Isa. 26:3)

"Perfect love casteth out fear." (1 John 4: 18)

America relies on her armed might for protection, and so we are neither safe nor unafraid. For,

"Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain." (Ps. 127:1)

True citizens of the Kingdom walk dit: earth unarmed and unafraid, knowing that they are surrounded and protected by an invisible force more powerful than all the police or armies or bombs in this world.

"There shall be no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone." (Psalm 91)

No friends, you need not fear danger, if you are His. Then, there is promised to the citizens in the Kingdom of Heaven Eternal Life.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that all who believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

"I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." (John 11: 25)

"In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you, I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." (John 14: 2-3)

If you are sick here, over there you will be well; if you are crippled here, over there you will be straight; if you are weak here, over there you will be strong; if you are hit here, over there you will see the Son of God; if you are deaf here, over there you will hear the angels singing; if your skin is black here, over there you will shine as the sun; if you are rejected and despised here, over there you will reign as kings and priests; if you are poor here, over there you will inherit the riches of Heaven.

"For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." (1 Thess. 4: 16-17)

"Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." (Acts 1: 11)

Friends, are YOU a citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven? The Kingdom that will be enduring long after the United States, Russia and Great Britain are gone and forgotten? If not, wouldn't you like to become a citizen, and enjoy the Peace, and Protection, Divine Health and Eternal Life that Jesus promises? You can, if you will bow before Him and accept His rule over your life, right now.

A Healing Miracle
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saved." And the 138th Psalm, in part, "The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me." At every opportunity I laid my right hand upon my child and prayed these affirmations and promises of God, God, through the Grace of Jesus Christ, fulfilled every one! There is power in prayer, which is a key to the obtainment of the intercession of Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Negatives, destructive as they are, can be neutralized by positive prayers. Hands of surgeons can be guided unknowingly by God. The surgeons in charge, at a later date, said, "You can't count religion out of an operation like this. The situation was next to hopeless, and I feel very strongly God had a hand in its success. I intend to write a paper on the operation, because this is one of those things you just have to report. The medical profession demands it."

Te relinquishment of our loved ones to God in "the best interests of The Kingdom" carries weight with Our Father.

The never faltering "knowing" that everything is going to be all right, that healing will be manifested, is a powerful component of faith—"in faith believing."

Love is a healing power!

We can rely on the promises of God! There is "Perfect Everything" in Jesus' manifestations of intercession to "Our Father."

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