

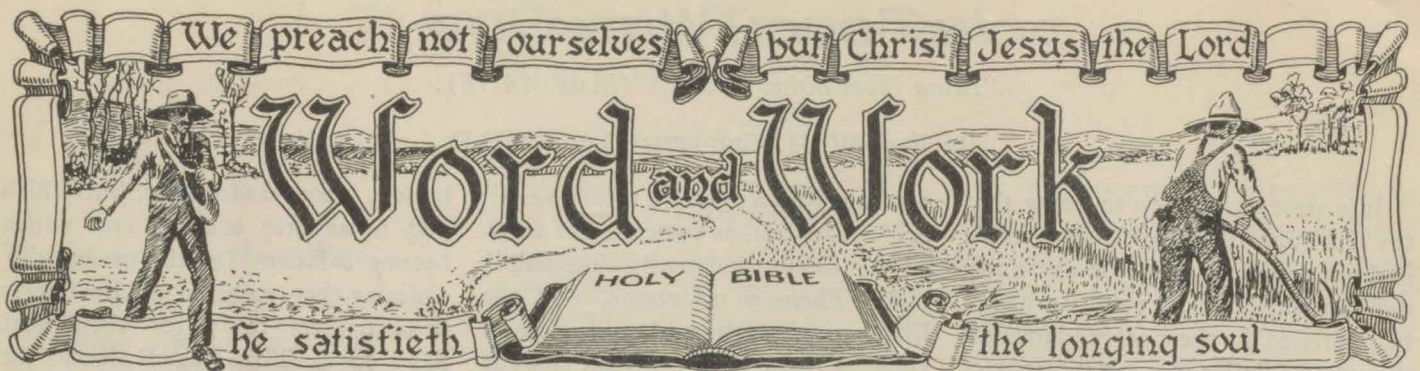
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Resurrection Food In the Word

By Henry Proctor F.R.S.L.

WHAT does it mean to live the *Resurrection Life*?

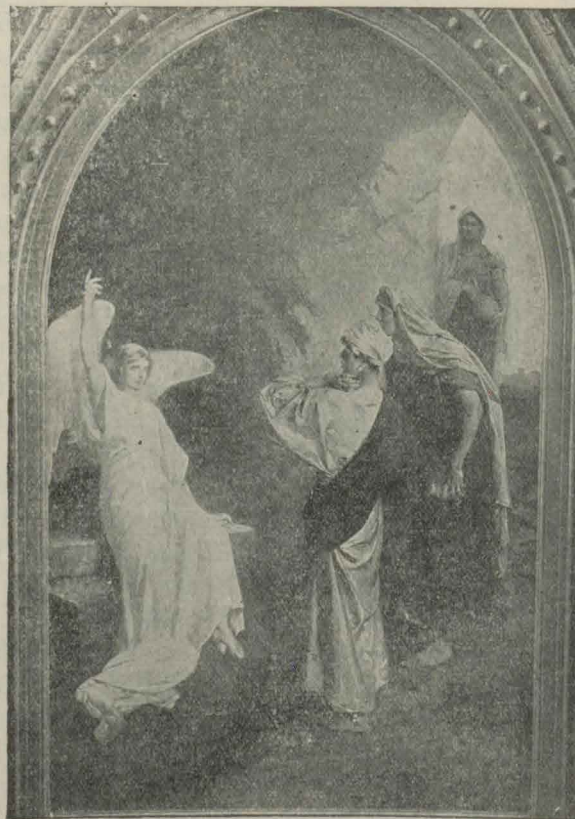
We get a good illustration of it in the life of Christ lived in the body of Him on earth after His resurrection. It was the same body, but sustained entirely by the *Spirit* who raised Him from the dead, and it is the same *Holy Spirit* that lives within us now. "And if the Spirit of Him who raised *Jesus* from the dead lives within you, He who raised Christ *Jesus* from the dead will give Life (*Zoe*) even to your mortal bodies through His Spirit living within you." (Rom. 8:11, 20th Cent. N. T.). As we die with Him, we are being continually raised from the dead, "For if we have grown into Him by a death like His, we shall grow into Him—

By a Resurrection like His." (Rom. 6:5).

Every day of my life, I am being given over to death for *Jesus'* sake, so that the Life of *Jesus* may come out within my mortal flesh. (2 Cor. 4:11, Moffat).

Thus the nature of the life, as that of being like Christ Himself, and of His resurrection, is fully demonstrated and the place of it is to be in our mortal body, in our mortal flesh, so that must be—

1. A present experience and—
2. It must be gradual, for it is a growth, and is commensurate only with our growth into His Death, so that all our life must be lived for



Him. We must take possession of, and carry about within these—

Fragile Vessels of Clay

His dying or putting to death, so that His Life may be exhibited or manifested in our mortal flesh, just as it

was manifested in Paul when he rose up in the power of the Resurrection Life after his being stoned, and left for dead at Lystra in Lycaonia. This means a final victory over death in every form, until death has been swallowed up in victory." But what is our practical duty, and privilege in the meantime?

It is to eat His Flesh, and to drink His Blood, ye have not Life in yourselves (John 6:53 R.V.). And this means the constant assimilation of His Words, for thus He teaches us Himself "The Words I have spoken unto you are *Spirit* and are *Life*. (ver. 63).

Abundant fruitfulness, and every kind of prosperity are the outcome of a life of meditation, in the Words proceeding out of the Mouth of God. (Psa. 1). "Happy the man who never goes by the advice of the ungodly, who never takes the sinner's road, nor joins the company of scoffers, but finds his joy in the Eternal Law (Torah Teaching) poring over it day and night. He is like a tree planted

by a stream, that bears fruit in due season, with leaves that never fade. Whatsoever he does he prospers" (v. 1-3 Moff.). But we must find him in the Word—His Name is called

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IN TOUCH WITH GOD

"Bring them hither to Me." (Matt. 14:18).

By Rev. W. H. GRIFFITH THOMAS, D.D.

It is great satisfaction to know that the Christian life is essentially simple and not complex; that it is not really difficult, but blessedly easy. It can all be expressed in the one fundamental thought of full and constant contact with the Lord Jesus Christ. Whether we think of life or service, contact with the Lord Jesus Christ is at the root of Christianity.

In this text, "Bring them hither to Me" the disciples were face to face with a great work, and the secret was found in the words, "Bring them" (the loaves) "hither to Me."

The perishing world. There are three things in this story; the people, the disciples, and the Master. By way of spiritual symbolism, let the people represent for us the perishing world. In the story of the feeding of the five thousand we have a large crowd of people far away from their homes, weary and faint with hunger, and in danger of falling by the way. That represents spiritually the world to-day, as it is far away from God, hungry, though often it knows it not, for Him; faint and weary by reason of that hunger for God; and in danger of perishing by the way. In Augustine's ever-memorable words, "Thou hast made us for Thyself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee." Nothing ever really changes the sinfulness of sin, or the human heart in relation to its need of God.

The powerless Church. Let the disciples in this story represent for us, by way of spiritual symbolism, the powerless church. There was a scanty supply, five loaves and a few fishes, utterly insufficient for that great crowd, and the disciples were entirely unable to provide more; so they came to the Master and said, "Send the multitude away." They admitted their inability to feed the vast crowd. Then came the surprising words, "They

need not depart; give ye them to eat." A startling call, as someone has termed it, to an apparently impossible task. There is no reason, said the Master, why they should depart; "give ye them to eat." That is what the Lord is saying to the Church to-day. The Church is face to face with this great world, the vast human civilization, as we term it, at home; and the yet vaster world that we describe for convenience as the missionary world. "They need not depart; give ye them to eat." As we contemplate work at home and abroad we are dismayed at the tasks which confront us; yet the Master is still saying, "They need not depart; give ye them to eat."

The perfect Saviour. Then let the Lord Jesus Christ in this story represent spiritually the perfect Saviour. You notice the thoughts: the perishing world; the powerless Church; the perfect Saviour. When He learned the circumstances that faced the disciples, and how many loaves they had, "He said, Bring them hither to Me." When those loaves were brought to Jesus Christ, they were blessed and then sent back by means of the disciples, to be a blessing and a sufficiency for that whole crowd. It is a very beautiful picture, especially in the fourth Gospel, of our Lord taking those barley loaves; and we are told that He kept on breaking and kept on giving to the disciples. As the disciples went hither and thither among the companies seated on the grass, the Lord went on breaking, until at last there was a great quantity of food to which they came for their new supplies. At last, when everyone had had sufficient, there was a pile of bread never touched. Notice it is not that it remained over and above, in the sense that it was left over because it could not be eaten; it consisted of

broken pieces made ready, but which had never been touched and which became sufficient for the twelve disciples as they gathered it into twelve little baskets ready for their next day's food. This was all due to the fact that they brought those loaves to Jesus Christ: "Bring them hither to Me."

This is still the secret of the Master's work. He is asking every one of us today, "How many loaves have you, what powers have you?" What are your capacities; what are your opportunities? "Bring them hither to Me." That is the meaning of Romans 12:1, "Present your bodies a living sacrifice," and of Romans 6:13, "Yield yourselves unto God." That is the meaning of Malachi 3:10, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing." "Bring them hither to Me." It is perfectly wonderful what God can do with a small supply if only it is handed over to Him. "Bring them hither to Me." In the face of all the demands at home and abroad, this is what the Lord is saying to us all. As someone has said, "loaves unblessed are loaves unmultiplied." The reason why many of us are not obtaining greater blessing is that we do not bring our powers, our loaves, to the Lord Jesus Christ. People are saying, I have nothing, no powers, I have no opportunities, I cannot do anything; if only I were a millionaire, what good I could do! If only I had the power of writing books, what influence I would wield! If only I were in some position with fine opportunities, what a blessing I could be to the world! It is the old story; we are always willing to give to God what we do not

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THE GREAT TRIBULATION

AND THE LORD'S COMING

By ERNEST BARKER

There are two important reasons why the Church will not pass through the Great Tribulation.

The First Reason

One of these is mentioned in 2 Thess. 2:7: "For the mystery of iniquity doth already work; only he who now letteth will let until he be taken out of the way." The verb "to let" means, of course, "to hinder." According to the majority of authorities, the expression, "The Day of Christ," in verse 3 of this chapter, should be rendered, "The Day of the Lord." The Apostle distinctly informs us that that Day shall not arrive, except there come first the most terrible of apostasies, culminating in the manifestation of the Man of Sin. Then the *mystery of iniquity* will reach its climax, when the enemies of the truth will be allowed to have their own way, and the forces of evil will be let loose.

This

"Mystery of Iniquity"

is already working, and has been working since the Apostolic era, but it has been kept in check. In the providence of God there has been a restraining power at work, so that, although the elements of lawlessness have even now reached alarming proportions, they have not yet exceeded the border line. There is a time approaching, however, when this restraining power will be withdrawn, and then the Wicked One (who will have the effrontery to oppose and exalt himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; and this to so great an extent that as God he will actually sit in the temple of God, "shewing himself that he is God"), will be revealed in all his diabolical powers, and signs, and lying wonders.

What is this Restraining Power?

The pronoun used is "he," not

"it," which clearly implies that it must be a person, and if it be a person, it can surely be none other than the Holy Spirit of God. Believers are designated the "salt of the earth." Why? Because they are indwelt by the Holy Spirit, and they, therefore constitute a powerful purifying agent on the earth in their corporate capacity. Were it not for the presence of God's people in the world, the condition of things would be intolerable. As is well known, the Holy Spirit descended at Pentecost. When will He ascend? He will most surely ascend with the Church when she is caught away to meet her glorified Lord. This being so, the restraining power will be removed when Christ comes for His own, *anterior to the Great Tribulation*.

The Second Reason

why the Church will not pass through the Great Tribulation is exceedingly important—so much so that *if the four and twenty elders mentioned in Revelation, chapter 5, represent the Church, the evidence is both overwhelming and unanswerable*. The consideration of this evidence necessitates a fairly close examination of the above mentioned chapter, which opens thus: "And I saw in the right hand of Him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals."

It is not my intention to enter into the question as to the contents of this mysterious book. Suffice it to say that

The Seven Seals

by which it is sealed denote the various judgments which, in God's time, will be poured out on the world.

Among all the inhabitants of Heaven and earth, only One is found worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof, namely, the LION

OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH, the ever-victorious One, Who prevailed over the powers of darkness so completely as to reveal His worthiness to open the book, and to loose its seals.

Immediately afterwards He is seen in the midst of the Throne, not in the appearance of a Lion, but of a Lamb *once slain*, bearing the distinguishing marks of Calvary. Surrounding the Throne are four living creatures, and four and twenty elders, who are engaged in singing the sweetest song ever sung: "Thou art worthy...for Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy Blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation." (Rev. 5:9).

It is generally conceded by Bible students that these four and twenty elders indicate, or, at any rate,

Include the Church.

Indeed, it could scarcely be otherwise; for who but the redeemed can sing the Song of Redemption? This Heavenly company is composed not of one particular people or nation, but of all tribes and kindreds of this world which God loved, and for which He gave His Son.

Let us notice very particularly that whilst these four and twenty elders are engaged in singing this New Song, the book is *intact*, with its seals unbroken. The question arises: When is the first seal broken? NOT IN CHAPTER FIVE, BUT IN CHAPTER SIX.

Now let us

Tabulate the facts,

and endeavour to see the proportion in its true perspective.

1. The book is in the right hand of Him who sits upon the Throne.

2. The book is sealed with seven seals, *which are unbroken*, and which are vitally connected with the judg-

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"IT IS EXPEDIENT"

Sermon preached by Rev. H. C. McKinney over WHJB, Greensburg, Saturday, March 12th, 1938.

Jesus was called by Simeon the Consolation of Israel and so He was. No one ever brought such cheer to Israel as He opened blind eyes, caused the lame to walk, fed the multitudes and spoke of a coming great kingdom.

But now He was going away. Jesus said, "It is expedient that I go away." It is necessary for you that I go away. It is for your interests that I go away.

It was necessary for Him to go away in order that the prophecies of the past might be fulfilled: the promise to the weeping woman outside the garden that the seed of the woman would bruise the serpent's head, David's vision of a suffering Substitute in the 22nd Psalm, Isaiah's glimpse of the vicarious One who would suffer for the sins of many, the rejected Messiah of Daniel 9 and the smitten Shepherd and the sheep scattered of Zechariah 13. All these must be fulfilled in order that you and I might know that God's Word cannot be broken, that we are not following cunningly devised fables, that the sure Word of God will stand when this old world is on fire.

It was necessary for Him to go away in order that the types of the past might be fulfilled. The animals that were slain to make coats for Adam and Eve pointed to Calvary and the garment of His righteousness which He provided in order that you and I might come before a holy God. Abel's accepted sacrifice pointed to Calvary and a blood atonement. The Ram caught in the thicket and offered in the place of Isaac pointed to Him who must die in our stead. No one could take His place, no one in Heaven or earth. He alone died that you and I might live. Every drop of blood that flowed on Levitical altars, the slain bulls, goats, birds and sheep from Egypt's Passover

feast until the veil was rent in twain pointed to Calvary. Without it they would not have been efficacious. They were the pledge and Christ fulfilled the pledge. They looked forward to Calvary and it was not in vain.

It was necessary for Him to go away in order that your sins and mine might be atoned for. It was expedient for Him to die in order that our sins might be blotted out. I can see Him as He goes up Golgotha's Hill. He falls beneath the load and another picks it up. They crucify Him between Heaven and earth. No wonder the sun hides its face, the earth shakes, the rocks are torn asunder and the tombs open. Amid crash of thunder and the lightning flashes I hear Him cry, "It is finished." Forever your debt and mine is paid. No one in Heaven or earth could take His place. He died, the mighty Creator for the creature's sin. I'm glad He did, aren't you? Praise God!

It was necessary for Him to go away in order that He might go into the grave, in order that He might bring a light where only darkness reigned before, in order that He might conquer death in its last stronghold. How dark the tomb before Jesus came. Beyond the grave it was somber, shadowy and unknown. The weeping and wailing of the heathen gives us a little idea of this. I once heard a Heart of Africa missionary imitate the natives' death wail and it seemed to pierce my very soul. I thought of what that would mean from a thousand voices. How dark the tomb before Jesus came. But Jesus brought light where only darkness reigned before. The Sun of Righteousness dispelled the gloom and drove back the shadows. Now we sing, "There's no dark valley when Jesus comes." "Tho' I walk through the valley of the shadow of

death, I will fear no evil." Praise God. Christ conquered death in its last stronghold. Death was a mighty Monarch that had conquered all before him. Kings, emperors, rulers, and mighty captains, all had to lay their arms and scepters before the grisly conqueror, Death. But one day there came David's greater Son. Not with five stones but with five bleeding wounds He slew Goliath, Death, and put to flight the Philistines. He opened up a way and you and I walk over a battle field that is already won and pick up the trophies of His victory. He chained death to His chariot wheels and drove it up high Heaven's hill. He, a greater than Samson, carried the gates of death up high Heaven's hill and in His girdle are the keys of Death and Hell. We need fear no evil. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Up from the grave He arose, a mighty Conqueror over all His foes.

Yes, it was necessary for Him to go away. How sad and downcast they were. How heavy their hearts! If ever tears sprung to their eyes and flowed down their cheeks, it was then. The outlook was so dark. He was their all and in all and now He was going away. He was the substance of all they believed, the source of all their strength, the teacher of all they knew, the guide of all their steps. They sat at no other feet and called no other Rabbi. He had a solution for every problem, an answer for every question and a balm for every pain. He was a match for all His foes and a master of every circumstance. Pain was joy in those days because it gave them opportunity to talk to Him, to feel His hand on theirs, to see the love light beaming from His eyes and to feel the magnetism of that great personality. Truly He was their all and in all.

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PROPHETIC NEWS

War Mania

In 1931 the world (60 countries) spent a total of slightly more than four billion dollars for national defense. In 1936, these same countries spent \$10,730,000,000—an increase of more than 50 percent within five years. We are living in a day when the world is getting ready for Armageddon.

Palestine's Irrigation

The exploitation of underground water resources has profoundly modified the problem of Jewish agricultural settlement in Palestine as compared to the situation ten years ago. While at that time, 250 dunams of land were held to be required to insure the existence of one family, that minimum is now considered to have fallen to less than 30 dunams. In other words, it would be possible to accommodate ten times as many Jewish farmers on irrigated land as was considered to be possible ten years ago.

Anti-Semitism

An encyclopedia of anti-Semitism is being published in Germany and is expected to have an immense circulation. The Dawn, speaking of this says, "It is proposed to make of it a text book of the nations, a stimulation to the formation of a world international anti-Semitism. Its first object will be the abolition of Jewish rights." In less than a hundred years there will be no Jewish rights. It will be in the last half of the Tribulation Week when the Anti-Christ reigns.

The people of Rumania, in their anti-Semitism in order to be in accord with Germany, have been amazed to find that an adverse feeling against the Jews would injure business. Eighty percent of the trade is in Jewish hands and business is at a standstill throughout the country. Business men, large and small, have been rapidly turning their holdings

into cash and hiding their money in fear of such a step, and if taken will flee from the country.

Russia and Peace

In the past thirteen months, 668 Russians have been executed by Soviet firing squads; the most magnificent army in Europe, whose soldiers receive no pay, is slowly taking shape; and the greatest official palace in the world, one thousand rooms, is being completed on the Lenin Hills where the world revolution is being plotted. This is the country that claims to be the supreme advocate of peace.

Russia and Religion

The Herald of Holiness announces that Russia closed 612 churches during 1937. A brother of the Russian Minister of War has renounced war and has declared he will become a Christian minister of the gospel. A great revival seems to be sweeping Russia. The churches gained 837,404 members last year. There are now thirty thousand registered congregations with 600 acknowledged leaders and millions of believers.

Niemoeller Rearrested

Pastor Martin Niemoeller, who was placed in a concentration camp at Sachsenhausen, 20 miles from Berlin, last week, is now reported to owe his rearrest to Chancellor Adolph Hitler's personal orders. Two letters written by Pastor Niemoeller from jail to his friends have been made available to the Associated Press. In one he wrote, "I am firmly convinced that all attempts to place obstacles in the way of the Holy Gospel must serve the sole purpose of increasing its impelling force. I see this clearly in my own case as the result of the seven months' imprisonment. I should like to say to every one: Be of good cheer, Our God is going forward and despite the apparent defeats of His Church He is confounding His enemies..... Here they laugh scornfully 'At last we have got him' and arrest 800 more, but what is the result? Full churches with praying congregations. It would be utter ingratitude to become bitter in the face of such facts." "Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take council together against the Lord and against His anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder and cast away their cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh, the Lord shall have them in derision."

Godless Children

Judge Malcom Hatfield of the Juvenile Court in Michigan, recently said, "The courts cannot compete with the cheap dance halls, divorce mills, roadhouses, pool rooms, questionable theatres and magazines. Thousands of children will soon turn to crime if their parents are not educated to their duties and responsibilities. Ten million children who are affiliated with no church cannot be expected to develop character and high ethical standards of morality."

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THE BIBLE, THEOLOGY AND THE PULPIT

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The above title suggests supremely important factors because the whole question of the authority of the Bible lies in inspiration which is the ground floor of all religious thought. In the consideration of the majestic grandeur of the process and fact of inspiration one beholds a mystery akin to that of the perfect union which took place in the Incarnation when the divine and human natures without any confusion were indivisibly united in the person of the one Lord Jesus Christ. Thus it might be said that in the process of the inspiration of the Holy Scriptures there is an indivisible spiritual union of the divine and human in one book—the final and complete revelation of God to man. The Bible should not be considered merely as the record of a search for God on the part of man but primarily the record of a search for man on the part of God. The close consideration of the difference between these two views is profound and will either make or spoil the power of the preacher as he speaks to a world entirely devoid of any base of religious authority.

Karl Barth suggests that when we enter the system of this age we enter the world of man and when we enter the realm of the Scriptures we are in the world of God. We add to this that the Bible is not merely the dwelling place of God's people; it is the chosen abode of God Himself. The Bible is a living organism of truth; it has in it the life of the living God and is able to impart spiritual life to the soul of man. It is the only source of knowledge in the world which gives us a true revelation of God and a true revelation of man. Nowhere else do we find the searching statement "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God." These words of St. Paul suggest the approach to doctrine.

Theology seeks to systematize and put into proper order with the aid of the historical, the facts of divine revelation upon which experience is based. St. Paul was convinced of the objective truth of the gospel message and devotion to that fact was the passion of his life. Against the dark background of man's sin we have the glorious unfolding of Calvary. One has said that "Christ crucified is the greatest theme in the universe for it proclaims the greatest work ever performed by the greatest Person and secures the greatest possible ends." Dale splendidly said "Christ did not come to preach the gospel but that there might be a gospel to preach." Consequently the death of Christ was not only the Apostle's theology but also his gospel. He has clearly taught us that there cannot be any gospel unless there is such a thing as the righteousness of God for the ungodly, which righteousness includes all that Christ was in His stainless life and all that He did in His offering of Himself on the cross in sacrifice to the Father. In Christ's death the integrity of God's character was fully met and upon this ground He has opened up the floodgates of mercy to the undeserving. Because of Calvary God can now pardon sin, not upon the ruins of His justice but through its golden gates.

Here we must distinguish between the objective fact of what God has done for us and the subjective experience of what God has done in us. Plato would have us believe that if kings were philosophers or philosophers kings we should have the ideal state. To this we add; "If evangelists were our theologians or theologians our evangelists we should at least be nearer the ideal church."

Some theologians have been extremely exacting on the objective side

in putting each truth in its proper pigeonhole, and rightly so, at the same time were dry and lifeless in the pulpit and often far away from the people. On the other hand we have many high pressure modern evangelists who are so strong on subjectivity that the grandeur and nobility of the gospel plan in its objective provision in Christ is left unexplained. Such preaching is watered down to a bare appeal. Theology and preaching should never be divorced; they coincide at the vital point and that vital point is the cross.

There is an imperative demand for a sound teaching ministry, especially on the great Pauline truths, for those who have made the work of the cross their own by faith in Christ and are within the fold. There is no less a crying need for strong evangelistic preaching to bring men to repentance and faith in the Son of God as their Saviour. To make the comparison clear we might say that the evangelical side of the gospel is presenting Christ to men while on the evangelistic side we are endeavoring to bring men to Christ. Whichever side is being emphasized God wants men with the unction of the Holy One to set it forth. While it is true we need men with fire in the pulpit it is equally true that the fire must travel on the track of sound objective doctrine. Without the theologian the church, even with this power, is in danger of becoming too superficial and the church without the evangelist is in danger of becoming too formal. When these two elements are sanely balanced there will be normal spiritual growth.

If the New Testament word "gospel" means "glad tidings" we have something amazingly wonderful, arresting and electrifying to present to the people from our pulpits. It seems evident that to hush controversy and

dispel doubt men need to definitely know that on the cross their complete salvation was provisionally secured by Christ and that when they with a penitent heart believe and accept this as a fact it becomes to them an actuality. The length and breadth and height of the finished work of the cross is so far reaching that even many devout Christians are afraid to fully step out by faith on the marvels of its unsearchable depths. Are we afraid of the daring language of St. Paul when he exclaims in the last verse of the fourth chapter of the Epistle to the Romans—"Who was delivered *because* of our offences and was raised again *because* of our justification"—implying that we were provisionally justified on the cross? Thus it might be truly said that the empty tomb is God's historical receipt that the completed work of the cross, including our justification, was accepted at the court of Heaven. The same Apostle shows in the next chapter that the actual hour of the personal realization of acceptance with God is the hour of faith for without faith there is no experimental contact with God and His salvation. Very often the human conditions of salvation have unconsciously been made to overshadow the greatness of the salvation itself and consequently souls have conceived the conditions more meritorious than the thing itself. On the other hand we frequently hear much fine gospel truth presented as fact but conditions of the acceptance of Christ are left out and hungry hearts go empty away, without repentance toward God and faith in Jesus Christ.

If the onslaughts of the world with their conflicting methods and ideas are to be met and if the New Testament evangelical spiritual character of the Church is to be maintained, insistence upon these truths must be presented in the power and conviction of the Spirit of God.

May the Church arise to behold the loftiness of the Gospel and the richness of the Theology of which she is the custodian and transmit them in

a new way to the hungry world.

RESURRECTION FOOD IN THE WORD

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the Word of God, and thus we may be continually feeding on Him, who is the true *Bread* from Heaven. For the Bread that God gives is that Bread which comes from Heaven, and gives Life to the world. (John 6:33 - 20th Cent. N. T.). He Himself is the Resurrection, as well as the Life. To eat of Him therefore through meditation on His Word, is to become a partaker of the Resurrection Life. But we must die with Him, in order to live with Him, we must share His death, in order to share His Life, and just in proportion as we give up our own life, so do we create a vacuum which can only be filled by the inpouring of His Life. As He lived by means of the Father, so we are to live by means of Him—*eating His Flesh and drinking His Blood* through the Word. As saith the Prophet, "Thy Words were found, and I did eat them, they were joy and rejoicing of my heart. Sweeter also than honey to my taste, and more precious than much fine gold."

We may see how He lived by means of the Father. His spiritual food consisted of Words, proceeding out of the Mouth of God. God wakened Him morning by morning; wakened His ear as one that is taught, gave Him the ear of a learner or Disciple, (Isa. 50: 4) so that He was constantly fed, "Not on bread alone, but on the Words of God," as He said, "Man is not to live on bread alone, but on every Word that issues from the Mouth of God." (Matt. 4:4).

So must we as Bunyan did, "Live in the Bible till its Words become our own", and then we shall find ourselves doing the Will of God, and will be able to say as He did, "My food is to do the Will of Him who sent me, and to complete His Work." (John 6:34. 20th Cent.) for the Life in us, engendered by the assimilation of His Words—

Is His Life

begotten of God, which must from its

very nature carry out the Will of God as He did it. "For the law of the Spirit brings the Life which is in Christ Jesus, and that law has set me free from the law of sin and death." (Rom 8:2 Moffat). "For through your union with Christ Jesus the law of the Life-giving Spirit has set you free from the law of sin and death." God works in you both to will and to do His own good pleasure, "producing in you, both the Will and the Execution."

IN TOUCH WITH GOD

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possess; but what about those things we do possess? The Lord says, "Bring them hither to Me," small though they be. When they are placed in the hands of the Lord Jesus Christ, He will send us as He sent those twelve with the five loaves; and it will be simply marvellous what we shall be able to do, as we are yielded unreservedly to Him. I would like that to be an encouragement to every brother and sister who may be laboring in some very hard part of God's great harvest field. You feel you are alone, you have very few powers, very minute opportunities. Bring them all to Christ; bring them again today. Just put yourself in His loving hands, and you yourself will be surprised at the almost infinite possibilities of a life when it is wholly yielded to Him. — *Exch.*

Church Gambling

To the list of questionable ways to make money for churches, "bingo" must be added. It has become a national scandal. One New York church has a sign in front reading, "Bingo every Thursday night in the Holy Spirit room."

NOTICE

The editor regrets that the splendid article "Cleansed, Clothed, and Crowned" did not show it was written by E. N. O. Kulbeck. Through an oversight in the March issue his name as author did not appear.

"THIS PENTECOST"

By ALFRED E. GIDMAN

Greetings in Our Lord Jesus Christ's Name!

To you dear beloved ones in THIS PENTECOST there is evident blessing in the name that is above every name; through that Name we are united in a most glorious and blessed fellowship; how we should devote much of that pleasure in true worship of Him.

There are those WHO KNOWINGLY speak of THIS PENTECOST, believing sincerely that the object of our devotion is the Holy Spirit; if they would only come to some of our meetings, how surprised they would be to find the scriptural procedure being followed as He leads unto Jesus all true worshippers. Yes, bless God! we have and welcome scriptural authority and investigation, for the Word of God is

The Standard and Ensign of

our movement. We accept no authority other than that which is laid down in sacred writ; we refuse to accept the vain traditions of men as a substitute for the sure word of promise.

To the critics of our fellowship, we can only state we have found it promised in the Bible and have confirmed it in our experience; that is sufficient. Probably no other movement more zealously uses the Bible than ours; it is greatly in evidence at all our meetings, and authority for fresh adventuring must of necessity be obtained from it before there is a general move. (May it ever be so.) What a foundation! What a standard—We shall not be moved. Hallelujah!

The author of this blessed Book is also

The Spirit of

THIS PENTECOST, the third Member of the Godhead. He it is who so miraculously demonstrates that the Gospel we preach is from Heaven by "confirming with signs following." We admit that we have not reached

the peak of Pentecostal power: we refute the charge however that we are now in a crystalizing state and fast becoming another religious movement that DID appear on the horizon of the world's religious history: we affirm that many small flames eventually must make a great blaze that will have majestic results.

The scattered numbers of THIS PENTECOST are thirsting for a fuller measure and He that inspires this thirst is the ONE who is alone able to satisfy it, and He will. When this and other lands have their thousands of like-minded believers crying out, we shall have such a Pentecostal Deluge that all other revivals will be swept into insignificance.

Is it not true, beloved, that it is so easy to accept "the earnest" as the "whole"? We who are in THIS PENTECOST know we have had only a glimpse of what is to be—the sound—the abundance is coming. Amen! Our surety for such a hope is Jesus, our Glorious Exalted Head. He who poured out "the early rain" is

The Surety of

THIS PENTECOST and He will pour out the "latter rain." Glory to God! We must gird up the loins of our minds and refuse to believe the lies from the pit that "it's all over now." Why, it has not started yet! LIVE expecting it; pray expecting it; yield your life to One who waits to transform it.

The whole body of Christ will as a result feel the pulsating thrills of reviving life as the Spirit causes Himself to be felt and known. That is

The Satisfaction of

THIS PENTECOST—for as Christ sees the Holy Spirit ruling lives, He is exalted, because His word is literally fulfilled, "HE shall be in YOU." What beings we are privileged to be; filled with the power of God, our

very countenances a constant rebuke to sin; the minions of shame shall flee as the name of Jesus falls from Spirit-empowered lives.

It is so easy to become "puffed up," and our arch-enemy delights to see us in that state; he is a past master in the art of encouraging it. Surely, of all people to be pitied it is the "proud Pentecostal" (and how we should pray for such an one, also that we may be kept humble), for all that he possesses has been freely given, so what is there to boast of, or be proud about? Satan knows how ridiculous it makes us appear, so he often seeks to make many parade their gifts and thus nullify their power. The leaders who have any discernment soon detect those who are "puffed up" and have not "the power." Paul in his letter to the Corinthian assembly asserted that he would "know" them (1 Cor. 4:19-21).

It is "the power," dear Pentecostal believers, that we wait to see; not crowds—though we delight in seeing the many under the sound of the Gospel; not popularity—though we would "have a good report" of those who are outside; not effusiveness—though we gladly beseech the many to embrace Our Saviour; it is "THE POWER" we long for, pant for, and need to ache for. No matter who it is that God first deigns to use to bring the deluge in, we will bless Him for the first sign of that great, powerful, resistless current that must break forth upon this thirsty earth.

The Lord Jesus Christ must be the center and circumference, the one and only in that life which is to know such a blessed experience. Let us all live with Jesus, for Jesus, and unto Jesus, every day and every moment of the day, then it will surely come, for HE faileth not." May our God who is rich in blessings, bless all of you in THIS PENTECOST.

The Healing Christ

By Evangelist H. McALISTER

The Lord Jesus Christ was, in the days of His flesh, and still is today, the Healer as well as the Saviour. There is healing in His Name, His stripes, His word, His wings.

Healing in His Name

"I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am (Jehovah-Rapha) the Lord that healeth thee." (Ex. 15:26).

"And these signs shall follow them that believe in My name.....they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." (Mark 16:17,18).

"In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.....and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength." (Acts 3:6,7).

The fact that the benefit of bodily healing by supernatural and spiritual means is said to be in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, shows that the Old Testament covenant of healing in the name of Jehovah-Rapha has been perpetuated forever, for us, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Healing in His Stripes

"And with His stripes we are healed." (Isa. 53:5).

"By whose stripes ye were healed." (1 Peter 2:24).

The fact that physical recovery by Christian means is said to be in His stripes, shows that it is a grace available to man because of the provisions of Calvary's cross, where and when Christ was striped and with many a stripe.

The Life of Christ by Geike, in describing Christ's scourging reads: "Victims condemned to the cross first underwent the hideous torture of the scourge, and this was immediately inflicted on Jesus. He was seized by some of the soldiers standing near and, after being stripped to the waist, was bound in a stooping posture, His hands behind His back to a post

or a block, near the tribunal. He was then beaten at the pleasure of the soldiers, with knots of rope, or plaited leathern thongs, armed at the ends with acorn shaped drops of lead, or small sharp pointed bones.

"In many cases not only the back of the person scourged, was cut open in all directions, but even the eyes, the face and the breast were torn and the teeth not seldom knocked out. Under the fury of the countless stripes, the victim sometimes sank — amidst screams, convulsive leaps, and distortions—in a senseless heap; sometimes died on the spot; sometimes was taken away, an unrecognizable mass of bleeding flesh, to find deliverance in death, from the inflammation and fever, sickness and shame.

"The scourging of Jesus was of the severest, for the soldiers only too gladly vented on any Jew the grudge they bore the nation and they would, doubtless, try if they could not force out the confession which His silence had denied the governor. Besides, He was to be crucified and the harder the scourging, the less life would be left to detain them afterwards on guard at the cross."

Why does Isaiah cast his statement of this fact in the present tense and use the verb "are;" whereas Peter cast his statement of the same fact in the past tense and uses the verb "were"? Isaiah lived, in point of time, before the death of Christ on Calvary became a historical fact. Peter lived, in point of time, after Christ's death on the cross. Isaiah, at the time that he penned this wonderful word, undoubtedly, was having a prophetic vision of the sufferings and death of the Lord; and, as — by prophetic vision — he stood in the immediate presence of the whole affair, he cries out, "with His stripes we are healed." We, looking back to an accomplished redemption by the death of the Lamb of God, cry out, "by whose stripes ye were

healed." We, standing on the same side of the cross as Peter stood, can say as Peter said centuries ago, "With His stripes we were healed."

Healing in His Word

"He sent His word and healed them." (Psa. 107:20).

"Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." (Rom. 10:17).

"The prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up." (James 5:15).

The fact that healing of the body by Divine intervention is said to be in His Word, or a benefit conveyed by means of the medium of His Word, shows that it is a boon that is ours in answer to the prayer of faith. The Word produces faith, and faith is the hand that takes that which the pierced hand is reaching down to bestow.

Healing in His Wings

"But unto you that fear My name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in His wings." (Mal. 4:2).

"Wings" remind us of a great mother bird. "Wings" speak to us of shelter, protection, warmth and tender love and compassion. "How often would I have gathered you together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not." If the fact that bodily healing is said to be in His wings makes any contribution by way of illumination as to the nature of the blessing, it is to the effect that healing is a benefit flowing to humanity because of the tender compassions of the Son of God. How oft do we read of His being "moved with compassion" as He came in contact with the sick and devil-possessed during His earth-life ministry! And today, up there in the glory, He is still "touched with the feeling of our infirmities."

— Selected.

The Doom of the Devil

By Evangelist J. Earl Douglass.

"And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

"And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,

"And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled; and after that he must be loosed a little season.

"And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the Word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither have received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands: and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

"But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

"Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

"And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison.

"And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.

"And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.

"And the devil that deceived

them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever." Rev. 20:1-11.

The words of my text you will find in the 10th verse.

Now, Beloved, if you will go into God's Word with me for a little while, I believe you will find out here that we are reading about the end or rather the doom of the devil. Praise the Lord, we can look forward to the time when we shall live where there is no devil. Hallelujah! As we look around and see how conditions are today we are prone to believe that Lucifer has full charge of everything, and we are quite sure he has full charge of some people. There are some people who do not believe there is a real devil: they say they do not understand why we are always telling of our battles with the devil. They claim that he never bothers them. Well, they may be like the old colored man who was a devout Christian and his master was not.

Sambo was always telling about his fights with the devil and his master said to him:

"Sambo, I think that you just imagine there is a devil. He never bothers me."

The old colored man didn't know just what to say until one day he and his master were out hunting. A flock of ducks flew overhead and the man shot one and wounded another.

"Run, Sambo! Get the live one first. The dead one will be there when you return."

When Sambo returned, his face was wreathed in smiles.

"Now I has my answer, boss. De debbil doesn't bother you none because you are a dead duck already. I am a live one and he chases me."

There may be something in Sam-

bo's philosophy. At any rate, we believe in a real, literal, personal devil as the Bible definitely states.

Have you read the history of Satan? In the twenty-eighth chapter of Ezekiel we read that once he held a very exalted position in Heaven. The Lord says of him: "I beheld Satan fall as a star from Heaven." There are many scriptures that speak of Lucifer's high position, on the Mount of God, but there is one in particular which says:

"Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth: and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou has walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire."

Oh, that high and haughty Lucifer! His desire to be higher still and to usurp the throne of God Himself caused him to be cast out; and even as he fell, it was as a flame of fire across the heavens.

Did he repent? No! Instead of repenting, his heart was filled with bitterness. The angels who fell with him hurled defiance in the face of God that ruled the universe. In his rage, Lucifer determined to strike back at God whenever the opportunity was afforded. How could he do it? God was on His throne. How could he strike back?

God in His goodness created the heavens and the earth, the sun, the moon, the stars; and upon the earth He placed the restless sea, the mountains, the valleys, the creatures of the deep and many flowers and beauties rare beyond description.

But His greatest handiwork was man! God formed him of the dust of the earth and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and he became a living soul.

Then from a rib taken from the wounded side of Adam, woman was formed. Together hand in hand, this man and the woman God had given him, walked in the Garden of God.

In the hush of twilight God came and walked with them and communed as a man with his friends. Satan ever-watchful, saw God's love for man and he exclaimed:

"Ah-ha! Here at last is my chance to strike back at God. He loves man but He hates sin. If I can bring sin into the heart of man and bring about his fall, it will be a master blow at the One who cast me out." One day in the form of a serpent, Satan entered the Garden. You know the story of the temptation. Poor, foolish woman! Beguiled by his flattering words, she partook of the fruit of the forbidden tree. Satan had accomplished his purpose. Adam and Eve had fallen into sin, away from God. That night, as God entered the Garden there were no running footsteps to meet Him, as the day before.

Without the hedge Satan hears the voice of God calling for the children of His love, "Adam, Adam, where art thou?" From behind the shrubbery we hear the reply, "We heard Thy voice, but we were afraid." Satan laughs as he looks upon the scene. He has struck a telling blow at God. Sin has entered the heart that was made pure; now sorrow and heartache have come. Satan watches until at last man is banished from the Garden. God steps back into heaven, darkness covers the earth while gross darkness covers the hearts of the people. Sin like a great cleaver has cleft a great gulf between God and man. Satan chuckles, but listen—without the gate I hear the faint cry of a little lamb as it sheds its blood to provide a covering for those that were naked. Hallelujah! God came down and provided a covering for them through the shedding of blood, and from here we can see a blood line all the way through the Old Testament and into the New Testament right up to Calvary. And praise God it is the precious blood that provides a covering for our sins today.

(To be continued)

Anniversary Revival Campaign

The thirty-first anniversary revival of Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 325-329 West 33rd Street, New York City, will be held Sunday, May 1st to 15th, inclusive.

Evangelist Harry J. Steil, well known revivalist, will be the speaker. He will come direct from Florida where he has conducted several campaigns. His subjects are comprehensive and of great interest, comprising salvation, sanctification, divine healing, the baptism in the Holy Spirit, the second coming of Christ and many other themes of vital importance at this time of world crisis.

Services will be held Sundays at 10:30 A.M., 3 and 7:30 P. M., and daily at 7:45 P. M., except Mondays when there will be no service. Afternoon services will be held on Wednesdays and Fridays at 3 P. M. Special prayer will be offered for the sick throughout the campaign. There will also be an opportunity to seek salvation and the baptism in the Holy Spirit at every service.

The Tabernacle is located at 325-329 West 33rd Street, one-half block west of the Pennsylvania Depot, opposite the General Post Office. For further information as to accommodations, etc., write Miss E. K. Schuster, Secretary, 325 West 33rd Street, New York City.

—REV. and MRS. ROBERT A. BROWN, *Pastors.*

DANBURY, CONN.

God is blessing at Danbury.

Have just closed a 2 weeks revival conducted by Sister R. Vivian Fredrickson, of New Haven, prospective missionary to India.

God manifested His power throughout the entire campaign; and in several of the services, strangers who came in, felt the convicting presence of the Holy Spirit dealing with them. Many came in for the first time and were favorably impressed.

Sister Fredrickson's ministry in song was much enjoyed, as well as her God inspired messages. All feel that a mighty revival is about to break through.

On the last Saturday night a precious time of fellowship was held with representatives from Meriden, New Haven, Naugatuck, Bridgeport, Shelton, and Carmel, N. Y. The ministers gave an encouraging report from their field of labor, and the young people sang special numbers.

—GODFREY BERGGREN, *Pastor.*

Confiscation by Taxation

The tax schedule which Texas Attorney General William McCraw filed with the Supreme Court placed the gross value of Colonel Green's estate at \$44,384,500. This may be as much as \$50,000,000 short of the final figure, for as yet nobody knows how much Hetty Green's son did leave. According to Texas arithmetic, the Federal Government will collect \$20,812,905 in inheritance taxes. Other tax bills: \$7,132,000 (New York); 5,809,000 (Mass.); 5,335,000 (Florida); 5,326,000 (Texas). Total asked by Federal and state governments: \$44,414,905. If administration of the estate costs \$2,000,000, Mr. McCraw figured that the estate will fall short of meeting the taxes.

Tobacco

The report of 1937 of the American Tobacco Company, released for publication, showed a consolidated net income of \$26,197,493. Tobacco does not represent any thing saved or built and \$26,197,493 seems to be a stiff price to pay for smoke and ashes, for bad nerves, hearts, digestive apparatus, sore throat and bronchial inflammation.

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MATRON'S REPORT

"Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you,

and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light." Matt. 11: 28-30.

In these days of turmoil and unrest we can hear the gentle voice of our Heavenly Bridegroom calling, "Come unto Me." Are you weary and bowed down with the cares of life? Do the trials peculiar to the days in which we live weigh heavy upon you? Is your soul laboring under the difficulties which surround on every hand? "Come unto Me, and ye shall find rest unto your soul." Let Me place my yoke upon you that we may walk and talk together, daily, hourly, moment by moment, and as we walk and talk together you shall learn of Me. Learn to know My ways, My will, My plan for your life each day. As you know My will and obey My commandments you shall find perfect rest and peace. "Take My yoke" for My yoke is easy, and I will lead you beside still waters and in green pastures, and your soul shall find its rest in Me.

"And the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not." Isa. 58:11.

How blessed to come unto Him, to be yoked up with Him and cast all our anxious care upon Him and feel His sweet rest in our souls in the midst of unrest around and about us. Each day in Bethel Home this winter,

we have been casting our care upon Him: and as we have daily obeyed His call and come to Him with all our care and all our needs, He has carried us through in a precious way and fulfilled His promise to us in giving us rest and peace. As we have come unto Him we have been also learning of Him, learning to trust Him in a very real way for the supply of all our needs.

He meets our spiritual needs as we come unto Him, seeking Him for each service, He meets us by His Spirit, feeding our souls with the bread of Heaven through His precious Word. As we come to Him with a humble and childlike spirit sitting at His feet to learn of Him, we find Him the great teacher, leading us in the paths of righteousness and holiness. He walks and talks with us by His precious Spirit. As we read and study His Word together, we learn more of Him Who is meek and lowly in spirit, and as we walk and commune with Him we find sweet rest, His rest in our souls.

When we are afflicted in body we come unto Him and find that He heals the body the same today as He did when He walked this earth healing all manner of sickness and disease among the people. (Matt. 4:23 and 12:15). Thank God for the many deliverances He has given us from bodily afflictions.

We also come unto Him with our temporal needs and find Him the great burden bearer. We can truly say we have lacked no good thing. We have learned to look unto Him for the supply of our needs and He has never failed when we have called upon Him. Thus we have much for which to praise Him.

He has added a few extra blessings, has opened the way for us to have our kitchen painted and the ceilings

in kitchen and large dining hall done over; and has provided a good, faithful friend in Bro. Lombard to do the work. Last week we received a package from a sister in Chatham, N. J., containing pillow slips, sewing materials, etc., which were very acceptable. Other kind friends have sent in dishes, which were greatly needed and appreciated.

As the present supply of milk is not sufficient for our large Bethel family, we are asking our readers to join with us in prayer for an additional cow. The cow we now have is drying and will not freshen until summer.

We are grateful for all the offerings of love which we have received from time to time. Our prayer is that God may bless each one who has remembered Bethel Home in any way.

We find it wonderful to be yoked up with Jesus, for His yoke is easy. Yea, it is delightful as we walk with Him. We are proving His promise true that He gives true rest for spirit, soul and body. Praise His precious Name.

Yours in the Master's service,
yoked to Christ,

—HOPE E. STALKER, Matron.

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ALFRED WIGHT, Treasurer.

April 12, 1938

WRANGELL, ALASKA

Greetings to you in Jesus' name from Alaska.

I am in the missionary work in Wrangell, Alaska, having come to Alaska over a year ago, first stopping at Ketchikan for nine months, and feeling that one good missionary was sufficient for that city, I felt led to come on to a new field and so Mr. Wallace and myself have now a nice little work started in this greatly needed field. We are with the General Council Assemblies of God. Alaska has been a much neglected field. There are at present only four Full gospel churches in the whole territory, Ketchikan, Wrangell, Juneau and just recently a work was opened in Skagway. Surely the Pentecostal message is sadly needed. The churches are empty. Much drinking, gambling, card playing occupy the time of the people up here, including most all the church members.

God is blessing our work and we have had several outstanding conversions. We are holding meetings in the Federal Jail, and God has saved souls there. There is a band of very wicked Russians in the town. The ringleader is in Jail at the present time. One of their gang was saved, and they surely hate us. One of them told a man, that if Mrs. Wallace was in Russia, they would cut her head off, and they would like to do it. The time may come, before Christ returns, that some of His ministers will have to lose their heads for preaching the gospel.

We would ask your prayers for Alaska and for us as we labor in this hard field. We have had much persecution, but thank God, usually when the devil is fighting, God is going to work. We have new faces coming in at each service during the past few weeks.

In His blessed service,
EDNA M. WALLACE

RIBEIRAO PRETO, SAO PAULO,
BRAZIL

February 1, 1938

Dear Friends in the Homeland;

"To them that are sanctified by God and the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called, Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied." Jude 1:1,2.

We are happy to send the report for January from our field.

OUR CONVENTION IN UBERABA, MINAS GERAES—January 9 to 16: It was over a year since we had our first district convention in Uberaba, and so this convention had been eagerly looked forward to by the members of the Church. A good number of visitors attended and among these were Missionary Mathilda Paulson from Catalao, Goyaz, with two workers. Missionaries Frank Stalter and Theodore Stohr led the Bible studies, and I led the practical studies in regard to doctrine and problems on the field. In the evening services all workers took part. Three sinners accepted Christ. Two brethren were put on trial for deacons in Uberaba. It was decided that the worker in Prata should be ordained in the near future and also to send a worker to Varginha or some city close by there to open a new field in toward the center of Minas Geræs. Pray for this new adventure that God will open doors and hearts for His Word. Last December I had Joao de Oliveira ordained, and he now is Pastor in Uberaba where he is doing a good work. The last day of the convention we had a baptismal service when Missionary Stalter immersed eleven happy believers—some of these had already been baptized in the Holy Spirit. Pray for means to buy a church building in Uberaba. Jesus is able.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST:

In our August, 1936, letter we wrote about the invitation to take over the work in the large City of Belo Horizonte, the Capitol of Minas Geræs. We have prayed much about this, as we fear the climate. The

other Missionary ladies who have been here have become sick. There seems to be no one else to fill in for Missionaries Svenson for the year and a half to two years while they go home to Sweden. We had hoped to go in May, but have to go in March because they plan to leave for Sweden in April. Please pray that God will keep us in health and give us wisdom to shepherd this large Assembly and to help the workers on this large field. If no other Pentecostal Missionaries come to help us in Minas Geræs we will be the only ones in this large state of 9,000,000 population. We have our native workers, but still millions await the Full Gospel. East Sao Paulo will be taken over by Missionary Theodore Stohr who is working in Lorena, South, Sao Paulo. Missionary Frank Stalter will take over his field. We had hoped to stay here in Rebeirao Preto for at least six months or until we return home for furlough in 1940, D.V. But God's will be done.

Our new address is: Caixa Postal 474, Belo Horizonte, Minas Geraes, Brazil.

We gratefully thank you one and all for praying and giving to this glorious work in Brazil. God be with us.

— *In the Master's Blessed Service,*
GUSTAVE and ALICE BERGSTROM.

NEW YORK CITY

There are revival services going on at The Gospel Light House, 4784 Third Avenue, 190th St. & Fordham Road, New York City.

Brother Churchill will speak, also other speakers from different parts of the country. Brother Thompson is in charge. All seats free. Meetings every night at 7:45.

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"IT IS EXPEDIENT"

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Now He was going away. How sad their hearts were. What a glorious future He had held out before them—the future of the prophets and sages of old. Now it was all black despair. Their hearts were heavy indeed.

They knew that once the shepherd was taken away from the flock it would be the signal for the attack of the wolves. The scribes, Pharisees and Sadducees were ready to pounce upon the flock. When Christ was with His disciples He held the enemy at bay. Some of the Deity, the glory He had with the Father when the stars were hung from the throne, held them at a distance. They were afraid. But once He would go it would be a signal to destroy the flock. They knew it would mean scattering, imprisonment and even death. How discouraged and hopeless the prospect. How dark their sky.

Then they remembered that He had said, "I will not leave you comfortless." That word "comfortless" means orphans in the original. I will not leave you orphans alone, unprotected, unguarded, and unguided. I will not leave you to your own feeble resources, as a child without a mother and father. In the trackless wilderness of this world I will not leave you without a Guide. In the midst of wolves I will not leave you without a Defender. In the midst of the heavy burdens of life I will not leave you without a Helper. I can see it must have cheered their hearts, dried their tears and brightened their faces.

Isn't it just like Jesus to think of His own? He poured in oil and wine. Even though His own soul was burdened with the issues of Calvary, though the shadow of the Cross was heavy upon Him and though His heart was breaking as He thought of the Father's face being hid from Him, yet He remembered His own. It was so at Calvary. He ever thinks of His own. When death was creeping along His veins, His body wracked

with pain, His soul crushed as the hour of separation from the Father drew near, He turned to His mother and looking at John, said "Behold thy son," and to John, "Behold thy Mother." It was just like Jesus. No gigantic issue of the heavenlies, no momentous struggle between right and wrong will ever absorb His attention and cause Him to forget you and me. He will ever think of His own.

Truly the burdens of the disciples must have been lightened. But who could be what He had been? No one could take His place. Their hearts were still heavy. They had left all to follow Him; their nets, boats, homes, all. He had brought them from darkness to light, from bondage to liberty, from law to good news of the Gospel. He meant so much to them. He was a match for every foe and master of every circumstance. It was said that Napoleon's presence with his army was worth ten thousand troops. When the little General rode down before the legions of France a thrill of victory went through the ranks. He could bring victory no matter how great the foe. Victory always seemed perched on his banners. None could take his place. At his call all France would rally to the colors.

Who can take a mother's place? I thank God for those women who in love and sacrifice have tried to do so. But no one can quite take a mother's place. No matter how they try, who can be as patient as a mother or speak that tender, sympathetic, understanding word that goes to the depths of the heart and dries the tears and brings peace to the soul, as a mother. So no one could take His place and their hearts were still heavy and sad.

Just then they remembered the words "I will not leave you comfortless, I will come to you." That was what they wanted—the presence of Jesus. Their tears were dried and their faces brightened again. With Him they were not afraid and with

Him they would have every need supplied.

The business of the Holy Spirit is to reveal Christ. Jesus said, "Howbeit when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of Himself—He shall glorify me: for He shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you." He is called the Spirit of Christ because He reveals Christ. The more of the Holy Spirit we have the greater our vision of Christ.

Friends, that is what your hearts and mine need. A vision of Jesus! The Holy Spirit can make Christ so close and real and intimate that He is closer than flesh and bone. So real that we can say, "He walks with me and He talks with me and He tells me I am His own and the joy we share as we tarry there no other has ever known;" so real that we can say with Paul, "Not I, but Christ liveth in me." He has the throne room, He lives, He reigns within. Luther heard a knock at the door and as he opened the door the man asked, "Who lives here?" He said, "Luther used to live here but now Christ lives here." Praise God, He can live and reign within your heart and mine.

The Spirit of God will reveal Christ as the Burden-Bearer, One who will carry the load and remove the burden that is crushing our lives. So we can say, "Singing I go, along life's road, for Jesus has lifted the load" and "Every burden becomes a blessing when I know my Lord is nigh."

By the power of the Spirit the Sun of Righteousness will dispel the gloom, scatter the clouds and bring sunshine into your heart so you can sing, "Sunshine, sunshine in my soul today." All we need is a little glimpse of Jesus for our burdens to roll away and our skies to brighten. The Holy Spirit wants to give you that vision today.

The Holy Spirit will reveal Christ in such a glorious revelation that it will be a heaven to go to Heaven in. What makes Heaven? It is Jesus.

Where Jesus is 'tis Heaven there. He makes our paradise. Jesus said, "The Kingdom of Heaven is within you" and God wants to put a little Heaven in your soul by a revelation of Christ to your life. Heaven's glories will flood your soul and the music of Heaven will sweep over your life. I was speaking along this line once in a meeting where a little Salvation Army captain was and afterwards she gave me this verse that came to her, "I have a little Heaven to go to Heaven in. My heart's just full of heaven because I'm saved from sin. My way is bright and cheery as I on to Heaven go, for I have a little heaven to go to Heaven in." God wants to do that for you.

How the Spirit of God makes Christ so real, near and wonderful I cannot tell you. I cannot tell you how the sun that is ninety-three million miles away seems about a half mile overhead, especially on a hot summer afternoon when you are pitching hay. It is the atmosphere that causes it. I cannot tell you how you can go into a booth in New York and talk to a friend many miles away and hear every intonation of the voice, see every gesture and expression of the face. They call it television. I cannot tell you how Christ sitting at the right hand of God on high becomes so near and real that we can shout with Paul, "Not I, but Christ liveth in me." It is the Holy Spirit that is sent to reveal Christ.

The Spirit will reveal Christ until He becomes altogether lovely, the fairest of ten thousand and "we lose sight of all beside looking at the Crucified." You will so love Him that out of your heart's fulness, your mouth must speak. You cannot hide or conceal love. The most timid girl when in love will speak of that love. I was on a ferry boat going from Philadelphia to Camden before the present bridge was built. On the boat sitting opposite and a little to the front of the boat were three girls. One was radiant, telling the other girls about the friend she loved—how

fine looking he was, what a fine home and parents he had, how he was secretary to this organization and treasurer of that. The other two were bored and she was radiant. The only reason I could give was that she loved him and the others didn't. When you are in love with Christ you cannot keep still, you do not care who knows it and you like to hear others praise Him. As long as the Holy Spirit has His way there will always be a shout in the camp for a King is in the midst. Worthy is the Lamb slain to receive honor, glory, power and dominion, both now and forever more.

THE GREAT TRIBULATION

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ments to be poured out upon the earth, as recorded in chapter 6:1, and onwards.

3. The four and twenty elders are already around the Throne prior to the breaking of the seals.

4. The record of the breaking of the first seal is in chapter 6.

5. It, therefore, follows that, before any of the terrible happenings take place which are enumerated in chapter six and onwards, the Church is safely housed in Glory.

It may be said in answer to all this, that the events in Revelation are not always recorded in chronological order. This is no doubt correct, but the question of chronological order does not affect the point at issue. The fact remains that, when the book is seen INTACT, the redeemed are already with Christ in Heaven. Therefore, if the redeemed are with Him at the time the seals are broken, *they must have been caught away previously.*

Matthew, chapter 24, tells us that the Lord will come in the clouds of Heaven with power and great glory *after* the Tribulation, *after* the sun and moon are darkened, and *after* the powers of Heaven are shaken. Therefore, the seals of the book mentioned in Rev. 5, will be broken *before* the Lord comes with power and great glory, and yet, as we have already

seen, the redeemed are in Heaven while the book is ENTIRE.

To Sum Up.

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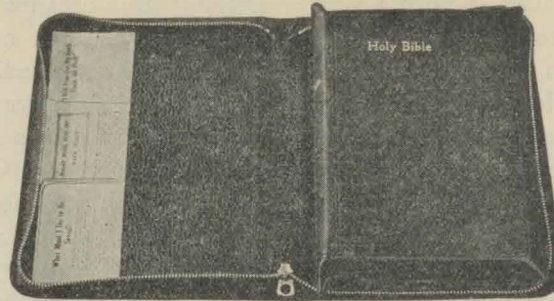
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