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Willingness Overshadows Ability

By Evangelist Jack Martz

We were grouped around the microphone in the large downtown auditorium in Oklahoma City singing of Jehovah’s healing strength: then when the last chorus had been sung, Brother Ray stepped up to make the announcements . . . “Radio audience, Jesus Christ is ABLE to heal today” . . . magic words to startle the bedridden and sufferer.

But, Heaven seemed to telegraph my heart with additional information . . . And Jesus said, “I WILL” (Matt. 8:3). I was enflamed at the revelation and rejoiced in lucid truth.

Hours of teaching of the “Sermon on the Mount” and the Hero of Christendom descended the slopes of the east to be met by a loathsome Jewish leper, requesting, yea, entreati ng for deliverance.

A hideous figure, or as Luke says, “full of Leprosy” or one in the fiercest of this Eastern malady. Having a voice extremely hoarse, as a dog that had barked incessant hours . . . blood so thick that salt would not even dissolve . . . face like a half extinguished coal . . . ears red and swollen; a tongue black and parched . . . eyes protruding from the head . . . and sockets drained of lubrication so that the eye cannot be turned right nor left . . . a shocking, abnormal piece of humanity—with a disease that is loathsome, spreading and incurable, as his constant companion.

How came the leper to single the Leader from the throng of Hebrews? How could he distinguish between John and Jesus? And, why had he violated the command of Moses by his nearness to the moving crowd? Why hadn’t the piteous cry, “ Unclean,” fallen from contaminated lips? Almost brazenly, he came within “touching” distance.

Certainly the face of the God-Man must have borne the photograph of royal compassion to have drawn the horrifiedly degraded Oriental to his side.

The surging mass of Abraham’s children must have recoiled in horror, when they saw “forbidden” interruption . . . and startled into real terror when their Leader pauses for conversation with an outcast.

Satan is making a bold attempt to shatter Christ’s healing power, while disease musters all her reserve energy to combat her own ruin, in which if she is successful, sickness and death would link arms and run a-muck down the streets of the globe cutting down everything in their path.

I can see the demons of leprosy look on and tighten their grip on their victim, but as they look into the gleaming but commanding eyes of their Creator, they shriek out an appeal to their infernal companions.

Then comes that most startling disclosure . . . “Jesus touched him” . . . a most brazen disregard of Moses’ letter . . . “for the garment also that the leprosy is in . . . shall be burned . . . for he is unclean and shall dwell alone; without the camp shall his habitation be . . . (Lev. 13) . . . and . . . saints, when He touched him, those trembling, fallen angels sounded a piercing scream that paralyzed Hell’s underworld.

Ten thousand devils race from the

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How manifold are the difficulties of these “last days.” It seems as though the powers of evil, knowing their time is short, are intent on causing the children of God to be pressed down beyond measure. We need guidance and inspiration to meet these foes if we are to be victorious. Thank God we have been provided with both these sources of help: in the blessed Word of God we are supplied with adequate guidance, and in the Holy Spirit we find a flowing river of inspiration. We must, of necessity, resort to them before we can attain the satisfaction we need.

It may seem to some that too much emphasis is laid on the work of the Holy Spirit on our behalf. We are often accused of dwelling too much on this theme, by some of our friends who oppose us. The peak of all teaching to the believer (and this is conceded by all Bible teachers) is found in the Epistle to the Ephesian church and here we find that the child of God is pointed to the Holy Spirit as the one who brings the many blessings of God.

Very briefly we would point you to a few blessings that He brings to all who will seek Him. In Chapter 2, v. 18, we read, “For through Him we both have

Access By One Spirit
unto the Father.”

When burdened beneath the load of circumstance, when times are hard, when fear of things is abroad in the air, what a blessed relief to be carried by the Spirit directly into the Presence of the Father. This is what is implied: in times past when we were sinners, all our prayers failed to carry us beyond our own horizon and we bore the mark of despair in our foreheads. Now, since “peace was preached” unto us through Jesus Christ, we have been given the Holy Spirit to show us the way to our Father’s Presence. Hallelujah! Then, in the 22nd verse of this same chapter, we find, “In whom ye also are builded together for an

Habitation of God Through the Spirit.”

What language! Far beyond our comprehension. We are made habitable, so that God can take His abode within us. What marvelous condescension, that God should grace these lives of ours: we who were His enemies, we who were filled with vile thoughts. Impurities were packed into our beings and now God is making His abode with us. All this is being accomplished through the work of the Holy Ghost. He points out the sin, the evil in our hearts, and as we yield to His promptings and “lay aside the sin,” we become more fitted to be lived in by God. How we should yield to His every urge and thus know the bliss of a Divinely Filled Life. Nor is this all that He does, for in the third chapter, v. 6, we read that the mystery of the ages was revealed to the apostles and prophets by The Spirit. So we have

Revelation by the Spirit.

This fulfills the Word of Christ, “He shall teach you all things.” This ministry of unveiling mysteries is one of the Spirit’s main duties, and He alone can reveal the deep hidden things of God’s purposes. So often, when we can hardly see and understand why we are placed in certain conditions, He illuminates a portion of the Word to our hearts and a flash of Divine Revelation burns into our souls. It is under such conditions as these that we often cry out, “That was just for me!” And it was. The Holy Spirit, knowing the burden of your heart, prepared Himself to confront you with the revelation that would disclose some of God’s purpose in allowing you to be in that position. If we would only stop our human reasoning and depend more upon the Holy Ghost, both for the understanding of God’s Word and our problems, we would be in a far better spiritual state. We would have far greater opportunities to be strengthened... by the Spirit as it is revealed in chapter 3, v. 16.

Paul was constrained to pray for the Ephesian Church, that they might be mighty Christians. He knew, from a ripe experience, that the only way they could remain strong and full of energy was to constantly be filled with the Holy Spirit. The injunction, “be filled with the Spirit,” is not a mere truism, but an essential that the believer must possess. The “filled” Christian is a powerful one; bursting with Divine Life he is in a position to “resist the Devil,” and thus know what it is to be “more than conqueror.” When we are empty, dry and barren, the enemy easily overcomes us and we bring reproach to our Saviour’s Blest Name. So, beloved of the Lord, let us continually keep in a “filled” condition and thus be “strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.”

So we see that the Spirit gives us ACCESS TO ALL the blessings we stand in need of, in our Heavenly Walk. No wonder elsewhere in the Epistle the writer states, “And grieve not the Holy Spirit,” for without His aid, we are orphans indeed.

The Coming Great War

By eminent Bible teachers, W. Scott, Rev. Jos Seiss, C. J. Wachtele and others. Contents: Place of Last Great War—The Part of Antichrist—Deluge of Human Blood—Battle of Gog and Magog. This is the third edition. Price only 25c plus 3c postage.

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MODERNISTS and many Fundamentalists, even if they profess to believe in Biblical miracles, doubt and even deride the miracles which are occurring before our eyes today. And notwithstanding the almost worldwide publicity which has been given to some miracles of today, this is such an

Age of Unbelief

in the supernatural that they make little or no impression on the mind of the public generally. Yet there are many who have been eye witnesses of as great or greater miracles than those recorded in the Bible: fulfilling the promise of the Lord Jesus that: 'He who believes in Me will himself do the work that I am doing: and he shall do greater deeds than these because I am going to the Father' (John 14:12).

The reason of this, that Jesus now works in His faithful disciples, from Heaven in conjunction with the Father. Some have been wrought, altogether apart from human instrumentality, like that of Dorothy Kerin, who saw a vision of many angels, and among them one more glorious than the rest, whom she took to be the Lord Jesus Himself. Thinking He had come for her she went toward Him, and His answer to her unspoken question was: "No, Dorothy, not yet, you are to be raised up," and he shall do greater deeds than these because I am going to the Father" (John 14:12).

The case was fully reported in the Daily Mirror, and other papers with photographs in 1912. I can fully vouch for this case as I have heard her testify at various meetings and walked and talked with her, when she was in a state of perfect health.

Another case, which was accomplished without human intervention was that of George Artlett of Portsmouth, who suffered from paralysis agitans (palsy) from April 27, 1899 to 24th Dec. 1923, on which day he was suddenly relieved and restored by the power of the Great Physician —Israel's God and King." I have his letter before me, with photo, showing him standing very erect and in a perfect state of health.

I have before me also, four letters written by Walter Martin, who was born blind at Dayton, Washington, U. S. A. in Jan. 31, 1883.

The letters are written in block capitals. He knew how to spell, having been educated in the Braille type, but knew nothing of the form of letters, until he learned them from a "child's A. B. C. book." "I was born," he says, "without an eyeball in the right eye-socket, and only a small speck for a ball in the left socket. The optic nerves were dead in both eyes. About November 20th 1912, I was examined by Charles Mayo, a specialist of Continental fame, who said, 'Boy, you will never see!' But on Feb. 15th 1914, he was saved, and baptized in the Holy Spirit, on the same day. "On Feb. 19, 1914 God spoke to me, saying in most gentle tones: 'Son, don't you want to see?' I praised God from the depths of my soul and said: 'Yes Lord, if it be for Thy glory.' I then fell under His power and the room was flooded with light, brighter than the noon day sun. This light of His presence was to my spiritual eyes, and was the witness to my soul that I was to see. Then the Lord let me walk by faith till the morning of Tuesday 24th of Feb. when for the first time in my life—

I Saw Daylight

I asked my friend, Brother Morris: 'Is that daylight?' 'Yes,' he said. So I said: 'Praise God, I can see.' Ever since then, my eyes have been growing, and I can see better, every day.'

I have his portrait before me as I write—

With The New Eyes

and the testimony of Rev. S. A. Jamieson, Pastors Bosworth, Birdshall, R. A. Erickson and Elizabeth Sisson, who say: "It has been our joy to have been on the spot and see the shrunkent eyeballs fill out from day to day, as God carried forward the work, and mark the change from a dull expressionless countenance to one radiant with life. The whole physical form, also, which at first was anaemic, has taken on vigor and strength. To God be the glory.'

Another case, well known to me, is that of Mrs. Altoft of little Coates, Grimbsy, who was helpless and suffering ten years and eleven months, until March 5th, 1922, when God so wonderfully brought new life: abundant life and glorious health. I have two photos before me, one before and one after her healing. In the first she is helpless on a spinal carriage, in the second (March 9th, 1922) in a state of perfect health. Her case is known to thousands.

I have also two like photos of Mary Pederson, who was healed on the Ist of March 1925 of tuberculosis of the kidney, from which she had suffered nine years and eleven months. The faculty had given up her case as incurable. Another case, still more indicative of the Divine Love and mercy in showing us "the greater works"

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The story of the demand made by God upon the obedience and faith of Abraham is one of the most stirring and breath-taking accounts of God’s dealing with man found upon the pages of sacred or secular history. The record is given in the 22nd chapter of Genesis. We read in the first verse that God “tempted” Abraham. The word “tempt” in the original means “proved.” God proved Abraham in asking him to sacrifice Isaac.

Although human sacrifice was not unknown among the surrounding peoples and there was as yet no law prohibiting it, such as God later gave to His people, yet for many reasons this was a crucial test for Abraham. It was a sacrifice of natural affection. The command was to offer up his only son Isaac whom he loved. His heart’s affections were entwined around this boy who had been given in answer to prayer. So, also, to many Christians today as they walk with God there must come a sacrifice of affection. Christ said, “I have not come to bring peace, but a sword, and your foes shall be they of your own household.” How often godly parents, devoted wives, and consecrated children have proven this to be true.

The offering up of Isaac also meant a sacrifice of Abraham’s legitimate ambition. All he had ever planned and hoped for was centered in this boy. Similar tests appear in the lives of many disciples of Christ, who said: “If any man come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross and follow me.” To Moses it meant the sacrificing of the riches and honor of Egypt. To Peter it meant leaving the fisherman’s life he loved and depended upon. To many it has meant giving up wealth and ease, yea, even the ordinary comforts of life.

Further, obedience to God’s command for Abraham really meant the sacrifice of reason. It was so unreasonable that it seemed pure folly. “God’s ways are higher than man’s ways as heaven is above the earth.” It must have seemed unreasonable to Israel’s warriors for Moses to lead them to the impassable Red Sea instead of fighting their way through the Philistine country. How foolish the marching around the walls of Jericho must have appeared to the fighting men of Joshua’s army. “Spiritual things are spiritually discerned.” Many today think the new birth, divine healing, the baptism in the Holy Ghost are impossible. They would like to ask—“How can these things be?” They must sacrifice their natural reason to obtain heaven’s best.

### GOD’S FAMILY

An oprea star and a boy at school,
A teacher too with her book and rule.
A lawyer keen and an engineer,
A laborer and an Indian seer.
A business man, a physician learned,
A seaman rough from his roughness turned.
A mother too with her family,
A prisoner from his cell set free.
A wayward son with a wicked past,
A girl that the world would call outcast.
An expert mechanic, a millionaire,
A duchess great in a palace fair.
A pianist and a river thief,
A social belle who her gayness leaves,
And a weary girl by a loom that weaves.

To Christ of the Living God above,
All these have turned for a Father’s love,
And tasting now of salvation’s joy,
Are filled with a peace without alloy.

—Frances Ure.

Another factor in the anguish of the test was that his own hand must plunge the knife into the body of his son. If only another might be the agent! But no other can perform our vows and offer our sacrifices. Our own hands must shatter our hearts idols. But in spite of the agony in his heart, the hand of Abraham did not tremble, neither did his determination waver. Although every moment of the three days’ journey must have brought temptation to turn back, we have no record of any hesitation on his part. Ah! if the sacrifice could have been made as soon as the command was received, how much easier it would have been! The trials that are prolonged are so hard to endure. Living for God with all that it involves is sometimes harder than dying for Him.

Some of us might have felt inclined to question God’s word had we been in Abraham’s place. Here was a conflict of promise and command. He was commanded to offer up Isaac, yet had been promised through Isaac, descendants that would be as the sand of the sea shore and the stars of the heavens in number.

This conflict still appears in the experience of Christians. We have been promised in Holy Writ that God shall supply all our needs, yet sometimes we feel assuredly called into circumstances where it seems that actual want stares us in the face. May God give us the faith of Abraham, who trusted in spite of the seemingly irreconcilable words of God.

No doubt Abraham may have felt that he had experienced enough suffering in his life time—called to leave his home in the Ur of the Chaldees to go to a land that he knew not, then famine in the land of Canaan, followed by trouble in Egypt, separation from Lot and the difficulty over Ishmael. For many years he had been faithful to God and now in his old

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Communism

"Anyone who has studied church history knows that the early church members tried to organize their affairs on the basis of Communism but gave it up. The Pilgrims tried it at Plymouth and gave it up because it did not work well. There is nothing inherently bad about Communism except that it does not bring out the best in human nature. It is a poor proposition, as proved so when the best people tried to work it and will always prove so." — F. O. Blanchard in Advance.

A Swiss newspaper recently carried an article which stated that a group of Spanish Communists, 60 in number, of both sexes, had arrived in Leningrad to study atheism for six months. They are under the leadership of a woman who directs the Communist Party. The children are from Spanish refugee children in Russia. They are given a three-years' course in anti-religious propaganda at the expense of the Russian government.

Christian Persecution

"Reports from Korea tell of 70 Christian ministers who are in prison for 'dangerous ideas.' Muriel Lister, who has just returned from the Orient, reports that an American minister visiting in North China found a considerable settlement of Koreans there, who informed him that they had been sent by the Japanese government to live in that community. Five of their number were running opium dens by the command of Japan, who was also acquainted with the Arabs and their prejudices that he is peculiarly fitted for this new place." — Jewish Magazine.

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Liquor Again

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Prophetic News

had settled in the land to pursue a rural life.

The Palestine Company reports that during the 1937-1938 fiscal period, there was purchased from Arab owners 36,000 dunams at a cost of $1,890,000.

Palestine population excluding nomads and British troops, on January 1, 1938 was 1,335,253, consisting of 816,891 Moslems, 295,845 Jews, 110,874 Christians and 11,643 others.

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To apologize.
To begin over.
To be unselfish.
To take advice.
To admit error.
To be charitable.
To be considerate.
To endure success.
To avoid mistakes.
To keep on trying.
To forgive and forget.
To think and then act.
To recognize the silver lining—
To refuse to eat.
To make the best of little.
To maintain a high standard.
To subdue an unruly temper.
To shoulder a deserved blame.
To recognize the silver lining—
But it always pays. It is easy to find fault, to be unfair; and people love easy things."

—Edward W. Howe.
I feel led of the Lord to write the following to my brothers and sisters in Christ. After fifty years of Christian experience and having travelled extensively in the interest of the gospel and having devoted most of my time to heralding the gospel and doing good in general, and yet, I have never experienced greater tests, trials, and pressure than at present. Nor have I ever been more restful and peaceful in my soul and victorious over all the powers of darkness. But my heart cry is still for a deeper work shall be no more I but Christ. It appears to me that we have come to a parting of the road, my life is to know Him better and His power to keep under the most trying circumstances and this means nothing less than a going down until it shall be no more I but Christ. Appearance of keeping the devil and his forces will an~

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Can this incident not be applied to the present situation, world-wide? Was there ever a greater storm raging, politically, and commercially, and religiously everywhere than now? And was there ever greater activity and trusting to the arm of flesh to deliver us, and with it all, failure could be written over the entire horizon. Is it not because we have, to a great extent, forsaken God and man is governing and he, left to himself, is always a failure, from God's point of view. God is waiting patiently, we believe, to be enquired of and if trusted and given the reins of government He will once more come forth and demonstrate His power surpassing anything heretofore. We, His people, are in the boat, and, thank God, we are safe as long as we trust Him, but so many we fear, are trusting in the arm of flesh these days. To be a Christian is to be Christ-like and to be Christ-like is to have power with God. There is a difference, we believe, between having the power of God and having power with God. Having power with God means that He trusts us. There is no doubt but that the coming of Christ is near at hand and the Tribulation clouds, which are felt already, are hovering over us and we cannot tell now what a day may bring forth. Millions of good, honest, God-fearing people throughout the world believe this. Should we not, one and all, who love the Lord, recognize our need, and drop our differences and divisions, humble ourselves and get upon our knees, repent and seek God's face until He hears and answers prayer. Question, to be honest, is not this the great need of the hour world-wide? Is God Himself not handicapped in endeavoring to bring about righteous conditions upon the earth, when so few have faith in Him and in His promises, and because we His people have allowed the flesh to occupy such a prominent place, thus usurping the place of the Holy Spirit. And yet it is not all prophetic. Did not Jesus say, "As in the days of Noah and of Lot, so shall it be and when I come shall I find faith on the earth." And in 2nd Thess. Chapter 2, "that day shall not come except there come a falling away first."

Lawlessness today is seemingly beyond all control. Just recently I saw a colored woman standing on a street of a certain city crying aloud to its people to repent or judgment would fall upon them. In less than two weeks seven of its leading officials were removed from office, so it was reported, because of dishonesty. We could give many more incidents if time and space would permit. One could fill pages. What does it all mean? Are not the powers of darkness being let loose over the whole world? There is a letting down, in morals and in righteousness in general. Who among us ere long will be able to stand true to God and to His Word; because the Spirit and established in the Rock of Ages we will fail utterly.

Never was there such activity in religious work and more preaching, especially in this country, than at present; and from all appearances and from my own experience and observation the unsaved are not being reached to any great extent. Conviction for sin, I believe, was never less. A better picture of the present situation could not be given than the one in Matthew, 8th chapter. Jesus is in a boat on the Sea of Galilee in a storm and it is night time and He is asleep. In a sense He is saying to His disciples, who are rowing hard to get to land, "Row on, brethren, until you get through." Did He not know the predicament they were in, yes, but He was waiting for something more

To the Saints in Christ

By Albert Weaver

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festation of God's supernatural Presence, and I believe it. I have been in some of the great revivals of the world; the Welsh revival, the one in India during Pandita Ramabai's time and the one across the Jordan which was marvelous. The writer was present at all three and I would not attempt to express in words the power of God as I saw it manifested when God was trusted and given the right of way. Can He not do it again? Oh, for a refreshing of the Spirit once more, from the Presence of the Lord. Let us one and all humbly seek His Face. God grant it.

"The Wind Bloweth where it Listeth"

By E. Adams

ALTHOUGH we live in a day of wonderful mechanical contrivances, the child of God can never lose sight of the infinitely vaster wonders with which the Creator has filled our "mysterious universe." The beauties of nature are not modern, but the believer, at all events, will always take pleasure in the rainbow and "the wind on the heath."

Our Lord took up the common things of life and made them the vehicles of spiritual truth. And He said to Nicodemus, "The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit." Many thoughts are here suggested, including the universality, the mysteriousness and the variety of the operations of the Holy Spirit, the "Executive of the Godhead."

When the earth was to be prepared as man's home, the process of reconstruction began when "the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." And ever since that special work was completed He has been continually acting in the world, sustaining and renewing His creation. "In Him we live, and move, and have our being." The Spirit of the living God permanently pervades His universe; and He is "close to each of us."

The Spirit's highest work is done through the highest truth which He has made known.

The Full Revelation of God's character and redemption in Christ. He is our Regenerator and the Author of all victory over sin, of every Christian grace, of every effectual prayer, of all power for witness, of all fruitful service.

There is the element of mystery in the movements of the wind: "You never know where it has come from or where it goes." Winds arise unexpectedly, and change as unexpectedly. The weather forecasts, in this country at all events, are always open to doubt, and often prove incorrect.

The Spirit's work in the regeneration of the soul is mysterious. In all revivals there is the unknown factor. Why some countries have much more gospel light than others; why some ministries seem far more blessed than others equally faithful—these and similar questions can perhaps be answered up to a point, but a full explanation is not possible. There must of necessity be the mysterious and unknowable element when the Eternal Spirit acts upon finite and sinful human beings restricted by the limitations of this world.

A storm at sea or on land is always awe-inspiring. The wind which at times is hardly strong enough to rustle the leaves of the aspen, at other times raises mountainous waves, uproots the stalwart oak, and even overthrows human habitations.

"Powerful As The Wind" the Spirit came upon the prophets who spoke the divine messages as they were borne along or impelled by Him. It was the power of Christ through His Spirit that bent and broke the stubborn spirit of Saul of Tarsus, and converted the headstrong, overbearing persecutor into the most devoted servant of the gospel and the pattern of submission to the Lord.

The wind is nature's breath, and is an instrument of health in driving away the smoke of towns and the unwholesome vapors of low-lying country places. We have felt the better for a fresh breeze at the close of a sultry day.

It is the Spirit of purity and grace who makes the sinner hate his sin and long for holiness. The heavenly wind cleanses away the morbid doubts and fears, the selfishness and the worldliness, that depress and defile the soul.

God's free and active Spirit revives, liberates and energizes the spirit of man. In the presence of eternal realities the human spirit trembles and shrinks, or else is torpid and unmoved. The Divine Spirit arouses us from our native slumber, and pours new life and vigor into the "inner man." He graciously revives the drooping heart, and replaces stagnation and slackness by swift movement and healthy enthusiasm.

And the wind

Removes The Mists

that veil the landscape, so that little by little, or it may be suddenly, the entire scene lies open to the view. The Spirit of truth reveals spiritual things to us. He interprets the Word. He is the Administrator and the only effectual Teacher of the things of Christ. As is noticed by the writer of Ecclesiastes, a special feature of the wind is the variety of its activities. Its direction frequently changes. It may blow evenly or in gusts. It may be hot or cold, dry or damp. And in swiftness and strength it ranges from the soft zephyr to the raging hurricane.

As the gale bears along among the (Continued on page 12)
ANY Christians are walking carelessly and thoughtlessly as though going to a picnic. The very next thing we may be facing may be the Rapture—or the Tribulation. A student of world events has said, "It is five minutes to twelve in the history of the world."

Our Lord’s Olivet Discourse as recorded in Matthew 24 and 25 presents a pre-view of conditions that prevail in the world and in the Church at the time of His Coming. Grave admonitions and pointed warnings to the unwatchful disciple, slothful stewards, unfaithful servants and an unready Church fill the discourse.

In a swift analysis of events that directly proceed the Rapture of the saints, the Lord Jesus points first to Israel (the Fig Tree) putting forth her leaves. Passing on to conditions in the world at the hour of His Advent, He compares them to the unrestrained wantonness, drunkenness, marrying and giving in marriage that characterized the age before the Flood. He shows that at that hour two may be working in the field or grinding at the mill; one will be taken out of the world; the other left in the world.

"Watch therefore; for ye know not the hour your Lord doth come." The Lord’s teachings on this point are emphatic. It is the watchful one (spiritually awake and aroused) that He takes from the world. It is the unwatchful one He leaves in the world.

In like manner the Lord goes on to deal with stewardship. The inexpressibly great reward of the diligent steward apportioning to His house, "meat in due season" is pictured in fearful contrast to the punishment measured out to the slothful steward who looked not, neither prepared for the Coming of the Master of the house. In this Season of His Coming "meat" for His table is the message of His Appearing, that will prepare and purify the heart and life, so that "when He shall appear, we shall be like Him."

In illustrating conditions prevailing in the Church at the moment of the Rapture the Lord pictures ten virgins, five of whom were wise and five foolish. All ten had lamps, but the foolish had no oil in their lamps, consequently they had no light. Unexpectedly, suddenly, at midnight the cry sounded forth, "Behold the Bridegroom cometh: go ye out to meet him." The five wise, despite their slumber were in a heart attitude of habitual readiness. But every plea of prudence or innocence on the part of the foolish, unprepared virgins only added to their confusion. In the time of their direst need their profession came to nothing. In the hours of preparation, Christ had not been all in all to them. They minded earthly things. They were more concerned about the things of the world than the things of God. Hence they were not accounted worthy to escape earth’s last fearful judgments and stand before the Son of Man. Not all Christians who call themselves such will attain to the Rapture of the saints. Those who by lives of consecration and separation give constant testimony that they are not of the world, who by lives of pure, unselﬁsh, devoted, unworlily intensely active Christian service, hold each moment in readiness to be accounted worthy, are they who will be ready for the undated moment of the Great Advent.

The five foolish virgins lived lives of slothful ease. The sudden cry, "Be hold the Bridegroom cometh: go ye out to meet him," stirred them to preparation. But alas, there was no time to make the preparation required. The five wise virgins, already with lamps ﬁlled and burning, had time only to trim their lamps and were then swiftly caught up through the open door.

John in the Patmos vision saw this door (Rev. 4:1). He “looked and beheld a Door was opened and a voice like a trumpet said to him, ‘Come up hither.’ Throughout the warnings of the Olivet Discourse Christ’s exhortations are to “see . . . watch . . . be ready . . . watch and pray . . . let your loins be girded . . . your lamps burning . . .”

The Lord’s purpose in directing attention to prophetic events was to enable His disciples to look up and lift up their heads in the knowledge given by the sure word of prophecy, that their redemption drew near . . .

Many disciples are today forfeiting all claims to readiness for the rapture by looking on prophetic events and permitting them to claim their attention instead of the Coming Christ. John teaches that it is the Hope of His Appearing that puriﬁes us as He is pure. It is a purifying hope. It is a preparing hope, it puriﬁes in preparation of the Advent itself. His Coming is not a prophetic controversy nor a prophetic difference of opinion as some seem to suppose.

In recording the Lord’s warnings given in connection with His Second Coming Luke writes, “Let your loins be girded about and your lights burning: and ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their Lord, when he shall return . . . that when he cometh and knocketh they may open to him immediately.” The five wise had lamps ﬁlled and burning all through the night. Even though the gloom was deep, their vigil was piercing. Now at ﬁve minutes to twelve, wise virgins are living in all the light they have. They are living up to every ray of light God has given them. There is nothing dark or questionable between them and their Lord or between them and any living creature. Absolutely, everything is made right with God and man.

The Church of Philadelphia, the Church of true believers,—the Church
whom the Lord promised to keep from the hour of temptation coming on all the world.—is given the Spirit’s message. “Behold, I come quickly: hold fast that which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.” The five unready virgins tried to borrow from the five ready ones but they “held fast that which they had,” and no man took their crown.

Joel, the prophet of the end-time, predicts the outpouring of the Spirit upon all flesh. In the parable of the virgins the Lord teaches there will be a rapid lamp trimming Revival which enables the wife to make herself ready, glorious, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing (Rev. 19:7; Eph. 5:27).

Paul’s Epistles are full of earnest exhortations and appeals to Christians to press forward to the highest possible attainment in holiness and good works. If ever there was a disciple who had any right to consider he had won Christ, it was Paul. Yet in his letters to the Philippians we find him renouncing everything, counting all things loss, even suffering the loss of all things that he might WIN Christ. In order to win this prize Paul stripped himself of all else in his race for it. In Bishop Moule’s paraphrase of Philippians 3:12, as quoted in “Dawn,” Paul fervently declares, “Not as though I had already received the crown of accomplished glory, or had been already perfected, with the perfection which shall be. No, I am pressing on, as on the racer’s course: if, indeed, if, as a fact, in blessed finality, I may seize the promised crown with a view to which I was actually seized by Jesus Christ, when in His mercy He laid violent hands upon me, to pluck me from ruin, and to constrain me into His salvation, and His service. Yes, I press on to seize that crown, with the animating thought that it was on purpose that I might seize it that the Lord seized me: and that so every stage in the upward and onward course of faith runs straight in the line of His will, whose mighty, gracious grasp is on me as I go.”

Five minutes to twelve! It is at midnight the cry sounds forth, “Behold the Bridegroom cometh!” They that are ready go in with Him to the marriage and the door is shut. In the Song of Solomon a lovely prophetic picture is given of the Bride of Christ: “Thou art all fair, My love; And there is no spot on thee... Thou hast ravished my heart with one look from thine eyes... How fair is thy love, My sister, My bride!”

ABRAHAM'S SACRIFICE

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age, surely he had a right to expect lighter tasks and a degree of ease. Instead of this we find him confronted with the most severe test of his life.

How did Abraham meet this test? The record states, “Abraham rose early in the morning.” How many in his place would have risen late that morning—but not Abraham! He did not doubt or question the love or wisdom of God. He did not wait for a repetition of the command, nor for additional evidence, nor until he perfectly understood, but obeyed promptly. What wonderful faith was manifested by Abraham in this alacrity. He had only the command of God to rest upon. There had been wonderful promises made to him before, when any new step was to be taken, but in this instance he had the command alone. Another example of his faith was given, when at the end of three days’ journey, he told his servants, “I and the lad will come again to you.” Although he knew that God had commanded him to offer up Isaac, yet as the account in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews states, he went on “counting that God was able to raise him up even from the dead.” A little later on, as Abraham and Isaac journeyed alone, the boy asked about the lamb for the burnt offering. Abraham, with matchless faith, said: “My son, God will provide Himself a lamb for a burnt offering.”

When the wood was laid upon the altar, Abraham bound the unresisting boy and placed him upon the wood. Then with perfect sincerity and integrity of purpose, he stretched forth his hand to slay his son. Nothing would he withhold from God. At that moment God spoke and Abraham beheld the ram caught in the thickets. Deliverance came but not too soon to show the completeness of Abraham’s obedience nor to late to save Isaac. Praise God for His promise in 1 Corinthians 10:13: “God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way of escape, that ye may be able to bear it.”

The Lord gave Abraham a new revelation of Himself and reconfirmed the old promises. The new revelation was Jehovah-jireh, the Lord will provide.

It is then that angels minister and heaven comes down our souls to bless.

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‘The Lord in a most providential manner opened up for me a way whereby I might gain a working knowledge of the Chinese language. I met in with a friend, a Chinese, who was well versed in the English language. He being about as anxious to learn the Greek language as I was to learn the Chinese language, agreed readily to teach me the Chinese language, if I would teach him the Greek language.

‘A lady by the name of Miss Jessie Wang (leader in charge of a small Cantonese Pentecostal Mission, came one day and besought me to go and conduct a series of special meetings at her mission station. This was my first attempt at preaching God’s Word in the land to which God had so wonderfully called me. The Lord blessed the ministry in a most precious manner and I shall always look back upon my experience of those days as a somewhat special training school for the larger work that the Lord was planning for my life and preparing me to accomplish in His will. And, as an outcome of this ministry, the Lord raised up, in the person of Brother Lingburg, a royal friend and enthusiastic supporter of the work which the Lord entrusted to my hands. Brother Lingburg, has supplied me with all I have ever needed and more than I have been able to use of outer garments for a number of years.

‘One afternoon they brought to this Cantonese mission a man, who had been totally blind in both of his eyes for eight years, seeking prayers for his healing. I felt led of the Lord to pray for the saving of his soul only at that time and that I should give him three days in which to prepare himself for the ministry of healing for the restoration of his eyesight. That night I spoke upon the subject of ‘Broken Hearts,’ framing my message about Psalm 34:18, and earnestly urged all of the people to search their hearts. Upon looking into my own heart, I discovered that it also stood in need of another breaking up in the presence of the Lord. I fasted and prayed for three days, during which time the only nourishment that I took was a glass of milk at the end of the second day. At the time appointed Miss Wang took me to the home of the blind man that we might minister unto him. As I talked to him of the love and power of the Lord Jesus Christ, suddenly, pointing to the clock in the room, he said, ‘It is half past eleven.’ Truly there was great excitement in the neighborhood as Miss Wang led him about, pointing out to him different objects and asking him to name them in proof that the Lord had in very truth opened..."
Seven World Signs of the Times

By Harry J. Steil

The Sign in the Religious World

"And because iniquity shall abound, the love (toward God) of many shall wax cold" (Matt. 24:12). This was given as a sign by Christ to His Apostles when they asked Him for signs which would presage His second advent. The religious, the spiritual love of many would wax cold—there would come a dearth of religion—men would become irreverent. St. Paul also mentions this irreverent condition as one of the signs of Christ's Second Advent. "That day (of Christ's coming) shall not come except there will be a falling away (an apostasy—a falling away from the Christian faith) first..." No one needs to go outside his own circle of acquaintances and surroundings to take note of this falling away from spiritual things. Churches are closed, or half empty—while the theatres, the sports arenas, the saloons and cocktail bars are crowded. All forms of cults and "isms," the direct counterpart of Christianity are increasing in popularity, while "the faith of our fathers," languishes. A few years ago, in one of the largest American cities, the music for the Lenten services was placed in the charge of an earnest Christian. He chose the hymns of the church which exalted the atoning death of the Saviour for mankind. On Good Friday, the Bishop of that great church, a Modernist, taking exception to these hymns, remarked to the congregation, "I see you have been singing a lot of 'butcher-shop' songs here this week." Need we say more as proof that we are in the apostasy—"the falling away?"

Under this sign we must also list the overthrow of thirty or more different kingdoms and empires in the last two decades. These would include the overthrow of the German, Austrian, Italian, Russian, Chinese, Spanish and Turkish empires and kingdoms. Also the grave change from conservatism and sound democracy to hysterical Fascism and Communism among some hundreds of millions of earth's population must be noted.

The Sign in the Moral and Social World

Read 2 Timothy 3:1-5. The sins of lust and of incontinence are catalogued here by the Apostle. Sherwood Eddy, some years ago declared that fifty per cent of the young people acted immorally. Chancellor Hardy, of the University of St. Louis, some time ago, stated that in the last thirty years, crime had increased 1200 per cent. Further, that only one in ten major crimes, were ever traced through by the police to the criminal and that offender punished. It is a matter of record, that in the United States there are at large more than 160,000 murderers, who never have been brought to the bar of justice for their crime. They outnumber the entire police force of the United States by at least 50,000. Two months ago, over the radio, Boake Carter announced that the crime bill in the U. S. A. for the year just past, including the expense for penal institutions, courts, prosecution, etc., amounted to the staggering total of fifteen billion dollars. Not 15 million but fifteen billion.

The Sign in the Political World

Read Luke 21:25-28 "... upon the earth distress of nations with perplexity... men's hearts failing them for fear." The Governor of the Bank of England, Montagu Norman, of whom Viscount Snowden said —"He is the greatest statesman in England since the world war," says this—"The world is in a grip of an economic disorder which has rendered it virtually helpless and there is no solution in sight." What a confirmation of this text—"distress of nations— with perplexity." As for men's hearts failing them for fear— in one recent year, fifty thousand people committed suicide in Europe as they surveyed the outlook and saw nothing but war, Fascism, Communism and tyranny approaching them.

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MATRON'S REPORT
The lovely summer days are slipping by only too swiftly for us here at Bethel Home. The abundance of rain which has fallen throughout the season has kept everything so wonderfully green and fresh that we have been able to enjoy to the fullest extent the cool, pleasant surroundings of the home.

During the past month we were privileged to have with us, for a few days, Brother and Sister Earl Douglass of Chelsea, Massachusetts, who were engaged in a series of evangelistic services at the Wellesley Park Camp grounds. Brother Douglass and his wife are always welcome visitors. They are very popular with the members of Bethel Home, to whom they have showed much kindness.

At the present time we are glad to have with us Evangelist Malva Gower of Oakland, Maryland, who is the present speaker at the revival meetings going on at Wellesley Park. We thank the Lord for the privilege of having this sister with us during her stay in this locality, and pray God's richest blessing upon her and her blessed ministry wherever she goes.

We wish to acknowledge the kindness of our friends who have remembered us during the month just passed. We are grateful for a box of clothing, sent to us by a friend in New Jersey, and also for a crate of vegetables which reached us recently from Woburn, Massachusetts.

The recent, terrific rain storm practically submerged our garden for a few days. The pond on the grounds overflowed its banks, making the gathering of vegetables, impossible. But, thank the Lord, the water has receded and conditions appear quite normal once more.

We continue to offer praise and thanksgiving to our heavenly Father for His daily supply of the necessary things for this temporal life. We praise Him too, for that all important scripture which reads, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." Matt.4:4. For as the body of man demands food every day from which to derive energy to perform his daily tasks, so the spirit of man must eat of the living bread and drink of the living water if he would become an actual possessor of spiritual life and energy.

We are continuing to hold up before God the requests for prayer which have come in for the sick and unsaved. The needs of suffering humanity are so great!

The plans for the long anticipated Camp Meeting of the District to be conducted here on the grounds of Bethel Home, are fast nearing completion. It is only a matter of days now before we shall have the precious privilege of sitting under the ministries of such spirit filled servants of God as Bro. Allan Swift and Sister Hattie Hammond.

Prayer is going up daily to the throne that there will be a real visitation from God in this section of staid old New England and that all who attend the meetings will receive fresh inspiration and encouragement to press on into a richer and more fruitful life in God.

Yours in Him,
Mrs. C. Armstrong, Matron.

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—Mrs. M. J. Peale.

"THE WIND BLOWETH WHERE IT LISTETH"
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branches and leaves of the pine, the beech, the willow, each tree contributes its own quality of sound. The same air moves in the flute, the cornet and the horn, but different music is produced. The operations of the Divine Breath are as varied as the voices of the wind. The wonderful variety in the contents and styles of the Scriptures was the result of the same Spirit using men of different temperaments, training and positions, and for different purposes.

The new birth exhibits the same principle. Although in each person regenerated by the Spirit the twofold essential of repentance and faith is always present, yet no two conversions are the same in all their associated circumstances. And how different is the blending of Moral and Spiritual qualities of God's children, and how varied are their ministries.

God usually gives us the sort of spiritual experience we seek after, but we cannot demand a coveted type of experience, for He has given us a full Christ, and it is to Christ that the Holy Spirit calls attention. Let us go on as the Lord leads us. —Sel.

Notice!
GOOD BOOKS FOR SALE
This is a partial list of the good books to be on sale at the Camp Meeting Book Department Store.
Make it a special point to buy some of these books as the profits will be used to aid Bethel Home for the Aged.
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Missionary Letter
OPPORTUNITY

The Gold Coast of Africa is a
British colony larger than England,
Wales and Scotland combined. It
is divided into these main administra tive
areas, namely: the Gold Coast
Colony, the Ashanti Territory and
the Northern Territories. This latter
area comprises a little more than a
third of the whole. Many tribes are to
be found here, some of them the most
primitive in all of Africa. Civilization
has made very little progress
among them and in some parts the
natives go about naked or with only
a bunch of leaves for clothing. The
following is only a partial list of
tribes: Gonja Nanumba, Dagomba,
Konkomba, Chakosi, Basare, Komba,
Chamba, Bimoba, Mamprusi, Kusasi,
Frafra, Grunsi, Nankanni, Issala,
Lobi, Dagarti, and Wala.

The Assemblies of God is the only
Protestant Society working in the
Northern Territories. The latter part
of 1931 the first station was opened
at Yendi the capital of the Dagomba
kingdom. In the spring of 1933 a
second station was built in the same
tribe at Tamale. 1934 saw the open ing
of work among the Mamprusi
when we built the station at Wele-
wale. We have just completed another
station at Kumbungu and a print shop
and living quarters for those in charge
of printing on the Yendi station. The
print shop is not entirely completed
and there is a debt of $200 dollars on
the bungalow. A good start has been
made toward a station among the Ku-
sasi tribe at Bawku. A well has been
sunk and a great number of stones
dressed for the bungalow. Work had
to be stopped on this station because
of the lack of funds and workers.
It is hoped that by the next dry sea son
funds will permit the completion
of this station.

It will be readily seen that we are
only beginning to touch the tribes of
this region. We are still the only mis sion
interested in them. We on the
field feel our responsibility before God
and lay these facts before our home
constituency for prayer and support.

—W. L. Shirer.

NOTICE!

Evangelist Richard Prue is open for
calls in the evangelistic field. He has
been trying to open the difficult field
of Franklin but due to the great op posi tion of the churches has been
unable to find a meeting place. Until
such a place can be secured he is open
for evangelistic calls. His address is
Richard Prue, 412 Buffalo St., Frank lin, Pa.

Notes on the Tabernacle
By David Leigh

This book is written by the Presi dent
of Beulah Heights Bible School at
Newark, New Jersey, who has been teach ing
in Bible School for many years. It is
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CAMP MEETING GROUNDS

The Camp Meeting at Living Water’s Park will open this year on
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great rally on Labor Day.

The Park is situated about two
miles west of Cherry Tree and 22
miles north east of Indiana, Pa., on
Penna Route 843 which passes right
by the entrance to the grounds.

Construction work has been going
on steadily since the camp closed last
year and the fine dining hall and
kitchen is about ready for service? the
tabernacle is going up at the pres ent
time and the progress being made
seems to bid fair that it will be ready
in plenty of time for the great open ing
day August the 18th.

Many of the readers of this article
know Miss Hattie Hammond, who is
an outstanding lady Evangelist and
we are glad to know that the Lord is
leading our sister to be present among
us as one of the ministers of His glor i ous Word. Other workers will be
present and many outstanding minis ters
though little known will be pres ent.

Our District Superintendent, Rev. 
Flem Van Meter will be present with
his rich ministry in the Word of God; Rev. Allan Swift who is well known
for his godly life and deep spiritual
Teaching will be present some of the
time. Many of the ministers from the
Western section of the district will
be present and find place and ministry
where and when the occasion arises.

The services will begin with a
morning watch in the tents at 5:00
A. M. where folks will arise to wait
on God in secret followed by a Sun rise meeting in the Tabernacle at 6:00
o’clock, breakfast and the morning
study your Bible hour at 9:30 fol lowed by preaching at 10:30. The
afternoon services will open at 2:30
and continue on as the Lord may lead
us in preaching, praising or seeking.

We are praying the Lord to mani fest Himself in the healing of the
The meeting was turned into a praise meeting and kept up till morning. On returning home he marked a text in his Father’s large Bible, not knowing what the words were, being only able to see the outline.

This was read to him next day. It was “The Lord openeth the eyes of the blind.” His eyes grew until on April 6th 1892, he paid a visit to Dr. Moon of Brighton, who examined his eyes and found his sight perfect, after tests with small print Bible, Sankey, and Ben Hur.”

To sum up we will quote one of the most astonishing cases on record. A few years ago, a poor woman named Sz Cham, of Canton, China, whose husband being a gambler—

Their Sixteen Children

had one by one been sold in slavery. She was now 50 years of age, quite blind, and dying of fever. She heard people around her saying that Jesus could chase away fever demons, make the blind to see, and even raise the dead. “O where can I find the temple of this great God?” she said. Later a missionary explained to her who Jesus was, and she fell asleep, praying. He appeared to her in a dream, telling her that her fever was cured.

Present Day Miracles

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is that of George Evison of Grimsby who had “New eyes in answer to prayer.” His eyes had dropped out piecemeal until the sockets were entirely empty, cold and lifeless. He was asked to go to a meeting at a Divine Healing Home at Grimsby, which he did on the 21st of March, 1890, and was anointed. Shortly after when he felt “two warm fingers” laid upon the cold sockets, his eyes began to grow. At first he could only see lights, but at the later visit, he heard a voice say: “It is finished,” and sprang up and shouted aloud: “Thank God I can see. For I can see everybody and everything here.”

Willingness overshadows ability

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The incomparable Christ who spanned the universe and balanced the worlds—who sprinkled stardust on the purple meadows of the sky, then takes His torch and lights the street lamps of the milky way... He who studs the nocturnal Heavens with gems of royal, ravishing beauty, and lubricates the planets in the runways of endless space... is more than able to heal... for, if with ease He swings the stars on the pendulum of nighttime, and has smitten death and disease since time began... why should faithless mortality venture to suggest His capability of performance when there is “no finding out of His power?”

In God’s association with human-kind, ability and willingness are inseparable companions... and we can say; he willingly expels the flagellant germ from the God given temple.

While ability could answer, No... and justifiably so... for the word would remain inflexible as to assistance... yet, Thank God, willingness shouts, yes.

His work was not so high or great He could not hear the leper’s cry; But, with a touch, unbarred the gate, Revealing scenes in earth and sky.

PRESEmt DAY MIRACLES

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The World’s Greatest Love Story

By Marie O. Jones

Through the generous offering from the Author we can give you one of these books free with a new subscription to Word and Work, one year for one dollar. —Christian Workers’ Union, 7 Auburn Street, Framingham, Mass., Rev. Alfred Wright, Supt. and Treas.

Herald of the Bridegroom

By Kate Knight

SEVEN WORLD SIGNS OF THE TIMES

(Continued from page 11)

twelve minutes time. Further, that it could lay low the entire U. S. population east of the Mississippi, (80,000,000 souls) overnight! How we need to pray, that Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace may soon return and make wars to cease to the ends of the earth.

The Sign in the Physical World

"There shall be earthquakes in many places." (Matt. 24:6-7). All over this globe, seismographs record 30,000 earthquakes a year. Most of them are minor disturbances. A noted authority on earthquakes, Professor Milne, declares, "For some reason, which science cannot explain, earthquakes are on the increase." But the Word of God explains it—it is one of the signs of the end time—one of the signs of Christ's second advent—"there shall be earthquakes in many places."

The Sign of the Class Struggle between Capitol and Labor

"Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days... Behold the hire of the laborers which you have kept back by fraud, crieth." (James 5:1-9).

This whole passage is a commentary on our times. Written 19 centuries ago, it describes the great social and labor problem of our times. The remedy? The coming of Christ, Who will be the real Head for the real Social Justice Party. "Be patient—the Coming of the Lord draweth nigh." Concerning the heaping together of treasure—consider the industrial millionaires. Consider that one family of millionaires, having waxed rich through munitions making, own the factory which made the bombs which the Japanese used to destroy the American gunboat Panay. Again, concerning the "heaping together" of riches, recall how the U. S. has drained its N.Y. City and Philadelphia and Washington, D. C. treasuries of their gold, and have "heaped" that treasure in the heart of the earth, at Fort Knox, Kentucky—far enough inland to be reasonably safe from a potential enemy invasion. The same procedure was used in removing the gold from San Francisco, moving it a thousand miles inland, and heaping it in the stony heart of the Rocky Mountains at Denver.

The Sign of the Revival of the Jewish Nation


For many centuries the number of Jews in the world kept at a level of 5,000,000. Today they number 17,000,000. Ethnologists declare that they are increasing 35 per cent faster than any other race or people. For centuries, the number of Jews in Palestine numbered just a few thousand. Today there are close to 400,000 Jews there. A prominent Rabbi declares that they have come there from 64 different Gentile nations. For centuries, the Land of Palestine was arid and barren, as Moses prophesied, due to Israel's disobedience—now it is a fruitful and prosperous land, the seasonal rains, the "early and the latter rains" have been miraculously restored. Christ said, "And when these things begin to come to pass then LOOK UP and lift up your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:28). Friend, the outlook may be dark these days, but the UPLOOK is grand. Are you looking for the Saviour? Are you prepared for His appearing? —Glad Tidings Herald.

WHAT GOD HATH WROUGHT

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ed his blind eyes and restored to him his sight.

"In the spring of 1930, my friend and brother in the Lord, Mr. McNair, who lived in the French concession, was taken seriously ill and I went to see him and remained with him until he recovered. Upon returning to my home with the Lins and knocking on the door, little Charlie, nephew of Mrs. Lin, greeted me with the words, 'Our Mary, she dead.' I said, 'What?'

'Yes,' said he, 'Our Mary, she dead. She is dead.' As I rushed up stairs to remove my coat in my own room, a great sorrow filled my heart and a great compassion flooded into my breast in the behalf of dear Sister Lin. And, suddenly, I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, 'The child shall not die, the child shall not die.' I thanked God and proceeded to the room where lay the dead child. The mother was weeping, as was also another sister in the Lord. I said to the nephew, who understood the English language and who was able to act as my interpreter, 'Tell mother that the child shall not die.' She grabbed hold of my two hands and placed one upon the child's forehead and the other upon the child's leg in order to prove to me that the child was already dead. As I placed my hands upon the body of the dead child, the Spirit of the Lord came upon me mightily, causing me to rebuke death in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, whom I love and whom I serve. In about seven minutes the child moved its head and then its leg and came back to life again. I dropped upon my face on the floor and thanked God that He had made it possible for me to witness the resurrection of the dead with my own eyes and that he had taken away the cause of the great grief in the heart of this dear mother."

Upon arrival in Shanghai, March 9th, 1929, he made no attempts to found a mission of his own, but gave himself, unreservedly, to witnessing for Christ and ministering to the sick in soul and body here and there and everywhere. Doors of opportunity swung open wide, both Pentecostal and non-Pentecostal—Presbyterian, Methodist, Episcopal, Lutheran, Christian and Missionary Alliance—to this humble, consecrated, God-owned, Spirit-anointed servant of Christ. A Presbyterian missionary, for example, home on furlough from China, related to me the story of Brother Papon's visit to their mission station and of how "so many were in the healing line seeking prayers for heal-
ing that it was impossible to minister to all of them in any one single service."

He also interested himself in the printing and free distribution of Gospel tracts and posters. Summing up his efforts for the spread of the Gospel in China during those first years, he says: "For three years the Lord used me to preach the Word of God, to give out tracts and to pray for the sick for healing. In the fourth year the Lord made it possible for me to print our own tracts and posters and also to hire Christian workers at a dollar per day, plus traveling expenses, to go out into the cities, towns and villages, posting up the posters, distributing the tracts and preaching the Gospel."

His method in this regard is most interesting. Six workers kneel in prayer together for two or three hours around a table upon which has been placed a supply of these silent messengers. They then strike out, two together for two or three hours. The poster man very slowly pastes up his posters, attracting the attention of great throngs through curiosity. In the meantime the tract man is busy giving out the tracts through the crowd. Then, following the posting of the posters and the distribution of the tracts, they both testify and preach the Gospel to the crowds. (To be continued).

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