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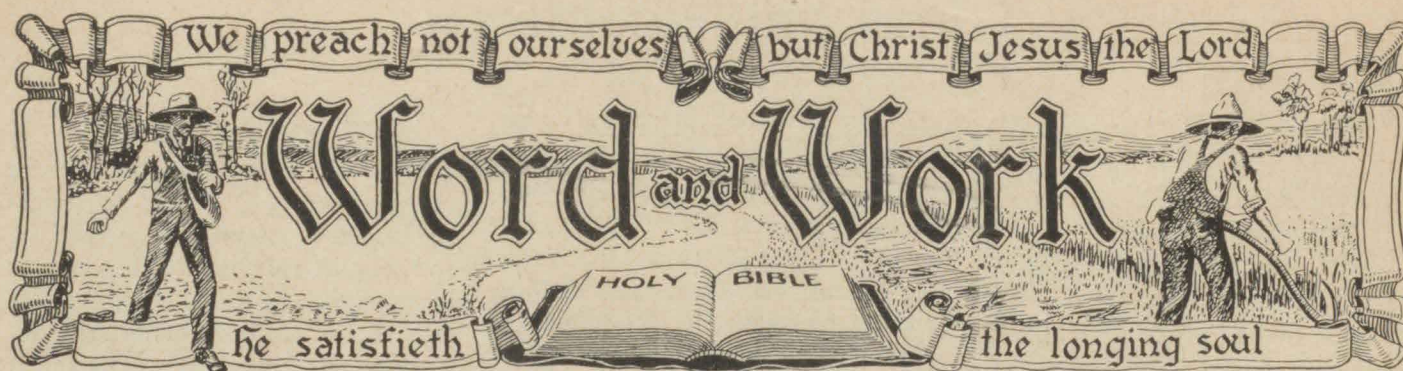
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## AWAKE! AWAKE!

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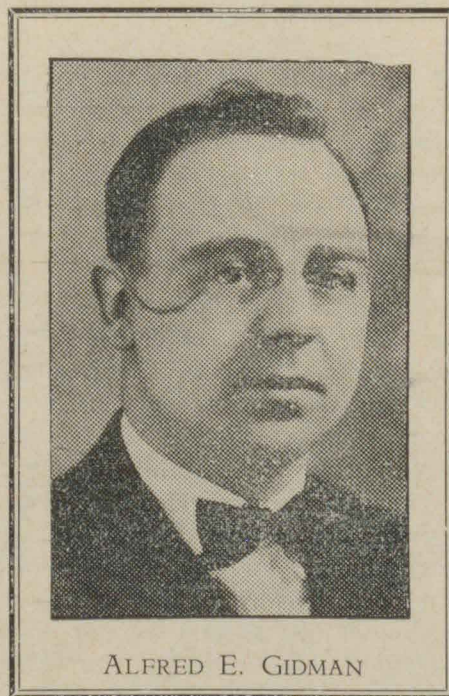
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*"Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light."* (Eph. 5:14).

It is conceded by Bible scholars that the letter to the Ephesians embodies the highest type of teaching to be found in the Bible. The reason is obvious, the Ephesian church was advanced, a truly spiritual church. It would seem on the surface that there was no need for such an exhortation, or should I say, CALL; if these people were so spiritual why insert such a startling call? The ones who are apt to go into a slumber are the spiritual members, for if the Devil cannot get us to backslide he will try and put us to sleep. The sleeper is just as effective in holding up the work of God as is the backslider, so the enemy accomplishes his purpose in a different manner. The child of God is in his place in the assembly, but he is FAST ASLEEP.

There is a deadly inertia over the church as a whole today. It is spreading into the Pentecostal movement, and unless we take note of it and shake ourselves, we shall be fast asleep. We are slipping into a formalistic rut, the absence of spiritual desire is noticeable but we do nothing about it. We are satisfied, and when we are satisfied we are somnolent. It is not a new condition for the history of the people of Israel as well as the Church is full

of such like occurrences. We may say, "We are not asleep because we know things are not as they should be." I beg to differ, knowledge of a thing does not indicate wakefulness if we do not do something to correct the condition. What are YOU doing? Are



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you awaiting a revival, are you awaiting for the whole assembly to AWAKEN? That will not do, the injunction, the call is a personal one, "AWAKE THOU" never mind what the others are doing, you stir yourself up and face the enemy.

When Israel was oppressed because of sin and there seemed to be no way of deliverance, the people were quite conscious of their awful condition, but that was not sufficient. The call "Awake, Awake" was sent through the land. A lone woman, Deborah, heard it and answered the call. She took the initiative because there was not a man to take the place; they were asleep. In her song of victory she states she heard the call, "Awake, Awake" and she applied it to herself (Judges 5). What a victory it was, but supposing she had not awakened, she might have rightly said, "It's a man's job," and gone back to slumber. The enemy would have continued to rule and oppress. Praise God for those who are willing to stir themselves even when they seem to have the right to be comfortable.

The people of Israel were asleep when the greatest event in their history took place. They had looked for the visitation of their Messiah and though John the Baptist had tried to awaken them and had warned them of the Christ's nearness, their slumber was so heavy that, as a nation, they missed their opportunity. There were some humble fishermen, a tax collector, and other like folk who heard the call, "Awake" and saw the matchless beauty of the Nazarene call-

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# The Hushed Heart

By Pastor E. C. W. BOULTON

"Mine ears hast Thou opened"  
(Psalm xl. 6)

Forbid that I should ever miss  
One word of Thine,  
Or fail to grasp a single thought  
Of Love's design.

Of all the lessons of the Christian life there is none more difficult to master than this of listening to God. Yet once mastered no lesson can yield greater spiritual results, bring more spiritual grace and beauty to the life or give the soul deeper insight into the purposes of God. Methinks to the Christian Church of the twentieth century this is to a great extent a lost art. Too often this important aspect of the devotional life is overlooked. The restless mood is often upon us. We become an easy prey to the spirit of the age in which we live, allowing ourselves to be caught in its imperious thralldom. We are prepared to answer the call and challenge of the battlefield of Christian service, but we shrink from the test of the chamber of communion. We fear lest the hours devoted to silent waiting upon God should lessen the output of service for the Kingdom. Yet more can be learned in a few moments with opened ear in the presence of God than anywhere else on earth. Here we may arrive at an intelligent understanding of the complexities and contradictions of life, and learn how to adjust ourselves to the demands of our earthly environment. In the light of the Divine presence we may plumb the depths of our human need, and discover that the limitations of our lot are actually opportunities for the display of God's power and faithfulness.

How sadly we are in need of that inward fortification which comes from communion with God; which arms us against those invasive forces that would rob the soul of the fruits of quiet waiting upon God. These are the *determinative* times of life, when the hand of the Lord switches

the soul on to the main line of His purpose. We have to discover that the great world of prayer awaits the conquest of those who are willing and able to listen. And if we would come apart, alone with God, then we must break loose from the enfeebling enslavement to the temporal and material. The craving for the closet of communion must conquer the lust of other things.

Is it not because we have never sounded the depths of the silence of God that we have missed so many of the mysteries of the Kingdom? We have hovered on the fringe of fellowship, fearing to go deeper into the silence lest God should speak some word which would make some demands that we were not ready to meet. We were afraid to face up heroically to all the possible obligations which that revelation might bring.

Would we could learn that it is in the stillness the great spiritual forces are born within us. Here the veil is lifted and God permits the soul to apprehend the things hidden from the philosopher and sage. Here too, spiritual poise may be regained, and depth and dignity given to Christian character.

Sometimes God allows the inward ear of His people to be opened with the sharp instrument of suffering. Some piercing sorrow or threatened calamity opens the ear Godward. Like the blast of the storm will move huge natural barriers which have long kept the oceans tides at bay, letting in the hungry waves, so affliction may open the way for the advent of God. At such seasons the self-absorbed soul is stripped of its self-sufficiency and taught to look and listen to God.

Lord, make this heart so deeply  
sensitive  
To Thy dear voice,  
That e'en the faintest whisper  
of Thy will

Shall be my choice.

It is our capacity to wait in the quietness before God that determines our spiritual power of receptivity. In the quiet moment we may become so attuned to eternal things that we can pick out the voice of the Beloved. Stealing into the hungry heart comes the unveiling divine. Like the purple dawn gently and gradually breaks upon the vision of the night watcher, so the manifestation of God comes to those who hearken diligently. The silence becomes pregnant with His effulgent glory.

All the great saints have been splendid listeners. Their inspiration has come very largely through this channel. All the great things which have made them stand out so nobly among their fellows have been spoken into their lives by God. He has imparted Himself to their attentive hearts.

I thank Thee that Thou hast made the silent place vocal with Thy glory. That Thou hast lit up the dark places that they are become radiant with Thy beauty. I bless Thee that Thou hast hushed this heart to hearken, and taught me to listen and know that Thou art God. Thou hast shown me the multitude of my anxieties in the light of Thine Omnipotent Love. Thou hast given me the garments of gladness for the spirit of mourning, turning the fast of my fears into a feast of fat things. Thou hast enlarged me by Thy Word, and enlightened me by Thy truth. Thou hast revealed the highest vocation to which I may dedicate my intelligence, the noblest end to which I may apply my moral will power.

Shall I ever forget the hour  
When God to this soul first spoke?  
When over my yielded being  
The waves of His love first broke;  
Not a fear or a fetter remained,  
As the throne of this heart Jesus  
claimed.



# The Silence of Christ

John 6-17, John 11-21.

REGINALD J. SILVEY, Enfield.

*"Unanswered yet? The prayer your lips have pleaded,  
In agony of heart these many years,  
Does faith begin to fail? Is hope departing?  
And think you all in vain those falling tears?  
Say not the Father hath not heard your prayer,  
You shall have your desire—some-time, somewhere."*

Do these words, dear child of God, find a response springing forth from your own experience? Are you even now

## *Wondering at the silence of God*

in your case? Is Satan whispering into your ear, "God does not care for you?" Are you bowed down with a burden almost too heavy to bear, and nearly overwhelmed by perplexities that heap upon you? Have you trusted God to heal your body and are still undelivered? Then dear one, this message is from God to you.

The writer has passed along this same road and can promise that God will never fail thee—Hallelujah!

In the opening verses of John 6 we have a record of Christ demonstrating His love and compassion as He moves amongst the multitudes, bringing new life to the diseased, sight to the blind, and blessing to all. This glorious manifestation of His power was followed by the further miracle of the loaves and fishes, when Our Lord ministered to the temporal needs of the people.

How the hearts of His disciples must have rejoiced as the comments of the people respecting their Master reached their ears, culminating in a general desire to take Christ and make Him king. And have not our hearts burned within us, as we have seen Him working in some glorious revival? Did not we, too, almost leap for very joy, as we saw dear ones healed and sinners saved?

## *But Now—What a Difference!*

The disciples are alone, the revival is finished, darkness all around, and a great wind. What has happened? "It was now dark, and Jesus was not come to them."

Where was He? Had He forgotten them? Did He not know how their whole being cried out for a glimpse of Him? One could almost feel the darkness all around; the troubled sea threatened to swamp their frail boat, the wind howled its furies at them—and Jesus was absent.

Ah, beloved ones, how often God permits His people to enter into a similar experience. After spiritual ecstasies and revival blessings we suddenly find ourselves in a place of barrenness and APPARENT failure, and to make matters worse,

## *Christ Withholding Himself from Our View.*

Does He leave His redeemed to struggle on alone then, to do the best they can? Let us follow the story of the disciples.

When the storm burst upon them, and the absence of the Master was realized, they endeavored to "get through" in their own power: "they rowed twenty or thirty furlongs." What a tragic effort we often make, instead of leaving it all with Him. How we try to "do something," and often miss the blessing through lack of faith; yet, praise God, He never delays too long, but at the very right moment, He will surely appear to aid us. That was the blessed experience of the storm-tossed disciples, as, in their extremity, "they see Jesus walking on the sea." Nothing could keep Him from them, for

## *He Surmounts All Obstacles*

when the moment for deliverance comes.

Are you still expecting His touch, sick one? Trust on, for He will surely

visit thee. Do you think your case is too far gone? He will NOT fail thee?

Think of the unutterable tragedy in Martha's voice (repeated later by Mary) after the death of Lazarus, as she meets Christ. Try to picture the agony of unrealized hope in her eyes, as she greets Jesus with the words, "Lord, if Thou had'st been here, our brother had not died." "Oh, my Lord, why were you absent just as we needed you most? . . ." "Lord, you have come too late; my beloved brother is dead and buried." Too late! With Christ! Never! Jesus never fails, Heaven and earth shall pass away, but Jesus never fails."

The sorrowing procession wends its way to the tomb of Lazarus, and then He turned to the sisters and spake those precious words which have proved a blessing to tens of thousands of believers since. "Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?"

In spite of their unbelief, in spite of the limitations they had placed upon Him, He was about to work a mighty miracle for them. Hallelujah!

The sisters had

## *Limited Him*

as to place—"if Thou hadst been here,"—as to time—"I know he shall rise again . . . at the last day;" and lastly, they limited Christ as to His power—"Lord, by this time he stinketh; for he hath been dead four days."

And Our blessed Lord proceeded to prove that by His Own mighty power He was able to bring Lazarus forth from the tomb—a living testimony.

Shall we, then, with these precious cameos from His Word before us, limit Christ in our own life? Or shall we not determine, by His Grace, to trust Him through thick and thin, in darkness or light, in storm or calm, in strength or weakness, remembering

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# The Jail Song

By GUY SHIELDS

*"At midnight they prayed and sang praises unto God (Acts 16:25)."*

The story here is that of Paul and Silas, down at Philippi. They had been in a conflict with the devil, and had cast the devil out of the damsel. The result, of which, caused her master to become enraged. He stirred up the people, and had these worthy men of God beaten with many stripes. They were then delivered to the jailor with orders to keep them safely.

Having received such orders, he cast them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks. Oh! how cruel and merciless this was. It was terrible to beat their backs until they were striped with bloody gashes, but still worse to put them into stocks until they could neither move hands or feet and be forced to lay flat on their back on the hard floor with those wounds still open, not having been dressed. To make it still worse they were hungry. If your stomach is full you can stand tortures better.

Another outstanding fact about this *jail song* is: it started at midnight. *Midnight* is the darkest, saddest, loneliest time that ever comes, especially when you are sick or wounded in body; yet these two Apostles prayed and sang praises at this hour.

It is not uncommon to hear David *singing aloud upon his bed*, and giving instructions for us to clap our hands for joy and sing praises to God, or to hear even Jesus and his disciples singing an hymn in sweet fellowship at the last supper; but to hear Paul and Silas singing at mid-night under strenuous conditions is very remarkable.

In all our churches we are taught to sing songs because we are happy and free, the more free we are the more we sing, yet these two men are singing because they are suffering and are bound.

*The question arises, how could they sing here in jail in all this agony?*

First: They could sing because they knew they were suffering for Jesus' sake. 1 Peter 4:16 reads, "If any man suffer as a Christian or for Christ's sake, let Him not be ashamed but glorify God." If you really love anyone you are not ashamed to suffer for them, but count it a real pleasure and find great joy in suffering for love. For love suffereth long. Their love for Christ, gave them the *jail song* of praise, for they had the blessed assurance they were innocent.

Second. They could *sing in jail* because they knew they were partakers of Christ's suffering. 1 Peter 4:15 reads: "as we are partakers of Christ's suffering; that, when his glory shall be revealed, we may be glad also with exceeding joy." Every one of those stripes will add much to the joy of Paul and Silas, when Jesus comes to be glorified and admired in his saints. With this future hope they could *sing praises* in the jail at midnight.

Dear ones it is surely becoming midnight with a lot of suffering ones today, as we lay bruised in the prisons of this life, but let us *sing praises*, knowing that weeping endures all the night long, joy will come in the morning."

THIRD: James 1:2,4 reads; count it all joy when you fall into temptations, knowing that the trial of your faith worketh patience." So for us to ever be made perfect, patience must have a chance to work. Paul and Silas could sing because, they were being made perfect through suffering. No doubt they remembered the sayings of their Lord; "blessed are ye when men shall revile you; his command, to rejoice and be exceeding glad; even to leap for joy, for so persecuted they the prophets before them." They could *sing in the jail* because they had enough *love* and *forgiveness* in their hearts to forgive those who had laid the many stripes

upon them. You cannot sing unless you forgive.

What is the results of singing in the jail?

*First they were set free.*

Suddenly there was a great earthquake which shook the foundations of the prison, the doors were all opened and their hands were loosed. Oh glory to God! He is able to open prisons today, loosen the hands of the people. As in Paul's and Peter's day, when people were praying and singing praises to God.

The dear saints back at the house were praying for Peter while he slept in the prison, until the angel came and loosened him. If you are in a prison of doubt, or the jail of fear, or if you have suffered great persecutions and have been cruelly beaten by reproachful tongues, or slanders, or for any other reason you are cast into a prison away from the place where your heart and work is; just keep praying and *singing praises*. God can deliver if He has to send an earthquake.

When Peter and John had been beaten with many stripes and were rejoicing because they were accounted worthy to suffer for Jesus' sake, it was then that God shook the place where they were all assembled, and refilled them with the Holy Ghost

SECOND: The Jailor fell before Paul and Silas and was saved. If they had manifested a cruel "fight back" spirit to the jailor, possibly he and all his family would have gone to hell but *praying and singing* gave God a chance to fight for them. This man falling and trembling like Paul did on the Damascus road when Jesus appeared to him, said, "Sires, what must I do to be saved? Oh God! my prayer is: that we today may stay so full of God until those who oppose will be brought low to enquire the way to be saved.

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## Prophetic News

### Roman Empire

Mussolini is determined that Franco shall win in Spain. He is sending 10,000 volunteers home but they are only infantry that have been gone from Italy almost two years and need a rest. The large Italian air force and tank contingents still remain.

George Martelli an Englishman writes in his new book "Whose Sea?" that as he traveled around the Mediterranean everything is in favor of Italian attempts to promote discord between rulers and ruled. Largely Mr. Martelli thinks, because Germany has destroyed her hopes of expansion in Europe, she is looking for possible compensation in the Mediterranean.

### Russia

The Soviet school teachers have recently been exhorted to carry on active anti-religious training among the children and this is the part of a general campaign against religions which has been especially pronounced in the last two years. The authorities have used incessant propaganda among adults and youths, liquidation of many church leaders of high and low degree by false charges and easily found legal reasons for destroying church edifices.

Mr. D. Bassily, a former Tsarist Official in his new book "Russia under Soviet Rule" surveys the course of twenty years under Bolshevik experiment. Writing in exile, he has based his work on a close study of the Soviet press and official publications. His conclusions may be listed as follows: Soviet rule is founded upon political terror, of which the chief symptom today is the obligatory glorification of Stalin. The idea of equality has been totally abandoned; the Communist bureaucracy is the new ruling class. A socialist society is the shadow of which State capitalism is the substance. Outstanding results in heavy industry for war purposes have frozen the greater part of the national income and real wages remain at a

very low level. The human individual in Russia awaits emancipation.

### Church persecution

In Germany 77 pastors and church officials have been suspended from office by state authority. There are 49 pastors forbidden by the state to enter the parishes to which the church has assigned them. Recent information states that 41 leaders of the confessional church are now forbidden to preach in public.

### Doctrines of Men

The Roman Catholic hierarchy is carefully taking steps toward the official approval of the new dogma regarding the Virgin Mary—that of her bodily ascension into heaven without death, known as the "Assumption of the Virgin." The fact that there is not the slightest historical authority for any such miracle does not make the least difference.

### Missions

More money has been spent in America for chewing gum in one year than is given by all Protestant denominations in America for foreign missions in a similar period. Thirteen

millions of dollars was the chewing gum bill, while the missions got 12,000,000. When American women spend \$750,000,000 for lip stick and American men spend almost that amount for tobacco, one wonders if American Christians are in earnest when they talk of Christianizing the world on \$12,000,000 a year.

### The Church

"The sins that stirred Jesus were not the sins that the world condemns; they were the sins that the world admires." —G. D. Rosenthal. The church has never faced such danger and we are glad that is so, for that will rouse her as nothing else can do." —P. O. Bersell.

### Suicides

Seventy-one policemen, some of the highest rank, have committed suicide in New York in the last four years. An average of 100 suicides a week are known to the New York dailies. Nearly 25,000 take their lives annually in the United States, or nearly eighteen men in every thousand and five women in every thousand.

### America Awake

"Communist propaganda in the United States is on a vaster scale than in Spain. It has infiltrated our schools and colleges, our labor organizations, our churches. This indeed, was recently the boast of Earl Browder himself before the New York Investigating Committee. And still most Americans like the Russians and Spainards before them, fail to see the menace of Russian Communism."

"I implore my fellow countrymen to look at Spain, and to understand what is going on. For unless the Communist trend in the United States is stopped, then as surely as the sun will rise, the agony that has taken place in Spain will be repeated in the next few years in the United States of America." —Merwin K. Hart, President of New York Economic Council.

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# Lessons from the Life of Moses

By HENRY PROCTOR, F.R.S.L.

It is said of Moses that he was forty years in Egypt learning to be somebody; forty years in Midian learning to be nobody, and forty years in the wilderness showing what God could do with a nobody.

He was the Crown Prince and Heir-Presumptive to the throne of the most civilized and learned country in the world at that time, and was himself skilled in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, but all this he surrendered, "refusing to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing to suffer affliction with the people of God, rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season," and attaining finally to such a spiritual eminence that he even "counted the reproach of Christ greater riches than all the treasures of Egypt." In the greatness of his meekness he became a type of the coming One, for speaking of Christ he said: "A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you, like unto me." As a servant of God, Moses was so faithful in all His house that he became the head of the house of servants just as Jesus afterwards became the Head of the house of sons.

Before his Midian experience which was like death to Moses, he supposed that his brethren knew that God by His hand would deliver them, but so far from understanding any such thing they said: "Who made you a ruler and a judge over us?" (Acts vii. 27). He was

## *Surprised At His Rejection,*

such a thought had never entered his mind that what appeared so obvious to him had no place in their minds. But in Midian, he had much time for reflection, the prince had become a shepherd, and toward the end of the Midianite experience, he wrote in the 90th Psalm: "Our life is seventy years at most, or eighty at the best; it is a span of toil and trouble, soon over and we flit away" (verse 10).

He had lost all hope of becoming

the deliverer of Israel. How could he, as a shepherd, do anything for them?

So when God called him to do the very thing he had longed for forty years before, he had lost every atom of self-confidence, and even after God had shown great signs before him, he said: "O Lord who am I? I am not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since Thou hast spoken to Thy servant; I am slow of speech, I have no command of words. Send whom You will, Lord, anybody but me." But God answered him, "Who gives man his mouth? Is it not I the eternal? Go, then, I will be with your mouth and teach you what to say. Also Aaron your brother, the Levite, is coming to you, he can speak well. And he shall be thy spokesman to the people; he shall serve as a mouthpiece for you, for behold, I have made you a God unto Pharaoh, and Aaron shall be your prophet." So Moses is exalted to a high position, a vicegerent of God, and mediator between Him and the Egyptians, just as our Lord afterwards became mediator between God and the whole world. So in this he was a type of

## *The Son of Man*

to whom all judgment was committed. He was the executor of God's judgments upon Egypt. His position as such was fraught with extreme danger.

But the power of God was so manifestly with him that Moses became exceeding great in the eyes of the Egyptians, and in the eyes of Pharaoh's officers, and all the people. God gave him a great and permanent name, so that he is known among all the people of the earth today.

The wilderness journey was a time of trouble to Moses. They repaid his services to Israel with such ingratitude, that at times they threatened to stone him, and appoint a leader to take them back to Egypt, but God

honored him by speaking to him face to face, as a man speaks to his friend (Exodus 33:11). His face at times shone with the glory of God, that he had to put a veil upon his face. But God will glorify His faithful ones, even today, with far greater glory than that of Moses, for "All of us, seeing as if reflected in a mirror, the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into His likeness, from one degree to another, and higher degree of glory" (2 Cor. 3:18).

The life of Moses mirrors the experience of every one who is striving to follow in the footsteps of Jesus today. At the beginning of our pilgrimage we are usually full of self-confidence. We want to be somebody in

## *The Lord's Work,*

but God cannot use us until we have learned in the University of Adversity that we can do nothing of ourselves, and so we are brought into a Midian experience at the "backside of the desert" until we learn that we are nothing. It is then by faith that we enter into rest, we cease from our own works and God begins to work mightily in us. Jesus Himself, John the Baptist and all the prophets had to endure thirty years of preparation in the wilderness before they were ready for their life-work. Do not be surprised therefore, you who are so anxious to serve God, if you have to pass through just such a season of preparation, and of tuition in the University of the Holy Spirit, doing what seems to you a waste of precious time, like Moses in Midian, or Jesus at the carpenter's bench, but "let patience have her perfect work, that you may be perfect and entire, lacking in nothing."

God is never in a hurry, and we have to learn that fruit is not borne by doing, but by dying, for; "Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground



and die, it abideth alone, but if it die it beareth much fruit."

Let us take hold of every darkness, every difficulty, with both hands wil-

lingly.

Rejoice in tribulation and take pleasure in infirmities, necessities, distresses, persecutions, insults and in-

juries, so that the power of Christ may rest upon us, for His power is made perfect only in our weakness.

—Selected.

## They Shall Wonder

By F. ISENSEE

*"And they that dwell on the earth shall wonder; whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world"* (Rev. 17:8).

In this chapter of Revelation, John writes of his visions concerning the formation of a group of nations under the banner of the Anti-Christ, or last world dictator.

There is no question in the minds of Christians that we are now living in the days of that preparation. To the world it is a confusing problem. Against all efforts of the leading democracies to remain as individual units, that relentless web of dictatorship is slowly being woven over the face of the land. What is wrong? How can it be stopped? That is the cry of the day. They wonder what it is all about. The only, and complete, answer is found in Rev. 17:17 . . .

*"For God hath put it in their hearts to fulfill His will, and to agree and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled."*

For the reader to grasp the meaning of the war-like preparation of the nations, he can refer to Micah 4:1, Joel 3:2, Zech. 14:2, Zeph. 3:8, Rev. 16:14, and other prophetic passages in the Bible and learn for himself that the time is coming when God is to gather all nations to do battle. Why this shall be can be learned in Jeremiah 1:16.

*"And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken me and have burned incense unto other gods and worship the works of their own hands."*

Here we have a picture of the wrath of a living God that is to be meted out

upon the sinful nations that have constantly rejected His commands. Horrible warfare is to be one of the methods of punishment. We read in Jer. 6:11, that the time is coming when God will be tired of withholding His anger and He is to pour it abroad upon all the inhabitants of the land.

Nations bragging of their own strength and power and worshipping the *works of their own hands*, are an abomination in the sight of God, the creator of those nations and One who demands all honor, praise, and glory. He likens a bragging nation to an axe that brags of the chopping, or a saw that brags of the cutting, not giving credit to the one who swings the handle.

*"Shall the axe boast itself against him that heweth therewith, or shall the saw magnify itself against him that shaketh it? As if the rod should shake itself against them that lift it up, or as if the staff should lift up itself as if it were no good"* (Isa. 10:15).

In Isaiah 40:15, God tells us that the nations are as a drop from a bucket of water or as a bit of dust on His balances, a small matter for Him to move about.

The process of moving these nations about will naturally take time since it is all being done through human hands. Ever since the last world war, we have witnessed an ever increasing stir in the diplomatic ranks of the nations, ever striving for a peaceful solution of world problems and wondering why they cannot be solved. That solution can only be found through the knowledge of God's ways. God ways cannot be understood until one is saved and

receives the spirit which is of God.

*"Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God, that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God"* (1 Cor. 2:12).

Then in 1 Corinthians 2:14, we read that the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God for they are foolishness unto him. Why? Because he must be "born again" into the Kingdom of God and his name written in the Lamb's Book of Life. Only then can one learn the fear of a living God. Only then does one begin to receive wisdom of God.

(Proverbs 1-7) *"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."*

No one knows just how much longer *"they shall wonder,"* those whose names are not written in the Lamb's Book of Life. To those whose names are there, God gives the promise of a peace that passeth all understanding and a refuge from the coming judgments.

Is your name written there?

### THE SILENCE OF CHRIST

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that He has promised *"I will never leave thee or forsake thee."*

*Unanswered yet? Faith cannot be unanswered;*

*Her feet are firmly planted on the Rock,*

*Amidst the wildest storms she stands undaunted,*

*Nor quails before the loudest thunder shock.*

*She knows Omnipotence has heard her prayer,*

*And cries, "It shall be done, sometime, somewhere."* —Exch.



# Divine Patience

By Rev. C. H. SPURGEON

Divine patience is more than passivity; it implies endurance and continuance joined with love.

God's omnipotence makes His patience even more wonderful. Without patience what would He not do!

God's patience dwells in His Son and will dwell in all His saints.

Divine patience is an unwearying grace.

The source of Christian patience is from above, from God, through Christ.

There is little time for the so-called passive virtues in our day.

In this rushing busy age one might wonder whether Jehu or Jesus is King.

There is need of a baptism of the Holy Spirit, not only for service, but for sacrifice and suffering.

You begin to reign, someone says, the moment you begin to suffer well.

The Christ life is never consummated unless patience has her perfect work.

Patience is not Christian unless united with faith, hope and love.

Faith, hope, and love are not perfected without the discipline of patience.

Moses lost the land of promise through impatience. Many Christians will lose reigning in the kingdom by impatience. The kingdom in power is "the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ."

Indifference and apathy may cease to be virtues, but patience never.

Patience knows that God is eternal and can therefore afford to wait.

Patience is a wonder to the rash and foolish to the slothful.

The catalogue of sin is almost inexhaustible, but God's patience is limitless.

God is unhurried. Admire His patience!

Patience is uncomplaining, unconquered, and unconquerable.

Patience is not a sign of weakness, but of strength.

Patience springs from Christ, not from circumstance.

Patience develops by exercise.

Patience sometimes is another word for genius. She plods yet wins the prize.

Patience pays big dividends and never goes bankrupt; it has riches in glory.

Patience inherits the promise and is the ruler over all opportunities.

Patience makes opportunities out of hardships and handicaps.

We often chafe at delays and interruptions; we forget that the music of life needs an occasional rest.

Patience is a Christian grace; impatience a Christian disgrace.

Someone says, "If you would lengthen patience, strengthen faith."

Patience has a fire department to extinguish the fires of wrath, malice and envy."

Patience is not obstinacy of will, but constancy of heart.

Be patient; God's school will not take vacation till the lessons are learned.

It is rather want of patience than of compassion that holds us from bringing Christ to the world.

Many are thought to be derelicts and irreclaimable. Has the experiment of patience been fully tried by the Church?

Have our prayers prevailed by the patience of faith?

More patience will make most homes a paradise.

Real patience arises not from stupidity, but from spiritual intelligence."

It does not say, "Because I must, I submit," but, "Because I desire."

An ounce of patience cures a pound of ills.

Patience always carries love's mantle of charity.

Patience is more than self-containment. It is more than a spineless in-

difference. It is more than a jellyfish carelessness. The file, the rasp, the plough, the harrow, the chisel and the buzz-saw all have their turn, but patience still praises the Lord.

Human patience soon wears out. Divine patience never ends.

Patience has the strength of Atlas and the tenderness of a child.

Patience has perseverance as its next of kin.

Divine patience is like the everlasting hills for stability, the spring-time for freshness, and the autumn for fruitfulness.

Patience is no time-server. It is faithful whether observed or unobserved.

Patience is the ox that bears the load over rough roads and unsurmountable obstacles and never breaks nor complains.

Patience has on its coat of arms the ox between yoke and altar with the motto above, "Ready for either service or sacrifice."

Patience solves all problems, unties all knots and learns all secrets.

Patience forgives not once nor twice nor seven times, but seventy times seven.

Patience like love never fails; the ages of the ages are hers.

Patience hastens; but never hurries; she glows but never scorches; she burns, but never smokes.

Patience carries her own smoke-consumer.

When taken in faith, "tribulation worketh patience."

Patience grows both by use and by abuse.

Patience is the Pompeian sentinel that remained at his post though Vesuvius erupted.

Patience is founded on the love and steadfastness of God.

Sleepless nights and weary days are the soil for larger patience.

Impatience breaks all our telescopes



of vision and our microscopes of discovery.

To wait is often harder than to

work. "They also serve who only stand and wait."

Let Christ work in us his patience;

ours will not endure.

"God worketh for him . . . that waiteth for Him."

## The Millennium

By J. C. M. DAWSON, B.A.

1. *Millennium*—1000 years. According to Rev. 20 this is to be the length of Messiah's world-wide rule under certain conditions. Consequently it is called His Millennial Kingdom.

2. Some think it is God's present purpose to gradually convert the world by the preaching of the Gospel of His grace, and thus *introduce the Millennium*. There is no Scriptural support for this conjecture; it is also contrary to experience.

3. God, in the present dispensation of grace, is gathering out from the world's population His Church, i.e., those whom He has chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world (Eph. 1:4), who are destined to be conformed to Christ's image, to be glorified together with Him, and to *Reign with Him in the Millennium* and throughout eternity too. At the close of this dispensation the Church will be taken to Heaven and the masses of mankind will be left on earth unconverted.

4. Since man's fall in Eden *the Devil has usurped the throne of the world*. He has no right there—he is a pretender, an imposter. Nevertheless for 6000 or 7000 years he has been its prince, the ruler of its darkness (Eph. 6:12), the great evil power behind all the schemes, plots and wars of men.

5. *Christ is the Lawful Prince of the World*. It belongs to Him as Creator (John 1; Col. 1; Heb. 1). He was born King of the Jews; heralded as the King by John. Satan repeatedly assailed Him, but He on every occasion defeated him. Christ, the Stronger, bound Satan, the strong one, and spoiled his goods. This was manifested by Christ raising the dead, healing those oppressed of the Devil

and casting out demons. These works of His were His credentials as the Messiah. His people, however, did not receive Him; they nailed Him to the Cross instead of placing Him on the throne.

*He has bought the world with His Blood*; it is His as Purchaser as well as Creator, and in the near future He, whose right it is to reign, will return to this earth and oust the Devil from the throne, take the reins of its government into His almighty, righteous and beneficent hands and reign North, South, East and West. Then will the Kingdom of the world become the Kingdom of God and His Christ.

6. *The first event we have to expect is the descent of Christ through the air for His Church*. This is a certainty definitely stated in Scripture. Every moment brings that expected moment nearer. There is no prediction that must be fulfilled first. It may occur at any instant. Then a brief period, lasting somewhat longer than 7 years, must elapse before Christ returns to the earth to reign in glory and power as King of kings and Lord of lords (Dan. 9:27).

7. *When that hour has drawn nigh* (Zech. 14). Jerusalem will be surrounded by the armies of the nations, the city will be taken, etc., etc. Then Jehovah, Christ will go forth to fight against those nations as when He fought in the day of battle. His feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives. The mountain will cleave in twain from East to West. Half will move to the north and half to the south and the Jews will escape by the valley thus formed.

*Jerusalem will be the seat of dominion and centre of blessing.*

*Jerusalem will be reached by water from the Mediterranean and Red Seas*

(Gulf of Akaba) and thus become a seaport for the first time, and from its central positions be thus peculiarly adapted to fulfil the divine program for it as the metropolis of the world, the city of the Great King, during His Millennial reign.

8. *The predictions about Christ's first coming were literally fulfilled*: so will those about the second, including all the statements about the Millennium.

9. (1) *All things that offend and them which do iniquity purged out of the kingdom, i.e., evil men and things* (Matt. 13:41).

(2) Satan bound and imprisoned; no tempter or deceiver (Rev. 20:1-3).

(3) Peace amongst the brutes (Isa. 11:6-8; 65:25).

(4) No wars, though a great war at the beginning (Isa. 2:4). Prince of Peace rules. No catastrophes, etc. The Creator and Sustainer of the Universe will rule absolutely.

(5) Disease shelved practically (Isa. 33:24; 35:5-6). Good Physician's rule.

Exception—Zech. 14:18-19.

(6) Death held in abeyance (Isa. 25:8). He Who has conquered death is the Resurrection and the life, the Prince of Life, will be on the throne. No Millennial saint will die (John 11:21,32). Rebels die (Isa. 65:20).

(7) Idolatry will cease (Isa. 2:18).

(8) Universal sway (Zech. 9:10; Psa. 72:8-11). Shall reign as King of kings and Lord of lords.

(9) Righteous Government (Isa. 11:4-5; 32:1).

(10) No poverty (Isa. 35:1-7; 51:3; Amos 9:13-15).

(11) Temple will have worshippers from afar (Isa. 2:2-3; 56:7; Zech. 14:16-17).

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## ISN'T IT WORTH WHILE?

"While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal" (2 Cor. 4:18).

At the time when the apostle Paul dictated these comforting words to his brethren at Corinth, he tells us that he was persecuted "troubled on every side" "cast down," always delivered unto death." Yet he was not distressed, not in despair, not forsaken, not destroyed, Why? Because he knew that "He who raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus" because "all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might, through the thanksgiving of many, rebound to the glory of God." And so he fainted not. Though "the outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day." The conclusion of this marvelous chapter is, "For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal;

but the things which are not seen are eternal."

Temporal things are contrasted with the eternal, the "light affliction, which is but for a moment" is contrasted with the "far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." We know that the inspired apostle is right. Jesus said, "In the world ye shall have tribulation, but be of good cheer I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). David, after supplication to God to keep him from the wicked that oppress him, concludes Psalm 17 with the words, "I shall be satisfied when I awake with Thy likeness." Isaiah in the great chapter of comfort for God's people says, "The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; but the word of our God shall stand forever" (Psalm 40:7). Stephen, caught by the mob and brought into the Council and confronted by false witnesses, "being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God" (Acts 7:55). John on the Isle of Patmos saw "The things which are and the things which shall be hereafter" (Rev. 1:19). He was commanded to write to the church in Smyrna, "Fear none of these things which thou shalt suffer . . . Ye shall have tribulation. Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life" (Rev. 2:10). More wonderful each time we read it are the glimpses of glory in this book of Revelation. One day, by God's grace, we shall see what John beheld: "Every creature which is in heaven and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea . . . heard I saying, 'Blessing and honor and glory and power be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb forever and ever'" (Rev. 5:13).

The story is told of two Christian martyrs who are being burned at the stake, one of whom spoke to the other words like these: "Be of good cheer, Brother, tonight we shall have a

merry supper with the Lord." Surely in every circumstance in life, whatever are the things seen, the true believer in Christ finds patience, comfort, strength from God, in beholding the glory that shall be revealed.

Dear unsaved reader, isn't it worth while to take God's free offer of salvation and by faith in Christ, see beyond the temporal discouragements, failures, and losses, the eternal blessedness with Christ in glory? "Let not your heart be troubled. In my Father's house are many mansions. I go to prepare a place for you that where I am, there ye may be also" (John 14:1-3). —*Eliza T. Womersley.*

### THE MILLENNIUM

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(12) Sorrow and mourning will be replaced by joy and gladness (Isa. 12:3; 25:8; 35:10; 51:3, 11; 65:19). Joy in Jerusalem (Isa. 65:18-19).

(13) One language spoken (Zeph. 3:9).

(14) The knowledge of the Lord will be world wide (Isa. 11:9; Hab. 2:14).

10. *Paradise will be regained* to a very considerable extent because the evils occurring from the Fall will be practically shelved and the works of the Devil to a marked extent destroyed.

11. It will be an absolute monarchy. The King will be absolutely wise, equitable, tender-hearted, pious, benevolent, powerful.

The twelve tribes will be united, saved, in possession of the promised territory, the central and premier nation (Isa. 59:20; 60:22).

The test of your consecration is to be willing to do what you do not wish to do.

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# "SOMEONE PRAYED"

RUBY C. NICODEM

It was midnight and the missionary and her friend had talked long for it was a great event, this visit from another missionary after seeing no white faces at their isolated Mission Station for so many months. The children were safely in bed and asleep but still they sat on and talked, all the time vaguely conscious of a dim roaring sound in the distance. One gets accustomed to sounds in India and nothing special was thought of the present sound until it began to get nearer and nearer. Suddenly a Christian youngman in the employ of the mission, burst without warning into the room and cried, "Memsahib, Memsahib, close the doors quickly, the mob is coming this way." With difficulty the missionaries were able to calm the frightened man until his story was told. The noise, which was coming nearer and nearer, was that of a mob of angry people out on the road, who were beating up the Christian boys and workers as they returned from their watch at the brick kiln. The missionaries looked at one another, an angry mob, and no help near, would they dare face it alone at that hour of the night? There were no white people for many miles around; the husband was away on business, and what could two frail missionary ladies do with that angry crowd? Almost without thinking they slipped into their shoes and started down the road where they could see the flickering lanterns; and could hear the angry cries of the people. Into the midst of this mob they ran with fast beating hearts. There was no time to pray, it was a time for action. With hearts lifted to God in desperation the missionary cried out "What is the meaning of this?" Singling out the leader of the mob, whom she knew, and calling him by name she demanded to know with whose authority he was beating the Christians, and then as the mob quietened at the sound of

the white woman's voice, God seemed to speak for just a few minutes through this weak vessel until the hearts of that angry mob were melted, and before she had finished they had slunk away like whipped dogs, and together with the little flock of Christians she was able to return to the mission bungalow and minister to those who had been beaten and hurt.

Now come with me over to America to the City of Chicago and into one of the great manufacturing plants there. The father of this missionary, a man of prayer, stands at his work bench, but his heart is heavy with a burden which he cannot understand, and somehow he finds it hard to concentrate on his work. He feels he must get alone somewhere to pray but the enemy whispers that he must wait, that this is no time to pray and so he sticks to his bench, but the burden gets heavier and heavier until he feels his very life will be taken if he cannot pray through. At last he leaves his work and finds his way to the washroom, and there behind closed doors, falling on his knees, he cries mightily to God for deliverance for someone somewhere. Did he know that the daughter in far-off India was facing an angry mob at that very hour? Oh, no! He did not know but God knew and Victory came in a supernatural way through a supernatural God, because one of His children was in such close touch with Heaven that he could even leave his work bench and meet God there in the factory, and thus victory came to those in need across the seas.

Dear friends, has God spoken to your hearts to pray? Have you been awakened in some midnight hour with a burden upon your heart that you could not understand? We who are standing in the darkness of heathenism, beg of you to be faithful. You may not know who or for whom

this burden comes, but you do not need to know now. Only eternity will reveal the results of those hours you spent in intercessory prayer.

## THE JAIL SONG

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Having passed through an earthquake, I can easily understand why the jailor would fall trembling. So will others tremble if we keep singing praises.

THIRD: *They washed their stripes and fed them.*

The word reads; that when our ways please God, He makes even our enemies to be at peace with us. They were a little late getting their supper that night. It was mid-night when they sang the song of praise. Then Paul had preached to the jailor and all who were in the house, which included his family and all the other prisoners. They had repented and brought forth fruits of repentance by bathing the stripes on the backs of Paul and Silas, they had baptized them, last the table was spread, and they all feasted and rejoiced believing on God.

It pays to sing even in jail. One of the greatest of all gifts is the ministry of song, so let us:

*Sing when the day is bright  
Sing in the darkest night,  
All the way, every day,  
Let us sing, sing sing.*

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We are thankful for the many friends who are praying for us, and giving of their means to help those who cannot help themselves. We are thankful that all repairs are made to the damaged property, caused by the great storm, and through the generosity of the many churches, pastors and people, all the bills incurred for the same are all paid to our great relief and for which we rejoice with thankfulness.

We are thankful that there are no outstanding debts, new or old, against this place, and all legal entanglements over which we had no control, but were subject to for many years passed, have been all settled satisfactorily to all concerned in a peaceful and Christ-like manner, to the Praise and Glory of His Holy Name. So we are free to pursue in the work of spreading the gospel and caring for the aged children of God, and praying for the needs of those who may need our help, as He may see fit to use us.

We are thankful and pleased to announce that this home property and

all pertaining to it, has been legally transferred to, and is now owned and controlled by the New England District Council of the Assemblies of God, incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts, so that instead of being a small struggling work, we are now linked up with and are an integral part of a large Christian Body, whose prayers and sympathies are with this work in all of its departments. Praise God!

We are thankful that the New England District Camp-Meeting will be held here in Framingham again next year. While we had a good and successful meeting last year, we shall be better fitted this coming season to care for the people in a better way than ever before. We are believing for greater interest and a mighty spiritual awakening in New England, through a united effort in prayer, faith and preaching of the word, with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven, than we have yet seen in this Pentecostal movement in these parts. God is moving. Let us be ready to move with Him. Elijah humbly prayed till the small cloud appeared, then he was ready to run ahead shouting for the abundance of rain that was soon coming down. I trust we are all ready for God's program.

—Alfred Wight, Supt.

## DANBURY, CONN.

We praise God for victory, as we closed a three weeks revival campaign with Sister Suzanne Flower of Springfield, Mo. in our midst.

As interest kept growing meetings were extended a week longer and quite a number responded to the altar call, both for salvation and deeper light. There were several definite answers to prayer, which made our hearts glad.

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Pray for Danbury. —Godfrey Berggren, Pastor.

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## REPORT OF THE ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING

The Sixteenth Annual District Meeting of the New England District of the Assemblies of God has come and gone, but the memory still lingers with us. The meeting was held at Bethany Pentecostal Church at Springfield, Mass. Nov. 1st, and 2nd.

Nov. 1st, was a time of real spiritual fellowship and inspiration to all who were privileged to attend. The reports from the different departments were very encouraging and a good spirit of unity prevailed during the election of officers, on Tuesday afternoon.

W. J. Mitchell was elected Superintendent; H. H. Shelley, Secretary; H. L. Ettinger, Treasurer; H. T. Carpenter, E. E. Volland, District Presbyters; Roy Smuland and H. L. Ettinger, General Presbyters; Edwin Anderson, Young People's Leader. A few visitors were present among whom was Mrs. Williams, who represented the Eastern Bible School, which is just five weeks old, but already has 33 students and going strong.

A very impressive and beautiful ordination service was held Wednesday evening when five fine young men were ordained to be Full Gospel Ministers: Edwin Anderson, Bar Harbor, Maine; Wesley Pope, Dover Foxcroft, Maine; Howard Hawkes, Keene, N. H.; Fred Smolchuck, Claremont, N. H.; S. A. Mostowy, Portchester, Conn. After which a very precious message was brought from God's Word by Evangelist Beth Beckley of California, on the Power of the Blood. Many hearts were touched and a real spirit of conviction and praise and thanksgiving was on all hearts as we said goodbye till we meet again, and departed to our field of labor, but a precious memory lingers with us yet. —*Alfred Wight.*

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Dear Father:

Greetings in Jesus Name!

I guess you folks are starting to get ready to return to China and we will surely be glad to see you. The Christians are always asking when is Lao Mu Shih (Old Preacher) returning, have you heard from them, are they well and all those kind of questions.

Conditions are about the same here. The villages are all flooded. I saw Mr. Liu, one of our native workers, the other day and he said this will be a very bad winter for the poor people. Many of the Christians have nothing to eat and to make things worse they have no place to live as their homes have been flooded. These poor Christian people really need help. He asked if we could not help the Christians in some way, so I promised that I would write and ask you if you could see about getting a little money in the States for them. Father, I tell you Mr. Liu has a good work out in those villages, a work that any person can be proud of. The work in Tang Shan is very good and especially so in the newly opened

work in a nearby village. We are going to have two weeks meeting in Tang Shan starting September the fifteenth. In my last letter I told you about the good meeting we had in Tang Shan. The Lord is surely doing a good work in that city.

The Ho Pei work is coming along fine. Liu Meng Ping is pastoring there. About twenty attend the morning Bible Class, and between fifty and a hundred the other meetings. We are going to have a baptismal service as soon as conference is over.

We are feeling a little tired but He is able to give the needed strength, Praise His Name. Will close for this time,

—From your Loving Son, William.

(This is a letter from William Baltau to his father Fred Baltau, Ventia, Pa., who is preparing to go back to the field. They have their support but lack a little on their fare. Brother Baltau is one of our early missionaries to China and God has richly blessed his many years there.)

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FOR a number of years Glad Tidings has looked upon the fall convention as a Feast of Tabernacles. The summer and vacation days having gone and the fruits of the harvest having been gathered, the people plan to come together for a time of worship and to win souls for Jesus. As they look back upon the past conventions they cannot but praise the Lord for the many souls that have been won through these special efforts, and for the evangelists and missionaries who have ministered to us in these revival campaigns.

#### *Evangelists*

As in the past, they have prayed much and given very careful thought as to God's choice for the thirty-first annual convention. We believe God has given them His thought and we are glad to announce that they are to have as speakers Evangelist and Mrs. Willard C. Peirce.

While attending Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio, in pursuit of ambition to become an electrical engineer, God led Willard C. Peirce to the Alliance Tabernacle in the Winter of 1912. There under the ministry of Rev. D. W. Kerr, one of the pioneers of Pentecost, he re-consecrated his life to God. The Latter Rain was then being poured out on the church, and our brother soon received the baptism in the Holy Ghost. Two years later at an Alliance convention, after an address by Rev. Jago of Palestine, God definitely spoke to his heart, calling him to leave his worldly ambitions and give his life wholly to the ministry of the Gospel.

Brother Peirce received his early spiritual training sitting under the deep teaching of the Word by Brother Kerr, and became his assistant at the church which later became known as the Pentecostal Church of Cleveland. Later he followed Brother Kerr to

California where he assisted him in founding the Southern California Bible School at Los Angeles, and taught for two years. Then at the invitation of the General Council they went together to Springfield, Missouri, where they opened the Central Bible Institute in the Fall of 1922. Brother Peirce remained in this school for one year as business manager and instructor.

After a short period of ministry in the evangelistic field, Brother and Sister Peirce, she being Brother Kerr's daughter, went to the city of Toronto, Canada, where God blessed them in the founding of Evangel Temple which grew under the hand of God until it was reputed to be the largest Full Gospel work in the Dominion. For eight years they labored there in the midst of constant revival, the little group of fifty with which they started, growing until Sunday night congregations would run regularly from fifteen hundred to two thousand. Records of thousands kneeling at the altar to find Christ, as well as miracles of healing and constant baptisms in the Holy Spirit made the growth of the work phenomenal and its results felt round the world. Between seventy-five and a hundred workers are now engaged in the Lord's work in foreign and home lands who have gone out from Evangel Temple.

Brother and Sister Peirce come from successful campaigns on the West Coast, having been in evangelistic work again for the past few years. With a background of experience as Bible Teacher, Pastor and Evangelist, as well as their combined ministry in song and music, our brother will have a rounded out ministry for the unsaved as well as the Christian. God has been using him the past three years especially to stir up Christians to the ministry of witnessing and soul-winning, as well as developing

the work of the Sunday School and child-evangelism in various churches across the country.

#### *Subjects*

Their themes embrace the simple Gospel, namely, salvation through the blood of Jesus, the baptism in the Holy Spirit of God as was given to the early Church, sanctification through the Truth, divine healing and the second coming of Jesus. These and many other themes touching the conditions of this day, make their messages not only *interesting* but *powerful*, thus insuring a rich feast to all who hear the preached Word.

#### *Missionary Day*

The third Sunday of the convention, November 27th, will be *Missionary Day*, at which time they expect missionaries from all parts of the world, dressed in native costume, to present the great need of the foreign field. They ask the people to especially pray for this very important meeting for it not only affects the work in the home land but the entire world. While these are days in which money is hard to be gotten, God has spoken to them as He did to Moses, that they "Go Forward!"

#### *Thanksgiving Day*

Special services will be held on Thanksgiving Day at 3 and 7:30 P. M.

#### *Young People's Rally*

A Young People's Rally will be held on Saturday, December 3rd, at 7:30 P. M., when delegations from assemblies throughout our eastern district will be present.

#### *Services*

Meetings will be held each day at 7:45 P. M., except Mondays when there will be no service. There will



be an afternoon service each Friday at 3 P. M.

### Prayer Services

Prayer meetings will be conducted at the conclusion of each preaching service for those who desire to seek God for salvation, healing and the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

### AWAKE! AWAKE!

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led Jesus, recognized their Messiah and followed Him. Israel slumbered on. Only a few were blessed. There might have been many, but lo they slept.

The church had progressed down through the ages. She was blessed by teaching, purged by persecution, but decay had set in. Riches had put her to sleep, evil increased on every hand but she slumbered on. Here and there different ones heard the cry to "awake," there was a temporary stir, a little effort which, however, was stifled by the sleeping giant. A humble monk in Germany heard the call, stirred himself awhile and almost slipped off to slumber again. Luther noticed that the church was at ease though she seemed to be moving. He set himself to obey the call. That glorious revival swept Europe, Christ was found by the thousands, others heard the call and were awakened to new life. The dark ages were over and an era of light swept across the earth as the Gospel was sent out to the whole world. Whenever it seemed the church was about to take a nap, somebody heard the call to awaken and a revival was born. The Wesleys, a Calvin, a Knox, a Whitefield, a Booth, a Moody, a Finney and other like saints heard the call to awake and as a result the church moved along. The materialism of this present century began to invade the church. Simple hearted believers in America, England, Scandinavia and other countries heard the call and there was born the Pentecostal movements that have brought life into the forefront.

Since coming to America we have

travelled over 25,000 miles ministering in large and small assemblies and we have heard the same lament; life is absent, what can be done? There is a satisfaction resting upon the constituency of Pentecost. It seems to be built upon the promise that we are blessed people and we are proud of it. It is this satisfaction that is inducing sleep, and slumber is overtaking us in an alarming way. It is admitted that we are a spiritually blessed people, it is admitted that much has been done, BUT there is ever so much MORE to BE DONE. If we are to remain a MOVEMENT it is very essential that we harken to the call, "Awake thou that sleepest" and stir ourselves to do "the first works" and thus get back our first love. This is high time to arise for the sleep of death will soon overtake us, then it will be too late.

Beloved believer, don't wait for a revival to come, "AWAKE! AWAKE!" answer the call today, pray and stir up the gift, no matter what others do, you arise and Christ will give YOU light.

[A. E. Gidman recently came to this country from England after serving as Pastor of Hampden Chapel, London. For a number of years he ministered in the Presbyterian Church and on various fundamental conference platforms. Through a marvelous healing in his family he was brought into touch with Pentecost. Since that time he has served in the Pentecostal movement in Great Britain in various capacities.

He has preached in nearly every District Presbytery in England, has ministered to the thousands of Pentecostal believers in such places as Kingsway Hall, London, and other large conference centers. He was for a time, on the staff of the English Bible School, in Hampstead and also prophetic editor of Redemption Tidings, the official organ of the Assemblies of God, in Great Britain.

Since coming to this country he has preached in many of our larger assemblies, the Lord richly blessing

his ministry in Deeper Life Conventions. The Eastern District Bulletin recently stated, "His spiritual expositions of the Word have greatly edified our people. The attendance and interest has been splendid throughout." After meetings in the Pentecostal Church, Cleveland, the following was written, "His messages are delivered under the anointing of the Spirit, and are calculated to be of benefit to any Assembly." D. P. Holloway, Smith Wigglesworth says, "He has a blessed and acceptable PENTECOSTAL ministry." He also has the endorsement of Flem Van Meter, Eastern District Superintendent.]

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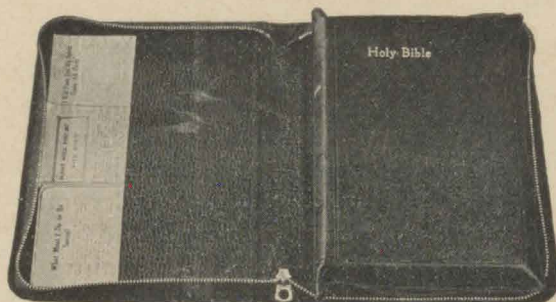
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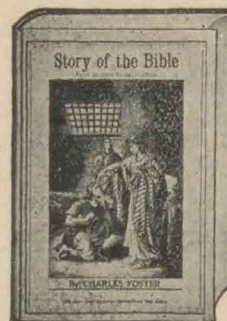
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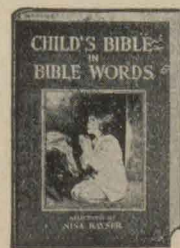


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