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The Eternal Word



HE things seen are temporal, the things unseen are eternal. The seen seems very real, but it simply points to the unseen, that which seems very unreal but is very real. The seeming real is unreal because it is temporal, but the unseen, which is the real real, is real because it is eternal. How is the unseen, the unknown, made real? By the unseen, by the spoken word of God. The very things that are seen were made and created by the word of God. We believe that the heavens and the earth were created by the word of God. By the word they are kept, until the word goes forth that they are to cease, to be dissolved, to pass away.

The Word that tells of the unseen, the real, also begets us. We are begotten by the eternal word so that we can be habitants, fit habitants, spiritually fitted to inhabit the new spiritual realm. Heaven and earth shall pass away, but the word of the Lord endureth forever. This is the word we preach. Not only is the word God's creative power, redemptive power, begetting power, but it is eternal in its duration. Therefore that which is begotten by it is of like nature—is eternal.

The Word was made flesh, the Eternal tabernacling in flesh, so that flesh may tabernacle in the eternal. Christ says, "Where I am—in the unseen, in the realm of the eternal—where I—the Word made flesh—am, there shall ye be also." How? In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, we, the begotten ones, possessing the word of the eternal, the eternal Word, shall be changed, for this mortal must put on immortality. The Word was made flesh, made mortal, but He put on immortality; so we also who believe and trust, having been born of the Spirit and quickened by the Word, shall also put on immortality.

"The everlasting hills," the mountains, point to, speak of, the eternal things which are not seen. Man tries to solve the age of a tree by counting the rings of the trunk. He has not started yet to try to count the the age of the mountains by measuring their bases, obtaining their circumferences, or measuring their height. If he has or does he is hopelessly wrong, and He who created the mountain does not deign to correct man's figures. Whatever his figures are or calculations may be, they are only measurements of time. Things seen, the mountains, are temporal, the things not seen are eternal.

God has chosen man, and redeemed man through His Son, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot unto the Ancient of Days, that we creatures of a day might share eternity with the eternal One. We have been made partakers of the divine nature by the exceeding precious promises. Christ is with His Father where He was before the creation of the world, and He says to those on the earth to whom He came and who have received Him, "Where I am, there ye shall be also." To as many as received Him, to them gave He the right to become the sons of God, reigning, living, fellowshiping with Him, long after the "everlasting hills" have disappeared into ashes. The eternal God is our refuge. Amen.

The Discerning of Spirits

Evangelist Smith Wigglesworth

"To another discerning of spirits" (1 Cor. 12:10). There is a vast difference between natural discernment and spiritual. When it comes to natural discernment you will find many people loaded with it, and they can see so many faults in others. To such the words of Christ in the sixth chapter of Luke surely apply, "Why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye?" If you want to manifest natural discernment, focus the same on yourself for at least twelve months and you will see so many faults in yourself that you will never want to fuss about the faults of another. In the sixth of Isaiah we read of the prophet being in the presence of God and he found that even his lips were unclean and everything was unclean. But praise God, there is the same live coal for us today, the baptism of fire, the perfecting of the heart, the purifying of the mind, the regeneration of the spirit. How important it is that the fire of God shall touch our tongues.

In 1 John 4:1 we are told, "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God." We are further told, "And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world." From time to time as I have seen a person under a power of evil, or having a fit, I have said to the power of evil, or Satanic force that is within the possessed person, "Did Jesus Christ come in the flesh?" and straightway they have answered, "No." They either say, "No," or hold their tongues, refusing altogether to acknowledge that the Lord Jesus Christ came in the flesh. It is then, remembering that further statement of John's, "Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world," that you can in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ deal with the evil powers and command them to come out. We as Pentecostal people must know the tactics of the evil one and must be able to displace and dislodge him from his position.

I was preaching in Doncaster, England, at one time on the line of faith and a number of people were delivered. There was a man present who was greatly interested and moved by what he saw. He was suffering himself with a stiff knee and had yards and yards of flannel wound around it. After he got home he said to his wife, "I have taken in Wigglesworth's message and now I am going to act on it and get deliverance. Wife, I want you to be the audience." He took hold of his knee and said, "Come out, you devil, in the name of Jesus." Then he said, "It is all right, wife." He took the yards and yards of flannel off and found he was all right without the bandage. The next night he went to the little Primitive Methodist Church where he worshiped. There was a lot of young people who were in bad plight there and Jack had a tremendous business delivering his friends through the name of Jesus. He had been given to see that a great many ills to which flesh is heir are nothing else but the operation of the enemy, but his faith had risen and he saw that in the name of Jesus there was a power that was more than a match for the enemy.

I arrived one night at Gottenberg in Sweden and

was asked to hold a meeting there. In the midst of the meeting a man fell full length in the doorway. The evil spirit threw him down, manifesting itself and disturbing the whole meeting. I rushed to the door and laid hold of this man and cried out to the evil spirit within him, "Come out, you devil! In the name of Jesus we cast you out as an evil spirit." I lifted him up and said, "Stand on your feet and walk in the name of Jesus." I don't know whether anybody in the meeting understood me except the interpreter, but the devils knew what I said. I talked in English but these devils in Sweden cleared out. A similar thing happened in Christiania.

The devil will endeavor to fascinate through the eyes and through the mind. At one time there was brought to me a beautiful young woman who had been fascinated with some preacher, and just because he had not given her satisfaction on the line of courtship and marriage, the devil took advantage and made her fanatical and mad. They brought her 250 miles in that condition. She had previously received the Baptism in the Spirit. You ask, "Is there any place for the enemy in one that has been baptized in the Holy Ghost?" Our only safety is in going on with God and in constantly being filled with the Holy Ghost. You must not forget Demas. He must have been baptized with the Holy Ghost for he appears to have been a right-hand worker with Paul, but the enemy got him to the place where he loved this present world and he dropped off. When they brought this young woman to me the evil power was immediately discerned and immediately I cast the thing out in the name of Jesus. It was a great joy to present her before all the people in her right mind again.

There is a life of perfect deliverance, and this is where God wants you to be. If I find my peace is disturbed on any line, I know it is the enemy who is trying to work. How do I know this? Because the Lord has promised to keep your mind in perfect peace when it is stayed on Him. Paul tells us to present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is our reasonable service, the Holy Spirit breathes through him, "And be not conformed to this world; **but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind**, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God." He further tells us in Phil. 4, "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, if there be any praise, think on these things." As we think about that which is pure, we become pure. As we think about that which is holy, we become holy. And as we think about our Lord Jesus Christ, we become like Him. We are changed into the likeness of the object on which our gaze is fixed.

To discern spirits we must dwell with Him who is holy, and He will give the revelation and unveil the mask of Satanic power on all lines. In Australia I went to one place where there were disrupted and broken homes. The people were so deluded by the evil power of Satan that men had left their wives, and wives had left their husbands, and had gotten into spiritual affinity with one another. That is the devil! May God deliver us from such evils in these days. There is no one better than the companion God has given you. I have seen so many broken hearts and so many homes that have been wrecked. We need a real revelation of these evil seducing spirits which come in and fascinate by the eye and destroy.

lives, and bring the work of God into disrepute. But there is always flesh behind it. It is never clean; it is unholy, impure, Satanic, devilish, and hell is behind it. If the enemy comes in to tempt you on any line like this, I beseech you to look instantly to the Lord Jesus. He can deliver you from any such Satanic power. You must be separated on all lines if you are going to have faith.

The Holy Ghost will give us this gift of discerning of spirits if we desire it so that we may perceive by revelation this evil power which comes in to destroy. We can reach out and get this unction of the Spirit that will reveal these things unto us.

You will have people come to meetings who are spiritists. You must be able to deal with spiritist conditions. You can so deal with them that they will not have any power in the meetings. If you ever have Theosophists or Christian Scientists, you must be able to discern them and settle them. Never play with them; always clear them out. They are better with their own company always, unless they are willing to be delivered from the delusion they are in. Remember the warning of the Lord Jesus, "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy."

Before Satan can bring his evil spirits there has to be an open door. Hear what the Scriptures say; "That wicked one toucheth him not" (1 John 5:18). "The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: He shall preserve thy soul" (Psa. 121:7). How does Satan get an opening? When the saint ceases to seek after holiness, purity, righteousness, truth; when he ceases to pray, stops reading the Word and gives way to carnal appetites. Then it is that Satan comes. So often sickness comes as a result of disobedience. David said, "Before I was afflicted, I went astray." Seek the Lord and He will sanctify every thought, every act, till your whole being is ablaze with holy purity and your one desire will be for Him who has created you in holiness. Oh, this holiness! Can we be made pure? We can. Every inbred sin must go. God can cleanse away every evil thought. Can we have a hatred for sin and a love for righteousness? Yes, God will create within thee a pure heart. He will take away the stony heart out of the flesh. He will sprinkle thee with clean water and thou shalt be cleansed from all thy filthiness. When will He do it? When you seek Him for such inward purity.

THE HONOR THAT IS COMING TO CHRIST

A Few Comments on Phil. 2:5-11

Every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. He, Jesus Christ, being in the form of God, thought it not a thing to be grasped at to be equal with God.

Equal to God, in the form of God, He thought it not robbery to be equal with God. However, He made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of man. Men are looking at the fact in the central part of the passage: "Took upon Him the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of man." The keynote of modern religion is that Christ took upon Him the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of man. The servant Christ, the social Christ, the Christ an example, who took upon Him the nature of man. Men look at His human nature and overlook or ignore or deny His divine origin and His divine and glorious future. But the statement preceding this, "Who being in the form of God, thought it

not robbery to be equal with God"—they wilfully set aside and magnify the Christ of example and pattern and teaching, who took upon Him the form of a servant.

"And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." It was no martyrdom. It was no dying for ideals. He humbled Himself, He had to empty Himself of so much of the divine glory in order that death could prey upon Him. Man fights death; Christ had to come so low that death could fight Him. He said, "I lay down my life." It was not taken from Him. Death had permission to touch Him who was the author of life.

Even the death of the cross! No ordinary death, a death of extraordinary lowness. The martyrs were stoned, felons were crucified. Of all the list of heroes of faith in Hebrews 11 not one was crucified. Christ went lower than all. They were martyrs. He was a sacrifice—a voluntary sacrifice.

"Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name." God again came on the scene and shows Christ's uniqueness above every one who has died. Because He was exalted, raised from the dead, the firstfruits, and God has given Him a name which is above every other name, the name of the greatest martyr does not rank in the same category as His name, which is above every name.

"That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth." Therefore God has decreed that this humble one, the one who took upon Himself the form of man, the servant, should be honored above in heaven by those who knew Him before in heaven as the one equal to God. The heavenly hosts had to give Him additional honor for His condescension and humiliation.

"And things in earth!" Every living creature, before and after His coming, has to recognize that He is the one to be worshiped by all, high and low, celestial and terrestrial. This is an honor due only to Godhead. The divine Son of God has to have worship from the sons of men, either voluntary or under compulsion.

"And things under the earth!" Art Thou come to torment us before the time? Thus evil spirits spoke to Him. They knew the time when they and their fellows under the earth would have to acknowledge Him as Lord. They are denying Him now as Lord in the bodies of their dupes, in the asylums and out.

"And that every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." Pilate said, "Shall I crucify your King?" Discordant shouts rang through the air, "We have no king but Caesar, away with Him, crucify Him." These and their like all down the ages will have to confess that He is Lord, Master, King, Ruler, Potentate, the eternal I Am, to the glory of God the Father, His Father. God will have all men honor the Son.

This inspired passage starts with the statement that He is equal to God, in the form of God, and winds up with this homage being paid to Him to the glory of God the Father, the Father of the Servant and the Son. Amen.

How do you know there is a great revival coming? Because there is a great need and because so many are praying.—Dr. Markley.

The speediest confession is the easiest and the best.

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"WATCH NIGHT"

"THE ONE CONCERN OF THE DEVIL IS TO KEEP THE SAINTS FROM PRAYING"—on Watch Night (December 31), and on every other night—to keep them busy with beautiful sermons and addresses, with interesting programs and exercises, with social service activities of every kind, with entertaining testimony meetings and song services, with (at times) almost prayerless Bible conferences and evangelistic movements, and even with tearless campaigns of card-signing which the Church calls soul-winning.

Machineries are multiplied "that meditation may be ousted," and organizations are increased "that prayer may have no chance." Would that the Church knew its business as well as the devil knows his!

Why cannot Watch Night THIS year be given over TO PRAYER? Why not ask God to restore to the Church its sense of the heinousness of sin, its sense of the wrath and love of God, its sense of concern for the lost, its sense of the necessity of COMPLETE SEPARATION from the world, its sense of THE JOY of salvation?

Let prayer become FUNDAMENTAL instead of SUPPLEMENTAL, and Modernism and worldliness and infidelity in the Church will have to go. The card table and the parlor dance will have to go. Duplicity and suspicion, jealousy and dissension, back-biting and division will have to go. Our broken-down family altars will be re-erected; our young people will be saved; our coffers will be filled WITH CONSECRATED MONEY. Our home and foreign boards will be replenished with men and means, and a harvest of new-born souls will be swept into the kingdom.

You have tried everything else, dear saint of God; now TRY PRAYER, and see what GOD will do. TRY IT, pastor. TRY IT, official board. TRY IT, poor struggling Church. YOUR way has failed. Why not try GOD'S way? Try it during Watch Night. Try it through the Week of Prayer, through January, through 1924, through the years to come. Your activities have been abundant, but your tears have been lacking. Try GOD'S way (Psa. 126:6). TRY PRAYER!

"Prove me now herewith," saith Jehovah, "if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." YE ARE BEHIND ON PRAYER! "Bring ye ALL the tithes into the storehouse, THAT THERE MAY BE MEAT IN MINE HOUSE" (Mal. 3:10; also verse 11).

Make Watch Night A NIGHT OF PRAYER!

PRAY FOR REVIVAL!

NATION-WIDE CALL TO PRAYER IN VIEW OF PRESENT WORLD DISTRESS AND UNREST

By Eugene Brooks.

At a Ministers' Pentecostal Meeting held in Waukegan, Ill., on Nov. 12, 1923, a nation-wide call to prayer was read, after which a motion was unanimously adopted to publish this call in the Pentecostal press.

Convinced that we are nearing a national crisis, I am sending forth this call to prayer to all Pentecostal saints and to other evangelical believers, irrespective of denominational affiliation, inviting all to unite in prayer for world sovereigns and rulers, and especially for our beloved President of the United States of America. See 1 Timothy 2:1, 2.

May we not dare believe that judgments which might and would otherwise overtake us, can and will be averted through prayer? God has done so for others, why not for us? May we not trust the Lord to make our country an asylum, a place of refuge, for the afflicted of His people?

I would suggest that there be united prayer in all Pentecostal assemblies and missions at the usual Watch Night Service, Dec. 31, 1923, and that leaders of the services shall read the Call to Prayer to the Congregations assembled.

God alone is able to avert calamities which might overtake us by entanglement with the nations of Europe in this hour of distress and unrest. Mr. David Lloyd-George, former Prime Minister of Great Britain, in his very recent visit to the United States warned us of the possibility of another world war, the horrors of which we dread to contemplate.

I therefore entreat that all children of God will pray that needed wisdom, discretion and judgment may be given to all rulers, and particularly to President Coolidge and the members of his cabinet. As an encouragement to my brethren to pray, I append the correspondence from the President which assures me of his good pleasure in the matter.

By way of explanation, I will state that I and the members of our household have been for several months past, earnestly praying for the President. Recently we were impressed to write him, thinking it might be helpful to know that some are really praying on his behalf and not merely saying prayers. A prompt reply was received to this letter from Washington. I therefore wrote the Chief Executive again, asking permission to publish his letter, and received an immediate reply granting my request. I herewith append the entire correspondence.

Zion, Ill., Oct. 16, 1923.

Hon. Calvin Coolidge,
President United States,
Washington, D. C.

Honorable Sir:

Being conscious of the grave responsibility resting upon you as the Chief Executive of this nation, especially in these trying times, and realizing your need of wisdom such as God alone can give, a band of us are praying daily that you may be directed in all things to the glory of God and for the protection of our country. We are sending this with the hope that it may, in some degree, strengthen your hands and encourage your heart.

I am, sir,

Most humbly and respectfully yours.

White House, Washington, Oct. 19, 1923.

My dear Mr. Brooks:

The President has asked me to make appreciative acknowl-

edgement of your letter of October 16th. He is more than grateful to you and all concerned for your prayers.

Sincerely yours,

C. B. Slemp,
Secretary to the President.

Zion, Ill., Nov. 5, 1923.

Hon. Calvin Coolidge,
President United States,
Washington, D. C.

Honorable Sir:

Believing that we are approaching a national crisis, and to the end of eliciting prayer for yourself and our rulers, I am writing to ask the privilege of publishing your letter, a copy of which I enclose. Or if Your Honor would favor me with any other word that might be so used, I should esteem it a great favor.

I am, sir,

Most humbly and respectfully yours.

White House, Washington, November 9, 1923.

My dear Mr. Brooks:

The President asked me to thank you for your note of November 5th. He has no objection to your publishing the letter of October 19th. You are at liberty to use it as you suggest.

Most sincerely yours,

C. B. Slemp,
Secretary to the President.

WHEN WE BLESS GOD.

When we bless God for mercies we prolong them, and when we bless Him for miseries we usually end them. Praise is the honey of life, which a devout heart sucks from every bloom of providence and grace. As well be dead as be without praise; it is the crown of life.—C. H. Spurgeon.

BROTHER BELL'S BOOK

Brother Bell's book of "Questions and Answers" is now printed. We have been delayed in getting the cover stock but this has now reached us, and we expect to be able to fill orders within the next few days. This book contains a brief biography of Brother Bell. Send for a copy, or as many copies as you can use. The price is only 50 cents postpaid.—Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

The fact that we think we are right is no proof that we are right: for, at the beginning and at the end of the narrative of the horrible things which are recorded in the latter part of the book of Judges, we read, "In those days there was no king in Israel, but every man did that which was RIGHT in his OWN eyes" (Judges 17:6; 21:25). "The way of a fool is right in his own eyes; but he that is wise HEARKENETH UNTO COUNSEL" (Prov. 12:15).

Praise the Lord, the fiery furnace is getting hot, but we are not alone. We have Jesus in our midst. As long as He is here it is all right.—Eric Booth-Clibborn.

"When we are especially strong in faith, we have especial need to watch against unbelief (compare 1 Sam. 26:5 and on, with 27:1)."

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GETTING READY TO MOVE

The owner of the tenement which I have occupied for many years has given notice that he will furnish but little or nothing more for repairs. I am advised to be ready to move.

At first this was not a very welcome notice. The surroundings here are in many respects very pleasant, and were it not for the evidence of decay, I should consider the old house good enough. But even a light wind causes it to tremble and totter, and all the braces are not sufficient to make it secure. So I am getting ready to move.

It is strange how quickly one's interest is transferred to the prospective home. I have been consulting maps of the new country and reading descriptions of its inhabitants. One who visited it has returned, and from him I learn that it is beautiful beyond description—language breaks down in attempting to tell of what he heard while there. He says that, in order to make an investment there, he has suffered the loss of all things that he owned here, and even rejoices in what others would call making a sacrifice.

Another, whose love to me has been proven by the greatest possible test, is now there. He has sent me several clusters of the most delicious fruits. After tasting them, all food here seems insipid.

Two or three times I have been down by the border of the river that forms the boundary, and have wished myself among the company of those who were singing praises to the King on the other side.

Many of my friends have moved there. Before leaving they spoke of my coming later. I have seen the smile upon their faces as they passed out of sight.

Often I am asked to make some new investments here, but my answer in every case is, "I am getting ready to move."

For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. 2 Cor. 5:1.

Jesus saith, . . . I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.—John 14:6.—Sel.

OUR HEAVENLY BANK ACCOUNT

"Give me fifty thousand dollars, and one reverse of fortune may scatter it away. But let me have a spiritual hold of this divine assurance, 'The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want,' and then I am all right. I am set up for life. I cannot break with such stock as this in hand. I never can be a bankrupt, for I hold this security, 'The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.' Do not give me ready money now; give me a check book, and let me draw what I like. This is what God does with the believer. He does not immediately transfer his inheritance to him, but lets him draw what he needs out of the riches of His fulness in Christ."—Spurgeon.

A SUGGESTION

Why not subscribe for the Pentecostal Evangel as a Christmas present to a friend? We will give them 832 pages of good reading for the dollar you send in. To produce these 832 pages it is costing us at least \$1.50 at the present time, and so you cannot complain that you will not be getting value for your money. Every new subscription helps us, and if we can bring the circulation of the Evangel up to 35,000 the paper will pay for itself and we shall be relieved from the present weekly loss on the paper.

A Remarkable Book by a Hebrew Christian

It is said of that old stalwart of the faith, Joseph Parker, that whenever he saw a Jew he took off his hat. When questioned why he did this he would simply say in the words of the apostle, "Who are Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises; whose are the fathers, and of whom as concerning the flesh Christ came, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen."

We must confess that we, too, have a like feeling towards the Jews, especially to those to whom it has been revealed that our Lord Jesus Christ is their Messiah. It is always a pleasure for us to hear our Hebrew brethren unfold to us the Old Testament scriptures and it is always a delight for us to read anything from the pen of an enlightened Christian Jew. Many of the brethren who attended our Council meeting in 1916 will remember that we were privileged to have with us a Hebrew brother who took part freely in the discussions, especially on the subject of the triunity of the Godhead. We have been out of touch with this brother for some years but recently he has sent us a copy of a book he has written and we have read this book with intense delight. Mark John Levy, for such is the name of our brother, has certainly given us a feast of fat things in this book, "Christianity, the Flower and Fruit of Judaism."

Brother Levy is not only a good author but he has proved himself a most excellent poet. In the preface of his book he expresses himself thus:

"Across the land, across the sea,
I wing in love this message true:
The blood of Christ doth wash away
My sins, and cleanse my worship too.
It purifies my ministry
To sinful Gentile, sinful Jew,
And gives me joy as on I speed
To face a sinful world in need
Of knowledge of Salvation's plan,
Through Christ, the Son of God and
man."

The first chapter of his book is entitled, "The Exactness of the Word of God," and Brother Levy points out what a wonderful book the Bible is, mathematically true to its minutest "jot and tittle." He points to the importance of reading and meditating on the whole of the Scriptures and states truly, "Sectarianism is the logical result of refusing to accept and declare 'all the counsel of God.'" He states here, "Christians have no right to accept or reject any doctrine until they have 'ruminated' (meditated, or pondered) on it. A Jewish brother once observed to me, 'I enjoy the peaceful and reserved atmosphere of the Christian church.' I replied, 'The atmosphere you enjoy is no more the real peace and rest of Christian faith than the atmosphere of the kitchen on Thanksgiving Day is the real Thanksgiving dinner.' We are

commanded to 'taste and see that the Lord is good' (Psa. 34:8)."

Brother Levy has a very interesting chapter on the subject of "Hebrew Verb Roots and the Holy Trinity." He says here, "The doctrine of the triunity of the Godhead as taught by the Christian church is identical with the faith of ancient Israel, and this is confirmed unconsciously by orthodox Jews of today, who universally acknowledge belief in our Heavenly Father (Avinu-ba-Shōmayim); Christ (Messiah to come); and the Holy Spirit (Ruach-ha-Kodesh). The Hebrew word Echad (one), used in the Scripture, 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God (Triune Elohim) is one Lord' (Deut. 6:4), and in other Old Testament texts, always denotes duality or plurality in unity. Yacheed (only) expresses absolute unity in the Hebrew. The Holy of Holies, the most sacred spot in Israel's worship, a cube; the Divine ascription, 'Holy, Holy, Holy' (Isa 6:3), acknowledged by orthodox Jews even unto this day to be the triplicated name of the Deity; and the Levitical blessing, 'The Lord bless thee, and keep thee: the Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace' (Num. 6:24-26), are additional ancient testimonies that Christian teaching concerning the triunity of the Godhead is scriptural and incontrovertible."

Writing of "Christ and the immemorial blood covenant," Brother Levy says, "An unbiased study of the solemn question clearly proves that there are two distinct lines of prophecy in the Old Testament referring to two separate appearances on earth of the one true Messiah, who had first to come in humility and ride through Jerusalem on an ass, previous to His death (Zech. 9:9) for the salvation of all men, and then return on the 'White Horse' of victory to take His seat on the throne of His father David at Jerusalem to reign throughout the glorious millennial age as the King of kings and the Lord of lords (Rev. 19:11-16)."

To many our Brother Levy will bring new light in his comment on Jer. 31:31 and Heb. 8:8, "Jehovah declared that He would 'make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah.' The word translated 'make' reads 'cut' in the Hebrew and confirms the ancient method of entering into a covenant with the Almighty, namely, by the shedding of blood, without which there is no forgiveness of sin and, therefore, no possibility of communion between a holy God and a sinful man. Israel's blessings under the Mosaic covenant were temporal, primarily, namely, wells our fathers had not digged, houses they had not builded, olive trees they had not planted (Deut. 6:11). Under the new covenant Christ in His own blood purchased for us an eternal inheritance and provided for us unspeakable spiritual blessings (Heb. 9: 11-15). Under this covenant He puts all

His powers and possessions at our disposal; but our lack of knowledge, our unbelief and disobedience limit the blessings He is willing to bestow on His blood-brothers, even in earthly life. Every Christian, too, is bound in duty to hold his life and possessions at the service of every other Christian who is striving to be loyal to the obligations of the eternal blood covenant: 'Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whosoever hath this world's goods and seeth his brother have need and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?' (1 John 3:16, 17)."

We are glad that our brother has included in his book his lecture on "Christian Symbolism in the Jewish Passover." He brings forth much which will be real light to many concerning the passover. He states, "The search for leaven in orthodox Jewish homes by housewives and maids is most minute; but the father is expected to make a final search with a candle and to pronounce a curse on any portion overlooked, and thus make it 'null and void.' 'Leaven' is an acknowledged rabbinic type of sin; and to enforce the need of a rigid self-examination, the Lord declared that He would 'search Jerusalem with candles' (Zeph. 1:12); and He gives us the blessed assurance that in Jerusalem above we shall need no 'candle or light of the sun' (Rev. 22:5). Apostolic antitypical teaching proclaims that 'Christ our passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast, not with the old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth' (1 Cor. 5:7, 8).

"On the table there are three thick cakes of unleavened bread,—some say they represent Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, or Jehovah, the Priest, and the people. Hebrew Christians believe they represent the Holy Trinity,—Father, Son and Holy Spirit, because the middle cake is broken in two at the commencement of the feast, then secreted between the pillows or in the pillow case, and partaken of after supper by all present. It was this piece of unleavened bread which Christ took when He said, 'This is my body which is given for you (Luke 22: 19), and truly it represents His body, broken on the Cross, then hidden in the clean tomb, and resurrected later for us as 'The Bread of Life.'"

A chapter that will be of special interest to Pentecostal people is that entitled, "The Holy Spirit in Israel and in the Church." In this chapter he gives some light on the subject of tithing. He says, "Abraham paid tithes to Melchizedek. Christ is a priest after the order of Melchizedek. He declared that our righteousness must exceed that of the Pharisees, who paid tithes. The eleven tribes in Israel had to support one tribe, the Levites, who in turn had to tithe their income to support the sons of Aaron. Tithes today should be devoted exclusively to the support of orthodox ministers in the homeland, or of orthodox missionaries in foreign fields, but should

not be given to feed the poor or build churches, etc. These benefactions come under the name of free-will offerings. It is said that about the third of one's income in Israel went to the payment of tithes, free-will offerings, taxes and charities.

"The Baptism in the Holy Spirit is the prime factor in joyful Christian worship and power for service. Without His aid neither Jew nor Gentile can say unto salvation that 'Jesus is the Lord' (1 Cor. 12:3). Jews, Protestants and Catholics acknowledge belief in the Holy Spirit; but how few welcome His fellowship in their daily lives! When Israel came forth from Egypt, our fathers were willing to listen to the voice of Moses, but not to the voice of God; and throughout Christendom today a like condition prevails. At Sinai the Lord spoke in trumpet tones; and the terrible World War, declared on the anniversary of the destruction of Israel's temple, was His blast of warning to the nations to prepare for the withdrawal of the Holy Spirit from the church (2 Thess. 2:1-12) prior to the time of Jacob's Trouble and His awful judgments on the Gentiles. Therefore it behooves every loyal Christian to remember our Lord's parable of the wise and foolish virgins and seek diligently to keep their lamps filled with oil (the Holy Spirit) lest we be taken in the snare of Satan and shut out from the marriage supper of the Lamb."

Concerning the great war, Brother Levy points out, "That the late terrible war began on the double anniversary of the destruction of Solomon's and Herod's temples is a truth demanding imperative consideration by all diligent students of prophecy.

"General Allenby expelled the Turks from the upper part of Palestine on the Feast of Tabernacles (Sept. 21-28, 1918). He took Nazareth on the last day of the Feast—the anniversary of the day when Christ cried in the Temple: 'If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink' (John 7:37)."

There is a chapter in this book on "The Anglo-Saxons and the Lost Ten Tribes of Israel." Brother Levy fully believes that Great Britain and the United States represent the lost ten tribes of Israel. There are many who believe that this is true, but others are not satisfied with the evidence brought forth by those who believe this. We have met Hebrew brethren who have been in total disagreement with this theory.

Our brother has a deep-seated conviction that, "Our Jewish brethren are free to observe the national rites and ceremonies of Israel when they accept Christ, according to the clear teaching of the New Testament and the practice of Christ and the apostles," and he brings strong arguments to support his convictions. Many of his Hebrew brethren take very strong exception to this viewpoint. Those who attended the 1916 Council meeting will remember that our brother presented a memorial on this line and the brethren present felt incompetent to deal with the matter without going into it very thoroughly, and so postponed any decision concerning the same until such time as the question could be thoroughly

studied. The Protestant Episcopal church at their General Convention held in St. Louis the same month favored Brother Levy's memorial and adopted the same.

Brother Levy prints the words of a song which he addressed to the American Jewish Congress in 1917. We quote a part of this song:

"Messiah, Come! He cannot come to lead us back to Palestine, our ancient happy Jewish home, until your hearts to truth incline. Ah, yes! to Palestine we go when Europe's bloody war shall end, —no human or demonic foe can God's plain purpose backward bend. But not to peace—no! Judah, no!— shall we to Israel's land return, because your hearts are not prepared all fleshly idols yet to burn. Ye seek the peace the world doth give with countless vanities of Time, and not God's peace through Faith's new birth that fits us for the heavenly clime.

"Not till the anti-christ appears and nations to his standard flock, will Jacob's trouble culminate, as shown on God's prophetic clock: our nation will be born again in this approaching travail hour; till then no president or king can Judah save from Satan's power. One, only One, hath conquered him—the Son of God, King David's Son, who rose triumphant from the grave and everlasting victory won. On Him we pierced, our eyes must look with mourning for our nation's guilt, to make the Stone of Stumbling prove the Stone on which our hopes are built. Then He, Messiah, Prince of Peace, will stand again on Olivet, and Armageddon's bloody eve see Judah's sun of sorrow set.

"He meekly rode the ass of old through joyful Salem's festive streets; but when He comes as King of kings, from His white horse all sin retreats. We hail thee now, O sinless morn! O bliss! as King to see Him reign, where glad hosannahs greet His ears from joyful Jewish lips again!

"The Golden Age's holy dawn will then illumine the land and sea, and Love's full orb of glory shine on man's Edenic unity."

This book can be obtained from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo. The price in cloth is \$1.35 and in paper boards 80c.

GREAT OPPORTUNITIES

Brother Tommy Anderson, Cochabamba, Bolivia, writes: "Glad to report that we have opened a new branch station a few miles from here. One hundred people or more were present at this mission a few days ago, and heard the Gospel preached. All around us within seven miles there are at least twenty-four towns without a preacher. Where we are now, we hope to make the center, and branch out to these smaller towns and establish Pentecostal Missions. Pray for us brethren that God may send out more workers."

HEALED OF THE LORD

I promised the Lord that if He would deliver me from my afflictions I would acknowledge it in the Evangel. He delivered me, to Him be all the praise, honor and glory.—Mrs. Earnest Yeend, Hay, Wash.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL

Through the kind assistance and hospitality of Brother and Sister Weaver of Springfield, Mass., many of the pastors and workers in New England, already affiliated with the General Council, met in conference at Bethany Chapel on November 7, and after two days of prayerful consideration reorganized the New England District Council, with Presbyter T. Arthur Lewis of Framingham as chairman, and R. H. Norton of Boston as Secretary-Treasurer.

The conference was highly favored by the presence of Brother Joseph Tunmore of Pittsburg, chairman of the Eastern District Council, who rendered valuable assistance as chairman of the meeting. After the appointment of a credentials committee, composed of Brothers Alfred Wight of Framingham, Mass., N. G. Neilsen of New Haven, Conn., and O. H. Thayer of Keene, N. H., with the chairman and secretary, applications for licenses to preach were considered and Brother James Hicks, pastor of the assembly at Concord, New Hampshire, was ordained to the ministry. A unanimous interest was also expressed in the establishment of a yearly camp meeting, for which a committee was appointed consisting of Brother H. T. Carpenter of the Springfield Assembly, and the chairman and secretary of the council. The evening sessions were devoted entirely to the ministry of the Word by our Brother Tunmore, whose timely and instructive messages brought light and edification to all. Unity and hearty cooperation characterized the entire conference, and spoke much for success in this corner of the vineyard.—R. H. Norton, Sec.

YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Be sure to send your orders early for Sunday School literature for the first quarter of 1924. Our three quarterlies, Adult, Intermediate and Junior (price 5 cents each), our lesson leaves (4 cents per set), picture cards (4 cents per set) and large picture rolls (\$1.00 each) are now ready for mailing. To Sunday Schools that have not yet had our literature, we offer our quarterlies and lesson leaves at half price for the first order.

Be sure to order a good supply of our two papers for the children. The price of "Our Pentecostal Boys and Girls" is 12½ cents per quarter to Sunday Schools, and "Our Pentecostal Little Folks," 6½ cents per quarter. These papers are well illustrated, and from the fact we are now printing more than 20,000 monthly, it can be seen that they are popular with the children. To Sunday Schools that have not had our children's papers we offer the first quarter's supply at half price.—Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

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DAILY PORTION FROM THE KING'S BOUNTY

Mrs. A. R. Flower

Sunday: "His peculiar treasure" (Psa. 135:4).

Comforting depth of sweetness of these words for those of us whom the world has misunderstood, despised and rejected. How tender His love to us—His very own, yea, His treasure! Then, as if to stamp indelibly a seal upon our relation to Him, we are called His "peculiar" treasure. Hallelujah! Peculiar in the unique meaning of that word as Webster gives it, denoting possession absolute and unquestioned. Does it not satisfy thine heart, dear pilgrim, alone in a place of resting? For thou art tenderly loved, thou art treasured, thou art owned in surest right by Him who "hath chosen thee . . . unto Himself." How satisfying under every condition to feel we are thus possessed by Him, and that He who loves us with an everlasting love will do all things well even in the bitterest trial.

And though furnace heat surround me,
In my heart there is no fear,
For His love is ever whispering,
"Thou art Mine own treasure dear."

Monday: "Go ye therefore" (Matt. 28:19).

If God has spoken these words to you He means exactly what He says. "Go" does not mean "send" or "pray;" it means for you literally "to go." Supposing the early Christians had evaded this word, taking the command as most of us would rather take it—what progress would the glad tidings of salvation through a resurrected all-powerful Redeemer have made in reaching the darkened? But the disciples, we read, went everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the Word with signs following. Lend your ears, dear young people, and you can no longer question your personal responsibility. The pitiable "fewness" of laborers must break your heart. "Go ye therefore," saith your Lord and Master.

"Uttermost part" is His order,
Dare any answer, 'No'?

What will you do when you meet Him
If you refuse to go?"

Tuesday: "The Lord . . . send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion" (Psa. 20:2).

And when God sends you the help you are asking Him for, it will be just the help you should have. It may come in a different way. It may come from an unlooked for hand. It may come at another hour than you expected—but it is coming right out of God's sanctuary for your peculiar lack, and if you will recognize it as God's own aid you will rejoice to see it will more than meet your fullest need.

Wednesday: "Neither will I offer burnt-offerings unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing" (2 Sam. 24:24).

Precious Lamb of God—how great the cost of Thine offering for a dying world! How small, how trifling seem our offerings in return! How little do we know

of real cost measured by love's sacrifice. Forgive us, Lord, our selfishness, our ease-loving selfishness. We would give to Thee, we would make Thine offerings of greater value by pouring forth in fullness all of our consecrated lives, disregarding any seeming greatness of the cost.

"Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my life, my soul, my all."

Thursday: "Thy hand was heavy upon me" (Psa. 32:4).

"When the pressure is sorest, the hand must be nearest. What should we do in suffering if we were left to imagine that it was Satan's hand that presses sore! The hand is the most sensitive member, gifted with the most quick and delicate nerves of touch. When it presses, it instinctively measures the pressure; the contact is the closest possible; the throbbing which cannot be seen is felt, truly and immediately. This is how His dear hand is pressing you; this is what the pain means."

Friday: "To know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God" (Eph. 3:19).

"I want the love that cannot help but love;

Loving, like God, for very sake of love.
A spring so full that it must overflow,

A fountain flowing from the throne above."—A. B. S.

Saturday: "Who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?" (1 Chron. 29:5).

"And now that the suffering is over, and the Captaincy is won, and we are enrolled to be His faithful soldiers and servants unto our lives' end, is it to be merely a nominal thing on our side? It was no nominal thing on His side. The sufferings of the Lord Jesus were not nominal, and His exaltation to be a Prince as well as a Saviour is not nominal; then shall we dare to treat His orders as merely nominal, and as something to be comfortably explained away, according to circumstances? Oh, if our loyalty were as literal as His love, if our obedience were as literal as His sufferings would there, could there be such want of volunteers to go where He has plainly set up His standard, and such want of free-handed pouring into His treasury, and such want of brave speaking of our heart abundance, and such want of fervent, faithful, persevering echoes of the great prayer, 'Father, glorify Thy Son!'"

QUESTIONS ANSWERED

By W. R. M.

Q.—How may I lay up treasures in heaven?

The Lord's reply to the rich young man was, "Sell whatsoever thou hast and give to the poor and thou shalt have treasure in heaven."

We are forbidden to pile up money or other treasures for ourselves. All that we have and are belongs to the Lord—we are not our own, but His, therefore all we have is to be disbursed as trust funds. The early Christians "Sold their possessions and goods and parted them to all men, as every man had need" (Acts 2:45). "Neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own, for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them and brought the price of the things that were sold" (Acts 4:32-35).

Paul suffered the loss of all things for Christ's sake and for the elect's sake, but he described himself as "poor, yet making many rich." (See also Heb. 10:34, 35).

Q.—Who are the seven women spoken of in Isa. 4:1?

A.—This passage is the conclusion of chapter 3. It means that as a result of the crushing judgments on Jerusalem which chapter 3 threatens, such a number of males will perish that women will vastly outnumber the men, and be unable to find any one to marry them. As it is considered in the East to be a disgrace to be unmarried, the women are reduced to the desperate expedient which the prophet foretells.

Q.—One preaches that the four virgin daughters of Philip prophesied at home only, and that this was not preaching. Is this correct?

A.—No, it is not correct, but an entirely arbitrary assertion which cannot be proved from Scripture. No doubt they prophesied at home sometimes, but in 1 Cor. 11:5 the apostle distinctly authorizes the praying and prophesying of women in the church. From this we can see that there would have been nothing to prevent them from sometimes prophesying in the public assembly.

Prophecy is not only the uttering of predictions. It also takes the form of words of edification, exhortation, or comfort when the actual words are chosen by the Holy Spirit, and the speaker becomes His mouthpiece. (1 Cor. 14:3).

Q.—Please explain Mark 4:26 to 29.

The process of sowing and reaping has a likeness to something in the spiritual realm. There are two applications. (1) to the individual. If he consents to fall into the ground and die, by secret process, known only to God, a quickening takes place and a marvelous harvest of fruitful service ensues. (2) to the world. "The sower soweth the Word." We cannot tell how prayer influences things, nor how conviction comes to the sinner, nor how revivals come, nor how political situations arise to help God's plans. We know that a vast movement is in process, which will result in an unprecedented harvest of souls, but to us it is as though the earth brought forth "of herself." The lesson is:—that God's purposes are advancing to fruition as certainly as an earthly harvest follows seed-sowing. We can have complete confidence in this; we need not worry, we can take our hand off God's work, the latter rain will fall at the right time, nothing will fail.

Q.—What do you think about souls sleeping in the grave?

A.—We are told plainly in Scripture of dead kings being alive in the under-world, and the very words they say are reported. See Isa. 14:9-20; Ezk. 32:31. Lazarus was not asleep in Abraham's bosom. The word "comforted" speaks of conscious enjoyment. The rich man, on the other hand, was consciously tormented. Abraham, too, obviously was not asleep. The Lord's words to the penitent thief denote conscious liberty and victory before that very day should end. Paul would not have considered it better to "depart" if he had expected just to go to sleep. The phrase "fallen asleep" as applied to dead saints (1 Cor. 15:18; 1 Thess. 4:14) refers only to their cessation of activities in our midst. It does not necessarily imply that they are unconscious. It is a figure of speech only.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—She has come and gone, but the fruit of her labors in our midst is quite evident. Evangelist Mrs. Mary T. Miller, of Seattle, Wash. has just concluded a three-month campaign in this city. Scores have accepted God as their personal Saviour and rejoice in the liberty of their new life, and are standing firm in the midst of adversity. Over 100 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Sister Miller brought forth some inspiring messages; her evangelistic sermons were aflame with fire and enthusiasm. She exhorted men to repent and turn to God, and urged people to return to the old paths and renounce sin everywhere. It was the best campaign we have had conducted since occupying the church. God was in our midst, and the revival fire is still burning with increasing fervor. Several remarkable healings were manifested through laying on of hands. One case in particular was that of a young girl, brought to the city from Vernon, which is about 400 miles from here, to be operated on in one of the local hospitals; but she was brought to the church, and when the prayer of faith was offered, she was instantly healed, and is returning to her home to carry a flame of the revival to those people, who have not as yet heard the full gospel. Sister Miller has returned to the States, and her next campaign will be at Olympia, Wash. with Pastor Secrist. During Sister Miller's campaign, Evangelist Smith Wigglesworth, the noted Yorkshire Evangelist, who was passing through en route to New Zealand, took charge of the service for four days. Thousands were in attendance, it was estimated that around 1200 gained admittance to one evening service. Brother Wigglesworth is a deeply spiritual man of humble mien, and God mightily used him in our midst. Hundreds were prayed for for the healing of their bodies, and some remarkable cures took place through following the simple precepts laid down in the Bible. Several ministers from outside points were present during the services, including Pastor Robt. and Mrs. Gillespie from Bellingham, and many others. We solicit the prayers of the Evangel family.—F. R. Maddaford, pastor.



A Christmas Suggestion

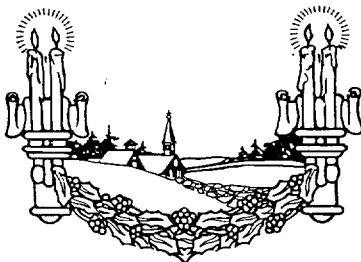


HE trouble with most Christmas presents is that they last for a day or two and then are forgotten. But if, at this Christmas season, you subscribe for the Pentecostal Evangel to go to a friend for a year, they will have a constant reminder of you right through the year, and who knows whether you will not bring them an eternal blessing by this gift? Send a dollar and the name of a friend, and we will send a greeting card similar to one below with your name upon it. Canadian friends please add 50 cents for additional postage.

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ON TO VICTORY

Have you ever read such encouraging reports of the excellent work done by our noble band of consecrated missionaries? Why it is an inspiration just to read these accounts of their heroic deeds. Somehow it just makes us want to give more than ever for missions. And why shouldn't we? Because. There is no better investment in all the world. The returns continue throughout the eternal ages. Just think how the courts of heaven must ring, as the angels sing their songs of rejoicing over these heathen coming to the light of eternal salvation. And then, what joy to know that you and I may have a part in this redemptive work. What will our delight be when we go to meet Jesus bringing our sheaves with us and laying them down at His feet? Oh, that will be glory! Hallelujah!

Now then, if all this is true, why shouldn't we redouble our efforts to win these precious souls to the Master. But how are they going to be saved unless our best young people with strong physique and burning passion for souls volunteer their glad service in response to the Macedonian call, "Come over and help us?" It is men we want too, whole-hearted men, men to pioneer these vast unblazed territories and open them up to the light of the Gospel.

These new recruits are only going to be sent out as we who remain at home will give of our means to train them in our Bible Schools and then send them forth as our representatives. Yes, to have a part in that great Coronation Day we must all be missionaries, and if we cannot go ourselves, we'll send someone else in our stead.

But what about prayer. Yes, it is true, prayer changes things. Besides all that, there's a blessing in prayer, prevailing prayer. So we're going to pray for our missionaries too, and in so doing, we'll not only be a blessing to them but we'll get a blessing in return.—Wm. M. Faux, Missionary Secretary.

ANSWERED PRAYER IN TIME OF FLOOD

Brother and Sister Dean write from India: "We have quite a flood here in Lucknow. I think it is the worst that has been known in this part of the country. We did our best to check it as much as possible, but notwithstanding all that we could do, the water came up and surrounded one bungalow. Mrs. Dean took the children and went to a place of safety. I stayed here to look after things. Brother Lindsay was with me for a while. The rain just poured down night and day, and it looked rather serious for a time with the water rising continually. But in the midst of it all I heard the voice of the Lord saying to me, "Fear not.

Just trust in Me?" I kept looking to the Lord in prayer asking Him to keep the water out of the house, for we had no place to move to. Praise God, He answered prayer and did not permit it to enter. How good and faithful our God is to those who trust Him. The odor was very bad, and as the water subsided it was sickening. We felt the only thing to do was to get hold of the Lord in prayer, and it is wonderful how He kept us through it all."

GREETINGS FROM DARK INDIA

Brother and Sister Barrick write: "We wish to sound a note of praise at this time as we think of the goodness of the Lord in a land so filled with the power of Satan.



Floods in India

Do not forget our Missionaries in your Christmas giving. Let December be our banner month.

"The rainy season just closed, resulting in heavy floods in this part of India. Numberless villages have been swept away just near us as the river, only fifteen minutes walk from our compound, has been flooded. Hundreds of people have been made homeless, and to add to their distress, the rice fields have also been destroyed which is a heavy loss to the poor people.

"The photo is that of a Hindu place of worship which was taken while the flood was rising. It was a structure built of brick about ten feet square and on the top in the center of it is erected the god called 'Mahadeva.' By the side of it stands a huge tree called 'The Pinal tree' which is also very sacred to the Hindu. The three men with the Sadu (holy man) continued their form of worship, seemingly undisturbed by the rising flood which then was only a few inches from reaching them.

"We are put to shame many times as we watch the devoutness of the Hindu in his worship even though he daily bows down before his idols of wood and stone, and which never bring any peace or joy to the soul. We desire the prayers of the saints as we try to do our little bit in this dark land."

CONVENTION IN INDIA

Brother Niels P. Thomsen writes of God's blessing on the convention held at Cawnpore: "The Indian convention was a decided success. There was an interest from the first meeting that did not wane during the whole convention. One of the workers definitely received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. All were blessed and we heard nothing of discontent during the meetings. The Christians of another Mission in Bara Banki became so interested that they turned out in ever increasing numbers. They said our messages reached their hearts. One came from an out station and said that he had heard we were teaching about the second coming of Christ and he came to hear it, and God so planned it that the message that afternoon was on that line. All said that it was the best convention for Indians they had attended. The Aston Sisters at Bara Banki had everything arranged so that there was no hitch anywhere. The Hallelujahs certainly rang from the meeting place, which was a long veranda, during that week."

DRIPPINGS FROM ON HIGH

Miss Bella Miltscher from South China writes: "It gives me great pleasure to write you again of God's wonderful power here in China. We have been praying for a revival and every now and then God lets us see His salvation in our midst.

"Yesterday one of our Christian women came here to the home and told us how God awakened her the night before at midnight. She said the Lord told her some things. He prophesied through her of His soon coming, and she had to testify to her unsaved husband and sister. She never had such power before to testify as she had that morning. She is naturally timid, but when she testified to her people she spoke with a loud voice. Oh, how wonderful God does work! He takes the weak things of the world to confound the mighty. She is blind, but I wish you could see the glory in her soul shining from her face. She is one of God's jewels. She went to the Sunday service, and when she testified she spoke with such boldness in the Holy Spirit that there was a hush in our midst. The preacher could not give his regular message and so he continued to exhort the saints to watch and pray to be ready to meet Jesus. The Lord also showed her some of her sins, such as telling lies that she told in the past which she had regarded as being jokes. She is greatly stirred and I do believe God is going to use her in winning souls.

"The Lord is letting us see His power manifested also in praying for the sick. It is such a privilege to be here laboring for our Master. We are gradually able to launch out in the work as the Lord is helping us with the language. It is so precious to be able to witness for Jesus in Chinese. I know it is only because you dear ones in America have been praying for us. We appreciate your prayers and we can always feel when some one is praying. God answers. Hallelujah!"

BUSY FOR THE MASTER.

Miss Hilda Wagenknecht, India, writes: "I have spent a few months in the hills studying the language, but am now back in Bettiah again and enjoy the work so much. We go out with the Bible women to the villages and zenanas visiting the homes of the people. It is so precious to be able to tell them about Jesus. As we come to the different homes we find sorrow and trouble in the hearts of the people. They have no peace or joy and many of them are very ignorant. They do not always understand when we speak to them but as we go time and time again, we know that the Lord is able to make His Word real to them. The people in the villages round about us are hungry for the Gospel and how we rejoice when the light breaks forth in their hearts and we see them stepping out for Christ. I am sure we can say then it has paid to give up all for Him. We would gladly endure difficulties and all just to know we are in His dear will.

"At present we are having a great Mela in Bettiah and as we go out selling the portions of the Gospel we have a wonderful opportunity of getting the Gospel to many who come here from the surrounding cities and villages. We praise the Lord for every opportunity we have to get His Word to the hearts of the people.

"The Lord is also blessing in our midst and refreshing our souls, and making Himself more real in our lives. The building work is still going on, but we hope to see it complete soon so that the girls can be brought home."

A LIBERIAN TESTIMONY

Brother J. M. Perkins of Cape Palmas, Liberia, writes: "The following is the testimony of our big boy William, who was wonderfully saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit about seven months ago. William speaks in broken English but cannot read or write, he is a great boy to pray, and has a real burden for his people. He will often remain for hours in earnest prayer and sometimes will pray all night or all day; and does not seem to realize that so much time has passed. He says he thought he was a big man, but when he got saved and filled with the Spirit it took all the big man out of him. He says that Jesus is big man for him now.

The anointing he has received has surely taught him many deep spiritual truths, and given him a very happy contented spirit. He is constantly either singing or praying as he goes about his work and is always ready to give a red-hot testimony for God. He testifies:

"God way be good. I truly see John Baptist fashion for Holy Ghost. I beg you let me tell you about our Lord. I am bow down this time to worship God. About seven moon now I hear plenty voice from my Lord and he told me to pull strong and work hard so I may be ready when He comes, and worship Him good. So I beg you that you must worship my Lord too. If you hear any voice from heaven let me know.

"First time my fashion be too bad, I

do all wicked thing, but this time my fashion change. First I bow down evening time to worship God. Then when I pray my Lord come and catch my heart. The time He catch my heart all my fashion change. Then my Lord make me to have plenty word to any people. He put three language for my mouth, and make me I have plenty song and prayer. Lord truly, truly catch my heart. Today I no say I am poor. I got all my help from God.

"The time I working for myself, I think my body be for myself, but today I know God got my body. This time when I want to wake up I ask Lord. When I want to do anything, see anything, speak anything, I ask my Lord. So I know every little thing belong to God. God go make our eye see good thing, our feet walk good way, our hand do good thing. He am great God for anything. So I love have plenty time with my Lord, every day, every day, every night, every night. We all be one brother now. Let us thank our Lord proper. Our Lord be too sweet, so make we follow Him good. No let any thing make us fool. Only way of John Baptist (repentance) be proper humble way, proper God way. God no like proud man. All we like sheep have gone astray.

"First time I use tobacco, drink rum, I used to fight, and do all wicked thing, but God truly change my heart. I see the way of wicked man be too bad. This time my Lord tell me I must not let my heart be trouble. So let we bow down and worship our great God. First time I think devil doctors be God-people, but this time I know their fashion be different. They no have God's Spirit.

"First time I go down coast. There God take me to Himself. This time I hear my Lord's voice. I know all this world belongs to God. I love God's Bible too much. He is very sweet for me. I like Bible with big eye (with big letters). I just hear God's voice but I not fit read little eye Bible. I love my Lord plenty. He do many great things for me."

PRAY FOR THESE MISSIONARIES

Mrs. Maud C. Davis, one of our Pentecostal missionaries who has been laboring for a number of years in China, has returned home on account of ill health. She has been examined and it is found that she has contracted T. B. She is at present out on the desert, near Phoenix, Ariz. She requests prayer for complete deliverance. God is able.

Brother Frank Nicodem, returned missionary from India, has been taken ill with the Flu and has been compelled to cancel all engagements for meetings. He is confined to his bed and is unable to take nourishment. Special prayer is asked that there may be speedy deliverance.

A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY

Sister Taylor writes from Kobe, Japan writes: "The last earthquake has unsettled many, but I trust it will not hinder those from coming who ought to be here. This is the day of opportunity for Japan. Let us redouble our forces and give all the strength, time, and money possible that those who have not heard the glorious Gospel, may hear, if only once; they must have a chance.

"Men are needed for the village work. Please pray the laborers out into these open doors of wonderful opportunity. We have opened another Mission station in a very needy village amongst the Eta tribe, the poor outcasts.

"Also pray for the officers of the 70th Regiment, fifteen of them, and 1400 men. One of the Captains has started an English speaking society which we had the privilege of attending and lifting up Jesus. May eternal results follow.

"So many souls swept into eternity in a moment of time calls the Church to more faithful service and more whole-hearted consecration. Words fail to describe the horrors of the terrible sufferings of those who were in the earthquake. The testimony of some was, 'It was hell.' Many had to bury their heads in the mud to escape the heat of the raging fire."



Yokohama after the Earthquake.

REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

HONEY ISLAND, TEXAS—Good meeting here; 23 filled with the Holy Spirit and spake with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, according to Acts 2:4; and the town is stirred.—W. H. Harrison, Fall, La.

PAONIA, COLO.—I ask prayer for this country, as there are a number of towns over here that never have heard Pentecost preached. I would like to hear from any good evangelist that is in good standing with the General Council.—R. I. Winkoop, Paonia, Colo.

HUMBOLDT, KANS.—We are entering our third week of Evangelistic services and the Lord has blessed. Twenty souls have been saved and many are seeking and there is a great hunger for righteousness and the Baptism in the Spirit (Acts 2:4).—R. F. Ashworth.

WESKAN, KANS.—On November 4 a 2-week meeting closed at the assembly near this place. It was conducted by Brother Fred Vogler and helper. Souls were saved and the assembly was greatly helped. Brother H. Frank is now our pastor. We desire an interest in your prayers.—Leroy Bjork, Towner, Colo.

SILOAM SPRINGS, ARK.—Revival just closed after about three weeks of hard battle. Brother J. A. McPhail conducted the services with Brother J. O. Hipfield and Brother Avery Lacy. There were about 33 conversions, and the meeting closed with much interest, and with the purpose to enlarge the mission so as to start again in the near future. Pray for the saints here.—B. P. Mabry.

WORCESTER, MASS.—Since my last report many things have occurred here. Many have been baptized in the Holy Spirit and many more have found Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour. It truly is wonderful to see the altar filled with seekers; some seeking God for their soul, some for their body, some for special needs and some for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Worcester is hearing the words of the Lord and the showers of blessing are truly here. We covet the earnest prayers of the saints.—Meyer Tan Ditter, pastor.

ENID, OKLA.—We have recently closed a five-week revival here, my son Glenn doing the preaching; 34 were saved and 37 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit as in Acts 2:4. Three have been saved and one baptized in the Holy Spirit in the regular service since the meeting closed. The assembly was set in order with 48 charter members. Men and women are still tarrying for the Baptism in the Spirit. Several cases of healing have been reported. The writer was chosen as pastor. Council brethren are invited to stop over should they pass this way.—Charles H. Millard.

WESSON, ARK.—We have a number of live saints here. I have accepted the pastorate. We are expecting to have a revival beginning on Wednesday night before the first Sunday in December and running until the Friday night before the third Sunday, and maybe on through the holidays. Brother Z. J. Lannius from Bearden, Ark. will do the preaching. We are praying for you brethren at headquarters.—George G. Harrison.

FORT SMITH, ARK.—We are glad to say that God is wonderfully blessing the opening services of the Clark revival campaign in the new brick church, N. 8 & T St. Nine prayed through to victory one night. Deep conviction is settling down upon the people; interest is growing; and people are getting through to God in every service. Several have been healed already, and we are expecting great things from God. We covet your prayers for the new work here.—Chas. E. Ray.

ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA.—There are no other Pentecostal people around here. We are having prayer meetings from house to house with the Church of God people. One of them has the Baptism in the Spirit. The Lord sent a Church of God preacher by and he preached for us 2 nights and the Lord reanointed wife and me with the Baptism in the Holy Spirit with the Bible evidence as in Acts 2:4. But I do not seem to have the power I once had. Pray God to restore the joy of my salvation and to send a Spirit-filled band here and keep us in His sweet will. This is a Catholic town and very wicked.—P. O. Broxton. Box 866.

CHETOPA, KANS.—The saints at Chetopa are truly grateful for the revival that closed the last of October. The meeting was held in the Opera House and large crowds heard the message as it was given out night after night unctonized by the Holy Spirit. Prejudice was broken down more than at any previous meeting. Truly this was a great time of sowing seed in new hearts. Numbers definitely felt the healing touch from the Lord in the healing services. Our church and Sunday school are steadily marching on to victory under the leadership of Pastor and Mrs. W. Y. Howell. The Sunday school has been nearing the hundred mark and we expect it to go over the top soon.—R. L. Hillegas, Sec.

"WERE THERE NOT TEN CLEANSED? BUT WHERE ARE THE NINE?"

I am sending a draft for \$7.00. Last winter I sent a handkerchief to be anointed, and it healed me of soreness in my breast, for which I was very grateful, but I neglected to send an offering, and I hope you will forgive me.—Eliza Chidester, Whittier, Calif.

REVIVAL AT GOODING, IDAHO

What is said by residents to have been the greatest evangelistic drive, from the standpoint of crowds, interest, and results ever conducted in this city closed on the night of Nov. 18 with an enormous crowd in attendance. E. V. Howard, manager of the Ramona rink in which the revival was held, said: "I have lived here 15 years, but never have seen such tremendous crowds and splendid interest in any religious meeting during that time." Guy Winters, trustee of the Assembly of God, said: "Without doubt this has been the greatest revival campaign Gooding has ever had."

The children's meetings were interesting, and did much good. Twenty-two children were saved in one service. On the night that Brother Argue spoke on the Second Coming of Christ, fourteen adults were converted. Three received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit the second Sunday. Following are some of the accounts of healings that took place during the campaign:

"I was prayed for for cataracts on the eyes. My eyes are much better and improving every day."—Mrs. Mary E. Burkhill.

"I received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and was healed of total deafness in one ear, also nervous complications. My daughter, Mary, also received the Baptism in the Spirit and was healed of eye trouble."—Mrs. G. R. Daniel.

"I was prayed for and was healed of hemorrhage on the right side of the nose, also of heart trouble. My heart would run 100 with very little exertion. I would get all out of breath and feel stuffed up. Since then I have been so I haven't had any trouble even though doing a great deal of walking. I also received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit."—Mrs. Anna S. Johnson.

"I attended the Argue meetings and was prayed for for cataracts on the right eye. Have been afflicted for over 11 years. But since being prayed for my eye is fast improving and the cataracts are going. I can now read without glasses and can even thread a needle easily. This I could not do before."—Chas. Schabalka.

—Orin D. Channer, pastor.

A SOLDIER'S TESTIMONY

Jesus is a wonderful Saviour to me. I was a wanderer, a gambler and a drunkard. I was drunk the night I was saved and had been drunk for several weeks. The doctors of the army said that I was bound to go. But God saved me and healed my soul the same night, and later baptized me in the Holy Spirit and fire, and set my feet on the solid Rock of Ages and established my goings again. Praise His name forever for picking me up. I was a backslider and thought myself lost beyond hope; but I prayed to God in reality and with my whole heart and soul, giving up all to Him; and He saved me. Now, by His mighty help, I am going to keep with Him and in His blessed ways. Pray for me, a soldier of the U. S. army and a soldier of God.—Pfc. J. L. Tanner, Co. M., 21st. Int., Schofield Bks., Hawaii.

A REVIVAL IN CHARLOTTE, MICH.

This is the first letter I have written to the Evangel. For some time I have been in the Church of God called the Evening Light Reformation. I thought, as I was taught, that when Jesus sanctified me with His own precious blood I received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. But there was and always has been such a longing for the same experience as the 120 received. About a year ago Sister Etter's book fell into my hands, and I became so hungry for God that I began to fast and pray, studying my Bible on my knees; and, oh, how He did open the blessed Scriptures to me. I began to preach what He showed me and it began to make a stir in the local congregation and with the brethren here in Michigan in the Church of God. But my heart was so hungry that I could not let up. About two-thirds of the congregation left, but the remaining one-third with their pastor "tarried until." OH GLORY! It has paid us a hundred-fold. Praise His name forever. Several have received the Baptism in the Spirit, and a week ago last Sunday your servant was baptized in the Spirit with the Bible evidence. OH GLORY! My heart is so full of praise that I can hardly write. A dear Methodist brother, who had never heard a sermon on the Latter Rain, received the Baptism in the Spirit but when he began to speak in the unknown tongue he thought it was the enemy and took his stand against it. But as he was honest, God sent his sister here from Sister McPherson's meeting to tell him what it was, and he did rejoice when he learned the truth, and he has been used mightily of God since. Yesterday God gave us a wonderful day; two were baptized in the Spirit. A few days ago a sister heard a strange noise in the barn and went to the door to see if her husband was hurt, and he was coming to the house with his eyes shut and his hands up praising God in the unknown tongue. Glory! I want to tell you how we love the Evangel. It is food to our souls and we are taking subscriptions for it. I hope to have several to send in as Christmas presents to my people. Pray for us that we may keep humble and in the center of His will. Some of our saints here have the gift of tongues and interpretation. It is wonderful, the blessed messages we get.—L. G. Moore.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.—Last week was very precious at Glad Tidings. Nearly every night several were saved and others filled with the Holy Spirit. One precious brother and his wife received the Baptism in the Spirit the same night. And on Saturday night seven obeyed their Lord in baptism in water. A mother and son; a Russian husband and wife; an Austrian sister who had been saved recently and healed of tuberculosis; a sister who had lately been saved at one of the open air meetings; and another who had been saved the night before, all were "planted together in the likeness of His death." Special healing services are held every Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, and also Wednesday evening at

eight. The Sunday services are attended by many not only in our own city but by delegations from neighboring towns and villages within a radius of one hundred miles. The Sunday morning service at eleven o'clock is particularly a saints' meeting, a spiritual love-feast, and the power of the Lord is always manifest. The Bible classes begin at two o'clock in the afternoon, and are followed at three o'clock by a song, testimony and praise service culminating almost always with a message from the Word. At six o'clock the students of the Bible School begin their open air meetings, three large services being held in different parts of the city at the same time, from which many souls have been brought to the Assembly meetings and won for Christ. At seven o'clock the Children's Church is conducted in the Assembly Hall, followed at eight o'clock by the largest evangelistic meeting of the week, when the main auditorium and galleries are filled with people. The Seniors of the Bible School have been giving the messages in song and in the Word as the Spirit has led, and God has given souls at every meeting at which they have ministered. On Monday evenings the Juniors of the Bible School have charge, and at this service all of the students march to the platform where they sing together the School Song, "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken." To see so many young people in preparation for the Lord's service is inspiring. The Seniors conduct the meeting on Friday evenings, each student taking his turn in leading the song service, the prayer period, the testimonies, and the message from the Word. A day spent in Glad Tidings Bible Institute is interesting to one who is seeking more of God. Before breakfast the students and teachers meet in the prayer room to pray, and thus the day is begun with God. The classes begin at 8:45, continuing until the noon hour. The afternoon is spent in working and study. At 6:45 the evening class begins and many who are not able to come to the day classes are given opportunity to study to show themselves approved unto God, workmen that need not to be ashamed. Following this class, an open air meeting is held by the students to put in practice what they learn in the class room. Thus the time is spent for God at Glad Tidings.—O. E. Smith.

MISSIONARIES HELPING BUILD THE BIBLE SCHOOL

Our missionaries believe in Bible Schools and are sending funds to help. Brother E. E. Alger writes from Liberia, "Mrs. Alger and I want you to take \$10.00 out of our next offering and donate it to the Bible School building. It makes our hearts rejoice when we read about what God is doing there in Springfield. We hope and pray that God will touch every Pentecostal heart in the homeland so that they will see the need and do their bit."

Two missionaries in India have also made donations; Brother W. H. Clifford contributing \$10.00, and Sister Hattie Hacker, \$5.00.

SEDALIA, MO.—The Bostrom Evangelistic Party, consisting of Evangelist J. Wm. Bostrom, Mr. and Mrs. R. Morrison and Miss Ethlyn Griffin, were with us three weeks, and the Lord blessed in a wonderful way. At the first service the altar was filled with penitent souls seeking Christ for salvation. About 115 were saved, 44 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and many were healed. Some who had been afflicted for many years were wonderfully delivered. One woman who was on her way to the Mayo Brothers heard about the Lord's healing the sick; she came, was prayed for and the Lord touched her body, and instead of going to Mayo Brothers she returned to her home in Higginsville, Mo., a happy woman. A number of whole families were saved and are now rejoicing in the Lord. Brother Bostrom's messages are plain and powerful and brought great light to many who did not understand our "distinctive testimony." The blessing of the Lord truly rested upon the children's meetings conducted by Brother and Sister Morrison. A number of the children were saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit. The last two Sunday afternoons of the campaign we had a baptizing and preaching service in the East Broadway Christian Church. Praise the Lord for the good work that has been done. The Bostrom Evangelistic Party will always find a welcome at the Assembly in Sedalia, Mo.—R. Elmer Baker, pastor.

MEEKER, OKLA.—I want to make mention of the wonderful meeting the dear Lord gave us this last summer about five miles from Meeker. After about 10 years of praying by a few faithful ones, the dear Lord broke through on what the preachers all called a hard place. Oh, it was so wonderful, to see people who once opposed this glorious gospel now filled with the Holy Spirit. Blessed be the Lord. About 15 to 20 were saved in the old-time way, 15 were filled with the Holy Spirit, and some were healed of various ailments. The power of God was so present in every service, hundreds were convinced and said, "This is the way of the Lord." And a good number of them are seeking God for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. One great feature of this work is that nearly all of those saved and baptized are fathers and mothers, some of them gray-headed. God chose Brother J. I. Miller and wife to help us go over the top for Jesus in this great work; and the Lord surely did fire Brother Miller with the Word and Spirit and sent us some wonderful messages. Since the meeting we have received from the people here cash and subscriptions nearly enough to build a mission 24x40 feet. We have plans for this building well under way and expect to have it ready for worship by Christmas. We are expecting a blessed meeting during Christmas time and to dedicate this house to the Author of it, the Lord.—W. W. Curtis.

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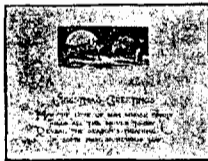
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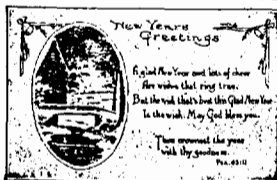
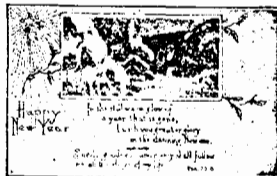
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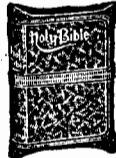
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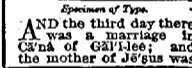
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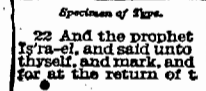
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