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A PAPER WITH A NATIONAL CIRCULATION

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Some Pertinent Remarks About Oxford Group

For sometime we have intended paying our respects to Frank N. Buchman, Oxford Group leader and founder of the Moral Rearmament Movement. Recently, he visited Mae West in her Hollywood apartment, where newspaper men said the following conversation took place:

"You are a wonderful woman, Miss West. You have done wonderful things," complimented Dr. Buchman. "I owe all my success to the kind of thinking Moral Rearmament is," returned the film actress. Then she asked: "Have you met W. C. Fields yet? Moral rearmament is just the thing he needs. Give it to him in a bottle and he'll go for it." Later, Fields quipped: "I'll take anything in a bottle. But I don't need rearmament."

Likewise during the month of July, Buchman held great mass meetings in Los Angeles under the banner of "Moral Rearmament." The Oxford Group's slogan of "New Men, New Nations, New World" which is to be attained through their guiding principles of absolute honesty, unselfishness, love, and purity,—this slogan was conspicuous throughout the Los Angeles demonstration.

Jewish movie magnates, Roman Catholic laymen, politicians, leaders of various religious cults of

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Challenging!

The following astounding information has been published by the America's Youth Bible Reading Crusade. Surely these statistics if true, should stir every Christian to prayer and to action.

10,000 dope addicts in Chicago alone, under 19 years of age, hopeless victims of the Marijuana cigarette. (Dope addiction is far more tragic than leprosy, says the famous Dr. L. B. Yeomans.)

21,400 unwed mothers in Minnesota alone. Many of them High School girls.

1 out of every 6 boys in Chicago have a police record of some kind. Nearly half a million youth incarcerated in our penal institutions. Most of them have never heard the Gospel!

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THE SECRET

I met God in the morning
When my day was at its best,
And His Presence came like sunrise
Like a glory in my breast.

All day the Presence lingered
All day He stayed with me,
And we sailed in perfect calmness
O'er a very troubled sea.

Other ships were blown and battered,
Other ships were sore distressed;
But the wind that seemed to drive them
Brought to us a peace and rest.

Then I thought of other mornings,
With a keen remorse in mind
When I, too, had loosed the moorings
With the Presence left behind.

So I think I know the secret
Learned from many a troubled way;
You must seek Him in the morning
If you want Him through the day."

—Selected

ALIEN IMMERSION, A DANGEROUS INNOVATION

A DANGEROUS INNOVATION! how dangerous, the last hundred years have in part revealed: the Scriptures violated, the faith of our fathers challenged, the blood of the martyrs treated as unnecessary, the church invaded by foreign administrators, open communion and open membership in quarters where alien immersion prevails, the Baptist cause dwindling wherever it prevails, churches divided because of it, associates disturbed and passing resolutions, all kinds of false notions and theories on the church question, the invasion of our churches and schools by those who are not Baptists, and who defy the saints who seek to have them conform to Baptist principles and practice!

We should beware of this Trojan horse within our gates. An enemy within is far worse than an enemy without. There is much of this among Northern Baptists and English Baptists. Its infiltration has begun in the south, and as watchmen on the walls of Zion it is our business to cry the warning, and roll back these waves of looseness that will engulf us if we are not alert.

There are two questions that I would propound to all thinking Baptists everywhere. The first question is, why should any one come to the Baptists for membership unless such a one repudiates the faith that he holds and accepts the faith that the Baptist hold? And if he does repudiate the former faith, why is he not willing to repudiate the baptism which was the expression of the former faith, and receive the baptism that is an expression of his Baptist faith?

The second question is this: If other organizations are churches

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The First Baptist Pulpit

The Finality Of The Scriptures

"Every word of God is pure: Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar." (Prov. 30:5,6)

I presume that the biggest majority of our radio audience realize that I am a Baptist. I am a Baptist because I believe we have a truth to offer to the world which is distinctive and which the world sorely needs today. However, I do pause occasionally to apologize some, other than Baptists. Martin Luther, who was the father of reformation, was truly a great child of God. God used him to break the power of Catholicism as the first of the reformers. Though Baptists had been in existence since the days of Jesus,

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What An Empty Seat Means In God's House

"Are you going to church this morning, Susie?" asked Dr. Clark, lying back in his easy chair, with the morning paper. "A doctor who is out day and night can't be expected."

"No, I made jelly yesterday, and I'm tired. I'm faithful enough to stay at home this cloudy morning," and Mrs. Clark curled up on the couch with the Bible she had not opened for a week, but it soon dropped from her hand. She was aroused by a strange voice saying:

"Now, my good imps, what have you done today to weaken the kingdom of God?"

The voice came from a suspicious looking personage seated on a throne of human skulls. Around him was gathered a crowd of terrible beings, each with a crown of fire, in which gleamed some name, such as malice, envy, pride, hatred, and kindred passions.

"We have been busy today, making empty seats in churches," began one.

"Nothing could please me better," answered their king.

"I persuaded one man that he had a headache, and kept him from a sermon that might have changed his whole life," said one.

"I induced one good man to slip to his store and fix up his books," said another, with a horrid grin.

"Good!" said the king, "He'll

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Dickerson Letter

Belem, Para.

Oct. 4th., 1939

Dear Brother Gilpin:

At last we have a house and are pretty well straightened up, as we say. It has been a task. These folk are the most shameless set of thieving beggars I ever saw. They have no regard for their word. Of course there may be some who are upright, but on the street car, in the stores, and anywhere business is transacted they will short change, misrepresent, do any way to defraud. If you think it pleasant to deal with a bunch like that when you can't speak their language, it's horrible!

And slow, man, you can't get anything done in a hurry. One man

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February 6, 1939, at the post office
at Russell, Kentucky, under the
act of March 3, 1879.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN

The following quaint notice was
posted recently on a Church door:

MISSING

Last Sunday, some families from
church.

STOLEN

Several hours from the Lord's
Day, by a number of people of
different ages dressed in their
Sunday clothes.

STRAYED

Half a score of lambs, believed
to have gone in the direction of
"No Sunday School."

WANTED

Several young people. When last
seen were walking in pairs up
Sabbath Breakers' Lane, which
leads to the City of No Good.

LOST

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from home, and for a time prom-
ising. Supposed to have gone with
one or two older companions to
Prodigal Town.

Any person assisting in the re-
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EDITORIAL: How about this
kind of Church Advertisement?

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A large flock of Christian sheep.
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along the road of Indifference,
that opens into the highway of
Neglect, leading to the avenue of
Wordliness, that ends in the place
of Apostasy. Anyone finding these
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BOOK REVIEWS

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Christmas, the setting of the story
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Christmas, and the festivity that
is usually connected with this hol-
iday.

The bravery of two young men
who risked their lives to save the
life of one who was at death's
door, is presented in such a way,
that you will long remember these
two young men who faced death
that another might live. It was
through this incident that one of
the young men was led to see that
when we have Christ on our side,
and when we are His child, that
we can face even death happy,
knowing that His will is being
worked out in our lives.

How these four young people
found a great love and a new hap-
piness, is told as only Mrs. Hill
can do.

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GUEST, we see that Christ as our
substitute, died that we might live.
Just as Alan Monteith played the
part of the substitute guest, so
Christ is our substitute today.

For an evening of enjoyment,
read **THE SUBSTITUTE GUEST**.

PICK UPS HERE AND THERE

"I really wish that every fam-
ily had your paper in the home.
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would have a better conception of
the most important things in life.
My faith is always stronger when
I read those good sermons."

Mrs. William Holley
Rush, Kentucky

Mrs. L. C. Briggs of Hobbsville,
North Carolina, writes: "THE
BAPTIST EXAMINER has been a
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only in my own home, but after

we have read it, we pass it on to
others in which I pray it will be
a blessing. I wish every home
could have THE BAPTIST EX-
AMINER in it."

Mrs. Harold Vaughn of Coal
Grove, in expressing her apprecia-
tion relative to this paper, says,
"I am still feasting on the won-
derful truths presented in your
sermon of this week, 'The Race
of Life.' I feel that God is using
you as His mouthpiece to bring
to His children the wonderful
truths he would have us know."

While in North Carolina recent-
ly, I asked Brother Robert Har-
rell to solicit some subscriptions
for my paper. On my return home,
I sent him a Scofield Bible for
his efforts. The following letter
we have received from him:

Edenton, N. C.

October 5, 1939

Dear Brother Gilpin:

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you for the Bible. I think it is
a very fine gift. It was very nice
of you to give me the Bible for
the little work I did for you.

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Robert Harrell

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they had been hidden through the Dark Ages because of the persecutions heaped upon them by the powerful Roman Catholic Church. God even used Martin Luther to bring the Baptists out of the obscurity of the Dark Ages. Martin Luther loved the Bible. This is the reason why that I eulogize and praise him today. His favorite text was Psalm 119:89: "For ever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven." He had this text written in charcoal on the walls of his chamber. It was embroidered on the dress of his servants.

What a mighty text this is: "For ever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven." Earthly changes cannot disturb the Word of God—It remains the same. Though upheavals may come in the governments, and though we may have all kinds of economic, industrial, and financial upheavals, the Word of God continues — it remains the same. Voltaire, a French infidel, who lived approximately 150 years ago, wrote one day that within a hundred years, there would be no more Bibles. The house in which he prophesied the Bible's destruction, is now used for a Bible depot. Voltaire is gone, his writings are gone, but the Word of God continues to abide.

We are living in a world of infidelity. There is hardly a nation today that can be called Christian. In every country, generally speaking, the world is agnostic. France is still suffering under the curse of the infidel teachings of Voltaire. England has hundreds of modernistic teachers and preachers, all of them imitating to a greater or lesser degree, the great English teacher, H. G. Wells. Russia, is of course, a seething hot-bed of bolshevism and infidelity. However, I am not interested in the infidelity of France, England, or Russia but rather, in America. It is because of my interest especially in the spiritual welfare of the souls of those of you who listen to our broadcasts that I would call you back to the Bible today, by re-reading the words of my text: "Every word of God is pure. Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar." (Prov. 30:5,6)

I

This text indicates first of all that the Bible is the inspired Word of God, for it declares, "Every word of God." There is a tremendous difference between the Bible and all other books. All other books are man-made; the Bible is God-made. All other books were produced by men; the Bible was produced by God. All other books are the words of men; the Bible is the Word of God.

The Old Testament writers assert 2600 times that their words are the words of God, and in the New Testament, we find the same assertions 525 times. There are many expressions such as these: "The word of the Lord came unto me." "Thus saith the Lord." "Now the word of the Lord came unto Jonah." These verses would thus indicate that the writers realized that their words were not their own, but that they were the words of God.

Sometime recently, I was interested in reading the book of Jeremiah, to note that 434 times Jeremiah claimed that his words were the words of God.

I make bold to declare then that the Bible is not of man, but of God. Listen to these Scriptures: "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." (2 Tim. 3:16) "For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man; but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Spirit." (2 Pet. 1:21)

I believe that the Bible was verbally inspired — that is, that God pronounced the words and that men wrote them just as God spoke unto them. Just as I sit in my office and dictate to my secretary, so God dictated the words of the Bible, and it was the work of Moses, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Matthew, Luke, John, and the balance of the Old and New Testament writers — it was their work to record the words which God spoke. Of this we are assured in the Scriptures. Listen: "All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord, when they hear the words of thy mouth." (Psa. 138:4) You will notice by this verse that David declares that the words of the Bible have been spoken by the mouth of God. We have a similar truth presented to us in Isa. 59:21 where God speaks: "My words which I have put in thy mouth." Thus, God said that He had literally put the words of Isaiah's prophecy into the mouth of Isaiah.

"The Holy Bible must have been
Inspired of God, and not of men.
I could not, if I would, believe
That good men wrote it to deceive;
And bad men could not if they would,
Nor would not, surely, if they could
Proceed to write a book so good;
And certainly no crazy man
Could e'er conceive its wondrous plan.
Behold, what other kinds of men

Than do these three groups comprehend?
Hence it must be that God inspired
The words which souls of prophets fired."

Let me repeat, beloved, that this book, the Bible, is the Word of God. Our text thus refers to it as "every word of God."

II.

Our text not only declares that the Bible is God's Word, but it also tells us that it is pure. "Every word of God is pure." (Prov. 30:5) That is, beloved, there are no errors, nor mistakes, nor contradictions, and no blemishes. I stand ready to offer a challenge to any one who seemingly thinks that the Bible contradicts itself, that I will take any supposed contradiction and show that the Bible itself is not contradictory, but rather, that the reader has misread the words of God. If there is any truth which I love to preach, it is that the Bible is pure. Listen to these Scriptures: "The words of the Lord are pure words." (Psa. 12:6) "Thy word is very pure." (Psa. 119:140)

Several years ago, Tom Paine traveled all over the country lecturing on "The Mistakes of Moses," using the first five books of the Bible, which we believe Moses to be the author of, and declared that these books were just human productions, and that they were filled with mistakes. He charged ten dollars a head to those who heard his lecture on "The Mistakes of Moses," but cents to hear Tom Paine lecture on "The Mistakes of Moses," but I would give a hundred dollars to hear Moses lecture on "The Mistakes of Tom Paine." I mean by this, beloved, that there are no

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mistakes in the Bible, and the supposed contradiction is always in the one who is reading the Bible, and comes by our faulty misunderstanding of the Scriptures.

III.

However, interesting as it is that the Bible is the Word of God, and that it is pure and without blemishes and mistakes, there is another truth in our text which is even more interesting — namely, the Bible itself is final. Nothing can be added to the words of God. It is the final basis of authority. It is God's ultimatum on every question.

This is in accord with all the balance of the Scripture's teachings. It is final in every respect. Listen to this Scripture: "And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak, If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of the Lord my God, to do less or more." (Num. 22:18) In this text, Balak's servants were trying to hire Balaam to curse Israel. When he refused, they offered to pay him money if he would preach that which they demanded. It was then that Balaam rose to a greater height of spirituality and moral bravery than at any time in his life, when he declared that it was impossible for him to go beyond the word of the Lord. In so speaking, he declared that the Bible itself was final.

We have the same truth presented to us elsewhere in the Old Testament. Listen: "What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it." (Deut. 12:32) We are not to add to the words of God, and we are not to take from them; they are to stand as they have been spoken by the Lord — they are final.

Then, we also have a test given us whereby the message of all preachers shall be tried. "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." (Isa. 8:20) Every preacher's message is to be tried by the Word of God, and if his message does not compare favorably, and is not the same as the message of God's Word, then the preacher's message is to be rejected; there is no light in what he has to say.

Even when you come to the New Testament, you find the same truth, for in the last chapter of the New Testament, we are told by John that the Bible is final. Listen: "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book." (Rev. 22:18,19) Many are adding to the Word of God. Still others are taking away from it. In each case, God is promising punishment and a curse upon those who do so. Surely it is final — it isn't to be added to nor taken from.

The rich man in hell of whom Jesus spoke, asked that Lazarus be sent back to his brothers. This request was refused. One reason was given for the refusal: "They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them." (Lk. 16:29) By these words, Jesus literally said, "The Bible is final." When Satan tempted Jesus, the latter said, "It is written." Three times in the 4th chapter of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus met the temptation of Satan and warded it off by saying "It is written," and then quoting from the Old Testament. In each of these cases, Jesus literally said, "The Bible is final; we can't go beyond it." The Devil even acknowledged the Bible as final, for in the last temptation, he himself quoted Scripture to Jesus, using the characteristic phrase of Jesus; "It is written."

Suppose you take a perscription to the drug store, and the druggist reaches up on the counter and takes down a bottle of potassium cyanide; also three or four other bottles, each containing a deadly poison. He pays no attention to the perscription, but proceeds to fill the bottle. As you look at him as he is about his work, you say, "Look here, what are you putting in that bottle? Are you sure you are putting in exactly what the perscription calls for?" "Oh, it doesn't make any difference," he says, "I just want to get the bottle filled up." And so he pours in some arsenic,

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CHALLENGING!

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400,000 criminal youth at large, potential gunmen, kidnappers, and burglars!

12,000 murders in America last year. Average age of all convicts 19 years.

20,000 cases of Cancer of the mouth in America. At least 5000 caused by smoking. Thousands of youth in T. B. sanitariums for the same reason.

3,400,000 less children in Protestant Sunday Schools than 4 years ago.

250 American films analyzed by the Committee of Child Welfare had in them:

97 murders

19 seductions

51 cases of adultery

22 abductions

45 suicides

Among the characters were 176 thieves, 25 prostitutes, 35 drunkards.

High Schools and Colleges have Free-love Clubs, Atheistic Societies, and Communistic Fraternities.

Tens of thousands homeless girls and boys are roaming the country, living in hobo camps, friendless.

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If Christ just the same as Baptist churches, with the same authority to administer the ordinances, and to everything else that Baptist churches are authorized to do, is there any reason for the existence of Baptist churches, especially in those communities where these other organizations exist? Why not join them in preaching the gospel and carrying on the work of the kingdom, and cease to maintain a separate organization, and divide the body of Christ?

It is our contention that this we cannot do, because they are

not the church that Jesus built, and have not this authority from Him. And so we will go on as our fathers did, contending for the faith once delivered to the saints, until Jesus comes, and we hear Him say: "Well done, good and faithful servant, well done, well done."

"With all thy soul, with all thy heart and mind,

Thou must Him love, and His behests embrace.

All other loves with which the world doth blind

Weak fancy, and stir up affections base,

Thou must renounce and utterly displace,

And give thyself to Him both full and free,

Who full and freely gave Himself to thee."

"Even so come Lord Jesus."

—W. M. Nevins, in *Alien Immersion*
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potassium cyanide, and other deadly poisons, and hands you the bottle. He has paid no attention to the perscription; he has just merely filled the bottle, and if you take a dose of it, your wife will pay funeral expenses, and all because the druggist paid no attention to that which was written. That's the reason why we have so many false churches and false preachers. That's the reason why so many church members are unstable, and don't know what they believe. They have not been paying attention to what was written in the word of God.

Or to illustrate it in a different way: Suppose you buy a home, and in ten years pay off the mortgage thereof. When the last payment is made on the house, you invite your pastor, and together you dedicate it to God. The next day the sheriff hands you a notice telling of a claimant — an infantile heir whom ten years before the abstractor overlooked. You lose your home though you have worked and toiled so that you might pay for it — you lose your home simply because some one failed to follow what was written. Important as it is that a lawyer be cautious in all abstracting, even more important is it that a child of God should be certain to follow the Bible in every detail.

Over in the city of Boston, Mass., many years ago, there was a man named Felt, who was a member of the Tremont Temple Baptist Church. His doctor advised a sea trip in order to regain his health, and in this he was successful. As he returned from the sea voyage, he sent a message to his daughter: "Papa Felt on board; have best horse to meet him." The wireless operator looked at it, and concluded that it did not sound right, and accordingly, changed the message. When a loving daughter at home received the message, she collapsed. When they took the message from her cold dead hand, they knew what had killed her. The operator had taken the liberty of changing the message, making it read: "Papa fell overboard; have best hearse to meet him." If it be important that a wireless operator follow the words that are handed him, how much more important is it for a child of God, or for a preacher, to pay attention to the Word of God, thus making it final in ever respect?

In view of this fact, let me ask you a few test questions and see if you really believe that it is final.

Test question No. 1: Where did this world come from? How did you and I get here? In our schools and colleges, there are those who declare that the world and all things therein came about through an evolutionary process. Yet notice the Word of God: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." (Gen. 1:1) "All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made." (Jn. 1:3) Now which do you believe? I have already declared that the Bible is the Word of God, and that it is pure, without any mistakes in it, and that it is final. If you believe at all this text from which I am preaching, then you must deny evolution and believe that God is the creator of this world and all things therein.

Test question No. 2: How much money does a Christian owe God from his income? "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." (Mal. 3:8-10) This declares that the man who does not bring a tithe of his income to God, he is a robber. "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone." (Matt. 23:23) Jesus, in these verses absolutely declares that the tithe belongs to God. Therefore, beloved, God's work is not to be supported by quilt shows, soup sales and Larkin orders, but through God's people bringing their tithes into His house. My text declares that the Bible is final. Do you believe it so far as the support of God's work is concerned?

Test question No. 3: How should a believing child of God be baptized? Let's look at the baptism of Jesus: "Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbade him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it

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ALIEN IMMERSION A DANGEROUS INNOVATION

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sion and the Baptists. Editor's Note: This quotation is from one of the greatest books ever published on baptism. You ought to buy it and read it through again and again. Send your order to this paper. It sells for \$1.00 Post-paid.

DICKERSON LETTER

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can do in one day what four of these laborers do in a week. In the store, if a clerk begins waiting on you he may wait on three or four others before completing your list of purchases. I walked out on one the other day. I wish I could have told him a thing or two.

And the government dabbles in everything. One can't repair his own property without a license. It is true. You can't nail on a board, legitimately, without a \$2.50 license. Every business deal contracting for lights and water etc. must have government stamps on it. One can not rent a house until the health authorities inspect and O. K. it. After I rented here I couldn't move for three or four days. The health authorities had the key and would not turn it over to me. Waiting on a tip.

An American gets very little service anywhere without tipping those with whom he deals. And the awful part of it is they think with characters like that, they can go to Heaven. Oh! how I would love to preach to them! I have witnessed to some of them in a feeble way.

I suppose you know that the "Clement," the boat we came on from New York, has been sunk. The Lord brought us here in His Own time.

I have tried to send my tithe. Bro. Jones says if I send dollars they will charge me three or four times the worth of it and you can't help yourself. And if I send milreis you can't cash them. Therefore will you please take out of my next check \$45.00 as my

tithe out of the check you gave me when I left, and a tithe of the check itself? I gave Bro. Jones \$50.00 leaving \$400.00 for me. Then I want to tithe the cost of the watch you folk so graciously gave me. Never will I forget the kindness of you all. Folk couldn't have better treatment than that you gave us. May our Heavenly Father repay you all.

If you can keep straight your records and take out my tithe of each check I would be glad.

I have been nearly distracted with living bottled up in a noisy hotel for three weeks, trying to rent, buying furniture, studying Portuguese and all. I about have my head above water and hope to make, from now on, my letters more detailed and coherent.

I have no word from anyone since I came. I hope all are well. Remember me to all.

I have a teacher who knows well the Portuguese and who now will come each day to teach us. The pronunciation is extremely difficult. More so than Greek.

If God wills, more next week.

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THE FINALITY OF THE SCRIPTURES

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to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he suffered him. And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him." (Matt. 3:13-16) Look also at the baptism of the Ethiopian eunuch: "And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him. And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more." (Acts 8:38,39) Anyone would have to be considerably prejudiced if he saw anything other than immersion in these Scriptures. I challenge my audience to produce any Scripture which would even seemingly indicate that you can be baptized in any other way other than by immersion. I tell you, beloved, this Bible is final. Is it final to you so far as the question of baptism is concerned?

Test question No. 4: What part should a woman have in the public services at God's house? Listen to these Scriptures: "Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak: but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law." (1 Cor. 14:34) "Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence." (1 Tim. 2:11,12) There are these who believe that a woman has just as much privilege to speak in public, to preach, to pray, and to testify, as a man. Yet the Word of God declares otherwise. My text says that the Bible is final. Is it final to you so far as what it says as to a woman's place in the public ministry?

Test question No. 5: How can a sinner be saved? In the average church, about all that is preached is: Join the church, be baptized, and do the best you can. God's Word declares that sinners are lost, and that they must repent or perish. "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." (Lk. 13:5) We are further taught in the Bible that our only hope of salvation is the death of Jesus Christ. Will you listen to these Scriptures: "For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures." (1 Cor. 15:3) "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit." (1 Pet. 3:18) I ask you, is the Bible final to you so far as what God says concerning the plan of salvation?

I tell you, beloved, in every detail this Bible is final. You ought to make it such in every detail of your life. Some months ago, I was called to a home where I had never been, and where I knew not a single person, to conduct a funeral for a baby that had died. I asked the father why he had called for me. Though he wasn't a Christian, he pointed to an open Bible lying on the table, and said, "I have been told that you believe and preach all that book. I want a man to conduct my baby's funeral who loves the Bible." I tell you, beloved, after that experience, I am more determined than ever to preach all the Word of God. You ought to be a member of a church that stands for the whole Word of God. Therefore, I invite you to come with us for our worship services. "Come thou with us, and we will do thee good."

WHAT AN EMPTY SEAT MEANS IN GOD'S HOUSE

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soon give up the Sabbath altogether."

"I was able to get one devoted young man to visit some old friends," said one imp.

"I worried a good sister about her old bonnet until she decided to stay at home until she got a new one," spoke up the imp labeled "Pride."

"And I made several poor women who were hungry for God's Word stay home to repine over their trials. I just said to them, 'Oh, these rich people don't care for you; you can't wear fine clothes so I wouldn't go where I was looked down upon.' That way I kept many poor people home whom the rich would have been very glad to see."

"That is one of the best ways to cheat poor people out of heaven that I know of," answered the king with approval.

"I induced a good many men and women to think they were not strong enough to go out," said one called "Indifference." "Of course, all these men will be at their business tomorrow, even if they feel worse. But they could not go to church, where they would have no special mental or physical strain. And the ladies would have been able to clean house or go calling; but I made them think they couldn't walk to (Continued on Page Seven)

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WHAT AN EMPTY SEAT MEANS IN GOD'S HOUSE

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forgotten by thoughts drawn to higher things. But you lying imps must use every weakness of the flesh to help make empty seats."

They all smiled, for in their kindom "lying" was a great compliment.

"To make ladies think that their servants need no Sunday privileges is good," suggested one.

"Very true," said his superior. "As long as we can get Christian people to cause or allow men and women to work during church hours, we can keep many empty seats in churches, and men and women away from God."

"I'm the weather imp," said one gloomy fellow. "I go around persuading people it is going to rain, or it is too cold, too damp or too hot to venture out to church. It is enough to make even your gloomy majesty laugh to see these same people start out the next day in wind and weather. One would think it a sin to carry umbrellas or wear gum coats to church."

"Confidentially," answered the king, "when I find a Christian who has no more concern about weather Sunday than Monday — determined to make as much effort for spiritual gain as he would for worldly profit — just give him up. It's no use to try to drag back the man or woman who goes to God's house in all kinds of weather." church unless they were perfectly well."

"Very good," said the king, with a sulphurous grin. "Sunday headaches might often be cured by getting out in the air, and backaches

"I'm able to do a good deal with some of the ladies of the congregation," spoke up the imp labeled "Fashion of this World."

"I can make some people stay at home because the new hat did not come or because their clothes are out of style, or they have not gotten a new cloak."

"I have a better scheme than that," said another. "These people you keep away are indifferent—generally good-for-nothing folk, who are hardly worth getting into the kindom of his Satanic majesty, but I have a plan that empties seats of the workers in the church."

"That is just what we want," said the king.

"I make these people overwork on Saturdays. For instance, I make some good man the preacher depends upon, or some devout Sunday school teacher, to make Saturday the busiest day of the week. I just kept him rushed with neglected things till late at night, and then he over-sleeps or is sick the next day, and can't get out."

"Splendid plan!" cried Satan.

"Yes, it works well with delicate women."

If they clean house, or have Saturday company, they can be kept at home without knowing they have broken the Sabbath the day before. A church party late Saturday night helps with empty seats."

"You are doing finely, my imps," his majesty said warmly—for his breath was a flame of fire. "Preachers may work and pray over their sermons all week, but there will be no results in preaching to empty seats. One of the most important things we have to consider is how to keep people away from churches on Sunday. Your plans are excellent, but I might suggest another good point. All preachers have human imperfections—some fault of manner or speech. Get Christians to criticize their pastor, especially before their children. If you can stir up a spirit of fault-finding against the preacher, or among the members,

it will help empty seats. People who get mad at each other do not care to go to church together. If the seats are empty, the minister may be a saint and preach like an angel to no purpose. See the result of your labor on High Street church today. Not only did the 200 people who stayed at home lose a blessing, but each empty seat did its work against the Lord's kingdom. The preacher made unusual preparation, and went with his heart on fire, but the empty seats chilled him, and he did poorly. There was a special collection, but the best givers were away, so it was a failure. It isn't a smart preacher nor a rich congregation, nor a good location, nor a paid choir, that makes a successful church. It is the church members always being there that draws in the unconverted, and makes an eloquent preacher. As soon as a Christian begins to stay at home from one excuse or another, I know I have a mortgage on his

soul which, if he does not shake off, I will foreclose on the judgment day."

"You have none on mine!" cried Mrs. Clark who had been listening with bated breath; "I'll go to church, only to defeat you."

"What's the matter, dear?" asked the doctor. "Have you been dreaming?"

"Perhaps so; but I'm going to church if I get to my seat just in time for the benediction. I'll cheat Satan for this day out of one empty seat." She has kept her word, and influenced many others to let nothing trifling keep them from God's house; and one "downtown" church has begun to grow, and will soon be a great power for God, because of no "empty seats."

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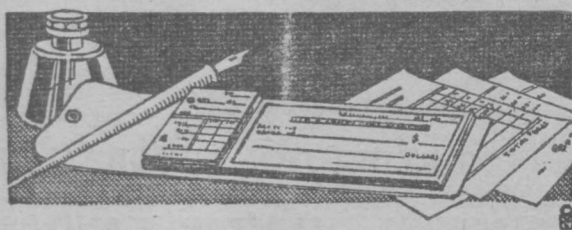
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penniless, jobless. These holes of iniquity breeding crime and pollution.

What is the Reason?...What is the Remedy?

Mainly lack of Bible knowledge. Such is the consensus of opinion of the Juvenile authorities of the nation. Our youth have not the "Fear of the Lord before their faces." They do not know the Lord nor His happy ways. Actually, many of them do not know right from wrong, because they are not acquainted with God's Word. Hence they are discontented restless full of self-pity self-willed abandoned to careless living hell-bent.

"Back to the Bible, America!"that's the only cure for moral leprosy! Were it not for the Bible we should know nothing of God. It is His revealed will to man. It is the only mirror that reflects the inside of man. "The heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked; who can know it?" It is the only cure for every ill known to mankind."

—The Moody Church News

SOME PERTINENT REMARKS ABOUT THE OXFORD GROUP

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the West Coast, and even a few supposedly Fundamentalists gave their testimonies as to the value of absolute honesty, unselfishness purity, and love to bring about the world's Utopia.

God was referred to quite often, but only two of the speakers referred to Christ. Louis B. Mayer, Jewish movie magnate, said the world needed Christ's teaching of love to one another. Bill Rowell, a labor leader, mentioned in some connection, the cross of Christ. Outside of these two, Christ was not mentioned. In all the speeches, the emphasis was upon changing human nature in order to regenerate the nations of the world.

Buchman himself announced that the meetings marked the opening of a new era for the world—the putting down of evil, the ending of war, and the inauguration of the golden age for all the world.

Of course, to this group the Bible means virtually nothing, and the blood atonement of Jesus Christ means absolutely nothing.

Rearmament and the Oxford Group Movement is merely another attempt on the part of man to save himself without the atonement of Jesus. It is a man-made religion without the power of God and its founder is a false prophet, a counterfeit spiritual leader, a Bishop of bunk, and a heretic of the first order.

Keith L. Brooks, says in this connection: "This is a good time to call attention to the fact that the word for "power" in Romans 1:16 is the one from which comes our word "dynamite." Dynamite possesses peculiar properties. It ex-

plodes along the lines of the greatest resistance, while gun powder, for example, explodes along the lines of least resistance. A handful of gun powder placed on the top of a solid rock when ignited will go off into the air where there is least resistance and do no harm to the rock beneath, save leaving a black smudge upon its surface. Dynamite however, will go down into the solid ledge and shatter it to fragments, penetrating through the thickest barriers that may be opposed to it. There

is peculiar propriety therefore in the theory of Moral Rearmament: calling the Gospel "the Dynamite of God." Moral reform, Buchman's philosophy, and human philanthropy, all resemble gun powder. They operate along the lines of least resistance. They are inadequate and impotent before the solid walls of human wickedness and misery."

Therefore in view of these facts, we offer the following Scriptures either of which when correctly understood is sufficient to kill once and for all times the man-made

"Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? then may ye also do good, that are accustomed to do evil." (Jer. 13:23)

"Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again." (John 3:7)

"No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him." (John 6:44)

"And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:32)



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