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Extracts From Dickerson Mail

Christmas doesn't seem Christmas with the mercury around 90 degrees, but large preparations are in progress here — I mean among the Catholics. Every pretext to

EXTORT MONEY

from the people is earnestly seized. I am impatient to preach to them, but I was thinking this morning that after all it is better as it is, for these reasons: We are establishing a wide circle of acquaintances. These are watching our lives. We are, of course, friendly with them. And so, watching our lives, we are gaining both their confidence and respect. Surely that will be an advantage when I am able to preach to them; whereas had I been able to preach when first arriving here, they might have become offended far more easily.

Only last week my wife discovered that several people who work down town know us. They notice that we are foreigners, of course. The storekeeper who refused to sell us any more goods, had this in the refusal — that we wouldn't buy any

WINE AND BEER

It won't hurt for that report to be circulated. Therefore, we are preaching the gospel in a very effective way, and the people can't help but see it. This week we had in our home for a short time, a very intelligent woman of the better class. We talked to her heart to heart (even though brookingly), and she, though a Catholic, admitted she was dissatisfied. I witnessed to her, gave her a Test-

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Xmas Fatalities

During the three days of Xmas holidays, 596 people were killed in the United States and many others are in the hospitals injured, and are expected to die.

In the main these deaths were caused by accidents growing out of drunkenness of the worldly. Pagan, Romanish, heathen, Devilish Xmas spree.

How that any sane, sensible thinking, praying Christian can participate in Xmas festivities is beyond us!

Instead of taking it into your home, you ought to send it back to the Catholics and let them either keep it or send it on to

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New Year's Greetings!

"He came to my desk with a quivering lip,
The task was done.

"I want a new sheet," dear teacher," he said,
"I've spoiled this one."

I took the sheet so stained and blotted
And gave him a new one all unspotted
And into his tired eyes smiled,

"Do better; now, my child."

I came to God's throne with a quivering soul,
The year was done.

"Hast thou a new sheet, dear Father," I said;
"I've spoiled this one."

In place of the sheet so soiled and blotted
He gave me a new one all unspotted
And into my tired heart smiled,

"Do better; now; my child."

"Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before. I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus". — Phil. 3:13,14.

Elder Sam Sloan



At the side is a good likeness of Elder Sam Sloan, pastor of the Baptist Church at Paintsville, Ky., who is now conducting a revival meeting for the First Baptist Church of Russell.

Brother Sloan is one of the most noble young ministers that it has ever been my privilege to meet. He is doctrinally sound and evangelistic, and has a winning personality that makes friends for him wherever he goes. His messages are filled with the Spirit of God, and they magnify and exalt Jesus in such a way as to thrill the hearts of those who listen. Not only his messages, but his life radiate the spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ. He is a sin-hating.

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The First Baptist Pulpit

"An Undying Gospel For A Dying Year"

"Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand;

By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.

For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;

And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures." — 1 Cor. 15:1-4.

When the Portuguese colonists, following the trail of Vasco de Gama, first settled in south China one of the first buildings they erected was a cathedral on a high hill. A violent China sea typhoon proved too severe a test, and the cathedral fell, all save the front wall. On top of it, is a large bronze cross which still stands clear-

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It Is True, Others May--You Cannot

If God has called you to be really like Jesus in all your spirit, He will draw you into a life of crucifixion and humility, and put on you such demands of obedience, that He will not allow you to follow other Christians, and in many ways he will seem to let other good people do many things which He will not let you do.

Other Christians and ministers who seem very religious and useful, may push themselves, pull wires, and work schemes to carry out their plans, but you cannot do it; and if you attempt it, you will meet with such failure and rebuke from the Lord as to make you sorely penitent.

Others can brag on themselves, on their work, on their success, on their writings, but the Holy Spirit will not allow you to do any such thing, and if you begin it, He will lead you into some deep mortification that will make you despise yourself and all your good works.

Others will be allowed to succeed in making money, or having legacy left to them, or having luxuries, but it is likely God will keep you poor, because he wants you to have something far better than gold, and that is a helpless dependence on Him, that He may have the privilege of supplying your needs day by day out of an unseen treasury.

The Lord will let others be honored, and put forward, and keep you hid away in obscurity, because He wants to produce some choice, fragrant fruit for His coming glory, which can only be produced in the shade.

He will let others be great, and

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December Weddings

During the month of December it was the editor's happy privilege to share in the marriage joys of fifty-eight couples who came from Kentucky, Ohio, West Virginia, Missouri, North Carolina, California, and Washington, D. C. To each of these we extend our congratulations and our sincere best wishes for not only a new year of happiness, but for many years of happiness.

1. John E. Smith and Nora E. Edwards of Proctorville, Ohio.

2. Sherman McFarland and Ruby McClanahan of Sissonville, West Virginia.

3. Wesley Martin and Dollena

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EDITOR CALLED AWAY

Due to the illness of an aunt,
the editor was called to Lexington
this afternoon. During his absence
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our efforts through the radio, and
we know that He would have us
continue; but we cannot go on
without funds. Don't you want to
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we are doing? If twenty people
would send us just one dollar each,
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and then send us your contribution
today.

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Anonymously	7.75
First Baptist Church	
Russell, Ky	60.24
Total	\$158.76

RADIO FUND

Amount previously reported	\$45.48
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A South Point Friend	1.00
A Kenova Friend	1.00
Eld. E. T. White	
Kingsport, Tenn.	1.00
B. H. Mansfield	
Russell, Kentucky	1.50
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"Did you ever see a scrap of
brown paper counterfeited?"
"No."
"Why not?"
"Because it is not worth counter-
feiting."
"Did you ever see a counterfeit
Christian?"
"Yes."
"Why was he counterfeited?"
"Because he was worth counter-
feiting."
"Was he to blame for the coun-
terfeit?"
"Of course not."
"Did you ever see a counterfeit
infidel?"
"Why, no."
"Why not?"
"Ahem!"

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the King of glory, yet wore no
crown but a crown of thorns; Who
was the Lord of the Sabbath, yet
was accused of being a Sabbath
breaker; Who was the Prince of
glory, yet was accused of being a
seditious man and a disturber of
the public peace; Who was the
Truth, yet was accused to His
face of being a liar, a hypocrite,
an impostor; Who, in the glory
He had with God before the world
was, had the angelic hails of
heaven and yet, on earth, gave
Himself to the murderous nails of
men."

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"AN UNDYING GOSPEL FOR A DYING YEAR"

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cut against the skies, defying rain, lightning, or even another typhoon.

When Sir John Bowring visited Hongkong in 1825, he was impressed by the cross over the ruined church. This sight inspired the famous hymn:

"In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime."

The author of that hymn is gone; the cathedral is gone; the builders of it are long forgotten; the monarchy that built it is gone; the priesthood that burned incense in it is gone; the iron dynasty that ruled those Chinese hills has crumbled; but the cross still stands.

It is with this thought in mind that we come to the end of another year. Just a few last minutes remain of the old year of 1939. As we contemplate the passing of the old year, I rejoice that I have an undying gospel to offer for a dying year.

I

This doubtlessly would cause you to ask: "What is the gospel?" The word "gospel" literally means "good news." In fact, beloved, the gospel is the best news that ever fell upon human ears. It is the news of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Of this our text assures us. "Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel . . . how that Christ died for our sins . . . and that he was buried, and that he rose again." (1 Cor. 15:1-4)

Suppose that as I bring to you this message, a messenger boy knocks at your door, delivering a telegram which tells of a fortune which has been left to you. When you read it, you rejoice over it in view of this gift which God has given to you. The gospel is just such a telegram from God, for it tells of the gift of God's Son, who came, died, was buried and rose again in order that you might have everlasting life.

Or, I can imagine again that a will is being probated in a court house. Being present, you listen with but little interest until your name is mentioned as one of the beneficiaries of the probated will. Eternal salvation is one of the benefits of the gospel which comes from our Father's will. He has willed to you eternal life under the name of "Whosoever." I repeat, beloved, that the gospel which brings eternal life, is the best news that ever fell upon the ears of the human race.

No better news ever came out of Heaven than that of the gospel. The Father spoke from Heaven to Moses and gave to him the law. He spoke through the prophets and gave the marvelous prophecies of the Old Testament; but neither the law nor the prophets could begin to compare with this message of the gospel which likewise came from Heaven. I can remember right here in our own church a woman attended services who had not been in any church for over four years, and was saved the first time she came to services. While here's another who was a profane swearer, who never went to church at all, but who heard the gospel and was saved. Or here's another who was a hard drinker who had not drawn a sober breath for over three solid months, who heard that Jesus could save, and he was saved. Or here's another who was a gambler who wasted his income, and whose family suffered and whose creditor's never received that which was justly due them — he heard the truth and became a child of God. The gospel was the good news to each of these. In fact, it is the best news that ever came to them.

On that night long ago when Jesus was born in Bethlehem, an angel preached from the skies to the shepherds: "Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." (Lu. 2:10,11) Notice that he declared that it was "good tidings of great joy." Yes, the gospel is just this — it is good tidings of great joy.

One of the oldest missionaries in India was one day preaching in Benares. A man had journeyed wearily on his knees and elbows for miles, hoping that by bathing in the stream of Ganges, he would relieve the conviction of his heart. He made his prayer to Gunga, his heathen god, at the river's edge, and crept in to emerge a moment later unsatisfied. As he came out of the stream, he heard the voice of the missionary as he was preaching. Foot-sore, knee-sore, and elbow-sore, he crawled nearer and listened to the gospel. Slowly he rose to his knees, then to his feet, and finally clapped his hands and shouted, "That's what I want." The gospel was good news to his unsatisfied soul.

II

The gospel, which is the good news of the death, burial, and

resurrection of Jesus, never dies. Nations come and go — we can call the roll tonight of Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Greece, Rome and other nations of antiquity, — and no one answers for them today — all have perished. The styles perish and pass away. Our homes, our houses, our friends, and we ourselves pass into dust; pass to the earth to decay and go into the dust; yet, the gospel never dies. Even on the isle of Patmos, among the visions which came to John, was that of an angel who had the message of the everlasting gospel to deliver. Listen to John's description: "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people." (Rev. 14:6)

How I thank God for the old gospel which never dies. Though this year will soon die, the gospel has survived through decades, and centuries, and millenniums; and even in the ages to come, we shall still have it — the everlasting gospel.

I hear men talking about the modern gospel and the social gospel. I don't know anything about these — the kind I know and preach is as old as the cross of Calvary; it is as old as the wood and the nails of the cross; it is as old as the blood of Jesus; it is as old as eternity, for Christ Himself was spoken of as the "Lamb slain from the foundation of the world," and I rejoice to know that this gospel shall never die.

Many times the pulpit grows decadent, and cold, and powerless. Though the pulpit may lose its power, the gospel never loses its power.

"Dear dying Lamb thy precious blood
Shall never lose its power,
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved to sin no more."

Truly, it is with rejoicing in our hearts that we remember that the gospel never dies.

Did you ever read that remarkable book BEN HUR? If so, you will doubtlessly remember after the crucifixion of Jesus how that Ben with his mother and sister returned from the crucifixion, and from their own home they looked across the fields to the cross where Christ and the two thieves had been crucified. One of the women said in substance that it was too bad that Jesus had had to die thus; but Ben replied, "He is not dead, but shall live on forever in the hearts of men." Yes, beloved, this gospel of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus shall never die — it shall live on forever in the hearts of men.

Sometimes we messengers of the gospel become powerless, and through our eccentricities, and peculiarities, and mistakes, and failures, we poorly present the gospel to you. I remember a preacher who on one occasion had made a number of grammatical errors. An unbeliever came to him at the close of the service and told him how many he had made, and said they kept him from getting any good from the message. After listening patiently to him, the preacher said, "Why you haven't as much sense as my cow"; and in order to prove his point, took the unbeliever out to his barn. In the manger he put a forkful of hay, a number of tin cans, some sticks and briars. The cow ate the hay, and relished it, and left all else behind. Many an unbeliever does just the opposite — he worries over the verbal briars and grammatical tin cans, and fails to get any good from the message because of the blunder of the messenger. Yet I rejoice that in spite of the messenger, the gospel will never die, but shall continue forever.

III

It has always been most interesting to me to know that the gospel which is the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus, never dies, and it is exceedingly interesting to notice why the gospel never dies.

First of all, the gospel never dies because it takes from our path the enemy of sin. One does not have to even reach maturity to realize his sinful condition. In early adolescence he learns to say with David, "Behold, I was shapen in iniquity." Whether one ever reads the Bible or not, he sooner or later comes to know that he is a sinner, and if he reads the word of God, he finds that God declares, "As it is written, There is none righteous, no not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that doeth good, no, not one. For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:10-13,23)

When one comes to realize that he is a sinner, a question naturally arises as to what can change the sinful nature. I rejoice, beloved, to say that the gospel is the only thing that can make this change. 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 he hath made him who knew no sin, to be sin for us; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." (2 Cor. 5:21)

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"For as much as ye know that we were not redeemed with corruptible things, such as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." (1 Peter 1:18,19) "Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness; by whose stripes ye were healed." (1 Pet. 2:24)

Yes, the gospel can change one's nature of sin. In fact, it blots out a sinner's sins. "I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins." (Isa. 44:22) The gospel also causes God to cast our sins behind His back. "For thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back." (Isa. 38:17) The gospel also removes our sins far from us. "As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us." (Psa. 103:12) Furthermore, the gospel casts our sins into the depths of the sea. "And thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea." (Micah 7:19)

Not only does the gospel blot out a sinner's sins, and not only does God cast them behind His back, not only does He remove our sins from us, not only does He cast our sins in the depths of the sea; but best of all, the gospel takes all of our sins out of the way. All of our sins — past, present, and future — are blotted out by the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. "And the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." (1 John 1:7)

In view of what the gospel does for us relative to our sins, then surely we can see that the gospel will never die, because it takes from our path this enemy of sin.

In the second place, the gospel never dies because it takes from our path the enemy of death. Standing at the close of 1939 and looking backwards, all I can see in the past is graves, and graves, and graves. They are all filled, and the grass is growing green upon many of them. Looking forward to the future, all that we can see there is graves, and graves, and graves. Yet, all of these are open. Mine is out there, and yours is out there. Some day, unless Jesus comes, we will come to them; but we will not descend into them alone, for Jesus will go with us. Has the Word of God not already said, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints?" (Psa. 116:15) Are we not assured that "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me?" (Psa. 23:1,4) It is the gospel, and only the gospel, which takes from our path this enemy of death and causes us to rejoice and not fear at the prospect of meeting Him in death.

I used to be terribly afraid of death. The tolling of a church bell sent shivers through me. But now in Christ I have no fear, for I know that Christ has triumphed over death. Listen to Paul's description of His triumph: "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Cor. 15:55-57)

I remember years ago as a boy preacher, visiting a man who had been stung by a bee. His face was terribly swollen, and he was suffering most excruciating pain. Yet when I talked with him, he rejoiced that this bee would sting no one else, for he realized that the bee had lost its stinger, and though this same bee might light on dozens of others, it could never sting any one else. Well, beloved, Christ took the sting out of death. Death may alight upon all of us, but there is no sting in death now, for Christ removed the sting by His own resurrection from the dead. I say then, beloved, that the gospel will never die not only because it takes from our path the enemy of sin, but because it also takes from our path the enemy of death.

In the third place, the gospel will never die because it takes from our path the enemy of the judgment. I am sure that the thought of the judgment sends harrowing thoughts to the conscience of all those outside of Jesus. The Word of God emphatically declares that men shall be judged for their sins. "Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment." (Eccl. 11:9) What does this verse mean? Go on young man and sow your wild oats; go on young woman and plant your crop of sour grapes, but just remember there is a judgment day coming. Paul declares the same truth. "And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent: Because he hath appointed a day in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained." (Acts 17:30,31)

Yet, beloved, for the child of God, there is no fear of the judgment. Hear Jesus' own words: "Verily, verily, I say unto you;

He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." (Jn. 5:24) Listen also to the words of Paul: "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." (Rom. 8:1) In the light of these, and countless other Scriptures of the Bible, I declare that the saved man will go to the judgment only for his own rewards. His sins were all paid for and settled at the cross of Christ. Does not Paul say, "And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses." (Col. 2:13) Then, beloved, since the gospel has saved us from our sins, the child of God has the enemy of the judgment likewise taken from his path.

Sometime ago I read an interesting account of how the forest rangers fight fires on the western prairies. When the prairie grass gets on fire, the flames sometimes roll twenty feet high, and travel at a rate of thirty or forty miles an hour, consuming both man and beast. Oft times the flames are driven by such strong winds that not even the swiftest horse can out-run the flames. When an individual sees a prairie grass fire coming toward him, in order to save himself, he lights the grass about him, and then takes his stand in the center of the area which has been burned over as a result of his own fire. When the fire that he wishes to escape reaches him, there is nothing there for the fire to burn, and the man is saved. The only place in all this world where the wrath of God has already spent its fury, is Calvary. The fires of God's wrath spent their fury there upon the Son of man. Therefore, the only place of safety for you is in Jesus. I thank God that the gospel will live on forever because it takes from our path the enemy of the judgment as well as the enemy of sin and death.

Therefore, as we come to the end of a dying year, I thank God that I have an undying gospel to offer to you. I repeat that it will never die because it takes from our path the enemy of sin, the enemy of death, and the enemy of the judgment. May God help you to receive this gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, and be saved now.

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ament (Portuguese), and told her I intended to have services here whenever I knew the language. She appeared

HUNGRY

to hear, took the Testament eagerly, and promised to attend services. She was much impressed when I told her I had been a "Church-member" nine years without salvation. I had her read while she was here, and she read nearly the whole of John 3. I had her re-read some of the more important passages for emphasis. Pray for her, for I feel from her very attitude, that she is one of the elect.

Brother Antonio reports a very fine week of

WITNESSING

He is getting a great number of Scripture portions into the hands of the people. Slowly, but surely, we are getting started. How these poor people do need the truth!

May our Lord Jesus use us mightily in this place to tell these of One with whom they are unacquainted — One Whom if they did know, would give them peace and joy.

This language is most difficult. I heard W. C. Taylor once say that a new man down here should spend at least two years studying the language. I am told that he knows the language better than any foreigner down here. After these months of effort, I am inclined to believe he is right. But I want to learn it well. These priests are well educated, and I may have trouble with them some of these days, and I would not want the Truth I proclaim

RIDICULED

because of my ignorance of the language, and my inability to express myself. There is a passage that reads, "That the ministry be not blamed." I intend to do my best not to cause the Truth I've spoken to be

TWISTED

by others.

Our first Christmas here is filled with

HOPE

as we face the future. Startling have been the events of the past year. Wonder what the New one will bring? But as you say, "In it all, He lives, so why worry?" I received a fine letter from a former Catholic who was convert-

ed under my ministry. She evidenced much concern for those who believe what she once did. I am hoping that next Christmas will reveal many who have been saved as she has. May God grant it.

I surely would enjoy hearing a good sermon, and some gospel singing, but we never hear anything like that. Our maid is a Pennecostal, and claims to be saved, but I don't know. I can't talk much to her. The cook is a Catholic, but not a very strong one. She is a fine girl, nineteen years old. I have hopes of leading her to Jesus some day. She is reading the New Testament now.

Today (Dec. 8), is holy day with the people, and they have been shooting off some kind of fire works over the tops of the Catholic Churches over the city. They claim this is the day that Mary, the mother of Jesus, ascended to Heaven, and she watches over and protects this city. It is awful how they do and think in the name of religion.

May God bless you all and supply your every need.

IT IS TRUE, OTHERS MAY — YOU CANNOT

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keep you small. He will let others do a work for him, and get the credit for it, but He will make you work and toil on without knowing how much you are doing; and then to make your work still more precious, He will let others get the credit for the work which you have done, and this will make your reward ten times greater when Jesus comes. The Holy Spirit will put a strict watch over you with a jealous love and will rebuke you for little words and feelings or for wasting your time, which other Christians never seem distressed over. So make up your mind that God is an infinite Sovereign, and has a right to do as He pleases with His own, and He will not explain to you a thousand things which may puzzle your reason in His dealings with you. He will take you at your word: and if you absolutely sell yourself to be His slave, He will wrap you up in a jealous love, and let other people say and do many things that you cannot do or say. Settle it forever, that you are to deal directly with the Holy Spirit, and that He is to have the privilege of tying your tongue, or chaining your hand, or closing your eyes; in ways that He does not deal with others. Now when you are so possessed with the living God that you are, in your secret

heart, pleased and delighted over this peculiar, personal, private, jealous guardianship and management of the Holy Spirit over your life you will have found the vestibule of Heaven.

—Tract

This little tract was handed me by Mrs. Mary Walker, one of the fine women of the editor's pastorate, who is loyal to her pastor, her Lord and His Word. Although we have seen it before, it made a new impression this time it has never made before. We therefore share it gladly with you.

DECEMBER WEDDINGS

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4. Garland Bagrat and Lillian Starling of Zanesville, O.
5. Raymond Watson and Grace Bellomy of Wellston, O.
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14. Okey Sutton Goff and Leona Gertrude Helman of Charleston, West Virginia.
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17. Roy W. Sessor and Josephine Carey of Columbus, O.
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25. and of Ashland, Ky.

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Book Reviews

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XMAS FATALITIES

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Now be honest, did any part of your Xmas celebration bring honor in any way to Christ? Or did you honor your children, friends, and loved ones at the expense of Christ's honor?

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"Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" (Luke 6:46).



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