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Another Letter From Brazil

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Dear Brother Gilpin:

Did you receive the notorized statement? I mailed them air mail over two weeks ago, in fact, the day after Christmas. Charles told me in a recent letter that an air mail letter from me to him was fifteen days in transit. I do not understand why, but from that maybe my letters to you aren't arriving. Many of my letters by boat have failed to reach their destination. This uncertainty has me in a quandary. Some to whom I have written haven't answered, and I know not but that they didn't receive mine.

Mrs. Lycan (Ed. Note: A member of our church), informed us of the illness of your aunt, and of the passing of Grandmother Lycan. May the Lord remember you all in mercy.

I trust you may have a glorious meeting and that many may be saved. I have been preaching to my two dollar per month Peruvian cook who is a Catholic. Her mother died refusing to accept the Saviour, and I think she is under conviction.

The Catholic lady to whom I preached here in my home and gave a New Testament, was here again this week; and the Word is bearing fruit. She is of the better class, and gives much evidence of being one of the elect. I rejoice in these things. I have been able, feeble though it is; to bear witness to several. There-

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The Trail Of Blood

We are happy to announce that Elder T. P. Simmons, former editor of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER, will spend the month of February in eastern Kentucky and contiguous sections of Ohio and West Virginia, lecturing on "The Trail Of Blood."

These lectures trace New Testament Churches from apostolic days to the present, and show the origin of both Roman Catholicism and Protestantism. They are designed to teach Baptists why they are Baptists, and will make them firm and uncompromising in the truth; yet not bigoted and mean.

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THE INN-KEEPER MISSED HIS CHANCE

"What could be done? The inn was full of folk:
His Honor, Marcus Lucius, and his scribes
Who made the census; honorable men
From farthest Galilee came hitherward
To be enrolled; high ladies and their lords;
The rich, the rabbi, such a noble throng
As Bethlehem had never seen before,
And may not see again. And here they were
Close-herded with their servants, till the inn
Was like a hive at swarming-time, and I
Was fairly crazed among them.

Could I know

That they were so important? Just the two—
No servants; just a workman sort of man,
Leading a donkey, and his wife thereon
Drooping and pale—I saw them not myself,
My servants must have driven them away;
But had I seen them how was I to know?
Were inns to welcome stragglers, up and down
In all our towns from Beer-sheba to Dan,
Till He should come? And how were men to know?

There was a sign, they say, a heavenly light
Resplendent; but I had no time for stars
And there were songs of angels in the air
Out on the hills; but how was I to hear
Amid the thousand clamors of an inn?

Of course, if I had known them, who they were;
And who He was that should be born that night—
For now I learn that they will make Him king.
A second David, who will ransom us
From these Phillistine Romans—who but He
That feeds an army with a loaf of bread,
And if a soldier falls, He touches him
And up he leaps, uninjured?—had I known,
I would have turned the whole inn upside down,
His honor, Marcus Lucius, and the rest
And sent them all to stables—had I known!

So you have seen Him, stranger, and perhaps
Again will see Him? Prithee say for me,
I did not know; and if He comes again,
As He will surely come, with retinues
And banners and an army, tell my Lord
That all my inn is His to make amends.

Alas! Alas! to miss a chance like that!
This inn that might be chief among them all,
The birthplace of Messiah—had I known!"

—Amos R. Wells

The First Baptist Pulpit

"The Lord's Babies"

"And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able. For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions; are ye not carnal; and walk as men?

For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal?" (1. Cor. 3:1-4).

Recently in holding a revival meeting in a town not many miles distant, I was entertained most royally and sumptuously in

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Some Unusual Baptist Babies

"Among Baptist we have a great crop of babies. There is no way of calculating whether there are more babies among Baptist than among other denominations, but if other denominations have as many as we do, they are faced with a great trying problem. It has been a long time since a baby has been in the home of the writer, but occasional visits to other homes convince us that babies require that others shall do a great deal for them. Surely a good proportion of our Baptist church membership would thus qualify as babies. And then babies are unable to do very much for others. Babies are also peevish and fretful, and then babies are generally fond of toys. It would be universally conceded that babies are not governed by principles but by moods and impulses. Following these several descriptions just how many Baptist babies are there? Let us remember that while natural babyhood is charming, continuous babyhood is monstrous and revolting. Babies are given for healthy and constant growth." (The Watchman Examiner).

"It is easy to pick out the babies whose picture the Watchman-Examiner has given. It is such a splendid likeness of some church members that no names need be given. It is a composite picture, a veritable family album, that shows babies of various ages and in varied moods. Many a pastor can spend many an hour looking at the Watchman-Examiner's life-like picture of many a member.

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The Eagle At Niagara

A gentleman standing by Niagara saw an eagle swoop down upon a frozen lamb incased in a floating piece of ice. The eagle stood upon it as it was "drifting" on toward the rapids. Every now and again the eagle would proudly lift his head into the air to look around him, as much as to say: "I am 'drifting' on toward danger, but I know what I am doing; I will make my escape before it is too late."

When he neared the falls he stopped and spread his powerful wings and leaped for his flight; but, alas! alas! while he was feasting on that dead carcass his feet had frozen to its fleece. He leaped

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Eld. and Mrs. W. B. Cornutte Louisia, Ky.	2.00
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Total	\$103.28

Since our bill for the month of
January is \$88.42, this leaves us
a balance of \$14.86, with which
to look forward to the month of
February. This means that we
will need to receive about \$75.00
between now and February 1.

We thank God that He has pro-
vided for us as He has in the past.
It will soon be three years since
we started broadcasting and He
has never failed us. We know He
will provide for us now.

May God bless our many friends
who listen and who contribute.
Because we never make an appeal
for money over the air, many think
we have no needs. This makes us
appreciate all the more those who
send a contribution toward this
program.

Remember you can hear us each
Sunday morning and each Sunday
evening over W. O. M. I. —1310
on your dial, at nine o'clock (E.
S. T.). We'll be happy to have
you "listen in".

DICKERSON FUND

Amount previously reported	\$132.50
John W. Schmidt Boron, California	1.00
Cherryville Baptist Church Louisia, Ky.	2.32
Total	\$135.82

Don't forget our missionary in
Brazil. We aim to send him \$200
or better, each month. Last month
(December), we fell short about
\$40.00 of sending this amount. I
trust we'll be able to send at
least \$300 this month. May you
pray definitely for him who labors
for us in "the regions beyond", and
then make your offering as the
Lord may lead you.

Miss Ida Jackson

On January 5, the editor's aunt,
Miss Ida Jackson, departed to be
with her Lord, with the funeral
services being held from the First
Baptist Church of Russell, on Mon-
day, January 8. Elder Clarence
Walker of Lexington, Kentucky,
her pastor for a number of years,
assisted by Brother Sam Sloan,
conducted the funeral services.

In his weekly paper, "The Ash-
land Avenue Baptist", Brother
Walker has had the following to
say relative to her death:

"In the death of Miss Ida Jack-
son, Ashland Avenue Church has
lost one of her most faithful and
loyal members. She went to be
with the Lord on last Friday morn-
ing at about 10 o'clock.

"Miss Jackson left one sister and
five brothers. The sister is Mrs.
Lucia Gilpin, the mother of Pastor
John R. Gilpin of the Russell
Baptist Church.

"The funeral was conducted in
the Baptist Church at Russell.
Bro. Sam Sloan read the Scrip-
ture and I preached the sermon.
The burial was in the cemetery
at Ashland, Kentucky.

"Miss Jackson was a faithful
member of the church. She loved
her Lord and knew that it was
by His Grace she had been saved.
She further knew that the way to
show her love for her Saviour was
to be faithful to His church.

"She was a sunny disposition and
always loved to help others. I said
at her funeral that according to
her ability she was the best giver
that I ever knew.

"May the Grace of the Lord
Jesus bless dear sister Gilpin, John
and his family with the other
loved ones."

The editor wishes to hereby ex-
press his deep appreciation to his
friends for their many kindnesses
and for the notes of condolence
received in the last several days.
May God richly bless each and
all.

CHRISTIAN LAYMAN'S LEAGUE

You will notice on this page the
advertisement of the Christian
Layman's League of Denver, Colo-
rado. The editor has never seen
this booklet which is advertised,
but he has seen other booklets by
Mr. Lowry, who is a consecrated
Christian layman. We would, there-
fore, urge all of our readers to
order at once a copy of this book.
I am sure it would be a blessing
to every one who reads it.

NEXT TUESDAY

On Tuesday evening, January 23,
the editor will preach for the
Guyandotte Baptist Church of
Huntington, West Virginia, in their

annual Bible Conference. His sub-
ject will be "Was The First Church
A Baptist Church?" We will be
happy to see all our friends around
Huntington if God may make it
possible for you to be there.

SLOAN REVIVAL

The First Baptist Church of
Russell has just concluded a re-
vival meeting with Elder Sam
Sloan of Paintsville, Kentucky,
doing the preaching; and Elder
E. T. White of Kingsport, Ten-
nessee leading the singing.

It was indeed a gracious meet-
ing, with the power of God being
felt and experienced from the
very beginning. Quite a number
of souls were saved, and the church
itself was strengthened, edified,
and built up in the faith.

Growing out of the meeting, is
an arrangement whereby Brother
White shall remain in Russell as
the assistant to the editor, who
is also pastor of the First Baptist
Church of Russell. We are antic-
ipating great things, and praying
that God shall richly bless us in
the work which we have before
us. Most of our readers know
that we have been carrying a
heavy load so far as our work is
concerned, and we are looking for-
ward with a great deal of expect-
tancy to being relieved of much of
our burden through the efforts of
Brother White.

In this connection, I would like
to speak a word also concerning
Brother Sloan. He is a thoroughly
consecrated young man, evangelis-
tic to the core, and Baptistically
orthodox. I believe that he would
be a great blessing to any church
who might secure his services. I
unhesitatingly recommend him and
suggest him to any of our readers
who might be thinking of someone
to lead them in an evangelistic
effort.

AN APPEAL FOR BRAZIL

Mrs. Dickerson, in a recent
letter to one of the members of
our church, said, "I doubt if
there are a hundred saved people
in this city of nearly 300,000."
We have one other volunteer as
a missionary to this great Amazon
Valley. We expect that God shall
lay upon the hearts of others be-
fore the year expires to likewise
go to Brazil. In view of this will
you not pray and give relative to
this great mission destitution.

WE WILL SOON BE ONE

YEAR OLD

With our first issue of February
(February 3), we will be one year
old. A lot of subscriptions are
due to expire at that time. May
we urge you now to send in your
renewal so as not to miss a single
copy.

While sending in your renewal

for THE BAPTIST EXAMINER,
why not send us also an extra fifty
cents for a subscription to AMAZ-
ING GRACE, edited by Elder R.
E. White of San Antonio, Texas.
His paper, like THE BAPTIST
EXAMINER, is also dedicated to
missions and evangelism.

THE TRAIL OF BLOOD

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Every church ought to hear these
lectures by Elder Simmons in view
of the fact that the effective
safeguard against the inroads of
heretical sects is sound and contin-
ual indoctrination.

Brother Simmons uses a large
and authentic chart to present the
truth to the eye in a very effec-
tive way. It will give a clearer
conception of church history than
people would ever get by years
of reading. Back of the lectures
are years of concentrated study
by both Bro. Simmons and others.

All Brother Simmons asks by way
of remuneration is a free-will of-
fering, with the emphasis on
"free." No church is too small
for the lectures, and none is too
large. Regardless of how small
the offering may be, Brother Sim-
mons stands ready to deliver his
lectures wherever they may be
heard.

The editor would like to urge
all churches of the Tri-State area
to have Brother Simmons deliver
these messages. If you wish to
write him, you may do so at 712
East Second Street, Russellville,
Kentucky; and during the month
of February, address him at 5265
Williams Avenue, Ashland, Ky.

ANOTHER LETTER FROM BRAZIL

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fore, we have some fruit already
in this heathen land.

From all indications, I am go-
ing to get to preach some in at
least one of these Baptist Churches
here when I learn the language.
I shall rejoice to do this, for the
greatest need here right at pre-
sent, is the strengthening of these
weak Baptists. Brother Joe F.
Brandon, a missionary from West
Kentucky, who spent ten days with
me, leaving last Tuesday for the
states, said he knew of at least
twenty instances in which Baptists
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Many say we cannot know

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little booklet on

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"THE LORD'S BABIES"

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a very elegant house, where a fine, cultured, refined family lived. Yet in spite of their wealth, there was a sorrow about the home, and a sadness to be noted as soon as one entered. For there was a daughter in the home twenty-three years of age, who had a baby's mind, a baby's disposition, a baby's habits, and a baby's way of looking at things. Physically, she was full grown, yet mentally, she was a juvenile. In spite of all the kindnesses shown me by the family, there was a feeling of heaviness which filled my soul when I came away.

This beloved; is precisely the way I feel many times on seeing and beholding many professed Christians. I think this girl is an exact description of many children of the Lord. Many who should be full grown children, are still wearing their spiritual long clothes; they have remained spiritual juveniles; they are still in the cradle and kindergarden stage. The church thus has become a nursery instead of a camp for soldiers. The church has to nurse them, when it should be converting the world.

It was thus in the city of Corinth. May we read again Paul's description of these spiritual babies. "And I, brethren; could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it; neither yet now are ye able. For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions; are ye not carnal; and walk as men? For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal?" (1 Cor. 3:1-4). Then when Paul wrote to the Hebrew Christians; he referred to them in like measure as having failed to mature and grow in godliness. This is his description of them: "Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing. For when for the time ye ought to be teachers; ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. For every one that useth milk is unskillful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use; have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil" (Heb. 5:11-14).

To any normal individual, there is nothing more beautiful and wonderful than a baby in all its helplessness. Yet beloved, continuous babyhood is disgusting and revolting. Many years ago, in one of the cartoons, a rich man was given a medicine which turned him again into a baby. He cried like a baby; he crawled on all four's like a baby; he wore long clothes like a baby; he fell downstairs like a baby; he held his milk bottle like a baby; he jabbered like a baby; yet he possessed none of a baby's charms. So it is beloved with the spiritual baby. There is nothing more interesting than to see a young Christian as he begins to walk with the Lord, and takes his first steps in Christian babyhood. Yet if that one remains a spiritual baby throughout life, he loses his charm; and the fact that he continues in his spiritual juvenile state, becomes disgusting and revolting.

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It is interesting to notice the characteristics which these spiritual babies possess. First of all, the food they desire, characterizes them. "And I, brethren; could not speak unto you as unto spiritual; but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able" (1 Cor. 3:1-2). Paul declares that he had these Corinthian Christians on a milk diet. They were not able to handle a man's food, but had to be fed as babes. Milk is a baby's food. Spiritual babies desire spiritual "Mellons food" or spiritual "Eagle's Brand" much more than they desire the meat of the Word. I used to be pastor of a church just like this church at Corinth. If I preached a Biblical message into which I had injected a lot of study, with a great deal of Scripture given in the message, the membership of the church would apparently enjoy it for the time being; yet in contrast, if I preached a message on the surface; with but very little Bible, light and jazzy in its nature, that same audience would show exceedingly great appreciation.

This desire for a milk diet has reacted upon the ministry. The average minister; in order to get a crowd, has to resort to a milk expedient. As far as an evangelist is concerned, the average evangelist preaches a milk diet only. There isn't one good soup bone in his entire stock of sermons. What a contrast in the church announcements today, and in the announcements which were possibly made by the Apostles. Today, the bulletin boards read something like this: "Rev. Bob Jones Sunday night sermon, Going to Hell in High Gear". If the Apostles had a bulletin board, you would have beheld such announcements as "The Apostle Simon Peter, Text 1 Pet. 2:24. '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.'"

I am saying beloved, that you can always tell spiritual babies by the food they desire. Some will actually stay at home if it is known that there is to be a message preached on the "Fundamentals". Yet if a light amusing lecture is announced, they will crowd the house to its capacity. Some will not even come to the Sunday evening services at all unless a light milk diet is served. I received a paper sometime ago, in which a pastor in Dayton, Ohio announced four Sunday evening services. The subjects were catchy, and I wrote him relative to what he was going to preach. When he replied, he first said; "Nothing". That is, he meant he was going to preach nothing; he was just going to fill up the time on Sunday evening with a little froth. When I asked him why he would waste his time and the people's time by presenting no gospel at all, he said it was the only way that he could get people out to the services, they would not come otherwise.

I wonder if I speak to a spiritual baby tonight. My prayer is that you might always desire Biblical preaching.

A second characteristic of a spiritual baby is that such a one will believe anything that he is told. A few years ago, I was holding a revival meeting in a nearby town, and a little boy seven or eight years old came in one day and said, "Mr. Gilpin, where did you ever find Mrs. Gilpin"? Desiring a little fun at his expense, I told him how that I had run around over the country and that one day, as I was riding along on the train; I happened to glance out the car window and saw a girl picking berries in a black berry patch with a green stocking on one leg, and a red one on the other, and a yellow sun-bonnet on her head. I further told him that I decided right then and there that I was going to marry her. I shall never forget the look of amazement and surprise when he said, "Ah did you"? He not only believed me; but he told his mother and his father about that pair of green and red stockings, and that yellow sun-bonnet which Mrs. Gilpin wore. Well beloved, spiritual babies are just like that. They will believe anything they hear preached without considering it. "That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro; and carried about with every wind and doctrine, by the sleight of men; and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, May grow up into him in all things; which is the head, even Christ" (Eph. 4:14-15). That's why it is that so many Christians remain unsettled in their doctrine and never know what they believe. Listen to God's Word: "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). "Now I beseech you, brethren; mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them" (Rom. 16:17). "Now we command you, brethren; in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from" (Continued on Page Four)

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every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after tradition which he received of us" (2 Thess. 3:6). "If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine; receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds" (2 Jn. 1:10,11). This is the reason why so many Christians drift into heresy. It is simply because they do not examine the doctrine which is preached; they do not pay attention as to the message that is delivered. Yes, spiritual babies will believe anything that they are told without testing it in the light of the Scriptures.

The third characteristic of spiritual babies is that they desire to have their own way. I saw two little girls jumping the rope recently. They disagreed as to the manner of turning it. One of them said, "I'm not going to play; I'm going home; you won't play my way". She took her rope and went home. Well beloved, I have seen her mother act exactly the same way here within our church.

Haven't you seen children get mad, draw up in a corner and sulk, just refusing to have anything to do with anyone? Beloved, some spiritual babies get mad at the church; or at the preacher, and then they go home and sulk. Some even go so far as to sulk at God. It surely is a characteristic of spiritual babes, just as of earth's juveniles, that they desire to have their own way; and unless they get their way, they are peevish and fretful. I imagine that there are men and women who are listening to this broadcast tonight, who have not been to church for a long time just because somebody hurt their feelings, or because they could not have their way fully. How many times I have seen a church split into shreds all because of this characteristic of spiritual babies. I have seen the Lord's work crippled many many times just because somebody acted the part of a spiritual baby, and had to have his way regardless of how it might have affected others. Even after nearly 20 centuries, Jesus still has in His church the same kind of spiritual babies that He had in the first century. Listen to one of these domineering folk described: "I wrote unto the church: but Diotrephes, who loved to have the preeminence among them receiveth us not" (3 Jn. 1:9).

Another characteristic of spiritual babies is their jealousy. I was in a home sometime ago, and took a baby upon my lap to caress it. Another child in the home immediately grew jealous. How characteristic this is of spiritual babies. Even the disciples contended thus. "And he came to Capernaum: and being in the house he asked them, What was it that ye disputed among yourselves by the way? But they hold their peace: for by the way they had disputed among themselves, who should be the greatest. And he sat down, and called the twelve; and saith unto them: if any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all; and servant of all. And he took a child, and set him in the midst of them: and when he had taken him in his arms, he said unto them; Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name; receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me, receiveth not me; but him that sent me" (Mk. 9:33-37). Here they were in their jealousy, "chewing the rag" about who was going to be the greatest. We need not be surprised then when we find the same in our churches today, for jealousy surely is a characteristic of spiritual babies.

The fifth characteristic of spiritual babies is that they must be coaxed to get them to do things for God. You can give a child a stick of chewing gum or a lolly-pop, and that child will do anything you ask him. There are lots of Christians just like that. If you've got enough spiritual chewing gum and spiritual lolly-pops, you can get them to do anything in this world. I remember a man, sometime ago, who as superintendent of a Sunday School in a Baptist Church, resigned his position because, as he said, no one ever patted him on the back for the work that he did. There are multiplied thousands of Christians just like that. There may be dozens tonight who are listening to this broadcast, who as long as the lolly-pops and chewing gum hold out are good workers; they simply have to be coaxed to get them to do anything for God.

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SOME UNUSUAL BAPTIST BABIES

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"The Watchman-Examiner's baby picture takes us into the church nursery to see the squalling babies that want something done for them. They want the pastor to visit them in their homes though they never visit the pastor in the church. They want the church to give them standing in the community though they are not concerned with giving the church a standing in the community. They are quick to want something done for them but slow to do something for the church.

"The Watchman-Examiner's baby picture takes us to see the peevish and fretful babies who are always complaining about the preacher or the preaching, the saints or the singing, the time or the temperature, the milk or the meat.

"The Watchman-Examiner's baby

picture takes us to see the church babies who want toys. They like the tinsel better than the truth. They like the showy better than the scriptural. They like the catchy rather than the consecrated. They like the world better than the Word.

"The Watchman-Examiner's baby picture takes us to see church babies who are moved by moods rather than by principles. They come to church when they feel like it. They come to church because they like the preacher. They come to church for other reasons than because of scriptural principles. Don't count on them if the weather is not just right. The little things must not take chances. Don't count on them if the sermon is not just right. The little darlings might get tired. Don't count

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NOAH'S ARK

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"THE LORD'S BABIES"

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Another characteristic of spiritual babies is that they tattle on one another. This is a characteristic of all children. It is a rare occasion when a child does not continually tattle on his playmates. There is many an immature Christian, who continually tells tales about others. Some of our Sunday School classes are nothing more or less than gossiping societies. Did you ever attend a sewing circle; one of these chatter and stitch societies, where they take one stitch and six chatters? Well, many Christians seem to enjoy such tale telling. There is many a child of God who has the foot and mouth disease. There is an old song that we sing, "A For A Thousand Tongues". Well, I don't know what some people would do with a thousand if they used that thousand in proportion to the way in which they use the one they now possess. I tell you beloved, just as children tattle on one another, so spiritual babies do likewise. May we heed God's warning: "My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation. For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body. Behold, we put bits in the horses' mouths, that they may obey us, and we turn about their whole body. Behold also the ships, which though they be so great; and are driven of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the governor listeth. Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold; how great a matter a little fire kindleth! And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell. For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of mankind: But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. Therewith bless we God; even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God. Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be." (James 3:1-10).

II

While it is to be very much regretted that one remains a spiritual babe, and in reality it is a curse to the cause of Christ; yet there is a remedy for spiritual babes. The Lord's babes need not remain babes. God, in His Word, gives us two prescriptions which are to be taken together whereby our babyhood may be shortened, and that we become full grown, mature Christians. First, we are to starve out the old nature. It is the old nature which causes us to act the part of a babe. This we are to starve out. "But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof" (Rom. 13:14). In the second place, if we are to be anything other than babes, we must feed the new nature. "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby" (1 Pet. 2:2). This new nature became ours at the time of our new birth. It is to be fed with the Word of God.

The sad thing about so many Christians is that they starve the new nature and feed the old nature which is just the reverse of God's order and God's plan. If I appeal to one tonight, who has been saved a great number of years, but who is still a spiritual babe, and who realizes in his heart that he has acted and played the part of a spiritual babe, then may I urge that one this evening to begin now working on the old nature and the new nature as well — starving the one, but feeding the other. May God help you to be careful which one you starve and which one you feed.

It is highly possible that your future may be much different than your past. After Paul had written to the Hebrew Christians, and had condemned them for their juvenility, then Paul proceeded by saying, "Let us go on to perfection" (Heb. 6:1). If there be a spiritual babe listening to this broadcast, may I urge that one to heed Paul's words and "go on to perfection".

Paul had a slogan in his life, which I think influenced him so that his life was what it was. Listen to him: "Brethren, I

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SOME UNUSUAL BAPTIST BABIES

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on them if money is mentioned. The little dears never have any money. Don't count on them to take a stand for Christ or His Word or His Church. The poor little things can't stand. Don't ask help from them. The poor little things need help. Be satisfied to give them a bottle and keep them quiet while the church grown ups keep busy with the Lord's work.

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ed and shrieked and beat upon the ice with his wings until the ice-frozen lamb and eagle went over the falls and down into the chasm and darkness below.

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count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, 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). May this be your slogan. May you press on too.

"I heard it singing, singing sweetly,
Softly in an undertone;
Singing as if God had taught it,
It is better further on.

Night and day it sings the same song,
Sings it while I sit alone,
Sings it so the heart can hear it,
It is better further on.

Sits upon the grave and sings it,
Sings it when the heart would groan,
Sings it when the shadows darken,
It is better further on.

Further on! How much further?
Count the milestones one by one?
No, no counting, only trusting,
It is better further on."

I imagine that there may be someone in my invisible audience this evening, who might say, "This message is not for me, for I am not even a babe in Christ. Instead, I am a man of the world." Beloved, if there be such a one, I make this appeal to you: I have condemned in this message these spiritual babes, who fail to grow and who fail to do God's will. May I now say to those of you who are unsaved, that it is better though to be a babe in Christ than to be a full grown man apart from Christ. In view of this fact, listen to this Scripture: "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 which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead" (Acts 17:30,31). May you receive the Lord Jesus Christ now as your Saviour. "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely" (Rev. 22:17).

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through the precious blood of Christ. God's eternal aversion to sin will stand approved in that He gave His only begotten Son to redeem us from all sin for all eternity.

"Sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death." Jas. 1:15.

"He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life." John 5:24.

ANOTHER LETTER FROM BRAZIL

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had a new work started with fifteen or twenty members, and

then the leaders turned the work over to the local congregation; or somehow, the Holy Rollers and Seventh Day Adventists take it over. He told me of four or five

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churches he had founded above Manaos, and said when any of the members moved to Manaos, they usually went to the Holy Rollers. Well, after years of teaching, I think by the Lord's grace, I could at least show the difference between Holy Rollerism and even "sick" Baptists. I am trying to show the need in all this country of indoctrinating what Baptists there are here. Once they are established in the faith, and armed sufficiently to protect themselves from these parasitical organizations, then they will make an impression by way of evangelization.

As I now view it, this task is mine under God. It would appear that in order to give weight to my preaching, I need to have concrete evidence to show those who are skeptical that what I preach is the way to victory, enjoying

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God's blessings and favor — and to do so, would be to have a church practicing what I preach. Probably it will work out this way.

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