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Brother Gilpin Highly Appreciated

"If you like him or you love him,
Tell him now.
Don't withhold your approbation
Till the parson makes oration
And he lies with snowy lilies o'er
his brow.

"If he earns your praise, bestow it,
If he makes good, let him know it;
Let the words of true encourage-
ment be said.

Don't wait till life is over,
And he's underneath the clover,
For, no matter how you shout it,
And he's underneath the clover,
He won't really care about it;
He can't hear the loving,
Tender words you've said,
And he cannot read his tombstone
When he's dead.

"So, if you've anything good
To say of a man, don't wait
Till he's laid to rest;
For a eulogy spoken, when hearts
are broken
Is an empty thing at best."

Believing the sentiment of these verses, the friends of Brother Gilpin take this means of expressing their love for him and appreciation of him. The following expressions are from members of the First Baptist Church:

"We wish to express our appreciation for what Brother Gilpin has meant to us. We have learned more about the Bible from him than from any one we ever listened to. Our souls have been fed. We know he is a God-sent man to teach the word and build up our church, and we pray that God's healing power will restore him and return him to us."—Mr. and Mrs. E. Caldwell.

"When Brother Gilpin came to Russell eleven years ago he ate his first meal and spent his first night with us. We have highly appreciated him from that time, and hope that Lord may return him to us with recovered health."—Mr. and Mrs. J. F. York.

"Words can't express what our beloved pastor has meant to me and my church. How I thank my

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EDITOR JOHN R. GILPIN

Perhaps no man in the Tri-State section has more friends and is more greatly beloved and highly appreciated than he whose likeness appears above. His ministry in Russell, his radio sermons, and his writings in this paper have blessed tens of thousands. It is largely he, by the enabling power of God's grace, that has made the First Baptist Church of Russell what it is. A great number have been saved through his ministry. And what a mighty impetus his ministry has given to the truth! The Acting Editor cherishes him as a valued friend and brother in the truth. May he live long to continue his powerful ministry.

The First Baptist Pulpit

"How To Properly Divorce The Old Man And Get A New One"

"But ye have not so learned Christ; If so be that you have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."—Eph. 4:20-24.

In my meditation, I am reminded that the world is full of repair shops—shops to repair that which is wearing out. We have

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Interesting Letter Gives Information

Belem, Para,
Feb. 17, 1940.

Dear Brother Gilpin:

I hope you are enjoying better health by now. I realize the strain under which you are working. Several years ago, when the Lord almost killed me before I submitted to His will, I, too, thought I would die. I nearly did several different times. Therefore, I sympathize with, and pray for, you.

We are getting along in a better way. Boyce is a great deal stronger, and my heart troubles me less than it did there. The remainder of the family are as usual. This climate seems to agree with me. Brother Jones told me that in three years we would begin to get weak, but so far I feel well, for which I thank Him who is the Giver of every good and perfect gift.

I am having your tract translated. The man said I could pay him anything I wanted to—and whatever it was, he would be satisfied. I'll need to type it when he is finished. They want twenty dollars for the first thousand. How many do you suppose I'll need? I will run an advertisement in the National Baptist paper and offer to give them to any one who is willing to pay the postage. That way it would appear we would need several. I have no prices on the book yet. It shouldn't cost so much more than the tract. I hope to have the tract in the printer's hands by this time next week.

Antonio is having a good time in his work. He has a new baby at his place. Named him Pedra, or Peter, as we would say. Perhaps he will be another Baptist preacher. If he is a sound one doctrinally, I hope he will be a preacher. We could use to advantage, here and there, many such.

Well, I am anxious to tell you some news. One of the local pastors is ill, and as I attended services there last Sunday night I was asked to preach at the prayer service, which was last Thursday night. I was frightened, but feel-

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In the house of Never-win.
And I'm told that it is haunted
By the ghost of Might-have-been.
—Selected.

A CORRECTION

The report of my Free Loan Library for Baptist ministers recently represented six of the helpers in other years as living. Brethren J. G. Bow, O. E. Bryan, H. B. Taylor and J. W. Porter have passed on to their reward.
A. O. Allison.

DICKERSON PREACHES IN PORTUGUESE

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ing it of the Lord, I promised. So, I have preached my
FIRST SERMON IN PORTUGUESE!

It wasn't a sermonette either. The Lord helped in a marvelous way. I even had liberty in speaking. How I do praise Him for His wonderful grace! I think they are wanting me to preach again next Thursday night. I told them some truths they had never heard of before, and I think they want to hear more. Now you all can feel a bit more like you have a missionary here. I feel sure that in a few months I can preach in Portuguese on any subject possible to me in English. What a wonderful privilege is mine. I know not, of course, what the results will be, for they belong to God; but I appear to have a wonderful opportunity, almost without parallel before me. May the Lord enable me to make the most of it.

It is plenty warm here to go without a coat and be comfortable, even inside. The sun shines nearly every morning, and it rains nearly every afternoon,—not all the afternoon, but a good hard rain. When it rains, it hardly alters the temperature or the humidity. It is plenty damp down here. Not at all the type of atmosphere to be had there. I do love the mountains, and that dry atmosphere; but I am glad to be here where my Master Who owns me, has sent me. Trusting you all enjoy God's blessings in every way, I am
Yours in Christ,
C. W. Dickerson.

APPRECIATION OF BROTHER GILPIN

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Heavenly Father for him and for the fellowship we have had in the Lord's work. He has made our church what it is today by preaching the truth and standing four-square for the gospel. May God's richest blessings rest upon him and his family, and how I pray that God will restore him to health. God is the great physician. He does all things well. So Brother Gilpin, don't give up the fight to get well. We are praying for you." Marguerite Grinninger.

"I am grateful that God sent Brother Gilpin to our church. The good that he has done will be seen throughout eternity."—Mary Washington.

"My pastor, Brother John R. Gilpin, has meant so much to me in my Christian life that it is impossible for me to ever thank God enough for allowing me to know such a wonderful man of God. I am praying for him constantly that he will have a speedy and complete recovery."—E. L. Tackett.

"To say that I deeply appreciate Mr. Gilpin is expressing it too mildly, for he has had an influence on my life which time cannot erase. His unselfish spirit at all times, his willingness to help those who need him, and his loyalty to God and his Word, have been the means of inspiring many lives and causing them to see what a life of service and devotion can really mean to the world. His going away has made me realize what a place no one else can fill. It is my sincere prayer that it shall please our Heavenly Father to completely restore his health and add many more years to his useful life."—Avala Tackett.

"Words are inadequate to express what Brother Gilpin and his family have meant to me. Through his ministry Jesus has become more precious to me, and I have been led to see many truths of God's Word. I shall never cease to thank God for him, and may God hurriedly bring him back to us well and able to carry on his work here in a greater way than ever before. This is my daily prayer in his behalf."—Maude Nolte.

"As his Associate Pastor I am happy to say that I have had the best of cooperation from him. Especially have I enjoyed his fellowship. To know him is to love him."—Eld. E. T. White.

"I take this means of expressing

my gratitude for Brother Gilpin. He has explained numerous questions about the Bible to me. He has helped the young people of the church to lead a better Christian life and to live above the world as much as possible. I am sure that I will be expressing the feeling of every young person in our church in saying: 'Brother Gilpin, hurry and get well. We need and want you back.'"—Frances Steele.

"Words cannot express what Brother Gilpin has meant to me and my family in the eleven years he has been our pastor. He has always been ready to give his time and his service for the solving of our many problems. I appreciate him more than I can express, and I hope and pray, if it be the Lord's will, that he be restored to health and that he may return to us soon."—Mrs. Edna Steele.

"Brother Gilpin, we miss you very much. You will never know what you have meant to us, and we are praying that you may have a complete recovery and soon return to us. Philm. 3 and 4, 1 John 5:14."—William Milligan and family.

"We appreciate and love our pastor and his dear wife for their great effort in trying to teach and lead us in the truth as it is in our Lord and Saviour. We are praying today that God's loving mercies shall dwell with them each moment they are absent from us." Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Mansfield.

"Words cannot express how we miss Brother Gilpin. May God's richest blessings rest upon him and send him back to us soon."—Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vaughn.

"We thank God that he saw fit to send Brother Gilpin to us. He is a devout man of God, a great teacher, a sympathetic and understanding friend. To me he is a beloved pastor and dear friend."—Carolyn McWhorter.

"We are happy to have the privilege of expressing our appreciation."
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garages in which to repair our automobiles. We have shoe repair shops in which to repair our shoes and boots. We have tailor shops whereby we have our clothing that is wearing out, pressed and repaired. Tomorrow is wash day, generally speaking. Thousands will clean and mend and darn and repair—to keep the old clothes from wearing out. It is thus that we try to repair ourselves. We go to the dentists, and have him repair the teeth. The surgeon repairs our bones. The beautician works on the exterior, and through the varied processes we get new arms and legs. Even in our governmental affairs there is lots of repairing going on. In our homes life there is much repairing going on. The practice of divorce is merely an attempt at repair, though often one's troubles then are worse than before.

All of this leads me to say that Christianity does not deal in repairs. Of this we are assured by Jesus Himself. "No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse. Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved." (Matt. 9:16, 17) The Apostle Paul presents the same truth to us. Listen: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." (2 Cor. 5:17) A Christian is not the same old person he has been, but he is a "new creature" in Christ Jesus.

We have a good illustration of this truth that Christianity does not deal in repairs, for in the Gospel of John we read of a certain pool of Bethesda, of which it was said that the first person who succeeded in getting into the pool after an angel troubled the water, that one would be healed of his infirmities. A man who had been ill for thirty-eight years and who had almost succeeded several times in thus being healed, had Jesus say to him, "Wilt thou be made whole?" (Jn. 5:6) You will notice that Jesus did not ask him if he would like to be patched up or repaired, but rather, asked if he would be made whole.

I repeat then, beloved, that while men constantly deal in repairs of all kinds, that Christianity is not an attempt at repairing the old man, but rather, one must be made anew in Christ.

I

In view of this great truth, I want us to take a look at the "old man" as used in the Scripture, is an expression which means the old corrupt human nature, or the inborn tendency to evil in all men. Let me illustrate: Two men have their heads together, and are talking about a third person who is absent. They speak very reproachfully of him, and slanderously accuse him of things of which they know nothing. That is just the "old man" in each of them.

I am thinking of two women who "fall out", and one of them says, "I told her enough to last her a month of Sundays." Well, that's just the "old man" in her.

I am thinking of a man who curses, and is violently profane. You can hardly be in his presence without being subjected to the vilest of profanity. Well, that's the "old man" in him.

In the course of my ministry, I have known of both men and women who seemingly got a great delight out of telling filthy stories. That's just the "old man" cropping out.

I am sure that each of you have heard the expression which is quite common whereby we speak of someone by saying, "He's a pretty bad actor." Well, beloved, that's certainly true of the "old man", for our old corrupt human nature—our inborn tendency to evil—our "old man" is a "pretty bad actor." Paul says, "The old man.....is corrupt according to deceitful lusts." (Eph. 4:22)

It is the "old man" that has filled this world with wrecks. It is the "old man" that has wrecked individuals. Whenever you see a woman merchandising her womanhood, and dealing in shame for a morsel of bread; or whenever you see a young man who has lost his sobriety and has become a drunken sot; or whenever you look upon any wrecked individual, you can see that the "old man" is responsible. Not only has he wrecked individuals, but the "old man" has wrecked homes as well. Every home which has ended in divorce or unhappiness, has come to this miserable plight because of "old man." Yet, this is not all! He has not only wrecked individuals and homes, but he has wrecked nations. In the days gone by, in the present, and throughout the future, the "old man" is going to keep on, for man is a complete failure so far as governments are concerned.

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I am perfectly frank, beloved, when I say that the "old man" is utterly past repair. Of this we are assured in God's Word. "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked." (Jer. 17:9) Notice the expression, "desperately wicked." In the original Hebrew, it literally says, "incurably wicked." The "old man" then, beloved, is incurably wicked—he is past repair. Jeremiah declares this in another portion of his prophecy. Listen: "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) I say in the light of these Scriptures, that the "old man" is utterly past repair. Yet, in spite of these Scriptures, most religions attempt to repair man. The majority of church people have in mind that salvation is a matter of repairing the man. Not at all, beloved, for man is too hopelessly bad to repair,—he must be completely made over. It is because of this that Jesus said, "Ye must be born again."

In fact, beloved, there is only one thing to do with the "old man"—and that is, divorce him. You know a man would not drive an old automobile if he could afford a new one. He would not wear old clothes if he could afford a new suit. In fact, we would not wear nor use anything that was old if we could do better. Well, then beloved, why do you persist in holding on to the "old man" when you can get a new one.

II

This leads me to declare that it is possible to get a new man in place of the "old man." This is what our text tells us, for it speaks of putting on the new man. Let me read it to you again: "That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness." (Eph. 4:22-24)

Let me say, beloved, just to divorce the "old man" is not sufficient. There are a lot of folk who try to hold the old fleshly nature in the background, and try to conquer the "old man" in their own strength; but sooner or later, unless you get the new man reigning in your life, the "old man" is going to manifest himself. We have a good illustration of this in the experience of Jesus. "When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places seeking rest, and findeth none. Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first." (Matt. 12:43-45) This shows us the worthlessness of self reformation. Here is a man who has quit his meanness, but he did not put Jesus into his life. The result was that afterward the devils that he had cast out by his own reformation, came back into his life, and his last state was worse than his first. I declare, beloved, that whenever any one divorces the "old man" without getting the "new man", or in other words, reformation without putting Jesus Christ into his life, that he is just getting ready for the biggest spree of sin he has ever known.

I go further, beloved, and say that there is no need in trying to make over the "old man"—there is no need in trying to reform him. God's Word speaks most emphatically in this respect. "For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature," (Gal. 6:15) Notice that last expression, "A new creature." You must be such. "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." Eph. 2:10) No-

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tice those words, "Created in Christ Jesus." It will not do just to reform—you must be created anew. Paul tells us the same truth elsewhere. "And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him." (Col. 3:10)

I say, then beloved, that there isn't a bit of use in this world in trying to reform the "old man". Any man who is a devil in the slums will be a bigger devil in a palace. That's why it is that I don't believe in a social gospel, nor in any kind of a reform movement. I believe in working at the hearts of men, and when the heart is changed, the outside life will be changed as well; but until the heart is changed, there will be no change whatsoever so far as the outside life is concerned.

I am saying, beloved, that it is possible to get rid of the "old man" and to get a new one, and the only way it can be done is that you have to be completely made over. "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust." (Pet. 1:4) This verse declares that the individual who accepts the promises of Christ actually partakes of divine nature—actually is completely made over. The "old man" is disposed of, and he becomes a "new man"—completely new and completely possessed with the nature of God.

III

I have an idea that there may be some one listening who will ask, "Just what does it mean to divorce the old man and to get a new one?" Well, let me give you a good illustration out of God's Word. In the Gospel of Mark, in the fifth chapter, we read of a Gadarene demoniac. First of all, the Scriptures tell us that he dwelt in the cemeteries, and that he was a wild man, and that he couldn't even be bound with chains. In fact, the Word of God goes so far as to say that he cut himself with stones, and day and night you could hear him in the mountains. Of course, this just literally means that he was a maniac, and was completely possessed of the devil. At the same time, his mental condition was only an illustration of his spiritual condition. One day something happened to him because Someone came his way, and that Someone was Jesus. Jesus saved him, then we find him in his right mind, which also illustrates the spiritual change which had taken place in his life. Truly this man serves as a good illustration of what it means to divorce the "old man" and to get a new one. This is the spiritual experience of everyone that has been saved.

IV

However, beloved, don't forget that even after you have been saved, that the "old man" still persists. He still hangs around. I remember a few years ago here in Russell that a woman divorced her husband, and when they left the court room, he came home with her. The next day he came to see her, and for nearly four months he came to the house every day just the same as if he belonged there. She finally had to marry him again in order to keep people's tongues from wagging too intensively. I have often thought of it for it certainly serves as a good illustration as to how the "old man" persists even in the child of God, for though you have divorced the "old man", and have gotten a new man, you will find that the "old man" still hangs on. Or, in other words, though you have been definitely saved and regenerated by the power of God and now have the nature of God, you still find that you have the nature of sin as well.

Listen to the experience of the Apostle Paul in this respect: "For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I. If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good. Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh), dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not. For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do. Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and

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APPRECIATION OF BROTHER GILPIN

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tion of Brother Gilpin, our pastor. Especially do we appreciate him because of the firm stand he takes for the word of God and because of his boldness in proclaiming the truth. We also appreciate him because of his frankness, his generosity, and his kindness especially toward them that are cast down and need a friend. In the time of sickness and distress Brother Gilpin is a friend indeed."—Eld. and Mrs. H. C. Grooms.

"We thank God every day for sending Brother Gilpin to Russell, for he has shown us the wonderful way of truth and light. Now we are both saved from a bottomless hell. It was through his teaching that our home has been changed from one of sin and worldiness to one of peace and happiness. May God's richest blessings be upon him at all times and may his health be completely restored, is our daily prayer."—Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bandy.

"We are grateful for this opportunity to express our gratitude for and sympathy with our pastor, Brother Gilpin, in his absence and sickness. He has been a devoted pastor and faithful friend. He has meant much to us in our home, church, and Christian living. Our prayer for him is Num. 6:24-26."—Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Goolsby, and Mary Alice and Nancy.

"I appreciate Brother Gilpin because he is never too tired or too busy to find time to visit the sick and help those in need."—Mrs. Carl Thompson.

"I appreciate Brother Gilpin because of the guiding hand he has given to the young people of our church in helping us to live better Christian lives."—Evelyn Thompson.

"We cannot find words to express our deep gratitude to you for your teaching of the word of God and also for your loyal devotion to the flock of God at Russell, over which God has made you overseer."—Mr. and Mrs. T. G. King.

"To us our beloved pastor has meant everything. He has given his life to our church and has made what it is today."—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rock.

"I loved Brother Gilpin before I was saved. After I was saved I loved him more, because he taught me so much about the Bible. It is my prayer each day that God will heal him."—Paul Reese.

"Brother Gilpin's preaching brought me to see the truth as I had never seen it. I thought he was badly wrong and began to try to prove it from the Bible, only to find him right and me wrong. I thank God for what he has meant to me, and I pray that he will soon be well and back with us."—George Reffitt.

"I worried the day Brother Gilpin left. Because it rained so hard I was afraid something would go wrong. But then I remembered the faith he has, and I knew nothing could go wrong. Everything here is all right, and I hope Brother Gilpin won't worry."—Mrs. Henry Smith.

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bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from the body of this death?" (Rom. 7:15-24)

This was Paul's experience. Even after he had been saved nearly thirty years, he still had to contend with his "old man"—with his old nature of sin. I feel exceedingly sorry for that individual who has been mistaught and misinstructed to the extent that he thinks when he was saved he got rid of his old nature, and that he is now living a life of absolute perfection. I would to God that it were true that every saved man were living a life of perfection so that none of us could give occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully of us. Yet, though I wish this were my experience and your experience, I admit the fact that there is sin indwelling in me and in you, for God's Word is most emphatic in this respect. Listen to the Apostle John: "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us." (1 Jn. 1:8-10)

Therefore, beloved, in the light of this Scripture, I would declare that the "old man" still persists after we are saved, and after we become children of God, we still have our old carnal nature to contend with.

A lot of folk think that because the "old man" still persists that they have never been saved, and they quite often refer to this Scripture, "He that committeth sin is of the devil." (1 Jn. 3:8) Permit me to offer a simple explanation of this verse. Will you believe me, beloved, when I tell you that the New Testament originally was written in Greek, and that the tense of the verb that is translated "committeth" is very helpful in understanding this Scripture. In the Greek, there are two tenses that are very definite. One is the Aorist, which is completed action, and which might be illustrated by a period. The other is the imperfect tense which indicates continued action, and which might be illustrated by a long line that has no end. Now, in this verse, it is true that John says, "He that committeth sin is of the devil". The tense used is not the Aorist, or the completed action; but it is the imperfect, or the incomplete action. Thus, John literally says that the individual who just keeps on committing sin is of the Devil. Concerning this, I am in perfect agreement. I believe that the individual whose life is just a continuation of sinful habits and practices, and who shows no evidences of the Lord in his life—I believe that such an individual never has been saved. I know that after one has been saved, the "old man" still persists, and yet, beloved, if all we see in a man's life is just the "old man" then I am persuaded to believe that that is all there is, and that the man who thus goes on committing sin, is of the Devil.

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Yet withal, beloved, the Word of God tells us how that we are to deal with these two natures. It tells us that when we have divorced the "old man" and gotten a new one, that we are to first of all feed the new man, or the new nature. "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby." (1 Pet. 2:2) That is, beloved, you ought to go to church; you ought to read God's Word; you ought to pray; you ought to meditate on Divine things; you ought to keep your mind as holy and pure as possible; you ought to associate with the right kind of Christians. By doing thus, you will be able to feed the new nature or the "new man" that is within you. The Word of God also tells us what you are to do with the "old man" that you have divorced, for the Bible tells us we are to starve out this old nature. "But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof." (Rom. 13:14) If I make no provision for my family, my family will starve. The same is true of the "old man". If I make no provision for him, humanly speaking, I will be able to starve him out. Yet the sad thing is, we all make provision for him to such an extent that he is never starved out. In fact, a lot of saved people deal with these two natures in just the opposite manner to that which God declares is the proper way to deal with them; for many a person starves the new nature by staying away from the house of God, and by failing to pray, and

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APPRECIATION OF BROTHER GILPIN

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"I am deeply grateful for a friend that is loyal and true, a devoted and untiring pastor, and a minister that delivers to his people the true word of God. Brother Gilpin is all of this to his church and to his many friends."—Josephine Siple.

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by failing to do the things he should; and at the same time, he goes ahead feeding the old natures by reading trashy novels, and by living a worldly life, and by associating with ungodly men and women. I tell you, beloved, if you are to treat these two natures rightly, you will feed the new nature and you will starve the old nature. My prayer is that God might give us grace to do thus.

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There is a future view which we have relative to the "old man" and the "new man". Our "old man"—our old corrupt human nature—our old inborn tendency to evil—will eventually drop into the grave; and the "new man" will arise to be with God forever. What a glorious future is thus before us!

I remember a man coming to my study months ago in an attempt to get some money from me. His story was very similar to that which we listen to many times, and he finished his appeal by saying, "When my old man dies, I will be immensely rich." He was referring to his father. After he had left my office, I thought "How true that is of myself." When my "old man" dies, that is, my old fleshly nature, I am going to be rich too. I am rich now as a child of God, but I am going to be immensely rich then, when I have nothing but the nature of God—when I go to be with my God forever.

And this, beloved, can be your experience. You can divorce your "old man" and you can get a "new man"; that is, you can get a new nature—the nature of God this very hour by receiving the promises of God which tell us of Christ Jesus as a Saviour. Hear the words of Jesus Himself: "He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." (Jn.3:18) "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life." (Jn.6:47) May God in His grace grant that you shall receive Jesus Christ now as your Saviour.

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"We want to thank the Lord for Brother Gilpin, for his preaching of the word of God, and for what his teaching of the word has meant to our lives. Hope he will soon be back with us."—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Milligan.

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the love and gratitude I have in my heart for him. He has done many kind things for me. His sermons were always a source of inspiration to me. May God bless him and restore him to our midst."—Cloatine Byrne.

"We cannot find words to express our appreciation for the kindness of Brother Gilpin during the years he has been with us."—The Siple family.

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Those days of pleasure past,
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How joyous hours have flown
so fast.

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thee.
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today
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