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"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)

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Stop! Look! And Read! What Many Others Say About The Bible

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS—"The first and almost the only book deserving of universal attention is the Bible. I speak as a man of the world to men of the world, and I say to you, 'search the Scriptures.'"

ABRAHAM LINCOLN—"I am profitably engaged in reading the Bible . . . In regard to the great Book, I have only to say that it is the best Book which God has given to men."

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WILLIAM E. GLADSTONE, England's "Grand Old Man"—"There is but one question and that is the gospel. It can and will correct anything that needs correction. My only hope for the world is in bringing the human mind into contact with divine revelation."

JOHN WESLEY, founder of Methodism—"O give me that book! At any price give me that Book of God! Here is knowledge enough for me. Let me be a man of the book."

PRESIDENT CALVIN COOLIDGE—"If American democracy is to retain the greatest hope of humanity it must continue abundantly in the faith of the Bible."

PROF. WILLIAM LYON PHELPS, American educator, Yale University—"I thoroughly believe in a university education for men and women, but I believe a knowledge of the Bible without a college course is more valuable than a college course without the Bible."

HOWARD A. KELLY, M. D., American surgeon and scientist—"The intimate experiences of life have shown me that the Bible is a living word, just as definitely God's Word to me, as a letter received in the morning mail from my mother to me, personally."

WOODROW WILSON—"A man has deprived himself of the best there is in the world who has deprived himself of this," (a knowledge of the Bible).

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, American statesman—"For nineteen hundred years the battle between the spiritual and the material conception of life has raged around the Bible. 'Search the Scriptures,' was the command of Christ, and to

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The King's Daughter

A poor but godly woman called to see two rich young ladies, also Christians. Their brother was astonished to find this plain looking woman in their elegant home, but one of the sisters kindly introduced her, and said: "Brother, this is a King's daughter, only she has not yet received her fine robes."

"THANATOPSIS"

Weep not for me when the spirit is fled
For the battle of life then is o'er
Save your tears for the living, your smiles for the dead
For the dead can sorrow no more.

Breath a sigh of relief for my weary feet
When to rest I have laid me down;
Drop a tear when you think of my vacant seat,
But smile when you think of my Crown.

You may need your tears when you walk the way
Which my lonely steps marked out;
Tho' the sun may shine o'er youth's bright day
There'll be storms ere the close, no doubt.

When you gaze on the wreck of my lifeless remains
The clay of a spirit bereft
Rejoice for the dead are free from all pain,
Rather weep for the ones who are left.

Yes weep if you will for the dark, dark way,
That my weary feet have trod
But rejoice when you think of that bright day
We shall meet in the Kingdom of God.

You may plant a pine at my grave's cold shrine
But not out of pity for me;
And the myrtle bough you may plant to show,
The love I bore for thee.

—Author Unknown.

WHY MEMORIZE A SCRIPTURE PASSAGE DAILY?

1. Pre-eminent Values.

The Bible has been called "the most important document in the world's history," "the magna charta of the poor and oppressed," and book which gives "in compact and poetic form every phase of human ideas;" "a book which fits into every fold of the human heart," and "the sure way to the attainment of all the greatest human ideals—truth, kindness and beauty." In comparison

with the Bible, every other book fades into insignificance. The Bible has been translated into eight hundred languages and dialects, and everywhere the world around, it meets the same needs, carries the same blessings, and "makes its appeal to the general heart of humanity."

2. The Way of Certainty.

Those whose minds are stored
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"THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN SALVATION"

"There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews:

The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.

Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb and be born?

Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit."—John 3:1-8.

Above Niagra Falls, there is a place known as "redemption point." Beyond this, if any one passes, it is to the individual's destruction, for
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Relation Between Catholic Education And Crime By Ex-Catholic Priest

Self-respect, if not self-defense, on the part of American and Protestant leaders calls for determined protest against the increasing diatribes of Catholic spokesmen in condemnation of the conduct of our American way of life. If their public utterances were but partially true concerning the dire condition of our public school education, about our "great hordes of practicing pagans" in the medical and legal professions, our educators "misinforming and misdirecting students," and American democracy in general undermining the foundations of Western civilization, then the United States had better give in right away to Hitler and the Pope of Rome.

The amazing part of it all is the supineness of groups of otherwise intelligent, alert business and professional men who listen to such utterances, accepting them without question, overwhelmed, it seems, by the oracular and pontifical manner in which they are delivered.

An outstanding example of this was the recent address of the Jesuit President of Fordham University, the Rev. Robert I. Gannon, before a no less august body than the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York at their 172nd Annual Banquet. The speaker's main object of attack was our public school education—because it does not permit the teaching of religion, that is, of course, the Roman Catholic religion. To this lack he ascribes the high percentage of criminals inside and outside of our jails. Sneering at Ezra Cook's truly American and practical adage: "Better build schoolrooms for the boy than cells and gibbets for the man," he adds "but now every time we put in an order for a classroom, we have to include an order for two sanitary cells and a chromium gibbet!"

He quoted glibly from the latest report by the Citizens' Committee on the Control of Crime in New York, showed how crime is on the rapid increase with no signs of abatement, and that "one New Yorker in every 53 was arrested in the course of the past year—not for traffic violations or for leaving ash cans uncovered, but for serious violations of the law." He further proved to his amazed audience that the rest of the country is even
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Sunday School And Crime

Warden Frank G. Sain, of Cook County Jail, who has to deal with more boys and young men in trouble than perhaps any other man in Chicago, says: "There is no doubt in my mind but that the lack of Sunday School training is responsible for the majority of crimes."

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First Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio	20.00
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This completes our report for the month of March, and accordingly we have mailed Brother Dickerson our check for the amount of \$208.75. We sincerely hope that we will be able to considerably increase the amount which we send him the first of May.

WEDDINGS FOR MARCH

Although the editor spent two weeks of the month of March in Clendenin, West Virginia, and half of another week at Burnside, Kentucky, it was a joy to him to unite in marriage the following couples:

1. Albert Lee Roach, 39, Shop man, and Peggy Smith, 21, Russell, Kentucky.
2. Lee Clawson, 18, student, and Mary Almendinger, 18, Malta, Ohio.
3. Isaac Simpkins, 40, Mechanic, and Marcille Hoffman, 21, Huntington, West Virginia.
4. Lawrence Beatty, 21, Filling Station Attendant, and Virginia Anders, 18, Chillicothe, Ohio.
5. Charles A. Sommer, 21, Student, and Helen Giesecke, 21, Columbus, Ohio.
6. Dwight Knerr, 22, Operator, and Bernedine Daugherty, 21, Mason, Ohio.

THE TENT WE NEED

For the last two issues we have made mention of the need of a tent for our summertime evangelistic meetings. We are happy over the response that we have had thus far, and we are praying that the Lord will lay it upon the hearts of many to have a part in making this provision for us.

It won't be long now until the season for summertime tent campaigns. It is our expectancy to practically spend the entire summer in this manner. We invite you to have fellowship with us in this regard.

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the Scriptures the Christian world has turned ever since for its authority."

What the Son of God said: "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My words shall not pass away."—Matt. 24:35.

What the Holy Spirit, the Author said: "Whether there be knowledge (that is earthly knowledge) it shall vanish away. Now we know in part . . . but when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away."

Goodbye all College and Seminary and University Degrees then. All those fellows will be in the primer class in heaven, and some old granny or country preacher who knows the Scriptures will be their teacher! Selah!—News and Truths.

BIBLE CONFERENCE AT BURNSIDE

March 24, 25, brought a season of spiritual refreshing and rejoicing to the editor in view of his part on the program of the annual Bible Institute conducted by the First Baptist Church of Burnside, Ky.

Space will not permit an extended report of this conference, but to be entertained in the home of Bro. and Sister T. B. Grissom, to have associated with brethren Rainwater and Ragland on the program, and to have had fellowship with Pastor Smallwood, surely made our visit a delightful one. It is always like associating with home folk and especially with those whom we love to have the privilege of being with the saints at Burnside. May God bless them all.

GOOD BOOKS OF ILLUSTRATIONS

We have just come into possession of a few copies of "Windows and Wings" by Gordon Hurlbutt, which is one of the best and most unique books by way of illustrations ever put on the market. It is prepared to sell for three dollars, but as long as our supply lasts, we will mail them for \$1.50 each.

RACINE REVIVAL

By the time this reaches our readers, the editor will be beginning a revival in Racine, West Virginia, with Pastor T. P. Simmons. We take this opportunity of inviting those who live within going distance to attend the services and worship with us, and even if this privilege is denied you, we ask that you remember us daily at a throne of grace.

ROBBERS

Daily papers are reporting lots of hold-ups and robberies. Three causes—robbing God, movies and cigarettes.

"Robbers" is God's word for all who do not tithe. A robber is one who holds you up and takes all you have. That is what non-tithers do. They hold God up and take what is His. No non-tither is safe from highway robbery. They rob God: He lets others hold them up, if He does not do that. He lets the boy and girl thieves steal it from their own parents. Better bring in all your tithes (Mal. 3:8-10) into God's storehouse, if you want any protection of life, limb or property from God. No man is safe without God's protection.

I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW---

1. Who are the elect in Mark 13:20?

They may be tribulation saints: they may be Jews who will be saved by seeing Him when He comes in the air.

2. Are all sinners punished alike?

No: It is more tolerable for the heathen and those who have no light than for the ones who have a chance to hear the gospel. Matt. 11:20-24.

3. When Jesus chose Judas, did He know that Judas would betray Him?

Yes. It was prophesied in Psa. 41:9. In John 6:64 it is said that Jesus knew from the beginning who should betray Him.

4. Has a New Testament church any authority for sending out women as missionaries?

Yes, to work among women. In Luke 8:1-13, they went with the Master and twelve on their itineraries and supported them with their gifts. They did not speak before men. In many countries women missionaries are needed to work among women, for only through women workers can Catholic and heathen women be reached. Men are not even permitted to go where women are or enter their homes.

5. How were the Old Testament saints saved?

By faith in Christ. Gal. 3:8; John 8:56.

6. When did the observance of Sunday begin?

On the day the Lord Jesus arose from the dead. They never met for their own worship on Saturday after that. They went to preach to the Jews at their worship on Saturday sometimes, but the disciples met from the resurrection on, on the first day of the week. David prophesied about the new day that the Lord would make being marvelous in the eyes of the people, and it was so. Psa. 118:22-24. It was truly the Lord's doing. No one else could have made such a radical change

so suddenly except the Lord. Hosea 2:11.

7. Where was the soul of Christ during the three days He was in the tomb?

In Paradise. Luke 23:43.

8. If only the blood of Christ could atone for sin, how could any one be saved before the blood was shed?

The Bible speaks of Christ as slain from the foundation of the world. In God's purpose, He was, though not actually so until His death upon Calvary. Paul says in Rom. 3:23-25 that the sins of Old Testament saints were passed over in the forbearance of God until the death of Christ atoned for them. As a matter of fact, Old Testament saints did not go to heaven until after the death and resurrection of Christ. That is what Paul means in Eph. 4, when he talks of Christ "leading captive a multitude of captives." He took the Old Testament saints to heaven with Him after He had carried His own blood into the Holy of Holies in heaven and made expiation for their sins. Now the saved go to heaven at death.

9. What kind of a sheep is a lost sheep?

One of the elect not yet saved.

10. If one of the elect, how did he come to be lost?

He was born lost, a child of wrath, just like any other sinner. He was elected from before the foundation of the earth, but he is not saved until he hears the gospel and is called by the gospel and repents and trusts in Jesus Christ. 2 Thess. 2:13,14.

11. Why is Jesus called the "Son of God" and the "Son of Man?"

The title "Son of God" has reference to His deity or Godhood. He was God manifest in the flesh. The title "Son of Man" has reference to His humanity or His being man as well as God.

12. What is meant by "The gates of Hell?"

The organized forces of evil.

REFUSING TO PASS IT ON

In the stirring story of the Scotch covenanters a thrilling incident is told as to the execution of Captain John Paton.

After Paton was apprehended, he was taken to Edinburg for trial and execution. On the way to Edinburg, he met an old comrade in arms who had fought with him under Gustavus Adolphus.

His comrade was surprised and grieved to see him bound. "I will write the king and get a pardon for you," he said. But Paton replied, "Ah, you won't get one for me." "Well," answered his friend, "if I do not, I will never draw a sword for his majesty again."

So he made intercession for the covenanter captain and the pardon was granted. It arrived in Edinburg in time, but was held back by the lords of the congregation until Paton went to the scaffold.

We brand this as a most heinous crime, and we do well to do so, but what better is the man or woman who receives the divine message of peace and pardon and refuses to pass on that message of pardon to those who may be delivered thereby from the penalty of their sin?

How we should make haste to accept for ourselves this pardon and to pass the pardon of another on to him with haste!

THE DEVIL'S MERCHANDISE

It was announced that the devil was going out of business and would offer all tools for sale to the highest bidder. On the night of the sale, they were all attractively displayed—and a bad looking lot they were: hatred, jealousy, envy, malice, sensuality, and deceit, and all the other implements of evil. Apart from the rest lay a harmless-looking wedge-shaped tool, much worn, and priced higher than any of them. Some one asked the devil what it was.

"That is discouragement."

"Why do you price it so highly?"

"Because," replied the devil, "it is more useful to me than any other tool. I can pry open and get into a man's conscience with that when I could never get near him with any others; and once inside, I can use him with my discouragement in any way that suits me best. It is much worn because I use it with nearly everybody, as few people yet know that it belongs to me and that I use it to achieve my ends."

But the price placed on discouragement was so high that the devil owns it still.

The very thing Satan throws in our path to check us may be made the stepping stone to higher experiences.

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when one gets beyond this point, it is said of him that he has passed "redemption point." I trust that those of my audience have not yet drifted past the limits of God's saving grace, and that those to whom I speak today, have never drifted past redemption.

The Holy Spirit, the third person of the triune God-head, is not spoken of much today. There is mighty little preached that honors him, and He is virtually forgotten about, especially in the realm of salvation. It is my desire today that you shall see the place which the Holy Spirit occupies in the realm of salvation.

I

The first work which the Holy Spirit does in salvation, is the work of withering. Of this we are assured in John 16:8-11: "And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: Of sin, because they believe not on me; of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged."

Many months ago, I heard a radio speaker, a so-called preacher who was a modernist, say that when he was in China serving as a foreign missionary, that he took the good of the heathen religions and built Christianity upon it. I realize that this man in his heresy, is not an isolated case, for many preachers in America are trying the same. They attempt to take the best there is in man, and build Christianity thereupon. All such attempts are but failures. Before there can be salvation, the Holy Spirit must completely wither our fleshly nature.

I held a revival meeting in a certain town in Kentucky years ago when I was just a boy preacher. For two weeks I stayed in a home that was filthy beyond description. The coarseness and the filth that I was compelled to experience for those two weeks in every home in that community, grieved me constantly. I never enjoyed a meal that I ate in the two weeks. Well, beloved, the Holy Spirit is more sensitive to moral filth than any individual in all the world. The most delicate lady is not half so sensitive to degrading living conditions, as the Holy Spirit is of moral imperfections. Therefore, He must wither us before He takes up His residence within us.

If you will go into the backwoods of any undeveloped section of the country, you find that before there can be tillage, the planting of cities, and the transaction of commerce, that the woodsman must hack and hew the trees of the centuries until they fall, the roots must be burned, and the whole reign of nature must be completely disturbed. In the realm of salvation, before the Holy Spirit begets the new nature, He must first wither our fleshly nature.

I remember reading of John Vassar, the great English preacher, who before he was saved, was hired by his cousin to go to church just once. That one time brought him to such deep pungent conviction that he went repeatedly to the services. Returning home one evening, he awakened his wife by saying, "How can you rest when your husband is going right down to hell?" The Holy Spirit had thus withered his fleshly nature.

I often think of the Chicago fire

of many years ago, and what a great blessing it proved to the city after all, for the fire cleared away all the old buildings which were but harbingers of germs. As a result, a far healthier and a more beautiful city has been built. In like measure, before the Holy Spirit begets us to new life and builds a temple of God for Himself to dwell in, it is necessary that the old fleshly nature be completely withered.

The great Scotch preacher, Robert Murray McCheyne, was carefully trained in his youth. It could be said of him that he was blameless. He knew his Bible, he said his prayers, he went to church, and was fully satisfied with himself until an elder brother died. As he stood by the casket, he asked himself, "If it were I, where would my soul be?" As a result of his meditation beside his brother's casket, he was brought face to face with his own spiritual condition, and shortly afterwards was saved. Then he wrote the following words as a hymn:

"I once was a stranger to grace and to God
I knew not my danger, I felt not my load;
Though friends spoke in rapture of Christ on the tree
'The Lord our righteousness' was nothing to me.

I oft read with pleasure to soothe or engage
Isaiah's wild measure, or another simple page;
But even when they pictured the blood-sprinkled tree
'The Lord our righteousness' seemed nothing to me.

Like tears from the daughters of Zion that roll
I wept when the waters washed over His soul
Yet thought not that my sins had nailed him to the tree
'The Lord our righteousness' was nothing to me.

When free grace woke me by a light from on high
Then legal fears shook me—I trembled to die;
No refuge, no safety, in self could I see,
'The Lord our righteousness' my Saviour must be.

My terrors all vanished before that sweet name,
My guilty fears banished, with boldness I came
To drink at the fountain life-giving and free,
'The Lord our righteousness' is all things to me."

I say, beloved, that before anything else may be done for us in the realm of salvation, the Holy Spirit must wither us. Before any wound will heal, all proud flesh must be removed, and before we may be saved, we must come to see ourselves as we are, and the pride of our flesh must be abased. Only those who realize that they are sick, will call for a physician, and only the man who has been withered by the Holy Spirit and who realizes his utter helplessness, and that he is completely undone,—only such a one can realize that he needs the Lord Jesus Christ as a Saviour.

II

After that the Holy Spirit succeeds in withering, his next work in salvation is that of drawing the sinner to God. No man if left to himself, would ever turn to the Lord. No one would ever come to the Lord unless he be drawn of God. Hear the words of Jesus Himself: "No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me." (Jn. 6:44, 45). In these words, Jesus declares that no one can come to Him unless the Father draw him.

On the same occasion, Jesus also

said: "No man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father." (Jn. 6:65). I tell you beloved, it isn't the choir, and it isn't the preacher; but it is God the Holy Spirit Who draws men to God. "It is the spirit that quickeneth." (Jn. 6:63).

I have attended services where some zealous but unthinking Christian, has gone to some one who was suspected of being under conviction, to persuade such a one to go forward and make a public profession of faith in Christ. Such a Christian who takes this attitude with the unsaved who come into the house of God, is not depending upon the Holy Spirit. When the Word of God is preached, the only drawing power that is needed, is the power of the Holy Spirit. Going around over a church to "button-hole"—to pull some one up to the front seat for a profession of faith, is a good way to get church members; but it is a poor way to lead souls to Jesus Christ. I have seen preachers, who, after having preached their sermon, would leave the rostrum and approach some individual in the audience whom he suspected as being under conviction. Such a preacher is not content with being preacher, he wants to play the part of the Holy Spirit as well.

Whenever a preacher or any Christian worker appeals in a public manner to an unsaved one—that Christian worker is completely ignoring the Holy Spirit. Such a one is being urged through the power of the flesh. The Word of God has already said, "The flesh profiteth nothing."

I, therefore, declare, beloved, that in the realm of salvation, the Holy Spirit not only must wither our old fleshly nature; but He Himself must draw us to God if ever we are to be saved, for no one would ever be saved in himself except he be drawn of God.

III

Following the withering work of the Holy Spirit, and the drawing of the Holy Spirit, comes the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit in salvation. Listen to this Scripture: "Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again." (Jn. 3:3, 5, 7).

No one can get to heaven without the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit. You may have blameless morals, a spotless reputation, or you may even be a professor of religion; but without the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit, you are dead. You may see beautiful countries, but you'll never see Beulah Land; in your travels, you may visit great cities, but you'll never see the city which hath foundations whose builder and maker is God; you may see great rivers, but you'll never see the River of Life; you may behold great towering trees, but you'll never see the Tree of Life; you may attend great wedding feasts, but you'll never attend the marriage feast of the Lamb, unless you are regenerated by the Holy Spirit.

After that the Holy Spirit has withered your old fleshly nature and drawn you irresistibly to God, He imparts to you a new nature. You now possess the nature of God as well as the nature of sin wherewith you

were born. Listen: "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." (2 Pet. 1:4). Every saved man thus has something of God's nature within him. He has been made a "partaker of divine nature." How wonderful it is that the Holy Spirit Who withers our fleshly nature, and draws us to God, then regenerates; and by so doing, puts the very nature of God within us. Henceforth, such a one has not only his old nature of sin which has been withered; but he has now the nature of God—God's own nature within him.

It is a complete change which the Holy Spirit accomplishes. 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). It gives to us new hopes, new aspirations, new joys, and new service. So complete a change is it that the things one once loved, are now hated; and the things once hated, are now loved.

I am ready to grant you that it is mysterious, and that no one can explain the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit. Even Jesus did not attempt to do so. Listen: "The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit." (Jn. 3:8). You can't tell where the wind comes from nor where it goes, but you know it blows. It is thus in the realm of regeneration. You can't tell how the Holy Spirit makes us alive, but the man that has experienced it, knows it to be true. As I often say, "I can't understand how that a red cow eats green grass, gives blue milk, and yellow butter; but I know it is a fact. I can't understand how that sheep, cows, hogs, and geese, eat grass out of the same field, and it produces wool, hair, bristles, and feathers. I can't understand it, but I know it is a fact." It is the same in the realm of salvation. I don't know how God does it, but I do know that the Holy Spirit comes in after that He has withered our fleshly nature, and draws us irresistibly, resulting ultimately in our regeneration through and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

IV

There is one other phase of the work of the Holy Spirit in salvation. He not only withers the old nature, and draws us to God, and regenerates us, thus making us new creatures; but He seals us. Every one of us who are saved, are sealed by the Holy Spirit. Listen: "And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption." (Eph. 4:30). I once saw a man sealing a freight car. The seal was just a little piece of wire, but this railroad employee said that no one would dare break the seal until the car reached its destination, because the law of the land lay behind it. I love to think thus of my salvation. No one—not even the Devil himself, would dare to break the seal, for the law of God is behind the sealing.

How I thank my God for this truth. It is wonderful to know that when we were proudly living in sin, that the Holy Spirit withered our fleshly pride and drew us to God, and regenerated us, and made us

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new creatures; but it is even more wonderful to know that He thereupon sealed us so that we can never be lost, but we are sealed by the same power that begot us to a new spiritual experience with God.

How long does the seal last? Our text tells us: "And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption." (Eph. 4:30). It does not say that we are sealed as long as we are faithful. It does not say that we are sealed until we grieve the Holy Spirit away. It does not say that we are sealed until the hour of death; but it does say that we are sealed until the day of redemption. This, of course, beloved, means the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. "And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." (Lk. 21:27, 28).

May I ask you thus in closing if the Holy Spirit has withered your old fleshly nature? If the Holy Spirit does not wither you now, your soul must wither eternally. Of this we are assured in the Scriptures. "And to you who are troubled, rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power." (2 Thess. 1:7-9).

Yet, beloved, if the Holy Spirit withers you, and draws you, and regenerates you; we rejoice to know that such a one is a new creature, and that he will thus be sealed with the Holy Spirit and kept until the day of redemption.

Over at Youngstown, Ohio, there is a great steel plant which is two blocks in length. A large electric crane constantly works from one end of that building to the other, with a magnet suspended from it. As it passes from one end of the building to the other, it picks up all the waste—the filings and shavings that would otherwise be lost. It carries it to one end of the building where it is then demagnetized, and all these scraps are deposited in a furnace. It is there melted and molded again. As a result of this drawing power of the magnet, nothing is lost. So it is beloved that the Holy Spirit works with our ruined, and wasted, and blasted lives. He draws us into Himself; He melts us and withers the old fleshly nature, and then by His own power, molds us again; and out of our wasted and blasted lives, that are ruined by sin, He makes us to become children of God; and then seals us with His own power, which means we are kept until Jesus comes for us again.

May God help you to thus yield to the Holy Spirit and become now a child of God.

It is not until a man gets nearly to the top that the world is willing to give him a boost.

Of all the lights you carry in your face, joy carries the farthest out to sea.

When God sends a man to the lion's den, He goes there with him.

WHY MEMORIZE A SCRIPTURE PASSAGE DAILY?

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with the precious truths of God's Word lead a positive life and are ever ready to give a reason for the hope within them. Since the Bible is God's authoritative revelation of truth, only by having our own minds stored with it can we enjoy certainty ourselves or awaken assurance in others. (Prov. 22:20, 21)

3. The Way of Light.

The Word of God sheds light upon the path of life (Ps. 119:105). If we would not lose our way in this age of doubt and materialism, we must cherish this Word. "To the doubts and 'do-not-knows' of the times, the Christian, Bible in hand, can answer, 'I believe.'"

4. The Way of Life.

The Bible is the only book which contains the promise of eternal life. If our earthly life is so precious that we are ready to make any sacrifice in order to prolong it, how much more precious should we hold life eternal. Christ, who is our life, tells us in His Word how to secure the priceless heritage of eternal life. Let us fill our minds with His truth. (Jno. 6:68.)

5. The Way of Victory.

When Christ was tempted by Satan, each temptation was overcome by a verse of Scripture. The intelligent use of God's Word is a sure method of withstanding temptation and a method which is open to all. (Matt. 4:4-7) But how many times we go down to defeat because our minds are not stored with the Word.

6. The Way of Holiness.

The Word of God shows us what we ought to do. It is the effective mold by which our lives are shaped in righteousness and true holiness. (Rom. 6:18-22) Filling mind and heart with Scripture and walking thereby, changes the entire life. (2 Cor. 3:18.)

7. The Way of Knowledge.

The Bible is God's Book and only through it may we know His will for us and our place in His service. We honor God when we study His Word.

8. The Way of Heaven.

The eternal blessedness of those who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and the doom of those who reject Him, are clearly disclosed in this Book. It is the only source of information concerning heaven, and the life after death. To those whose minds are stayed upon Christ and in whose hearts His Word has place, death is not a leap into the dark unknown, but a passing through the portals of everlasting life and light. —P. B. Fitzwater.

KIND OF CHURCH-GOERS

1. Sporadic Church-Goers. Attend when they feel like it, but do not often feel like it.

2. Periodic Church-Goers. Attend Easter, Christmas, and on special days, but are afraid to get in the habit of going to church.

3. Occasional Church-Goers. Attend when nothing prevents, but are satisfied to fall back on any old excuse for staying away.

4. Loyal Church-Goers. Allow nothing to keep them away from church that would not keep them away from their work.

It's the Loyal Church-Goers whose personal religion brings them happiness and who enjoy life to the utmost. Be a Loyal Church-Goer!

It is human to stand with the crowd. It is divine to stand alone.

RELATION BETWEEN CATHOLIC EDUCATION AND CRIME SHOWN BY EX-CATHOLIC PRIEST

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worse in this regard than New York. Since the honorable body of outstanding citizens who comprise the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York made no protest nor questioned the speaker's conclusion, they must have all gone home convinced that we are a wayward, if not lost nation solely because the teaching of the Catholic religion is divorced from our public school system of education. The title of Father Gannon's address was "The First Point In Our Education Program," namely, the inclusion of religion in our public educational system.

Had any member of Father Gannon's audience been quick and brave enough to tackle the underlying significance of his statistics on crime, the Jesuit's entire prepared conclusion could have been proved utterly false and misleading. For he carefully avoided any approach to the well known and provable fact that an abnormally high proportion of our prison populations is the product of the Roman Catholic church and its educational system where religion, the Roman Catholic religion, is the most important subject on the curriculum. In order to confirm and explain this fact, the writer of this article personally interviewed Mr. H. C. Kane, the chief observer in the criminal courts for that same Committee on the Control of Crime from whose report Father Gannon quoted his findings. Mr. Kane's frank opinion was, that the teaching of religion in the public schools would seem to provide no deterrent to crime, since Roman Catholics numerically top all crime lists and the Catholic church exceeds all others in teaching religion in schools.

The statistics below fully bear out this conclusion. They are not taken from anti-Catholic sources, not even from the cold, impartial figures supplied by Government bureaus. In order to be scrupulously fair, I have taken them from official Catholic sources, from the published results of a lengthy and careful survey made by the Rev. Leo Kalmer, O. F. M., Chaplain at Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Ill., from 1917 to 1936, the year of publication. His facts and figures were supplied to him by thirty-six Roman Catholic prison chaplains throughout the country. There can therefore be no possibility that the figures have been padded to blacken further the case against the greater prevalence of crime among Catholics.

On Page 54 Table II, are shown the following percentages of Catholics in the prisons named:

Florence, Ariz.	53.23%
State Pen., San Quentin, Cal.	46.92%
State Pen., Wethersfield, Conn.	63.64%
Ill. State Pen., Joliet	48.50%
So. Ill. State Pen., Chester	7.88%
Indiana State Prison, Mich. City	7.69%
State Prison, Ft. Madison, Ia.	8.51%
La. State Pen., Baton Rouge	16.22%
Md. Pen., Baltimore	21.91%
State Prison, Charleston, Mass.	53.29%
State Prison, Jackson, Mich.	10.00%
Miss. State Pen., Parchman	.94%
State Pen., Jefferson City, Mo.	22.03%
State Pen., Lincoln, Nebr.	27.69%
State Prison, Trenton, N. J.	47.61%
State Pen., Santa Fe, N. Mex.	66.67%
Auburn Prison, Auburn, N. Y.	57.31%
Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.	54.77%
Ohio Pen., Columbus	25.01%
State Prison, McAlester, Okla.	1.76%
Oregon State Pen., Salem	15.63%
Eastern State Pen., Phila., Pa.	36.15%
The Pen., Columbus, S. C.	1.00%
Tenn. State Prison, Nashville	2.71%
Brushby Mt. Prison, Petros, Tenn.	.63%
State Pen., Huntsville, Texas	12.20%

State Prison, Salt Lake City, U.	32.79%
West Va. Pen., Moundsville	9.96%
Wisc. State Prison, Waupun	23.53%
State Pen., Rawlins, Wyo.	28.85%
U. S. Pen., Atlanta, Ga.	21.20%
U. S. Pen., Leavenworth, Kans.	23.44%

In judging these percentages it must be remembered that Catholics, according to their church's own estimates, form only about 16% of the total population of the United States. On page 76 of Father Kalmer's book, Table III shows that in a selection of 28 states, the average Catholic population is slightly higher, but still only 17.24%, whereas the average Catholic prison population in those same 28 states is 33.62%.

But if we select a few typical States, we find the following:

New York: 26.73% of total population is Catholic
New York: 54.46% of prison population is Catholic
Arizona: 33.16% of total population is Catholic
Arizona: 52.26% of prison population is Catholic
California: 16.83% of total population is Catholic
California: 43.61% of prison population is Catholic
Wisconsin: 23.79% of total population is Catholic
Wisconsin: 43.52% of prison population is Catholic
Wyoming: 7.13% of total population is Catholic
Wyoming: 32.18% of prison population is Catholic

Following are the figures of the religious affiliations of prisoners at Sing Sing from its Annual Report for the year 1925:

Catholic	848
Protestant	301
Hebrew	240
Greek Catholic	14
Pagan	4
Mohammedan	1
No religion	12

The Catholic prison chaplains who made these reports stress the fact that not all of the Catholics in the above tables were educated in Catholic parochial schools. They give the percentages as follows: attended Catholic school only: 20.82%; attended both Catholic and public school: 26.69%; attended public school only: 35.85%; attended no school: 16.64%. Thus, about half of the total number of Catholics who make up our prison populations came either totally or partially under the influence of Catholic parochial schools.

Again, it is noted that these Catholic prison chaplains put forward the argument, as in their favor, that the majority of Catholics committed to prison are either of foreign birth or parentage, mostly Italian, Spanish, Polish, Austrian and Irish. This, however, does not serve to exculpate the Catholic church, since these are Catholic countries par excellence, where "Roman Catholic culture" is most effective. On the contrary, it only serves to show that our much maligned traditional American secular education and the non-Catholic culture cannot be blamed for the crime increase in this country. The balance, therefore, in every instance—both as to religion and type of schooling—is in favor of non-Catholic upbringing and our secular public school education.

If this does not make Father Gannon's face red, it should, at least raise a slight blush of shame to the cheeks of the members of the New York State Chamber of Commerce who credulously accepted his calumnious conclusion without question.—L. H. Lehmann, a converted Catholic.

He who makes God first, will find God with him at the last.