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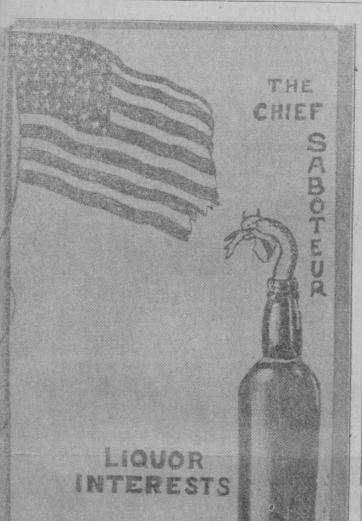
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Challenge

If I can live without my Lord, Or feed my soul without His Word that I ever saw came to me in a do not know how badly I feel. I If I can walk from day to day

Without His presence on my way; If I can face the vast unknown And have no fear to walk alone, teen years of age, going to school. for three whole days. I can't tell Without a Lord Who loves and cares.

Who honors faith and answers father, said: prayers:

If I can face the hour of death And draw in peace my parting breath,

My substitute for heavenly dress A ragged robe of righteousness, Then I can ask the heathen drear To live, and die-and never hear.

Did Jesus die for me alone?

Is not the African His own? Does He not love that yellow man? And long to claim the Indian? There is no soul upon this earth He did not feel His life was worth. But how shall they across the sea, Believe He died upon the tree In love to rescue them from hell, Unless someone shall go and tell The wondrous news of life and love A Saviour waits in heaven above To welcome those He died to free, To live with Him eternally?

My Lord has laid His wounded hand

Upon my life, at His command The charms of earth have fled away. "Whom shall I send?" I hear Him

What other answer can there be?

Here am I, Lord, SEND ME!

A PICTURE OF GOD

simple story. It was a man, a min- have always trusted you. I have ister, who lived in a New England always said, 'I can trust my boy.' town, and had a son, about four- And here you've been a living lie

One afternoon the boy's teacher you how badly I feel about it." called at the home asking for the Well, that was hard on Phil to

"Is your boy sick?"

"No. Why?"

"He was not at school today."

"Is that so?"

"Nor yesterday."

"You don't mean it!" "Nor the day before."

"Well! Well!"

"And I supposed he was sick."

"No, he's not 'sick."

and the teacher left.

by he heard a click at the gate, self in the mirror on his knees as he and he knew the boy was coming, had not before. It's queer about so he went to open the door. And that mirror of the knee-joints. It the boy knew as he looked up that does show so many things. Many his father knew about those three folk don't like it. days. The father said:

"Come into the library, Phil." Phil went, and the door was shut. dry. Then the father said: "My The father said: "Phil, your teach- boy, there's a law of life that where er was here this afternoon. He tells there is sin, there is suffering. You me you were not at school today can't detach those two things. ... nor yesterday ... nor the day Where there is suffering there has - By Barbara E. Cornett before. And we supposed you were.

One of the best pictures of God | You let us think you were. You

be talked to quietly like that. If his father had spoken to him roughly, or had asked him out to the woodshed for a confidential interview, it would not have been nearly so hard.

Then, after a moment's pause, the father said: "Phil, we'll get down and pray." The thing was getting harder for Phil all the time. He didn't want to pray just "Well, I thought I should tell then, but they got down, and the father poured out his heart in The father said, "Thank you," prayer. The boy knew as he listened, how badly his father felt over The father sat thinking. By and his conduct. Somehow he saw him-

> They got up. The father's eyes were wet, and Phil's eyes were not

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ng A Telephone God's Glory

J. J. Hall preached the gosor many years on Wall Street. York, in the open air. This at of God, now seventy-nine old, carries on a remarkable Mry to troubled souls, from a bed little apartment off Times e. His telephone number is 6-6483, and daily people call p, people with troubled cones, meditating suicide, or ing family difficulties arbi-To perspective suicides he Brother, you can't kill your-All you can do is to change locality!" Since 1940, some have been reached. In The Militant, a publication he outarted, to strengthen evangewitness in the Protestant d opal Church, he writes: While lying in bed one morning

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d Sea Mystery

trah serve merely as a warngainst iniquity, but scientists a different interest in the an hills along the Dead shores. They believe vast ties of petroleum lie beneath ontinued on page four)

"Shall Baptists Maintain Separate Existence?"

By J. B. TIDWELL, Professor Biblical Literature, Baylor University, Waco, Texas

Christ Jesus." - 2 Timothy 1:13.

THE UNION MOVEMENT During the last few years there has grown up a powerful propaganda for church union. It is called "The Ecumenical Movement" and is set for organic church union. It is led by very astute and highly bonored Christian men. They are spending large sums of money and seem to have limitless financial resources. The Movement

words, which thou hast heard of fields, and has created a wide- Speakers representing them are me, in faith and love which is in spread sentiment for organic un- often found to be dogmatically op-

There are a number of co-operating committees and organizations that foster this Movement, such as the Anglo-Catholics, or High ble opportunity to promote union-Church element, of England! The Continuation Committee of the Edinburgh Conference; and The ills. Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, From these and the meetings which they foster self in such great gatherings as the have come numerous pronounce- World Conference on Life and is reaching out toward all lands, ments and findings

"Hold fast the form of soundtouching both home and foreign church union, and in favor of it. posed to denominationalism and keen for unionism. Then, too, there are certain religious publications whose editors employ every possiism and proclaim organic union as the cure for all of our religious 州門 附 川 剛宏

The powerful influence of these organizations has manifested it-

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Picked-Up Here There And Elsewhere

Brother Clinton Browning of Wheelersburg, Ohio has a habit of sending money to the editor for THE BAPTIST EXAMINER. It is a mighty good habit. Recently he sent an offering for himself and enclosed \$5.00 for the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home from Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Fillmore of Wheelersburg, Ohio.

Speaking of habits, how's this one of Edward Ball, Ashland, Ky. When he renewed his subscription recently, he subscribed for three others of his friends. May his tribe

"I am enclosing a check for \$2.00 - a gift to you to help as needed. It seems that it is becoming quite (Continued on page two)

Rome Never Changes

After the miscreants had slain Then answered Peter and said Philip de Deux in his bed, they birth to a child. The midwife enat least until the child was born. Do not ye yet understand, that Notwithstanding, they thrust a (Continued on page four)

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"The Parable Of The Defiled Heart"

"And he called the multitude, the Pharisees were offended, after fall into the ditch Bible students Sodom and and said unto them, Hear, and they heard this saying? understand:

> which cometh out of the mouth, up. this defileth a man.

But he answered and said, Every Not that which goeth into the plant, which my heavenly Father able. mouth defileth a man; but that hath not planted, shall be rooted

Let them alone: they be blind Then came his disciples, and leaders of the blind. And if the whatsoever entereth in at the dagger up to the hilt into the wosaid unto him, Knowest thou that blind, lead the blind, both shall

unto him, Declare unto us this par- went to his wife, about to give

And Jesus said, Are ye also yet treated them to stay the murder without understanding?

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SHALL BAPTISTS MAINTAIN A SEPARATE EXISTENCE?

(Continued from page one) Work at Oxford (1937); the World Conference on Faith and Order at Edinburgh, and the International incidents that led to the establish-Missionary Council at Madras, India. At all of these world meetings, their speakers laid much stress on human authority, the same tendthe subject of organic church un-

What does this Movement propose? Its advocates according to for Christ's supreme Lordship, the their own statements, propose the same tendency to play down conextermination of present denominations They do not present a platform for denominational co-operation, but for denominational ex- of a human head marked the betinction by consolidation. The Movement is not inter-denominational, but anti-denominational One of sion of free thought and free their leaders is quoted as saying, speech, and this in turn resulted "Denominationalism must come to be felt as positive sin." They regard all non-Catholic Christian and years. The Union Momement bodies as virtually one and consider their differences as of no importance. They have already broken the peace within the ranks of certain denominations. They propose to bring about denominational disintegration, and then merge them all into one gerat "Protestant Church." It is largely a pedobaptist movement, led by those who have no appreciation of, nor sympathy for, the distinctive doctrines of Baptists. Some of their leaders have been annoyed because of the Baptist position and have boldly charged that Baptists are the chief stumbling block in the way of organic church union.

BAPTIST POSITION

These facts and conditions call for the frankest possible discussion. We must, as Baptists, humbly but courageously and intelligently. face the issues raised and state the case for our denomination. We believe in Christian union, but only on the basis of Gospel truth. We ages stood by New Testament tru- do not read the Scriptures and Church of China,' the United Chil- Individualism makes it necessary th, and we cannot now ignore the think for themselves. plain teaching of the Word of God. We will continue to express our opinions with conviction, and will oppose this and every other movement which mars the spirit of the trary to denominational tenets.

and boldly and yet with utmost ted ecclesiastically and doctrinally of growth, of achievement. They Christianity. As a result of these religion and condemn it as the ty-work."

and cannot unite with them unless gandists and, although some people we stultify our consciences give up the truth as we see it.

Baptists believe that if think apart, they will and should, if they are honest, walk and work apart. That is denominationalism. Denominations are but groups of people gathered together around certain beliefs and practices. The pure Christianity. only reason all Christians are not in one group, or denomination, is because they do not all have the same beliefs. These beliefs are different and no outward mechanical union can give those holding them the spiritual union for which Christ prayed. We believe, therefore, that Christians should walk together when and as far as they walk apart when and as far as they are disagreed. This again is denominationalism, but is also Christ-

DANGEROUS TENDENCY

Moreover, Baptists believe that they see in the present Union Movement all the ear-marks of those ment of the Catholic Church. There is the same tendency to overhead ency toward adjustment of doctrine to environment, the same tendency to relax the contention viction and loyalty to conscience. A gradual centralization of all ecclesiastical powers into the hands ginning of Catholicism. This autocratic head soon led to the suppresa in the dark ages which plagued the world for more than a thousfollows Rome in trying to mass together wholly discordant elements. and the results, if it should succeed, would be a universal Protestant Church with all the undesirits next step would be to unite with Rome.

Here we are reminded that the imperialistic, religious control, failed in its effort to hold its complex all of its religious and secular authority and power, it divided into two great antagonistic hierarchies tion and another great group of discordant religious bodies. The today testify to Rome's failure to hold all Christendom together in one mechanical union, and proves that the union sought by the present Union Movement would hold together only so long as the people

BAPTIST SEPARATE

THE BAPTIST EXAMINER from all other Christian bodies are natural and successful propaare disturbed by their stand, they will continue to propagate their sacred principles.

Baptists believe they hold some principles which not only justify but call for separate existence at any cost. At their roots these principles concern the very essence of gainst creeds evolved and compounded out of mere circumstance. Such efforts rest on sentiment and put Christian truth in jeopardy Baptists believe that all divisions among Christians have grown out of a departure from the simple teachings of Jesus and that a return to the principles of Jesus would bring about real unity. But there can be no perfect union unless it is genuinely scriptural. We must, therefore, oppose the Union Movement on the following counts:

We dissent from the Unionist's plea of economy - a plea for union to save money.

Granting that organic would save money, which is very other word. We are more concerned about saving truth than dollars. To us it seems poor economy to save a few dollars at the expense of the perversion of the Scriptures and the loss of some of the most vital elements of our Christvolve the future witness of Baptists to certain fundamental facts of religion, such as how we may be saved. Baptists feel that they not only have a duty to win men from sin, but also a duty to save the truth by which men are to be re-

II.

We object to human over lordship.

The spirit of the Union Movement is imperialistic and works from a centralized overhead control. The Roman Catholic hierarable and unscriptural features of chy is the most complete expressthe Catholic Church. And no doubt ion of this kind of control. It has shown us the intolerable blight of human control in religion. should teach us that no greater As we see it, there is no earthly Catholic overhead, or centralized misfortune could befall us than ite. Certainly the merging of all Thus, by the very genius of our body together. Although it used early churches into one great body which we know as Romanism was the greatest calamity that ever befell our religion. Baptists stoutly the Greek and the Roman Church- object to repeating that folly, even es. Then followed the Reforma- if the Movement attempting to do it is called by another name and is presented with beautiful sentimany pedobaptist denominations of ment and by highly honored bre-

We object to the trend of this Movement toward the creation of al reward from Christ. Baptists territorial or national churches.

Such terms as ean Evangelical Church," and the for each one to believe for himself we consider the matter from "Indigenous Church" are frequen- and to stand in the judgment for standpoint of doctrine, or chi tly met in the discussions of the himself. They contend that none government, or practical service Baptists are not willing to cease Unionists and point the direction of but believers should be baptized. teaching our message, there is bearing witness to their distinc- their Movement. It proposes that Others believe in baptismal regen- be no other course for Baptists tive principles and practices as each country shall evolve out of its eration, which leads to the practice to maintain a separate existent they would have to do if they un- own racial and national conscious- of infant sprinkling, which in turn ation and promotes principles con- ite with those of contrary beliefs. ness and environment a theology rests in the belief that parents can Furthermore, they have not aban- and church and form of polity believe for their children. Bap-Baptists believe that, apart from doned the hope of converting the thought best suited to meet its the Catholics, they are the only world to those truths which they particular need. Each country rejected this sponsorial religion. denomination with a consistent have persistently taught. They would have a different type of Chmessage. They, therefore candidly propose to tell the world of the ristianity, reflecting the social, right for himself to trust Christ general that those who stand scripturalness of their distinctive political, and eccesiastical parties ational isolation. By our very prin- not negative. Baptists have a re- so-called indigenous churches would ciples we are automatically separa- cord of evangelism, of expansion, not, and could not, represent true to all practice of deputyship in free you to carry on the

many indigenous churches the ranny of one human soul over anpa Christian world would still be div- other. Every such practice is conen ided into groups which would have trary to the plain teaching of th as distinctive and distinguishing Word of God and makes impossible characteristics as the various den- any organic union with those wh ominations now have. Just what engage in such practice. profit would result to Christianity from destroying the several denominations and then creating several indigenous churches? Christianity still would not be united. In the various indigenous churches there ments, having saving power, an would surely arise divisions, just as divisions have arisen even in the various denominations. All the evidence from the past shows that gard them of much value wher this Union Movement will surely fail to unite and to keep united right understanding of the mea the whole of Christendom.

IV.

independent church government.

Baptists are naturally and even radically democratic. They are individualistic and naturally believe in the independence of the local church, which must always be self fore our eyes. All the Gospel governing, self supporting, and self propagating. This belief arises out of the doctrine of the competency of the individual soul in all matters of religion. To a Baptist the Christian religion is primarily the personal relation of the individual soul with Christ by faith. This very naturally leads to the further belief that all believers are entitled to equal privileges in the church. The direct relation of the soul to Christ and the equality of believers in the church demand the voluntary principle in all ecclesiastical organization and force Baptists to reject all forms of centralized religious government.

The true and undelegated authority of Jesus Christ is the organizing principle of every Baptist church and constitutes an impossible barrier to the union of Baptists with any denomination having other views of the church. It, forbids orders or ranks in ministers such as cardinals, bishops and po- olics did before the Reformati pes. Moreover, since the churches are self-determining, no committee, association or convention could being, charged with bigotry possibly transfer the least church narrowness, and assailed with It to a union which it did not desire. power that can control any church that all non-Catholics should un- no matter how small or weak. church life, we cannot unite with others.

We cannot countenance proxy

Christianity is a religion of the individual; repentance and faith ters of common interest we are personal; and regeneration is an individual affair wherein is in- thren of other faiths. This we volved the whole matter of per- continue to do, but Baptists sonal responsibility to God, personal service to Christ, and personcontend that Christ alone can stand surety for us before God. for salvation and an equal right the whole Word of God and prefor Himself to follow Christ in bap- the Bible these days have become

VI

We must maintain our position with reference to the ordinances We disagree with both those wh

regard the ordinances as those who regard them as of small importance. We do not think the communicate saving grace, but re obedience is concerned. Next to the ing of the atoning death of Chri is the importance of a correct ur We oppose the threat against | derstanding of the meaning as design of these ordinances. Chris died for our sins and rose for 0 justification, and the ordinance were established to keep the facts of salvation constantly summed up in the death and resu rection of Jesus and the ordina ces that proclaim them must be altered. They are not to be served as a means of life, but a memorial of death to the old and the resurrection of the life. They do not procure sa tion, but proclaim it. They do expiate sin, but exhibit the at ment. Their's is not a sacram but a pedagogical value.

WHATEVER THE COST In taking this position, we I ize that there is danger for tists. Church union may becom divisive issue among our peol and churches. Many of them I go with the Unionizers. Also, may expect persecution as a ural result of the centralization religious people, whether it be der Romanism or Protestan The proof is that Protestants secuted Baptists after the Re mation almost as severely as C We may not be put to the sw but will be, and indeed are alre casm and scorn and words of a All this will come upon us full force as soon as the issu the Union Movement is drawn, which will be done very few years.

But our position is clear. We mit that harmony is desirable, contend that truth is essential love all Christians and appre their religious efforts, and in always co-operated with our not surrender their conviction Christian truth. We cannot fol lieve will lead us away from portant New Testament teat - Published by the Baptist SI day School Board, Nashville

PICK-UPS

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anparable of the conED HEART"

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those things which proceed itio the mouth come forth from cesert; and they defile the man. whout of the heart proceed evil acrats, murders, adulteries, fornans, thefts, false witness, blas-

thee are the things which det reman: but to eat with unther hands defileth not a man." ththew 15:10-20.

anced the cause of her emotion, (Eccl. 9:3). therid, "I've lived seven years inars lost.

nuld to God that these Sunn of you convinced, convicted, inverted to the Lord Jesus. is one of my favorite parhas proven most helpful personally. The instructions I have learned through my Ba of it have been a tremenlessing to me in my minis-

he very outset, this parable (Jer. 17:9)' goeth into the mouth devil thoughts, murders, admbolic of God's presence, attle. Not only did Israel and in view of the tragic agful. This was no exception. d' means "the glory has sied." That which was true srael that day, is true of their heresy. one of Adam's descendants. piritual name of man today be "Ichabod," for truly the e) of God is departed from us. 'Lo, this only have I found, resod hath made man upright; ey have sought out many Cons." (Eccl. 7:29). Certain-

e of us are in the same

condition we were origin-

In order that you might see wh goeth into the belly, and more fully just how the Word of cerning depravity. God describes our spiritual condition, and that you might see that depraved, I offer the following Scriptures:

evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil." (Eccl. 8:11).

"This is an evil among all things that are done under the sun, that ago a little girl stood there is one event unto all: yea, turng, weeping, and timidly also the heart of the sons of men ang at the door of the library is full of evil, and madness is in hrif great C. H. Spurgeon, their heart while they live, and of she entered the room and after that they go to the dead."

"And God saw that the wickedbit Jesus." She had been cel- ness of man was great, and that her seventh birthday, every imagination of the thoughts estand just come to realize that of his heart was only evil continually." (Isa. 6:5).

corning messages concerning savour; and the Lord said in his vity, baptism, and the security of GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARas rables of Jesus might have heart, I will not again curse the the believer, merely shows that LOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF an effect upon many ground any more for man's sake; heretics become offended and de- THE EARTH. And I saw the wofor the imagination of man's heart liberately lie as to what has been man drunken with the blood of the pe is evil from his youth." (Gen. 8:21). said. It was thus in Jesus' day, for saints, and with the blood of the unionism. How prevalent it is. heart of men, proceed evil thoughts ed, they became offended at Jesus her, I wondered with great admir- itual scourge of this day wherein adulteries, fornications, murders, Himself. thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: All good example as to what our at- have given a complete exegesis of work together compromising their these evil things come from within titude is to be when men become this Scripture. Without entering in doctrines and omitting great por-

things, and desperately wicked."

totally depraved. "Not that heard the expression concerning thereby, we are to let them alone. some individual: "Well, he may be We are not to apologize for the what is going to be the final outman; but that which come- unsaved, but he's a good-hearted truth. We are not to seek to entice come of these false churches which the Catholics that a priest can save of the mouth, this defileth man." No, beloved, this is not true. them through compromise. We are are man-built and devil-inspired. For out of the heart pro- In fact, just the reverse is true, for to do exactly as Jesus said: John says: "And the ten horns man-made doctrines will some day the very thing that is wrong with "Let them alone." fornications, thefts, false each of us is that we are not blasphemies." (Matt. 15: "good-hearted" but bad-hearted. Jesus gave us a similar injunc- shall make her desolate and naert of man is depraved. Eli fully set to do evil," "every imagine last of the judges during ation of the thoughts of his heart trample them under their feet, and come to pass, nor in what manner. as were wicked and sinful. from his youth," "the heart is dethe case of a good father ceitful above all things and desper- Jesus declared that we are not to the rapture and the revelation of they brought the ark, which everyone is totally depraved.

II

the tidings of that terrible heresy is uncovered, the heretic cept God's Word. re taken by messenger, Eli always becomes offended. This was hild prematurely, which re- Jesus and said, "Knowest thou that "there's not very much difference must be rooted up. in her death. However, be- the Pharisees were offended?" between us and you." What we e died, on realizing her con- (Matt. 15:12). There is an old ought to do at all times is to

> pit I have preached on the subject alone." of depravity, and have shown from God's Word that everyone is born

spiritual name of each of us should Hell. Actually I had said not one ches cannot be purified; they must to naught. Then there's the Deword about infant salvation, yet be dug up by the roots. merely read what God said con-

baptism and shown from the Word there came one of the seven an- taught by man. Especially do I the Bible really teaches that the of God and from history that gels which had the seven vials, and heart of everyone of us is totally Missionary Baptists are the only talked with me, saying unto me, ones who have the authority to Come hither; I will shew unto thee ernal life; and they shall never baptize. Yet when I have finished the judgment of the great whore "Because sentence against an with my message, I have had that sitteth upon many waters: heretics go out from the service to With whom the kings of the earth declare that I had said that if one have committed fornication, and than all; and no man is able to were not baptized by a Missionary the inhabitants of the earth have Baptist preacher that he was lost. been made drunk with the wine of Yet, in no sense had I discussed her fornication. So he carried me salvation, but rather, had preached away in the spirit into the wilder- there's the heresy of the mournabout baptism and the church ness: and I saw a woman sit upon er's bench, and also the most popwhich Jesus built.

> that I had said that one could be pearls, having a golden cup in her life he wanted to afterwards.

"And the Lord smelled a sweet which I have preached on depraten, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE Well, some day this idea of the "For from within, out of the when their heresies were uncover- martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw

and defile the man." (Mark 7:21-23). offended at our preaching. He said to a minute exposition of this pas-"The heart is deceitful above all to the disciples, "Let them alone." sage, permit me to identify these preaching. Thank God, some day it (Matt. 15:14). This is good advice as representing Roman Catholicism will be rooted up. for us. Whenever we preach God's and the Protestant churches that How many times you and I have Word and men become offended have come out of Rome.

> pearls before swine. This is mere- course, doing God's will. ly another statement from Jesus

cept the Word of God, and if they is man-made will last. This is true especially of every become offended because of what

IV

original spiritual status. Yes, the died in infancy they would go to from these words that false chur- vation by baptism will both come

The same is true with the bless- mes of blasphemy, having seven ed doctrine of the security of the heads and ten horns. And the wosaved. I have preached often from man was arrayed in purple and this subject and have had heretics scarlet colour, and decked with thiness of her fornication: And upation." (Rev. 17:1-6). Here is a denominations attempt to forget picture of the old whore and her their denominational allegiances Jesus gave us in this parable a harlot daughters. Many times I

This same Scripture tells us In the Sermon on the Mount, these shall hate the whore, and

statement which is oft quoted: The magnify our peculiarities. "Who made will be rooted up. Listen to doctrines are going to be rooted of the day, she named the hit dog always whines. It was sure- gave himself for us, that he might His words again, "Every plant, up, and all the man-made churches 'Ichabod.' All names in the ly true in this instance. Jesus' redeem us from all iniquity, and which my Heavenly Father hath are going to be destroyed, then estament were symbolic and words had come home, and since purify unto himself a peculiar peo- not planted, shall be rooted up." the same is true concerning all they themselves were totally de- ple, zealous of good works." (Titus (Matt. 15:13). That which has not man-made preachers. I am satispraved in their hearts, they be- 2:14). Then after magnifying these been planted by God is going to fied that the great majority of came offended when He uncovered peculiarities, if men will not ac- be rooted up by God. Nothing that preachers are man-called rather

This includes all man-made doc- that God ever called any man to preacher when he faithfully de- we have preached, then we are to trines. I really ought not to call preach a heresy which is contrary clares God's Word. From this pul- do as Jesus declared: "Let them them doctrines, for they are actually the commandments of men. would not inspire this Bible to Well, all these commandments of teach salvation by grace and then In this parable, Jesus declared men - these man-made doctrines, call a Campbellite preacher to sinful and depraved. There have that it was impossible to purify are going to be rooted up. This teach salvation by baptism. I am been those present who have been false churches. He said: "Every means that the day is coming sure that God would not inspire a offended, and have gone out de- plant, which my heavenly Father when Arminianism will be des- Bible which teaches salvation by claring that I said that all babies hath not planted, shall be rooted troyed. This means that the teach- grace and then call a Methodist an is far removed from his were born lost and that if they up." (Matt. 15:13). You will notice ing of salvation by works and sal- preacher who would teach salvation

vil's greatest lie - that of apostasy In the book of Revelation, we that one may lose his salvation are told that such is going to take after having been saved. This is Furthermore, I have preached on place in the future. Listen: "And the greatest lie that was ever say this in the light of Jesus' own words: "And I give unto them etperish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand . My Father, which gave them me, is greater pluck them out of my Father's hand." (Jn. 10:28,29). Some day this too will be rooted up. Then a scarlet coloured beast, full of na- ular heresy of today, that of the universal church. It has gotten so that the majority of even churchgoing people think of the church as including all the redeemed of leave the house of God declaring gold and precious stones and the world - a great universal something. Yet, not so. The word saved and then live any kind of hand full of abominations and fil- church used in the New Testament is never used to mean anything All of this reaction to messages on her forehead was a name writ- bigger than a local congregation. universal church as well as ail these other man-made doctrines, are going to be rooted up.

Then there's the teaching What a blight it is. It is the spirand with pious hypocrisy try to

Then there's the teaching of a second chance which has been foisted upon the world by you after you die. Well, all these which thou sawest upon the beast, be destroyed. Jesus said they were going to be rooted up.

Furthermore, all the man-made One needs only to read Did you note the expressions: "The tion: "Give not that which is holy ked, and shall eat her flesh, and churches are going to be destroyed wo verses to realize that heart is full of evil," "the heart is unto the dogs, neither cast ye your burn her with fire." (Rev. 17:16). too. Repeatedly I have said from pearls before swine, lest they I don't know when it's going to this pulpit, over the radio and theocratic government of was only evil continually," "the turn again and rend you." (Matt. If I were to give a guess, I would that Jesus in the days of His flesh, through the columns of my paper His two sons, Hophni and imagination of man's heart is evil 7:6). The "pearl" of which Jesus say that it will take place during established just one church and speaks, refers to precious truths. the tribulation period between that it was a Missionary Baptist Church. If I had never seen a Bible ad sons. As a result of their ately wicked." Surely, in the light teach and give forth the truths of Jesus. However, regardless of the od delivered Israel into the of these expressions, as well as God's Word to those who will not time and place, sooner or later the If all I had was just the pages of of the Phillistines. In an from the statements in the parable appreciate them. He said that to antichrist is going to destroy these history, I would know postively to stem the tide of the itself, we can see that the heart of do so was just the same as casting false churches, at the same time, of that Jesus in the days of His flesh, built His church, and that it was a What a revelation this is then Missionary Baptist Church. All oth-In view of this depraved condi- showing what our attitude is to to us! Jesus never told us to at- ers have been built of men under e battle, but the ark as well. tion of men's hearts, whenever be toward those who will not actument to purify false churches, but Satan's direction. This includes gave us to understand in both this both the Roman and Greek branch Many times weak-kneed Baptists parable and in the book of Rev- of Catholicism, and all the Profell over dead, and one of true in Jesus' day. When He spoke have compromised their doctrinal elation that it is impossible to purughters-in law, on learning of their depravity, they became convictions. Many times, such, in ify false churches. Remember His out of Rome. Well, since they husband's death, gave birth offended. The disciples came to talking with an heretic, will say, words when He declared that they have not been planted by Jesus some day they will be rooted up.

> This also includes all man-called In fact, everything that is man- preachers. If all the man-made than God-planted. I do not believe to His Bible. I am sure that God

call a Catholic priest to deny grace and teach salvation by church membership. I am sure that God would not inspire a Bible that taught salvation by grace and then call a modernist who would teach salvation by character. It just does not make sense that these individuals could be called by God.

I say then, beloved, that everything that is man-made is going to be rooted up. All man-made doctrines, all man-made churches, and all man-called preachers are due for destruction. In fact, destruction for these is on its way.

In speaking of these who are destroyed, Jesus refers to them as leaders were particularly the Phar-

leaders. Many preachers are blind iquity." (Matt. 7:22, 23). leaders. Many who give supposed instruction on the Word of God in a private manner, are but blind many come to the judgment whose leaders. In fact, anyone who does not preach according to the Bible, is a blind leader.

There are many whom we might identify as blind leaders from their doctrine. All modernists are blind leaders. All the universal churchites are blind leaders. All the mourner's bench crowd are blind leaders. unionists are blind leaders. All Russellites and Catholics are blind leaders. All who teach falling from grace are blind leaders. There are many whom we might of all blind leaders are those who teach salvation by character, salvation by works, salvation by baptism, and apostasy. These are truly blind leaders of the blind. VII

This parable also identifies the blind who are being led. Jesus said "They be blind leaders of the by the heart. In the very beginblind." (Matt. 15:14). He thus ning of this study, we noticed that meant that the blind who are led Jesus declared that the heart of are the unsaved.

teach us that those who are blind spiritually are merely unsaved mouth. "But those things which folk. These Scriptures give us a proceed out of the mouth come very accurate description of them forth from the heart." (Matt. 15: in their unsaved estate:

"But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same veil untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which veil is done away in Chirst." (2 Cor. 3:14).

"In whom the god of this world our heart really is. hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them." (2 Cor. 4:4).

"Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the condition of his heart. life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart." (Eph. 4: smutty, obscene stories. I think been sin somewhere

Holy Spirit within him to guide character of the speaker's heart. done wrong, and I am in this home life alongside yours and mine, have opened the question with the comes, and puts His be led astray by blind leaders. Yet, to me, these filthy smutty part." him into a knowledge of the truth. Listen to the words of Solomon: like God is in the world; so we ing put away our sin by making it ernment in June, 1942. They The saved can't be deceived. Yet, "For as a man thinketh in his will do this. You go up to the atthose who are spiritually blind - heart, so is he." (Prov. 23:7). the unsaved, are deceived and are led along by these blind leaders.

ed that both these false teachers not a man." (Matt. 15:20). and their blind followers are go- Jesus was dealing with those his boy and left him alone in the subscribe for some friend.

they are going to fall into the dit- these words, shows that it isn't the about the boy. ch. The word "ditch" is the word for hell. We have a similar Scripture in the Old Testament. Listen: "Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption." (Isa. 38:17).

Yes, the Word of God declares repeatedly that both false teachers and their followers are doomed for Mount, Jesus declared that many preachers would come up to the judgment bar of God unsaved. Listen: "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not blind leaders. He said, "They be prophesied in thy name? and in blind leaders of the blind." (Matt. thy name have cast out devils? 15:14). In that day, the blind and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: Today we have plenty of blind depart from me, ye that work in-

Then in the book of Revelation John declares that there will be names were not inscribed in the Lamb's Book of Life only to realize that they were lost. "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." (Rev. 20:15). Many think that because their names are on some church record book that they are saved. Listen, beloved, when the Lord comes to judge this world, He isn't going to look at any church record book to see whether you are saved; the only book that will count thus identify. Today, the blindest in that day is the Lamb's Book of Life. Neither false teachers nor their blind followers have their names in this Book. There is only one alternative, - they must spend their eternity in hell. IX

Furthermore, this parable reveals that the mouth is controlled everyone is depraved. He actually There are many Scriptures which goes so far as to declare that this depraved heart controls the

What a revelation of character this is, for Jesus declared that everything that proceeds from our mouth actually comes from the heart, and that what we say on our lips is but a revelation of what

What a rebuke this is to old Mr. "Cusser" who repeatedly and persistently blasphemes and profanes the name of God hour by hour and day by day. His profanity is merely an indication of the spiritual

Then there are those who seemingly delight in the vilest of filthy, that there is no one who enjoys there is sin there will be suffering. down alongside of men for three rivet the attention of nati Being unsaved, any man could good clean humor more than I. You can't get those two things a- days and three nights.

Furthermore, this Scripture re- man's life which needs cleansing, have been a living lie - three the day with Him - that is the Sea not exploited? Many P veals what will be the final out- but the inside. "These are the days and three nights." come as to both false teachers and things which defile a man; but to Phil didn't have a word to say. their blind followers. Jesus declar- eat with unwashed hands defileth They went upstairs, the pallet was

tion by works. I am sure that God ing to hell. He said: "And if the who were much concerned over attic with his thoughts. would not inspire a Bible that blind lead the blind, both shall the forms of religion. They were taught salvation by grace, and then fall into the ditch." (Matt. 15:14). careful as to the washing of their ther and mother sat down to eat. You notice that Jesus says that hands before meals. Jesus, by But they couldn't eat for thinking man. She ran to a corn loft, washing of hands, but the washing of the heart that's needed. While room for the evening. He picked it may be important that one have up the evening paper to read, and clean hands and a clean body, yet she sat down to sew. Well, his eyes it is far more important that one weren't very good. He wore glasses, have a clean heart.

declares that what the world needs seemed blurred. So he took them today is not reformation but re- off and cleaned them very delibergeneration. Personally, in the light ately, he then found that he had of these verses, I am through with been holding the paper upside all moral crusades. I have no time down. nor money for reform movements. | By and by the clock struck nine, I'm not concerned about prohibition nor local option, nor any retiring. But they made no move other reform movement. I have toward retiring. She said, "Aren't Using A Telephone A not one penny of money nor one you going to bed?" He said, "I second of time for these agencies. think I'll not go for a bit; you go." For God's Glory My main concern is to preach to "No, I guess I'll wait a while, too." the hearts of men, for I am defin- The clock struck eleven, and the itely convinced that the need of hands worked around toward today is to get the heart right, and twelve. Then they arose, looked up the heart in turn will regulate and went to bed, but - not to the outside life. I declare that it sleep. Each one made pretense to isn't reformation but regeneration be asleep, but each one knew the which the world sorely stands in other was not asleep. By and by need of today.

words: "Thou blind Pharisee, know I wasn't sleeping? Why don't cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be clean also." (Matt. 23:26).

Furthermore, Solomon made similar declaration in the Old Testament: "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." (Prov. 4:23).

Now, in closing, let me ask you a simple question: Is your heart right with God? I'm not concerned about whether you have been baptized, nor about any religious form that you may go through. My desire is to know whether your heart is right in the sight of God.

Have thy affections been nailed to the cross?

Is thy heart right with God? Dost thou count all things for Jesus but loss?

Is thy heart right with God?

Is there no more condemnation for

Is thy heart right with God? Does Jesus rule in the temple within?

Is thy heart right with God?

Art thou now walking in heaven's pure light? Is thy heart right with God?

Is thy soul wearing the garment of white?

Is thy heart right with God?

Is thy heart right with God, Washed in the crimson flood, Cleansed and made holy, humble and lowly,

Right in the sight of God?"

A PICTURE OF GOD

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tic. I'll make a pallet for you and makes us hate the bad, and quantities. Finally, this parable makes it to you at the regular times, and terms with Him, to live in the atclear that it isn't the outside of a you stay up there as long as you mosphere of His presence, to spend Why are the riches of the man's life which needs cleansing have been a living life.

made, and then the father kissed If you are already a subscriber, part, of a terrific struggle in

When supper time came, the fa-

Then they went into the sittingand this evening he couldn't seem In other words, beloved, Jesus to see distinctly — the glasses

and then ten, their usual hour for she said, "Why don't you sleep?" This is in the light of Jesus' own He said gently, "How did you Do you suppose you love y wo you sleep?"

"Well, I can't for thinking of that boy up in the attic."

"That's the matter with me," he replied. The clock in the hall struck twelve, then one, then two. Still no sleep came.

At last he said, "Mother, I can't stand this any longer; I'm going upstairs with Phil." He took his pillow and went softly out of the room, up the attic stairs, and presswaken the boy if he were asleep, preach? Everywhere. Preaching, s tiptoeing across the attic floor to you right now.' 'Well, I must ptur the corner near the window. He looked - there Phil lay, wide awake, with something glistening in his eyes and what looked like stains on his cheeks.

The father got down between the sheets with his boy, and they put their arms around each other's necks, for they had always been the best of friends, father and boy, and their tears were mixed up on each other's cheeks. Then they slept.

The next night when bed-time came, the father said, "Good night mother, I'm going upstairs with Phil." So the second night he slept in the attic with his boy. The third night, again he said: "Mother, good night. I'm going up with the boy again." The third night he slept in the place of punishment with his son.

Do you know, I think that father is the best picture of God I ever saw. God could not take away sin. It's here. He could not take away suffering out of kindness to man. Suffering is sin's index-finwrong here." So He came down in Lords: "The Dead Sea is to the person of The Tanking The Dead Sea is to the person of The Tanking The Dead Sea is to the person of The Tanking The Dead Sea is to the person of The Tanking The Dead Sea is to the person of The Tanking The Dead Sea is to the person of The Tanking The Dead Sea is to the Dead Sea is the Dead Sea is to the Dead Sea is the Dead the person of His Son, and lay the centre of a drama destined

"Now," he went on, "you have yond that He comes, and puts His with Brig.-General Blakeney

Rome Never Chang

(Continued from page one hither they pursued her, stato her in the belly, then threw down into the street. By the the child came from the d mother, and being caught up one of the Catholic ruffians, stabbed the infant, and then the it into the river." p. 52,

This is a true sample of the ilishness of Roman Catholic God's supreme foe on earth. the Roman Catholics have they would do again, for the "Rome never changes." - CorHO

(Continued from page one) I answered the ringing of Ira phone. A man's voice said, 'Wr B number!' I shouted, 'No! R a fi a Christian.' 'Oh, I suppose I 'Do you suppose you're married It o do you know it?' 'Oh, I know the wife, or do you know it?' ' I kly as that, too; and goodby.' 'Hold the I'm not done with you! Do wal 1 for read the Bible and pray?' while I was at home, Mother V-loo to make us do those things, e be you know how it is when and si away from the family.' 'Ye' his she used to make you take a bi, f too; didn't she? And you stop of t that when you got away from batie 'See here, who am I talking Ch anyway?' 'A preacher.' 'What killerc 'Old-fashioned.' 'Where do you've done me good. I'm giat fa called.

"In five minutes a call came, pi a voice said, 'A friend of me ba gave me this number and ri there would be a message for ig in He thanked me, and in a few n utes another call came with same result, and it has been go of on for nearly three years." -1 day School Times.

Dead Sea Mystery

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So states News Review, goes on to show that althou Brig-General R. B. D. Blake 01 has, since 1928, done everything his power to draw the Gove CI ment's and the public's attent to the great industrial, comm cial and strategical possibilities the Dead Sea region, nothing been done to open up this soulsts of petrol.

On March 20, 1929, Visco Templeton said in the House Dr. Annie Homer, M. A., has lor That's God — our God. Even be- voted her life to this matter, be

Palestine has been under true normal life of His children. would like to know. There is -Upward doubt that in a future day the riches will be the cause, at least