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## How Editor John D. Freeman Has Become A Modern Ahab

"But there was not like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the sight of the Lord." — I Kings 21:25.

For sometime, it has been obvious that John D. Freeman, editor of the Western Recorder is nothing more than a tool of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, but now it appears that he is controlled also by the feminists and the B. Y. P. U. crowd too.

In the June 8, 1944 issue of the Western Recorder, he reproduces an article "What It Means To Be A Christian," by Francis Lee Skinner, which is as he says:

"A message delivered before the State Training Union Convention in London, Ky., April 14. Miss Skinner won first place in the State Speakers' Tournament and will represent us in the Southwide Tournament to be held at Ridgecrest, N. C., July 29. She is a junior student in Georgetown College. Her home is in Dry Ridge, Ky. — Editor."

I don't know Miss Skinner, but I do feel sorry for her that no one should ever attempt to teach her a woman's place in mixed assemblies for religious worship.

"Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law. And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church. What? came the word of God out from you? or came it unto you only? If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord. But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant." — I Cor. 14:34-38.

"Let the women learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence." — I Tim. 2: (Continued on page four)

## Is This A Christian?

Miss Francis Lee Skinner in making her speech before the State Training Union Convention in London recently said:

"In the training Union Magazine I found the following equation which may help us to answer this question: My life plus God minus self divided by love and multiplied by service equals a Christian."

I don't know who the editor of the Training Union Magazine is, but he is as near right in his de-

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## How Is Your Conscience?

An Indian once received at the trading post a package of merchandise with a silver coin in it. Later he returned the coin, saying he did not feel right about keeping it. The trader laughed at his scruples; but the Indian insisted on returning the coin, saying: "I got a good man and a bad man in my heart. The good man say 'It is not yours.' The bad man say, 'No-body will know.' The good man say, 'Take it back.' The bad man say, 'Never mind.' I think I go to sleep, but the good man and the bad man talk all night and trouble me."

In homely terms, that's a good description of conscience. In the language of a dictionary, conscience is "the moral sense of consciousness within oneself that determines whether one considers one's own conduct right or wrong." Read Rom. 2:15 and John 8:9. The Bible mentions various kinds of consciences. Which kind is yours?

### 1. AN EVIL CONSCIENCE

See Heb. 10:22. (Commonly

known as a "guilty" conscience). Ever had it? David had it — so had Belshazzar. Psalm 40:12; Dan. 5:6.

A Sunday school teacher was explaining the need of listening to and observing that "still, small voice" that dwells in every breast. One of the boys had been stealing his father's fishing tackle and renting it to other boys to get money for an air rifle, and he interrupted by saying, "Oh, is that what's been ailing me? Say, teacher, is there any way of chloroforming that still, small voice?" Don't try to silence the voice of conscience! If it condemns you, repent of your wrong-doing. God will forgive if you ask Him to. I John 1:9.

### 2. A SEARED CONSCIENCE

See I Tim. 4:2. (That is, a callous, hardneaded conscience). Did you ever put very hot food in your mouth and burn your tongue? If so, you know how it feels to have a seared tongue—for a while it can't taste or feel anything. A seared conscience is like

that. It is one that has been mistreated until it no longer tells you whether a thing is right or wrong.

A man had a valuable watch-dog. Whenever prowlers or dangers were near it would bark. The man's wife, however, was very nervous. The barking bothered her, so every time the dog barked she struck it on the head. Bye and bye the dog ceased barking. The man then gave the dog away. Since it did not bark any more it was of no value. Conscience is your watch-dog. If it bothers you when you do wrong, be glad. Do not kill it or sear it, for dangerous indeed is the state of one whose conscience does not function. Eph. 4:19.

### 3. A DEFILED CONSCIENCE

See Titus 1:15. A defiled conscience is an unholy conscience. It will let a person live an unholy life, without protesting. It is much worse than a guilty conscience. It is worse, even, than a seared conscience, for not only does it fail

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## A Northern Baptist School Compromises

The spirit of compromise is in the air. North and South are affected by it. An erst-while great Baptist school reveals how far "Unitarianism" and "Modernism" has undermined its principles, as seen by the following clipping: "Appointment of Dr. Joshua Loth Liebman, spiritual leader of Temple Israel, as a visiting professor at Andover Newton Theological School was announced in Boston, Mass., by Dr. Everett C. Herrick, school president, at the banquet concluding the ninetieth anniversary observance of the Temple" (Baptist Leader, June, 1944).

Of course, it has been known for a long time that Andover Newton was nothing but a hot bed of Unitarianism, denying the deity and

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## Book Of Mormon

Mormonism, the religion of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, was founded in 1830 by Joseph Smith, and gets its distinctive doctrines from the "Book of Mormon," which they claim was given to Joseph Smith on golden leaves by an angel. The following enlightening facts regarding the "Book of Mormon" have been published in "The United Presbyterianian:" —

"When Joseph's book was published, it was immediately challenged as a manuscript which had been stolen from the home of the widow of Solomon Spaulding, a Presbyterian minister residing in Ontario, N. Y. Mrs. Spaulding swore that her husband had written it as a work of fiction to meet the deep interest created by the recent discovery of the ancient ruin

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## 60 Or 6000? Which Will You Be One Of?

In making plans for the purchase of our printing equipment, which will cost us about \$6,000, I suggested that surely we could find 60 folk who would under-write \$100 each of the expenses. To this suggestion quite a few have responded.

Doubtlessly there are many readers of our paper who could not give personally nor raise among their friends \$100, but who could give \$1.00, and who would like to have even a small part in the purchase of this printing equipment. Whereas 60 might under-write it at \$100 each, it would require 6000 to under-write our expense at \$1 each.

Whether you will be one of the sixty or one of the 6000 makes no difference to us. We want you to

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## Will The Temple Be Actually Rebuilt At City Of Jerusalem?

For centuries the ceremonial laws of Moses have not been carried out strictly by the Jews because there has been no temple at Jerusalem. The question naturally arises: Will this temple be rebuilt by Israel on the old site in the Holy City.

What does the New Testament have to say about it? In 11 Thess. 2, Paul describes what the world dictator will do in that period known as the Tribulation Period which follows the Rapture. He says of him in verses 3 and 4: "Let no man beguile you in any wise; for it will not be except the falling away come first, and the man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition, he that opposeth and exalteth himself against all that is called God or that is worshipped; so that he sitteth in the temple of God setting himself forth as God."

Here we are told that the man of sin will

SIT IN THE TEMPLE OF GOD and declare himself to be God. When this happens the temple will have already been rebuilt.

Again in Rev. 2 the "temple" is seen to be measured during the first part of the Tribulation Period. This makes it clear that such a temple must be rebuilt for this prophecy to be fulfilled.

The Old Testament abundantly confirms the teachings. At the beginning of the Tribulation Period the leaders of Jewry will make a covenant with the world dictator who comes on the scene about this time. Daniel 9:27: "And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week (seven years) and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and oblation to cease." Because of the reference to sacrifice and oblation, it is to be seen that this is the covenant which allows the Jews to return to Palestine and rebuilt their temple and offer their Old Testament sacrifices.

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### "THINGS THAT NEVER CHANGE"

"For I am the Lord, I change not; . . ." — Malachi 3:6.

We live in a world wherein every phase of life is changing. Life is fluid; it is plastic; it is in a constant state of fluxation and change.

The methods of travel have changed. We have lived to see the horse and buggy and street car ruled from the roadway and sur-

planted by the automobile; and doubtlessly most of us will live to see the automobile supplanted to a great measure by the airplane, for today travel is fast changing from the highway to ski-way. We used to go down to the sea shore to watch the ships come in, but now we go out to the airport to watch the ships come down.

The same is true of politics. The

monarchies long ago gave way to democracies; and now these democracies are giving way to dictatorships. Today there is scarcely a country in the world but what is governed in some measure by a dictatorship.

The same is true in the realm of medicine, for we have new diseases and new treatments every

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## Signs Of The Times

In speaking of the last days, Jesus said: "Take heed that no man deceive you . . . Many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many" — Mt. 24:4,11. Well, here are two samples of these deceivers:

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The Miami (Florida) Victory Tabernacle adventists "10 year old Billie Knight of Ventura, California" for a revival meeting, saying that he is "America's youngest ordained minister," and further adds

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in Central America, Mexico, the Cliff Dwellers and Mound Builders (of Ohio).

"She said that her husband prepared two copies. One was sent to Mr. Patterson, a bookseller and printer of Pittsburgh, Pa., asking its publication. Mr. Patterson and Mr. Spaulding both died soon after, and the manuscript was not returned. The other manuscript mysteriously disappeared from her trunk when Joseph Smith, in his early years, was digging a well for a next-door neighbor. She a brother of her husband, Redick McKee (who had lived in the Spaulding home), Joseph Miller (of Washington county, Pa.) and others had frequently heard Mr. Spaulding read the manuscript, made affidavit that they were well acquainted with the Spaulding manuscript and knew positively that it, with numerous interpolations and omissions inserted after it was stolen was the 'Book of Mormon.'

"Another curious bit of history helped to confirm this. While Smith and his fellow workmen were digging the well, mentioned above, they unearthed a beautiful white stone, almost transparent. It was given to the employer's children. It also disappeared at the same time with the manuscript, and these persons identified it as the 'Urim and Thummim' used by Smith to interpret the golden leaves.

"Another interesting fact is that some years ago President Fairchild, of Oberlin College, while delving among old volumes in the College library, found the copy of the manuscript which has been given to Mr. Patterson, of Pittsburgh, and lost. This manuscript was the same as 'The Book of Mormon,' without the omissions and interpolations mentioned above. It would be hard to find a case more clearly proved. This, however, is all declared by Mormon leaders to be false and is unknown to the masses of Mormons."

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divinity of Jesus Christ and the personality of the Holy Spirit.

And now they get together with the Jews. What a mixture, Jews,

Baptists, and "Unitarianism" in a Baptist school.

I can easily understand now the statement of John Haynes Holmes the well known Unitarian preacher who says:

"I think there is something arrogant, even impudent, in undertaking to convert Jews to Christianity, as though they had no religion of their own."

However, one doesn't have to go to New York, nor Boston, nor New England to find an unholy mixture of Baptists, Unitarians, and Jews. Over in Huntington, West Virginia (just 20 miles from the editor's desk) Mr. Willingham, the pastor of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, had the Jewish rabbi fill his pulpit just a little over a year ago.

Well, what's the difference between a Jew and a Unitarian? Just one thing — PORK. And that's about all the difference there is between Willingham of Huntington and the Jewish rabbi who preached for him. And surely that is all the difference there is between Andover Newton and Dr. Joshua Loth Liebman, who is to be their visiting professor.

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That the Jews are actually anticipating doing this is indicated in the following statement of Lord Melchett some time ago: "The day in which the temple will be rebuilt is nigh, and I will work for the rest of my life to rebuild Solomon's Temple in the place of the Akse."

But what will be the attitude of God toward this rebuilding? Isaiah 66:1 answers the question. Here God is reported to be talking to the rebuilders of the temple. He says to them: "What manner of house will ye build unto Me?" Or putting it in the present tense it would be: "What manner of house are ye building unto Me?" The way in which this question is asked indicates God's disapproval of what is being done by the Jews. This is a startling fact and deserves our closest scrutiny to determine the reason for such an attitude.

**WHY DOES GOD DISAPPROVE?** the rebuilding of the temple? Is it because the Jews will fail to rebuild along the lines of the original temple? I think not. No doubt the building will be constructed to the original plans. But God does not approve.

What does God think of the sacrifices that will be offered in this rebuilt temple? Isaiah 66:3 tells us: "He that killeth an ox is as he that slayeth a man; he that sacrificeth a lamb, as he that breaketh a dog's neck; he that offereth an oblation, as he that offereth swine's blood; he that burneth incense, as he that blasphemeth an idol." The sacrifices of these Jews will be as acceptable unto God as if they were to offer a dog or a hog on the altar! And any Jew knows these animals are ceremonially unclean.

What then is the matter with these offerings? Are they not offered according to the laws laid down in Leviticus? I think they will be made according to the pre-

scribed regulations. Even the blood will be sprinkled and this application of the blood has not been carried out in Jewish religious rites during the centuries of their dispersion from the Holy Land.

**WHAT, THEN, IS THE REASON** for God's displeasure with this effort to worship Him, using the ceremonial laws of Moses? The trouble is that the sacrifices are offered unto God in utter unbelief in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Messiah. Until the Jews come to see the blood of their sacrifices as a type of the blood of Calvary's Cross, those offerings will mean nothing to God. Heb. 10:4-5, also 10: "For it is impossible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins. Wherefore when he (i. e. the Messiah) cometh into the world He saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body didst thou prepare for Me— By which will we have been sanctified through the offering of the

receive that just as gladly. In like measure, any amount in between will bring a joyous and happy response from us.

May I ask that you pray and seek His will as to what He wants you to give and then send it to us NOW.

Remember, what you and I can't do by ourselves, ALL OF US TOGETHER CAN DO!

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that the meeting in "interdenominational in character.

In giving the qualifications of a preacher, Paul, by inspiration says, "One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity . . . not a novice lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the Devil." — I Tim. 2:4,6.

It is a strange thing that these child evangelists are never heard

WHICH ONE ARE YOU?

Some go to church to take a walk,  
Some go there to laugh and talk,  
While others go to doze and nod,  
But wise men go to be with God.

Some go to church old friends to greet,  
And some to speak to all they meet,  
While others go their girls to bring,  
But wise men go the hymns to sing.

Some go to church a fault to hide,  
Some go there just to be inside,  
While others go their time to spend,  
But wise men go a prayer to send.

Some go to church to hear the chimes,  
Some go there just to have good times,  
While others go their clothes to show,  
But wise men go of God to know.

—Jean Yates

body of Jesus Christ once for all."

Not all the blood of beasts,  
On Jewish altars slain,  
Could give the guilty conscience peace,

Or wash away the stain:  
But Christ, the heavenly Lamb,  
Takes all our sins away."

These Jews will observe the Levitical ceremonies and sacrifices at their rebuilt temple at Jerusalem without realizing how meaningless they are if they are divorced from Christ who fulfilled all that they typified when he offered Himself without spot to God on Calvary's Cross as the perfect atonement for the sins of mankind.

It will be necessary for God to lead the covenant people through the terrible days of that period the prophets termed the "Time of Jacob's Trouble" before they will be ready as a nation to turn to their true Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ. — Prophecy.

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give as you are able and as God may lead you. If He enables you to give us \$100, then your gift will be gladly received. If He enables you to only send us \$1.00, we'll

of when they become grown. I wonder what becomes of them? The answer is obvious, that the Devil having used them to do his bidding in deceiving many, then produces another deceiver.

The very fact that little "Billie's" meeting is advertised as "interdenominational" is sufficient proof that his ministry is of the Devil. Anything that is "interdenominational" or "undenominational" bears the ear marks of the sulphurous pit.

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Then there is the First Presbyterian Church of Miami who advertises "Child Guidance Courses," featuring eight lectures, the first of which was "Child Nature; Animal or Angel."

What would John Calvin think if he were here today? McChesney, Chalmers, and the Scotch divines of yesterday are put to shame by such religious capers.

But look at that first subject again: "Child Nature: Animal or Angel." "Animal or Angel." Thank God, it is neither. Children didn't come from lower animals through an evolutionary process, and neither are they angels. Instead, God says:

"The wicked are estranged from the womb, they go astray as soon

as they be born, speaking lies" — Psalm 58:3.

"Behold I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me." — Psalm 51:5.

These two instances are but samples. These could be duplicated by dozens of clippings we receive daily. These are merely indications of the false prophets we are to expect.

"WHY I BECAME A BAPTIST" OFF THE PRESS



Elder George R. Reynolds, Pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church, in Maysville, Kentucky, has just published a new book under the above title. For over ten years, the Author was a member of the Methodist Church, and for over seven years, he was a Methodist Minister in our State.

This book discusses such great Baptistic doctrines as: SALVATION BY GRACE, THE BELIEVER'S TWO NATURES, THE SECURITY OF THE SAVED, THE DESIGN OF BAPTISM, BAPTISM BY IMMERSION ONLY, CHRIST FOUNDED HIS CHURCH, THE ANTIQUITY OF BAPTISTS, THE SCRIPTURAL PRE-REQUISITES TO PARTICIPATION IN THE LORD'S TABLE, and etc.

The editor has read and enjoyed this book and wishes that every reader would order a copy today. To do so, you will enjoy it and be blessed and at the same time you will greatly encourage the author who has come out of great religious destitution.

This book is dedicated to Pastor Clarence Walker, of the Ashland Avenue Church, in Lexington, Kentucky.

This valuable doctrinal treatise has ten interesting pictures, and contains fifty-two pages. You may order it from Brother Reynolds at the following prices:

25 copies for \$4.00  
5 copies for \$1.00  
1 copy for \$.25

Elder Henry H. Friesen, Morris-town, Minnesota says: "I was pastor at Owatonna, Minnesota when your paper began to come to me and whether it is the different trend of thought in the different parts of our nation, or just what may be the cause, I do not know, but I find in it many articles I never see in our papers here in the north."

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The Baptist Examiner is the one paper which shoots straight, hits hard and pulls no punches.



THINGS THAT NEVER CHANGE

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In the days gone by, when we had a pain "amidship," it was called it gastritis, peinitis, or appendicitis. If you had trouble in "upper story," the doctors called it an head ache, but now when we go to them, they will say that we have a "corrustrified exegeretispasmodically emanating from inflamed condition of the molecular and atomic formation containing the medulla oblongata, thereby materially affecting the cerebral nerves which, being juxta-position thereto, produces prolific source of irritability in the peri-cranial epidermis of the cranial profundity."

Even the methods of warfare are changing. Instead of the old, slow methods, involving many days concentrating an attack, we now become war-conscious in terms of "blitzkriegs."

The styles are changing, or perhaps I should say they do change so fast that one hardly knows to what to expect tomorrow.

The same is true in education. This used to be taught their ABC's before they went to school. Now when they are in the second and third grades, they don't know their A B C's.

Even in business there is much change. The methods and the plans of business are fast changing and are far different from those of a few years ago.

Certainly there is much change in the realm of religion. The old-fashioned, Bible orthodoxy has given way in many quarters to modernism. There is but a faint recognition of old-fashioned orthodoxy even in the modern fundamentalist movement. Surely the religion of the twentieth century is different from that of the nineteenth century.

However, in spite of the fact that there have been changes in the realms of travel, politics, medicine, warfare, styles, education, business, and religion — in spite of all the changes that have come and are coming, there are some things that have never changed. In the midst of the world that is filled with change, there are some things that never change.

**SIN HAS NOT CHANGED.** We change its name, but sin it remains the same. A member of our church writes me recently in the place where she has been attending church, the pastor not refer any longer to sin, rather speaks of errors and mistakes. Well, he may change the name, but the reality of it is just the same.

Realize that the skull and crossbones placed on a bottle of poison is not very attractive. You may call these things and change the name of the poison "the essence of peppermint" or giving it the name of some other mild laxative but you do not change the fact that it is poison. In reality, we have made it all the more dangerous by thus changing the label.

It is with sin; you just make it the more dangerous by changing the name, for sin itself has not

In the early chapters of Genesis, God appealed to Cain a second time that he bow in submission to the Almighty. In the first instance, he had refused to bring a blood offering such as God demanded of him. When Cain saw that his offering was rejected, whereas the offering of Abel was accepted, he began to sulk and pout both against God and against his brother Abel. Then it was that God spoke to him and said, "Sin lieth at the door." (Genesis 4:7). God thus used the figure of speech of a wild animal which was crouched in the doorway ready to spring upon the individual. Well, sin is still at the door of each of us, just ready to leap upon us.

I say then, beloved, that sin has changed. It is still sin. Listen: "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" — Romans 3:23.

"Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you: but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

"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;" — John 16:7-9.

Though other things have changed — some for the better and some for the worse — sin remains the same. It is just as it was in the days of Cain and will continue.

II

**THE RESULTS OF SIN HAVE NOT CHANGED.** There is a well established law in life — the law of cause and effect. If I find a window here within the building broken and a rock lying beneath it, I naturally assume that the broken window is the effect and the rock was the cause. With sin, we likewise have the law of cause and effect. Sin is the cause, and the effect of sin — or perhaps I should say the result of sin — is death. Listen:

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." — Romans 6:23.

"Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die." — Ezekiel 18:4.

"Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death." — James 1:15.

In the Garden of Eden when Adam sinned, death came. Spiritual death came at once, and physical death followed not long after. From that hour, every descendant of Adam has been born spiritually dead. Paul told the Ephesian Christians that before they were saved, they were spiritually dead.

"And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins." — Ephesians 2:1.

Likewise, from the hour in which Adam and Eve sinned, all of their descendants have died physically. Thus we see that the results of sin — both physically and spiritually — which came to Adam have come upon each member of Adam's fallen descendants. Surely the results of sin have not changed.

In this respect, we might part-

icularize. Take the sin of gambling as a good example.

"As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not; so he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool." — Jeremiah 17:11.

In this God declares that just as the partridge leaves her nest before the eggs hatch and thereby has nothing to show for her labors, so the individual who gambles in the end has no financial increase to show for all his efforts. This was true in the days of Jeremiah and it is still true today. The results of sin have never changed.

Or consider the sin of drinking. God says of it:

"Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?"

"They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine."

"Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright."

"At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder." — Proverbs 23:29-32.

Every individual who has ever imbibed too freely of the bottle knows this to be true. It was true in the days of Solomon, and it is still true. The results of sin have never changed.

III

**SORROW HAS NOT CHANGED.** When Adam and Eve sinned, a part of the curse that fell upon them as a result of their disobedience to God was sorrow. In all probability, they had never known what sorrow was previously, but now that they had sinned, a part of the curse that came upon them was that of sorrow.

"And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake, in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life." — Genesis 3:17.

From that hour, man has been susceptible through all ages to sorrow. It is the common lot today of mankind. No one can escape. In the first book that was ever written in the Bible — the book of Job — we are taught that man is a creature of sorrow.

"Man that is born of a woman, is of few days, and full of trouble." — Job 14:1.

Even the Psalmist declared the same truth. Though he was busily engaged in the writing of hymns to be sung to the praise of his Divine Creator, he still found himself subject to sorrow itself.

"For my soul is full of troubles: and my life draweth unto the grave." — Psalm 88:3.

That this sorrow shall continue and shall never change is apparent in view of the fact that we do not get rid of it until we get beyond this life. Then it is that sorrow shall be a thing of the past. Listen:

"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall

there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away." — Revelation 21:4.

One of the great men of the Bible was Jacob. Yet he was a man of sorrow throughout all of his life. He had to flee from his brother Esau to save his life, as a young man. Later he was lied to, deceived by, and cheated by his father-in-law, and ultimately had to flee in sorrow from his presence. Then came the experience where, in his only daughter brought shame and disgrace to his home. Still later his beloved Rachel died and at about the same time his nurse Deborah expired. Then came sorrow's crown of sorrow when Joseph his son was taken from him and he was called upon to identify that bloody coat of many colors. Yet even with these sorrows, as great as they are, they have not all come to Jacob that shall come. Later his boys went down to Egypt to buy food in a time of famine. When they returned, it was with the news that the price of food was raised; that Simeon, Jacob's son, was held a hostage; and that these brothers couldn't go back to Egypt to release Simeon and to buy more food unless their younger brother Benjamin accompanied them. Then it was that the spirit of Jacobs was broken asunder, so that he cried:

"And Jacob their father said unto them, Me have ye bereaved of my children: Joseph is not, and Simeon is not, and ye will take Benjamin away: all these things are against me." — Genesis 42:36.

Of course, it is true that later on he learned the sequel to life's experiences. He learned that it never was true that Joseph was not and that it never was true that Simeon was not. He learned that it never was true that "all these things are against me." However, until he did learn the sequel to all these experiences, there was just one sorrow after another which thus characterized the life of Jacob. That which is true of Jacob is true to a greater or lesser degree with each of us.

From the day that Adam and Eve walked out of the Garden of Eden and God placed at the entrance an Angel with a flaming sword turning in all directions to keep the tree of life — from that day sorrow has been the lot of all mankind.

IV

**DEATH HAS NEVER CHANGED.** It is true that the undertakers try to make death attractive. Possibly a great deal of credit is due them in this respect. Yet death is still the same old grim monster it has always been. When I was a boy, there was nothing more hideous to me than the old black somber casket. Even the hearses then were most dreary things to look upon. Then when one came to the grave, there was that pile of yellow clay that had been thrown out upon the ground and even the hole into which the casket was put was most dismal in its appearance. It is true that undertakers today have tried to make death attractive, changing the color of caskets; even the hearses are streamlined into what might be called things of beauty; and now the artificial grass that is used covers over the mother clay

to which one must return.

Even though they have done all these things to make death attractive, death is still death. It is still the same monster that each of us must grapple with and in the end it shall be victorious over each of us. As in the days of Adam, so even today it is a cruel reality. The writer of the book of Hebrews would remind us of this truth.

"And so it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." — Hebrews 9:27.

Wise old Solomon realized that life was far from certain and that death was a reality. Hear him:

"Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth." — Proverbs 27:1.

In the New Testament, James would tell us that we have no right to plan for tomorrow, in view of the uncertainty of the morrow.

"Go to now, ye that say, To day or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain;

"Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

"For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that." — James 4:13-15.

Yet the message of Paul, the message of Solomon, and the message of James are just like the message of the first book that was ever written in the Bible, for even Job realized that death must be the inevitable end of us all.

"For I know that thou wilt bring me to death, and to the house appointed for all living." — Job 30:23.

"O why should the spirit of mortal be proud?

Like a swift-fleeting meteor, a passing cloud,

A flash of the lightning, a breaking of the wave,

Man passeth from life to his rest in the grave.

"Tis the wink of an eye, the draft of a breath

From the blossom of health to the paleness of death

From the gilded saloon to the bier and the shroud—

O why should the spirit of mortal be proud?"

Just as sin has not changed, and the results of sin have not changed and sorrow has not changed, so, in like measure, death has not changed.

V

**HELL HAS NOT CHANGED.** Just as the modernist has taken life out of the grave, God out of Christ, water out of the baptism, and the spirit out of the Bible, so in like measure, the modernist has taken the fire out of Hell; yet Hell still remains. We have Jesus' own words as to the reality of Hell, when He declared:

"And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:

"Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

"And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter



halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:

"Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched."

"And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire;

"Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched." — Mark 9:43-48.

Jesus even went so far as to say that religion would save no one and that even the religious Jews of His day were certain for damnation. He declared that "the children of the kingdom," who were nothing more or less than the religious Jews of His day — those who were professors but not possessors — He declared that these should go into Hell.

"But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." — Matthew 8:12.

In the last book of the Bible, John voices the same truth.

"The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb.

"And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name." — Revelation 14:10, 11.

Thus, beloved, in spite of the denial of the modernist, Hell still remains. It has not changed one particle. It is the same horrible reality that it has always been.

## VI

**THE WAY OF SALVATION HAS NOT CHANGED.** How I rejoice that this is true. It surely thrills the soul to know that while sin remains the same, and the results of sin remain the same, and sorrow remains the same, and death remains the same, and Hell remains the same — it surely thrills the soul to know that the way of salvation too remains the same, I rejoice that we have a changeless Saviour.

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday and to day and for ever." — Hebrews 13:8.

My text in the beginning of this message speaks of the changelessness of God.

"For I am the Lord, I change not..." — Malachi 3:6.

I realize that this is speaking about God, yet may I remind you that the God of the Old Testament is the Jesus Christ of the New.

"I and my Father are one." — John 10:30.

Hence it is that we can say that we have a changeless Saviour.

Through the ages there has been only one plan of salvation — namely by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The Old Testament Jews, in offering their blood sacrifice, looked forward to the coming of Christ. That sacrifice merely anticipated that Jesus would come to die for the sins of the world. He wasn't saved by the offering of that sacrifice, but rather that sacrifice foretold of the sacrifice of Jesus. Now today we are saved in

precisely the same way — by looking back to the cross of Calvary. The only difference is that the Jews looked forward to the coming of Christ, and we look back to the fact that He has already died. Yet, in it all — both the Old Testament Jews and the New Testament Gentiles are saved by faith in the crucified Son of God.

"He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." — John 3:18.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life." — John 6:47.

Here, then, are some things that never change.

Sin has never changed.

The results of sin have not changed.

Sorrow has not changed.

Death has not changed.

Hell has not changed.

The way of salvation has not changed.

To be sure, we are changing, and all about us is changing; therefore the words of the old song are most applicable as a prayer in our behalf:

"Change and decay in all around

I see,

O thou, Who changest not, Abide

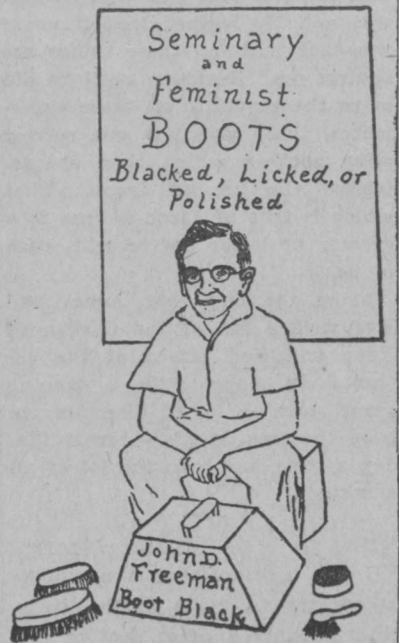
with me."

## How Editor John D. Freeman Has Become A Modern Ahab

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It is apparent that her home in Dry Ridge never taught her, for she surely would not have violated the instructions of her parents.



It is apparent that her church and pastor never taught her a woman's place in the church, or else she wouldn't have spoken publicly at this Convention.

It is apparent that the college she has attended for three years has been silent in its teachings as to a woman's place in mixed assemblies.

It is apparent that her B. Y. P. U. associates have never taught her what God says as to a woman's place in religious worship.

And now the denominational organ of Kentucky Baptists, through its editor encourages her in her violation of God's Word by reproducing her message and by

calling attention to what she has done, rather than denouncing it as he should have done.

It seems impossible that a girl could become a junior in college without ever being taught the meaning of I Cor. 14:34. Yet here is a girl who has slipped through her home, church, college, B. Y. P. U. Convention, and even the Western Recorder, without anyone telling her that she has sinned before God in speaking publicly in the presence of men. What a pity!

I JUST WONDER WHAT PAUL WOULD HAVE DONE IF HE HAD BEEN EDITOR OF THE WESTERN RECORDER! Would he have silently commended her speech as has Editor Freeman, or would he have publicly condemned it? It is too bad that the editor of our state paper, with so many opportunities to teach God's Word to Kentucky Baptists, should like Ahab, "sell out" to the Seminary and the Feminists.

## THEY SAY I'M GROWING OLD

They say that I am growing old.  
I've heard them tell it times untold,  
In language plain and bold—  
But I'm NOT growing old.  
This frail shell in which I dwell  
Is growing old, I know full well—  
But I am not the shell.  
What if my hair is turning gray?  
Gray hairs are honorable, they say.  
What if my eyesight's growing dim?  
I still can see to follow Him  
Who sacrificed His life for me  
Upon the cross of Calvary.

What should I care if time's old plow  
Has left its furrows on my brow?  
Another house, not made with hand,  
Awaits me in the glory land.  
What tho I falter in my walk?  
What tho my tongue refuse to talk?  
I still can tread the narrow way,  
I still can watch, and praise, and pray.  
My hearing may not be as keen  
As in the past it may have been,  
Still, I can hear my Saviour say  
In whispers soft, "This is the Way."

The outward man, do what I can  
To lengthen out his life's short span  
Shall perish and return to dust,  
As everything in Nature must.  
The inward man, the Scriptures say,  
Is growing stronger every day.  
Then how can I be growing old  
When safe within my Saviour's fold?  
Ere long my soul shall fly away,  
And leave this tenement of clay.  
This robe of flesh I'll drop and rise  
To seize the everlasting Prize—  
I'll meet you on the streets of Gold,  
And prove to you I'm NOT growing old.

—John E. Roberts

## How Is Your Conscience?

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to protest against wrongdoing, but it actually approves it. A man with a defiled conscience may do something which the Bible says is wrong and yet he may hear his own conscience saying, "It's all right." Isa. 5:10. This brings up the question, "How reliable is conscience?" and leads to our next point.

## 4. AN UNRELIABLE CONSCIENCE

Stockman said: "Conscience is not a sufficient guide. Conscience

is to a man what a compass is to a mariner. It gives a sense of moral direction. Yet men cannot navigate the waters of life steering only by consciences any more successfully and safely than sailors can navigate the Atlantic equipped only with compasses. Seamen must have a chart on which are marked some soundings, some routes of travel, some harbours to be made. The most conscientious people can oft go sadly astray when they have the wrong chart." Along with conscience, man must have a chart for his life, and that chart is God's Holy Word. We cannot determine what is right or wrong by consulting our conscience alone. We must consult the Bible. "To the law and to the testimony" in every time of decision. Isa. 8:20.

Conscience can be perverted. A Hindu said to a British official in India, "Our consciences tell us to burn our widows alive on the funeral pyres of their husbands." The Englishman replied, "Our con-

science tells us to hang you if you do." Why the difference? One's conscience has been educated according to heathenism. The other's had been trained according to the Bible. Conscience, like a court judge, needs a knowledge of the law before it can render a faithful decision in a given matter.

Sometimes restitution is necessary to quiet a guilty conscience. Luke 19:8.

## 6. A GOOD CONSCIENCE

See I Peter 3:16; I Tim. 1:5. God commands us to keep a good conscience a clear conscience, a pure conscience. 2 Tim. 1:3. Paul, we should strive so to in public and in private, that we may always have "a conscience void of offence toward God, toward men." Acts 24:16. See Rom. 9:1; 13:5; 2 Cor. 1:12.

## 7. A WEAK CONSCIENCE

See I Cor. 8:7. There are many things which the Bible clearly teaches to be wrong. Smoking, drinking, dancing, swearing, evil associations, marriage between a believer and an unbeliever, for example, are all wrong according to definite principles taught in God's Word. However, there are other matters about which the Bible seems silent, and Christians often differ over these. One Christian may feel he can do them; another feels he cannot. We speak of the one who feels wrong in doing a certain thing as having "a weak conscience" in the matter. He feels free should not criticize who does not; neither should one who has "a weak conscience" judge the one who feels free. (How often if doing that which we feel is wrong will cause a "weaker" brother to stumble, we should refrain.) (Romans 14) In these matters there is need for loving patience. Christian consideration one for another. Let our motto be "in essentials unity; in nonessentials liberty; in all things charity."

— Christ's Ambassador's Herald

## Is This A Christian?

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definition of a Christian as the B. Y. P. U. crowd is on the question of feminism, and that is that they are just about 110 percent wrong. Of course, this is to be expected. When a crowd deliberately discards one portion of the Word of God, the B. Y. P. U. folk have in effecting I Cor 14:34—38 and I Tim. 2:11,12— then it is only to be expected that they will go wrong in the doctrine of salvation, or in the balance of God's Word.

"My life plus God:" This never save anyone. It will make anyone a Christian. No one comes only through the Word of Jesus only. Notice:

"He that honoreth not the Father but me." — John 5:23.

"I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved." — John 10:9.

"I am THE WAY, the truth, the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me." — John 14:6.

sciences tell us to hang you if you do." Why the difference? One's conscience has been educated according to heathenism. The other's had been trained according to the Bible. Conscience, like a court judge, needs a knowledge of the law before it can render a faithful decision in a given matter.

## 5. A PURGED CONSCIENCE

See Heb. 9:14. Gladstone said, "The disease of an evil conscience is beyond the practice of all the physicians of all the countries in the world." It is not beyond the