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"Go ye into all the world
and preach the Gospel!"

"To the law and to the testimony; if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." (Isa. 8:20).

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J. FRANK NORRIS PAYS LIBEL DAMAGES TO ELDER R. E. WHITE

GOD'S SHEEP.....



"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any pluck them out of my hand. My father which gave them me, is greater than all, and no man is able to pluck them out of my father's hand."—John 10:27-29.

In The Fundamentalist (March 9, 1945), there appeared an article purportedly written by Louis Entzminger, under the following headline:

Just Another Example of Is. 54:17—That "\$50,000 Libel Suit" Went Up In Smoke—Never Cost Dr. Norris One Cent.

And then follows a rather pious description of J. Frank Norris, the editor of The Fundamentalist, whereby Mr. Entzminger labors hard to paint the picture of an angel, with only Satanic material from which to work.

Of course the article, written by Entzminger refers to a suit filed against Norris by Elder R. E. White, San Antonio, Texas, whereby the latter got a verdict of \$25,000 against Norris for malicious and criminal libel. The appearance of this article in Norris' paper with the numerous lies which it contains is but another evidence that Norris' mind is far off the well-ordered track.

Lie Number One: "He says that it is like a puff of smoke that has disappeared into the oblivion of the past. The court records are clear and speak for themselves." The court records are clear. They do speak for themselves and what a message they carry! There is a record in the Bexar County Court House of a trial in the 73rd District Court, at which time a jury held Norris guilty of malicious libel and assessed him damages of fifteen thousand dollars actual and ten thousand dollars exem-

plary, which means the jury investigated and determined that Norris did not act in good faith, but was activated by a mean desire to hurt and destroy. That is recorded in the record books of the County and State.

The records also show that Norris gave bond for Court costs and took the case to the Civil Court of Appeals, which held that he had a fair trial and affirmed the judgment. That is also in the court records. He then appealed to the Supreme Court of the State of Texas, after having appealed to the Civil Court of Appeals asking for a rehearing, which was denied. The Supreme Court held that the case was conducted in a legal manner and that everybody's legal rights had been adequately safeguarded and upheld the jury's findings, which is also a matter of record in the records at the Capitol building in the city of Austin, the capitol of Texas. The Supreme Court's judgment was appealed back to the Supreme Court asking for a rehearing, which was denied and the judgment was then entered as final in the capitol building at Austin and the Court House in San Antonio.

An abstract of judgment was then procured and registered in the Tarrant County Court House at Ft. Worth, where it still is of record, and together with all the other records will stand as long as the state of Texas and its records exist. Nothing in the world could ever change those records. They are there, and by them J.

Frank Norris becomes immortal—immortal as a liar. As long as time shall last when slander and libel cases are studied by students of law, the case of White Vs. Norris will be studied.

Job said, "My record is on high"—Job 16:19. Yet J. Frank's record exceeds that. It is not only on high. It is in the Bexar County Court House. It is in the Civil Court of Appeals of Texas. It is in the Supreme Court of the State of Texas. It is in the Tarrant County Court House at Fort Worth. In one respect Entzminger told the truth. The records are clear. They do speak for themselves and with every voice, they brand J. Frank Norris as a liar, and throughout time and eternity they shall continue to thus speak. The blood of Christ may wash away his sin, but nothing will ever wash away his record.

Lie Number Two: The statement in the article that Norris did not even come to San Antonio during the trial is a barefaced lie. He not only came but he came on the same plane that one of Bro. White's witnesses from Detroit was on, yet he never did see the witness, although he did get hold of the witness' bag by mistake, in which were records that were to be presented in the case against him the following day. He took it with him to the Plaza Hotel where he evidently discovered that it was not his and turned it over to the porter.

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The Purpose Of A Church As Stated In God's Word

By George W. McDaniel
The purpose of a church exists in missions. Take out of a church the missionary idea and you have a ship without a port, an athlete without a goal, a soldier without an order, a life without an objective. You have a barren tree that cumbers the ground, an empty house over whose door is written "Ichabod". Limit the gospel in its scope and power and you cut its heart out. Charles Wesley was right: "Take back my interest in thy blood unless it flows for all the race." Christ lived and died for all men. The

business of the church is to make him known to all men. Our Christian religion revolves around two foci: "Come" and "Go". Everyone who accepts the invitation "come" must hear immediately the imperative command "Go". It was our Lord's most frequent, his perpetual command. It is the key to the parables. It is the beginning and

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Sit Down Strike

The greatest sit-down strike in all the world is not staged by some labor unions but by Christians—when it comes to personal visitation for the purpose of winning the lost, when it comes to individual Christian's work for the individual man who is unsaved. In this our Christian zeal is like someone said of Mr. Wordsworth:

"Sometimes he made his poetic eagle do the work of a

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More Nonsense On Part Of Louisville Seminary Boy

I have before me the bulletins of the First Baptist Church, Gainesville, Florida for Sunday March 25, 1945 and also April 1, 1945. In them appear the following ominous and alarming facts:

"We extend a cordial welcome to the members of Pilgrim Commander No. 7 Knights Templar, Gainesville Chapter No. 2 Royal Arch Masons, and Gainesville

Lodge No. 41 F. & A. M., who are worshipping with us tonight in a body."

"Continuing our custom of many years the Lord's Supper will be administered Thursday evening, March 29, at 8 o'clock. Let us come to worship in the spirit of reverence with our thoughts on the One who died and was raised from the dead for us."

"All churches of our city are making special efforts to have a large ingathering of people on Easter Sunday, April 1, and we

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-- The First Baptist Pulpit --

"THE BLOOD"

"For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins."—Matt. 26:28.

Sad to say, there are many today who deny the power of the blood of Christ. In Mrs. Eddy's book, "Science and Health", she says: "The material blood of Jesus was no more efficacious to cleanse from sin when it was shed on the accursed tree than when it was flowing in his veins as He went daily about His Father's business." (Page 25 of 1908 edition).

A young Baptist preacher told me recently that when he was a student in college, one of his instructors said, "Christ's blood is worth no more than the blood of a dog."

Over in New York City in the Fosdick Church they have removed all hymns which refer to the blood, from their hymnal. They speak of them as the "weepy songs" and refuse to allow them to be sung in their church.

Down at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee, when their

country preacher's school was in progress several years ago, in the class of hymnology, when they discussed the old song "There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood", the teacher referred to it as expressing a "butcher shop religion"; and concerning the hymn, "Nothing But The Blood", he said: "That song is not fit to be sung in a slaughter house."

I cite these four instances, and might in turn cite many others showing that there is an ever in-

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ALEXANDER'S HANDS

In the Imperial Museum in Constantinople rests the sarcophagus of Alexander the Great. It is the most exquisite example of Greek art done in Pentelic marble. On its sides are carved scenes and symbols of the Macedonian conqueror. When I looked at it I remembered a story about Alexander in which he is reported to have commanded his friends to bury him with his hands extending outside the casket so that all men could see that they were empty. Not only did

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is your Saviour
become a child of God.

"USE WHAT YOU GOT"

There are so many people who are like the colored young man who said to his sweetheart, in a burst of ecstasy, "Honey Chile, you know what I'd do if I was an octopus?" "No, Sam," she said, "I don't know what you'd do if you was an octopus." "Why Honey, I'd take them dare 'thousand arms and wraps them all about yo', that's what I'd do." "Sam, you is a liar. Why don't you use the two you got?"

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THE SECURITY OF THE SAVED TO BE PRINTED IN PERU

Brother R. P. Hallum, veteran missionary located at Iquitos, Peru, (see B. E. Feb. 10, 1945) is having the editor's tract "The Security Of The Saved" translated into the language of the people to whom he ministers.

Eighty thousand of these tracts have been distributed in all parts of the world wherever there are English speaking people. In addition it has been translated into Portuguese and several thousand were thus scattered in Brazil. And now into another language of South America for the glory of God!

It will cost Brother Hallum \$75 to have it printed in Iquitos. Surely there is some servant of the Lord, or perhaps several of His servants, who would like to have a part in preaching through the distribution of this tract in S. A. Your gift toward the printing of this tract I am sure will be appreciated by Brother Hallum. Send such to us and it will be forwarded immediately to him.

ABSOLUTELY

When a thing is absolutely necessary we leave no stone unturned till we get it. When a thing is absolutely sufficient—we are absolutely contented when it is in our possession. But when a thing is—

Absolutely necessary;
Absolutely sufficient; and also
Absolutely accessible,

a man would be a fool in every meaning of that word if did not at once secure that thing.

But that Thing is a person—a Divine Person, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ is absolutely Necessary:

"Neither is there salvation in any other" (Acts 4:12).

Jesus Christ is absolutely Sufficient:

"He is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him..." (Heb. VII 25).

Jesus Christ is absolutely Accessible:

"Come unto Me... I will give you rest" (Matt. 11:28).

"Him that cometh unto Me I will in no wise cast out"—John 6:37.

"Whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely"—without any payment (Rev. 22:17).

There is no sadder thing than to lack the absolutely necessary.

There is no gladder thing than to have sufficiency in all things.

There is no madder thing than deliberately to refuse to accept that which is—

Absolutely necessary;
Absolutely sufficient; and
Absolutely accessible.

JESUS, MY SAVIOUR!

—Proof

ONLY SEVENTEEN LEFT

Yes, this is all we have remaining of a large supply of the book entitled "The New Topical Text Book".

This is the book which I use more than any other for Bible study or sermon building, and I can heartily recommend it. It was out of print for a good while and I am not sure whether the publisher has any more of them or not. However, when these 17 copies are sold, all we have or expect to have for sale will be gone.

The book sells for \$1.00 and is actually invaluable to any one who wants to study God's Word. Order your copy today while they last.

A FREE BOOK

In our last issue, there was an offer to send a copy of T. P. Simmons' book on "Election" (82 pages) to everyone who sent in a "sub" or a gift—as long as our supply of these books lasts.

The response to this offer is most encouraging and accordingly several dozens of this book have been sent out.

Your copy is waiting for you and it is well worth owning. Let us hear from you today and the book will be on its way immediately.

Every question you want to ask as to the doctrine of election is answered in it, but remember: the supply is limited. If you want a copy, don't wait until tomorrow.

A REQUEST FOR SAMPLES

Elder Elzie Periman of Blanchard, Oklahoma, requests 100 copies of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER for his church. He says, "I must say that THE BAPTIST EXAMINER has proven an inspiration and 'a lamp to my feet.' Would to God we had more of your calibre! I am interested in getting the paper into every home in my church and I believe I can do it."

Thank the Lord for the inspiration which this letter brings!

Of course the samples have been sent and don't forget we'll send you a large supply also to use in the same manner.



ELDER LEE RECTOR

To the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D. C. Gentlemen:

We, the membership of the First Orthodox Baptist Church of Ardmore, Oklahoma, and citizens of the United States of America, in regular Sunday morning assembly, hereby protest and appeal:

1. We join the gospel Broadcasters of Philadelphia, Penn., in their protest to this Commission in the matter of action of radio station WPEN, Philadelphia, in cancelling sixteen Gospel broadcasters' contracts as of April 2, 1945. This church has no financial interest whatsoever in any of the programs affected by the action of WPEN, and this protest is out of our mutual interest with all Christians of our nation in the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ on the air.

2. We come also to protest the "policy" which is now being adopted by many radio stations throughout the nation, by which policy the stations refuse to sell time to churches and individuals for religious broadcasts, proposing instead to give free time to churches for religious programs. In thus doing they deprive broadcasters of religious programs of their right to enter into the market and buy time for religious purposes. The policy is un-American and can only result in much evil to our nation, chiefly that the control of religious broadcasting will pass from the churches over to radio stations.

3. We join the Gospel Broadcasters of Philadelphia in their appeal to this Commission for relief. And we appeal also in behalf of all the religious broadcasters the nation over who have been likewise affected by the above named "policy," for relief, asking that the question of freedom of religion on the air and the right to buy time in our free economy be sustained by the Commission, and that rules be established by the Commission to clarify the evil situation which is now rapidly developing throughout our country.

Adopted by unanimous vote this the first day of April, 1945.

Respectfully yours,
Frist Orthodox Baptist Church
(Signed) W. Lee Rector, Pastor

"THE BLOOD"

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creasing number today who deny the power of the blood of Christ. Regardless of the statements of Mrs. Eddy or of any of these heretical teachers, I insist that the blood of Jesus Christ is of extreme value. It is my conviction

You Tell On Yourself

You tell what you are by the friends you seek,
By the very manner in which you speak,
By the way you employ your leisure time,
By the use you make of dollar and dime.

You tell what you are by the things you wear,
By the spirit in which you, your burdens bear,
By the kind of things at which you laugh,
By records you play on the phonograph.

You tell what you are by the way you walk,
By the things of which you delight to talk,
By the manner in which you bear defeat,
By so simple a thing as how you eat.

By the books you choose from the well-filled shelf;
In these ways and more, you tell on yourself,
So there's really no particle of sense
In an effort to keep up false pretense.

—The Lighted Pathway.

that every blessing which is the Christian's to enjoy, is procured thereby. There isn't a spiritual blessing which comes to us apart from His precious blood.

I
CHRIST'S BLOOD IS THE PRICE OF OUR PURCHASE. Each of those who are saved, has been purchased or redeemed from the Devil. We are, as saved people, a purchased possession of the Lord. Well, the price of our purchase was the blood of Christ. Listen:

"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Spirit hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood."—Acts 20:28.

"Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as a lamb without blemish and without spot."—I Peter 1:18, 19.

While a man may pay five dollars for a meal, fifty dollars for a suit, a thousand dollars for a car, ten thousand dollars for a home, and a million dollars for a business, his salvation cannot be purchased in monetary terms. Unlike food clothing, autos, homes, (Continued on page three)

THE PURPOSE OF A CHURCH

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the end of the model prayer: "Thy kingdom come... for thine is the kingdom." It is the driving wheel of the machinery of a church or denomination. Stop that wheel and the machinery is motionless and useless. It is the authority for Christian education. Colleges and seminaries were founded to fit men to "go". When they cease to function they ought to be revitalized or buried. It was none other than President Harper who said a short time before his death, when he appears to have made a reevaluation of the varieties and vitalities of our holy religion: "It would be a calamity if the educational institutions founded by our fathers to foster the Christian faith should come in time to destroy the very faith they were founded to foster."

The church at Ephesus grew by giving out. A religion not worth giving away is not fit to keep at home. The character of the American Board of Foreign

Missions was under consideration by the Massachusetts legislature. A member spoke, "I am opposed to it; we haven't enough religion for home use, much less to give it to the world to export to foreign lands." A wise man rose and replied, "Sir, I have this to say, when our religion is of this character the more we export it the more we have left of it; and the more we believe in this and give it to all the world, the more do we believe in it and receive it as the bread of life at home." The same principle is in the couplet:

There was a man, they called him mad,
The more he gave away the more he had.

Some of our brethren, well meaning, to be sure, have allowed themselves to be thrown on the defensive. They speak more fully against error, they write heresies, merous books against heresy, they guard zealously the palladium or orthodoxy. Dryness, pessimism, and bitterness are the logical result. Judaism stood on the defensive and failed. Christ began an active, aggressive, world-conquering war. He founded the universal religion, not to be displaced by something better, but to last till time ends; the complete religion, to be preserved by propagation until it shall prevail among the nations. He leads his army. "Lo, I go before you into Galilee." Who would have companionship with him must march forward as he leads the way into all heathen lands.

The Son of God goes forth to war,
A kingly crown to gain;
His blood-red banner streams afar,
Who follows in his train?
Who best can drink his cup of woe
Triumphant over pain,
Who patient bears his cross below,
He follows in his train.

When the noble Bruce, hero of Bannockburn, died his heart was extracted and encased in a silver casket by the Black Douglas and carried with the army. Douglas died fighting the Moors. Before he fell he threw the heart of Bruce into the thickest of the fray and urged his soldiers to follow that heart and conquer. Christ's heart is in the densest of heathenism and Christians must have their hearts there if they would feel his heart throb.

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and businesses, our salvation could only be purchased at the price of Christ's blood.

Silver and gold might be able to free the captive, but they are valueless in the realm of spiritual redemption. The sacrifice of an angel or of an innumerable multitude of the heavenly host could never bring about our redemption. Even the best work which we might possess appears but filthy rags in God's sight (Isa. 64:6), and hence, nothing that man might ever do could redeem him back to God. Therefore, it required the blood of God's own Son. This is the price of our purchase, so that we can say in the words of the old hymn:

Lord now indeed I find
Thy power and thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots,
And melt the heart of stone.

For nothing good have I
Whereby thy grace to claim,
"I'll wash my garments white
In the blood of Calvary's Lamb.

Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe,
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow."

II

CHRIST'S BLOOD IS THE
GROUND OF OUR PEACE.

What a blessing it is for one to be able to place his hand upon his breast to say, "I know that my redeemer liveth," with the full assurance that he is at peace with God. As the old song has said:

"Through Christ on the Cross
peace was made,
My debt by His death was all
paid
No other foundation is laid
For peace, the gift of God's
love.

Peace, peace, sweet peace!
Wonderful gift from above.
Oh wonderful, wonderful peace!
Sweet peace, the gift of God's
love."

It isn't that we have made our peace with Him, but rather, that He has made peace for us.

"And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven."—Col. 1:20.

In the Old Testament, we read of the night of the first Passover when the children of Israel were delivered out of the land of Egypt. The father, acting as a priest for the home, killed a lamb, caught the blood in a basin, and dipping some hyssop into the blood, sprinkled it on the two side posts of the door and the lintel above the door. In every home where the blood was thus sprinkled, the first born of that home was at peace; otherwise, the first born died that night. That is, in every home where the blood was not sprinkled, the first born son, being under condemnation from God, died. Yet, in the homes where the blood was sprinkled, the first born and the entire family were sheltered in peace.

Just as the blood of the lamb procured peace for the first born on the night of that memorable Passover, so the blood of Jesus Christ secures peace for each of the redeemed who are trusting in the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

III

CHRIST'S BLOOD IS THE
CHANNEL OF OUR FORGIVENESS.

Forgiveness is doubtless one of the most misunderstood themes of all the Bible. Men think that they are forgiven in view of



MISS NANCY GOOLSBY

This one of the editor's finest young friends, who is a nurse in Spears Hospital, Dayton, Kentucky. She is a genuine Baptist and a member of the church of which the editor has been pastor for sixteen years. It is a joy to be her pastor.

All of which reminds us that in a sense, each true pastor is a nurse. Paul said to the church at Thessalonica, "But we were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children."—2 Thes. 2:7.

the works which they themselves do, or by turning over a new leaf, or by quitting their meanness, or by reformation, or by acts of religion.

Yet, all of these expedients are valueless in the realm of forgiveness. Sometime ago in conversation with an unsaved person, the man said: "I know that I'm a bad sinner. I realize that I have sinned grievously in God's sight, but I have asked God to forgive me." Actually this man thought that he was forgiven because he had prayed and asked for forgiveness. Why, beloved, he might just as well have asked God to damn him for all the good praying had done. God does not forgive sinners on this basis. He does not forgive men because they are sorry for their sins and ask for forgiveness. He does not forgive them because they quit their meanness nor because of reformation. He does not forgive them because of acts of religion. In fact, there is only one basis of forgiveness, and that is by Christ's blood. There is no other channel whereby forgiveness can come to us except through the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. Listen:

"In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace."—Eph. 1:7.

"In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins."—Col. 1:14.

IV

CHRIST'S BLOOD IS THE
POWER OF OUR SANCTIFICATION. Sanctification is one of the most misunderstood doctrines of all God's Word. It definitely does not mean that we become sinlessly perfect. Instead, the word sanctification is used throughout the Bible to indicate that the believer is set apart to

the service of God. Before we are ever saved, we were sanctified by the Spirit, that is we were begotten or conceived of the Holy Spirit, thus guaranteeing the fact that we would be eventually born into God's family and thereby saved. Listen:

"But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth."—2 Thes. 2:13.

The most interesting thing about sanctification is that when one has been sanctified by the Spirit he is sure to some day be saved.

"Being confident of this very thing, that which hath begun a good work in you will finish it until the day of Jesus Christ."—Phil. 1:6.

Therefore, eventually, that one who has been sanctified by the Spirit, will be sanctified by the blood.

"Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate."—Heb. 13:12.

This takes place at the time of redemption. That which gives power to our sanctification and brings us into the most blessed relationship in this world with Him, is the blood of Jesus Christ.

V

CHRIST'S BLOOD PROVIDES
THE LIBERTY OF OUR ACCESS. It is only natural for a child of God to desire to speak to his Heavenly Father just as a child speaks to its earthly father. The only way that we have access unto God and are able to approach unto Him is through the blood. Listen:

"Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest

by the blood of Jesus." Heb. 10:19.

What a blessing that each believing child of God has the liberty to talk to the Heavenly Father. No joy in this world nor pleasure can compare with that which comes from daily communion and fellowship with Him.

And all this communion and fellowship comes through the blood, as it is Christ's blood which gives us this liberty and this approach unto God.

VI

CHRIST'S BLOOD IS THE
CERTAINTY OF OUR OVERCOMING. Each of us are beset with spiritual danger on every hand. The world and the flesh, are themselves formidable foes; yet nothing to compare with our ancient adversary, even Satan himself. While we might be able to get a victory over the world and our flesh, not one of us could ever get a victory over the Devil.

He has had six thousand years of experience before we came to this world and we are therefore no match for him. Still it is a joy to know that there is One through whom we can conquer. Our Saviour is greater than our adversary. Listen:

"Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world."—I John 4:4.

There isn't one single doubt as to the believer overcoming the Devil. We don't have to guess or hope or even trust that we may overcome him. Instead, we can know with assurance and certainty that we shall be overcomers. Listen:

"Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us."—Heb. 9:12.

"Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous; nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby." Heb. 12:11.

No child of God need have any fear lest he fail to get to heaven. No child of God need worry, thinking that he might be eternally lost after having been saved. God's word indicates that if saved we are secure and therefore sure.

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand."—John 10:28, 29.

Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ."—I Cor. 1:8.

And all this certainty and security which we have is on account of Christ's blood. How we thank God that we overcome Satan through the blood.

VII

CHRIST'S BLOOD IS THE
MEANS OF OUR CLEANSING. No child of God lives pure nor perfect. Even Paul himself, after he had been saved for nearly 30 years, declared that his flesh was sinful.

"Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me."—Rom. 7:20.

There can be no doubt that each of us after we are saved still sin grievously in God's sight. He has declared,

"The thought of foolishness is sin."—Prov. 24:9.

How then do we keep saved? How then do we have any assurance that we shall continue as God's child since we sin after we are saved? Herein is one of the most blessed stories of all the

Bible. It is through His precious blood that we are kept saved. Christ has now ascended to heaven. He is there to act in our behalf as our great High Priest.

"For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us."—Heb. 9:24.

As our High Priest, He day by day presents His blood as a means of our cleansing.

"My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for our's only, but also for the sins of the whole world."—I John 2:1, 2.

"And the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."—I John 1:7.

Thus you can see that the blood which saves us likewise cleanses us and keeps us clean from day to day.

VIII

CHRIST'S BLOOD WILL BE
THE THEME OF OUR PRAISE.

In heaven we will praise Him continually, and the theme about which our praise shall center will be the blood of Christ.

"And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation."—Rev. 5:9.

If anyone could get to heaven in his own righteousness or by his own merit, then such a one would never be able to sing, such a one would have no song throughout eternity. The only song that shall ever echo throughout the length and breadth of heaven is that song which praises the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. Hence, if one were to get to heaven without being saved by the blood, he would have no song throughout eternity. Yet this we know to be false, for as we have already seen,

Christ's blood is the price of our purchase,

The ground of our peace,
The channel of our forgiveness,
The power of our sanctification,
The liberty of our access,
The certainty of our overcoming.

The means of our cleansing,
And therefore, it will ultimately be the theme of our praise.

Doubtlessly in view of these great blessings which I have enumerated, there may be some one who in his heart may be asking, "How can these blessings be mine?" Listen, beloved, if you would be at peace with Him, having all your sins forgiven and if you would know the certainty of overcoming through His blood so that ultimately you might sing His praise throughout eternity, then there is only one way to receive such blessings, and that is through and by the finished work of the Lord Jesus Christ. He must be received by faith.

Long ago in the midnight darkness a man whose soul was in even greater darkness than the night about him, cried out in desperation: "What must I do to be saved?" And for an answer, God's man said: Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." (Acts 17:31). Jesus Himself said:

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

May you therefore repent of your sins, believe upon Him who shed His blood for your sins, receive Him as your Saviour, and now become a child of God.

Revivals That Didn't Revive

The one in which none of the converts look happy.

The one during which no children have been converted.

The one that winds up with a big fuss among the singers.

The one during which nobody has become more generous.

The one which fills the church with unconverted members.

The one which does not quicken the life of the prayer meeting.

The one during which the pastor goes away somewhere to lecture.

The one which does not give somebody more of a love for the Bible.

The revival that is followed by a reduction in the preacher's salary.

The one in which nobody is concerned about the salvation of sinners.

The one during which no quarrelsome people have become reconciled.

The one during which nobody has had any fault to find with the preacher and the preaching.

The one that ends with some kind of a show to raise money to pay expenses.

The one in which none of the members find out that they need more religion.

The one which winds up with the leading members still on the back seats at prayer meeting.

The one during which some of the members have not found out that they have never been converted.

The one during which the converts begin to inquire whether there is any harm in going to the theater.

USE WHAT YOU GOT

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"It's not what you'd do with a million,

If riches should e'er be your lot,

But what you are doing at present

With the dollar and a quarter you've got."

—Watchman

ALEXANDER'S EMPTY HANDS

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his empty hands show that he could not take one fragment of his empire with him, but that it did not belong to him. "The earth is the Lord's." From the Presbyterian.

THE GREATEST SIT-DOWN STRIKE

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clucking hen."

An as a consequence, the unsaved all around us can say: "No man cared for my soul." Would that it were known of us in our churches what was said of Mr. Wesley: "He was out of breath pursuing souls." We should have and manifest the passion for souls which Whitfield had who said: "I am willing to go to prison and to death for you, but I am not willing to go to heaven without you."

We need the passion that girded Francis Asbury as he traveled a distance equal to five circuits around the world every five years, on the average, for forty-five years, and that mainly on horseback. We need the passion that fired Livingstone and kept him afloat amid jungle dangers and twenty-seven attacks of African fever—the passion that was

The Tie That Binds!



the power working in the heart of David Brainerd who said: "I care not what hardships I endure, if only I can see souls saved"—the passion that drove General Booth, who, with a vision of the poor of London and what Christ could mean to their lives, said: "God shall have all there is of William Booth." And deacons must not be found guilty under the indictment set forth by Bishop Theodore S. Henderson's alarming assertion: "The average church officer has not the slightest spiritual concern for the salvation of other people."

—Proof.

"I appreciate your stand on the Word of God. May the Lord continue to bless your publication." —Eld. Wm. Hooper, Craig, Col.

MORE NONSENSE ON PART OF LOUISVILLE SEMINARY BOY

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urge our workers to contact the friends of their respective lists for definite decisions regarding accepting the Saviour and church membership. There is no more appropriate day in all the year to accept the Saviour and join His church than Easter Sunday."

What a mixture! Masons, Holy week, Easter Communion and Easter decisions! Even daring to set a day for God to save souls. No place for the Holy Spirit here. John 6:44. Long ago Jesus said of a church like this, "I will spue thee out of my mouth."

What else is to be expected? This church is pastored by a Louisville Seminary boy and the average Seminary boy doesn't know enough about the Bible to stuff a flea's hide. The Seminary is doing more to make infidels, near-infidels, and skeptics than any institution in America today. The only man who graduates from the Seminary with any Bible knowledge today is the one who was well grounded in God's Word when he went there. Why any real Baptist would put a penny into the Cooperative Program, which in turn sponsors the Seminary is beyond me. Every penny thus spent is against the Truth, and thereby seeks to destroy the faith of our fathers.

Likewise, as to this church in Gainesville, Florida, it is to be remembered that this is the kind of church to be separated from. No true believer should be a member of a "synagogue of Satan" of this type.

This is but to be expected in the "last days". Paul said that one of the characteristics of these last days would be: "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof; from such turn away"—II Tim. 3:5. In view of conditions thus existing elsewhere, may we pray, "Even so, come Lord Jesus".

J. FRANK NORRIS PAYS LIBEL DAMAGE TO ELDER R. E. WHITE

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R. E. White met this witness at the airport and brought him to the Gunter Hotel in San Antonio, and contacted the porter at the Gunter Hotel and asked him to determine if the bag was at the Plaza Hotel, where he knew Dr. Norris had gone, as all of his lawyers and witnesses were domiciled there.

The porter found the bag in the possession of the porter at the Plaza Hotel, and got it back without Norris ever knowing that the Detroit witness was in San Antonio.

He stayed in San Antonio three days, being very careful to stay away from the court room, as he was desperately afraid that he would be put on the stand as White's witness, which is exactly what White intended to do. Bro. White's lawyer wished to confront him with the damning array of evidence, showing that he knew that every word he wrote concerning White was untrue. His attorneys knew the plans to put him on the stand, but Norris' hands were so besmirched with dirt in his own life and own career that I am sure he felt that he could not afford to go on the witness stand and have all these facts brought out concerning himself.

Lie Number Three: The statement that this suit never cost Norris one cent is another absolute lie.

He employed a man who is considered the best libel attorney in the State of Texas, a gentleman of very fine legal reputation, Mr. Sidney Samuels, together with several assistants. The men do not operate without charge; and he paid him and all the others he employed a substantial fee for all of their work plus all of the their expenses. He also paid the entire cost of the court proceedings, District Court of Civil Appeals and Supreme Court. He also paid a court stenographer for a complete record of the proceedings of the trial. He had to appeal his case. Thus he has been at enough expense, and the result has been that he is branded a malicious liar in the only law suit of its kind in the United States, so I am told, that has ever gone through to a successful conclusion to the Supreme Courts. Thus it will become a case for the text books of every law school in America, and Norris has become immortal in those same books as a branded legal liar.

Realizing that it has cost Norris a tremendous sum, Brother White finally agreed to accept \$2000—\$1000 for himself and \$1000 for his lawyers and on the fifth day of March 1945, a lawyer from Fort Worth who was an alleged friend of Norris paid the

\$2000 and secured a release for Norris thereby. This was just about the time that Entzminger was writing his article about the matter disappearing in a puff of smoke.

Lie Number Four: Entzminger says, "The enemies of Dr. Norris tried to make a great deal out of it, but he only laughed at it". As to whether Norris laughed at it or not, you judge for yourself. We will let the records speak for themselves. Entzminger says that they are clear. And here are the records:

In 1939 Norris got a judgment of \$80,000 against the First Baptist Church in Ft. Worth. He had all the members of his family sign a release from that three months before he was brought to trial for slandering the character of R. E. White in order that he could remove that judgment from jeopardy. Certain members of his family were overheard discussing this matter and they definitely stated that this was the reason he did so. Two reputable witnesses are ready to swear to this conversation on the part of his family.

Then Norris had two life insurance policies that had a very nice cash value, and he cashed both of these, giving the proceeds of one to the Temple Baptist Church of Detroit and the other to the First Baptist Church of Ft. Worth. Does this sound like a man who was "laughing" at the suit that was impending?

Furthermore, he put every bit of his property in the name of his wife, and his sons, and practically all of his banking transactions for many months has been through Jane Hartwell's name. He has twisted, turned, and dodged concerning everything that was in any wise connected with him, fearful that he

would be caught. Why it got to the place that the poor old man couldn't even own a rocking chair; he couldn't own anything in his own name. What a hectic life it must have been!

Surely evidences such as these indicate that Norris was doing something more than "only laughed at it."

Lie Number Five: Entzminger says that this libel suit is "just another example of Is. t54:17." This is a marvelous verse: "No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper". Yet in this case to apply it to Norris is an absolute lie, bordering on blasphemy. Here is one weapon that was formed against him that did prosper in such a way that neither Norris nor any of his henchmen can ever erase the records, as those records will stand as long as time shall last. Norris is thus a branded legal liar.

In closing: let it be remembered that Norris is the same man who twice during 1944 said that the editor of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER was in the penitentiary, yet he knew when he said it that he was deliberately and maliciously lying. However, a man who will lie and slander a noble man of God like R. E. White, will lie and slander any other who happen to cross his path. There is one ounce of manhood left in this one whom the courts of Texas have said was a legal liar, let him confess his sins to God, apologize to me and to others of his brethren whom he has slandered grievously through the years, or else may his sun sink into oblivion forever eclipsed by his record of slander, libel, and falsehood.

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

I cannot always see the way that leads To heights above;

I sometimes quite forget He leads me on With hands of love;

But yet I realize the path must lead me to Immanuel's land,

And when I reach life's summit I shall know And understand.

I cannot always trace the onward course My bark must take;

But looking backward, I behold afar Its shining wake

Illumined with God's Light of Love; and so I onward go

In perfect trust that He who holds the helm The course must know.

I cannot always see the plan on which He builds my life,

For oft the sound of hammer, blow on blow, The noise of strife,

Confuse me, 'till I quite forget He knows And oversees,

And that in all details with His great plan My life agrees.

I cannot always understand The Master's rule;

I cannot always do the task He gives In Life's hard school;

But I am learning with His help to solve Them one by one;

And when I cannot understand, to say, Thy will be done.

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