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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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The BIBLE

Born in the East and clothed in Oriental form and imagery, the Bible walks the ways of all the world with familiar feet and enters land after land to find its own everywhere. It has learned to speak in hundreds of languages to the heart of man. It comes to the palace to tell the monarch that he is a servant of the Most High, and into the cottage to assure the peasant that he is a son of God. Children listen to its stories with wonder and awe, and wise men ponder them as parables of life. It has a word for the time of peril, a word of comfort for the time of calamity, a word of light for the hour of darkness. Its oracles are repeated in the assembly of the people, and its counsels are whispered in the ear of the lonely. The wicked and the proud are smitten at its warnings, but to the wounded and penitent it has been a mother's voice. The wilderness and the solitary place have been made glad by it, and the fire on the hearth has lit the pages of its well-worn page. It has woven itself into our lives, memory and hope put on the beautiful garments of its inspired speech, breathing of frankincense and myrrh. No man is poor or desolate who has this treasure for his own. When the landscape darkens and the trembling pilgrim comes to the valley of the shadow, he is not afraid to enter; he takes the rod and staff of Scripture in his hand, he says to his friend and comrade, "Good-bye, we shall meet again," and comforted by that support, he goes toward the lonely pass as one who walks through darkness into light.

—"Religious Telescope"

The Case Of A Mistaken Skeptic

Back in the days of America's youth, the son of a Massachusetts minister enrolled at an Eastern university. Since childhood he had been stumping the experts with his intellectual brilliance, and no one was much surprised when, a few months before his twentieth birthday, he was graduated with highest honors from the university.

The father was proud of his son. But with that pride had come a greater mingling of sorrow—for at the university his son had lost his faith through the companionship of his campus buddy, a young skeptic who scoffed at the Bible, the blood and diety of Jesus Christ.

The young chap, who had intended to be a minister like his father, instead joined a theatrical party. He worked hard to make a success on the stage; but the measure of success he attained didn't satisfy him.

Meanwhile, he had lost track of his campus crony, or perhaps would have sought him out and given him a verbal lashing for the failure that seemed more and more related to his departure (Continued on page four)

The Hour Will Come

A traveler in Italy arrived at the Villa Areconati, in the "beauty spot" of the Italian Alps, and was conducted through the exquisite garden by the gardener.

"How long have you been here?" the traveler asked.

"Twenty-five years."

"And how often has the owner been to see the estate?"

"Four times."

"When did he come last?"

"Twelve years ago."

"He writes to you, I suppose?"

"Never."

"Who comes, then, to look after matters?"

"I am left pretty much alone; very seldom do I see even a stranger."

"Yet you keep the garden so spic and span and in such apple-pie order that one would think you were expecting the owner tomorrow."

"Today, sir, today," was the reply.

All men should live as if expecting the return of the Saviour today. "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come" (Matt. 24:42). Thinking of this hour, Christians gladly say, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus" (Rev. 22:20). But unbelievers, in the depths of their hearts, echo the words of the prophet, "But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth?" (Mal. 3:2).

What makes the difference? Just this: Christians have prepared for that coming hour by repenting of their sins and turning to God and accepting the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved" (Acts 16:31).

Alas for those who are not ready when He comes!

—"Brethren Missionary Herald"

Can One Worship God Just As Well At Home As In Church?

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Plenty of people give vent to the expression, "Oh I can worship God just as well at home as I can at church," and they say this in excuse of their habit of rarely if ever attending church. We want to examine this statement to see if it is true or false. Let us start out with several statements:

1. If A Person Is Sick and Confined To Their Home, to be sure, he can worship God acceptably, apart from the public assembly.

2. Every Christian Ought To Worship God At Home, Far More Than At Church, for more time is spent at home than at church, and home worship—both family and private is an essential thing.

3. But If One Means He Can Make Home Worship Take The Place of Public Worship such that he needs no longer worship

God in assembly, then he is grossly wrong in thinking that it is "just as good."

Several Observations On This Matter:

1. Those Who Say They Can "Worship Just As Well At Home" and make that their excuse for not attending church, are certain to do little real worshipping. That is just a hypocritical camouflage. Private worship and a devout spirit of worship at home is absolutely certain to induce the desire to worship with other people.

2. Those Who Use This Excuse

Mused Uncle Mose

Ef you don' do nuttin' in de chu'ch, you kin allus git by 'cusin de odder fo'ks ob tryin' to run it.

Are Guilty of Saying That They Can Disobey God and Be Just As Pleasing in the Sight of God, as if they obeyed. (See Heb. 10:25) Here the teaching is, for one NOT to forsake the assembly.

3. Christ Promises Special Blessing To Those Who "Meet In His Name." (Matt. 18:20) This is not promised to the selfish individual who sulks off in his own corner.

4. The Person Who Wants To Do All His Worshipping In Private, is selfish, caring little or nothing for the welfare of anybody else. Such persons would be content if the rest of the world went on to hell. What a miserable stick of a professing Christian, who cares nothing for fellowship of other Christians.

The Result of Non-Attendance

1. An Illustration of This Is Thomas. (See John 20:24) When (Continued on page two)

A New Edition Now Under Way

We wish to call our readers' attention to the fact that we are now at work on a new edition of Arthur W. Pink's important and valuable book "The Seven Sayings of The Saviour on The Cross" for the Bible Truth Depot, I. C. Herendeen, Swengel (Union Co.), Pa. This helpful book has been out of print for some time, and we are glad that as soon as conditions will permit it will be available again. It will be cloth bound with cover design and jacket, and will sell for \$1.75 postpaid.

Mr. Pink deals with each Saying of our Saviour on the Cross (Continued on page four)

WHEN THE WAVES RISE

A little boy made himself a boat and went off in high glee to sail it on the water. But presently it got beyond his reach, and in his distress, he appealed to a big boy for help, and asked if he could get it back for him. Saving nothing, the big boy picked up stones and seemed to be throwing them at the boat. The little chap thought that he would never get his boat again, and that instead of helping, the big boy was annoying him. But presently he noticed that instead of hitting the boat, each stone went beyond it and made a little wave, which moved the boat nearer to the shore. Every throw of the stones was planned, and at last the toy was brought within reach, and the little boy was happy again in the possession of his treasure.

Sometimes things in our lives seem disagreeable and without sense or plan. But if we wait a while, we shall see that each trial, each striking of a stone upon the quiet waters of our lives, has brought us nearer to God. — Christian Action.

-- The First Baptist Pulpit --

"The Way To Heaven"

"The labour of the foolish wearieth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city." — Eccl. 10:15.

I am sure this morning that there isn't a person here that would differ in any wise at all when I say that this old world is heart-sick, head-sick and faint to the nth degree. I am positive there isn't a person that would differ with me as to that statement. An analysis of the events of today reveals that ours is a world of chaos, appalling prob-

lems and kaleidoscopic events. There are revolutions, there are upheavals, there are revolts in government, education, religion and in economic affairs. In the light of these facts, you certainly must agree with me when I say this old world is sick and faint today.

As you well know, many panaceas are offered and many remedies are proposed. You can't read a daily paper — especially of this past week — but what the editorials have suggested the way

out, and practically everyone was different one from the other. As I have read, I believe the remedy which has been most universally suggested and which I think is being more universally followed than any other is a remedy which was proposed by a Jew, Carl Marx. His remedy is communism. I speak frankly this morning, beloved, when I say that our nation and this whole world is becoming more and more communistic with the dawn of every day, and only God in Heaven (Continued on page two)

A Minnesota Pastor Speaks

The Baptist Examiner is the paper of which I read every session. I like it for several reasons. You give actual scripture quotations with references in your sermons and articles. There is no glorification of self or Church or denomination, but of Christ. Your condemnation and criticisms fall on Baptists and their Churches and Denominations as well as on individuals so they are fair and unbiased. I like your fearlessness (Continued on page four)

GIVE GOD TIME

The late Dr. Jowett said that complexity was once in a most pitiable way, of Wolverhampton. "What would you do if you were in my place?" he entreated. "I don't know," Jowett. I am not there, you are not there yet. When Dr. Jowett replied, "Then you will find your way perfectly well," answered Berry. And, enough, on Friday all was

One of the very greatest and best of all Queen Victoria's ailments became an inveterate habit on any subject to crystallize at a practical decision. And even when the knife flashes in the air the will be seen caught in the God time, and even when God's host is on Israel's heels through the waters will be Jesus. (Continued on page four)

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CAN ONE WORSHIP GOD JUST AS WELL AT HOME AS AT CHURCH?

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Jesus met the other disciples on the first day of the week (and that was his meeting day with them) Thomas was not present. What was the result? DOUBT. Much of the doubt and general no-accountness of Christians comes from the same thing.

2. The Worship of God dies out in Communities, as a result of carelessness in the matter of church attendance. Is this not a fearful thing?

3. The Public Worship Is made Drab and Lifeless through the same, for with just a few present, there is no life—no anything that inspires.

4. The Unserved Are Left To Drift On To Hell when church members neglect attendance. How can the unconverted be expected to attend church, where they may hear the gospel, if members don't take the trouble to go?

5. The Christian Who Is Careless About Attendance, actively helps the unsaved world hurry on to hell. When you are found out on the beach—at the movies—fishing—visiting—attending big family dinners, etc. etc., on Sunday, you are lending your aid, and encouraging the unsaved to go on to hell.

What Is Our Duty In Matter of Church Going?

1. Every Lord's Day ought to

find us in public worship without fail, if able to be there. And that means when you are on vacation as well as any other time. Why Be At Church? (1) To Fulfill Vows Made When You Joined. Why shouldn't you be as faithful as anybody else?

(2) To Commemorate The Fact That We Have A Risen Lord.

(3) To Try To Build Up Our Own Spiritual Life.

(4) To Try To Reach The Lost.

(5) To Personally Back Up the Lord's Cause.

(6) As A Personal Witness To Our Belief In God And Church and Christianity.

And because a real saved person feels an impelling toward spiritual things. Like David, who said, "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord."



THE WAY TO HEAVEN

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knows how soon the name of democracy will be no more. Only God knows how soon you will never hear of a Democrat or a Republican again in view of a communistic state that is fast encroaching America.

I would like to offer a second remedy as to the world's problems. It's a remedy that likewise was proposed by a Jew—a hated Jew—the Lord Jesus Christ. I would like to suggest His remedy this morning for this old sin-sick, battle-scarred world, and that's the remedy of Christianity based on the redemptive merits of the blood of Jesus Christ.

When I think on the one hand of the remedy proposed by Carl Marx, and then contrast it with that proposed by the Lord Jesus Christ, each of which are the very exact opposite of the other—when I think of this, I am reminded of the words of the Apostle Paul when he said:

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever."—Heb. 13:8.

I thank God, beloved, for the fact that Jesus remains unchangeable in the midst of a changing fluctuating world.

In view of this, beloved, I am thinking this day in terms of Heaven. I'm glad that I can take my eyes off the material events of this present day, and that I can look away toward supernatural things in Heaven. I'm glad that I can forget the material and that I can think in terms of the spiritual. I'm glad that I can

forget this world that I might be enabled to think relative to the next world.

With that in mind, I inquire this morning, as to the way to Heaven?

I
IN THE VERY OUTSET, LET ME SAY THAT THERE IS A WELL MARKED OUT ROAD TO HEAVEN. That road is well marked out within this Bible. If I could only persuade every man within this town to read and believe the Bible, there would not be any difficulty concerning the way to Heaven in the mind of any man.

If you start to travel any place in America, you will find the highways are marked completely for your travel safety all over the country. I have never taken a trip anywhere but what I found the highways amply marked so that if one of even common intelligence would pay attention to the highway markers, he would have no difficulty arriving at his destination. I remember a little trip I took some several months ago of quite a few hundred miles. Practically all of it was over road that I had never travelled before. I followed the routes as they were marked, with the result that I never lost one minute's time.

Well, beloved, this old Bible marks out the road to Heaven. Surely, from Genesis to Revelation every chapter of every book, every verse of every chapter, and every syllable within every verse is a marker pointing toward the celestial city of God. If you want to know the way to Heaven, that way is revealed within the Word of God.

As in travelling, so in this Bible we have our warnings, our stop lights, our go-signals and our directions relative to our journey to Heaven, all marked out so that a way-faring man, though he be a fool might be able to find the way to Heaven by simply following the directions as marked out within the Word of God.

II
I WOULD REMIND YOU THAT SOMETIMES ONE GETS ON THE WRONG ROAD. It is true when one is travelling that occasionally he gets on the wrong road, usually by his own mistake—sometimes through the fault of others.

I remember travelling out of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, a good while back. A man at a filling station gave me the wrong direction, and I travelled that afternoon over a hundred miles out of my way all because I was given a wrong direction. And the sad thing about it was, that all the hundred miles was over a terribly bad, rough, rocky road. Surely if that be true of one travelling naturally here within this world, it is even more true of the sinner, for to begin with, the sinner is travelling over a rough road. In the Word of God we read, "The way of the transgressor is hard." So to start with, he is travelling on a hard rough road, and he will never get where he wishes because he is travelling the wrong way.

My text indicates, beloved, relative to a sinner that it is possible for a man to get on the wrong road, for in this unusual and very extraordinary and unfamiliar text which I have read to you this morning, we find these words: "The labour of the foolish wearyeth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city." He's on the wrong road and he doesn't know how to get to the eternal celestial city of God.

III

LET ME GIVE TO YOU THIS MORNING SOME WRONG ROADS THAT MEN TRAVEL, NOT KNOWING HOW TO GET

TO THE CITY.

There is first of all, LEGALITY LANE, and many a man this morning is travelling on Legality Lane—he is trying to get to Heaven by the keeping of the law. He is trying to go back and live under the law. He is trying to do what God told Moses to do back yonder in the days of the dispensation of the law. Many a man this morning is trying to keep the law to go to Heaven.

Yet, my brother, this morning, there isn't anything in all the world that is any farther from the truth than for a man to attempt to be saved by travelling on Legality Lane. Listen:

"For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." James 2:10.

To the man who is trying to be saved by the keeping of the law, may I ask a question: Have you ever violated the law of God in even one particular? If you have, then the works of the law are valueless to you, for God says to the man who keeps the whole law, even if he offends in one point, that he is as guilty as though he had broken the whole law. As we often say, "a chain is no stronger than its weakest link." With one link broken, the value of that chain comes to naught.

"For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them."—Gal. 3:10.

Have you, from the time of your birth until this hour, continued in the all things that are written in the book of the law to do them? Why, you know you haven't. You know that there is much within your life that is not in accordance with the law of God, and that there are many events of your life that are contrary to the law of the Lord. Well God says, "Cursed is every man that has not continued in the all things that are written in the book of the law." Then, my brother, if you have not kept the law perfectly, the curse of God is resting upon you today.

I would read another Scripture to those who are trying to go to Heaven by the keeping of the law.

"Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law."—Romans 3:28.

Certainly in the light of these three Scriptures—James 2:10, Galatians 3:10 and Romans 3:28—certainly in the light of these Scriptures not a sane person in all the world would ever think for one moment's time he could get to Heaven by travelling Legality Lane.

We have a good illustration of this within the New Testament. A young man came to the Lord Jesus Christ one day, of whom it was said that he was so righteous, so moral, so legal, and so good that when Jesus saw him, He loved him. Our Lord propounded to him some questions. He asked him relative to the law of God, as to how much of it he had kept. Of every one of the Ten Commandments that Jesus propounded to this man, he said, "I have lived up to them. I have observed these from my youth up." And yet, my brother, this individual, when further tested by our Lord, revealed the fact that his gold which should have been a golden key unlocking Heaven to him, became a golden bar shutting fast the gates to the celestial city, and thereby proving that though he had travelled perfectly on Legality Lane, he was unsaved, lost, a child of the devil and on the road to Hell.

I would like to offer another

wrong road that some people travel, and that is REFORMATION ALLEY. There are a lot of folk today who are right down in Reformation Alley trying to get to Heaven. They will admit that they have sinned; they will admit that they have sinned grievously; they will admit that they stand as sinners in God's sight; but will go back to this fact saying, "I have reformed, I've changed my way of living, and I'm a reformed man." The saddest thing about it is that those individuals seem to think that the reformation will satisfy God as well as themselves. Let me read to you just one verse of Scripture:

"That which hath been is now, and that which is to be hath already been; and God requires that which is past."—Eccl. 1:15.

Suppose this morning you could reform your life, turn over a new leaf, and live entirely differently from this hour on. How about the sins of yesterday? Eccl. 3:1 says, "God requireth that which is past." I say this morning, beloved, no individual who has travelled up and down a back alley with all its smells and filth and dirt, ever traveled more comfortably than the man who is travelling today on Reformation Alley, trying to go to Heaven because of his reformation.

Again, beloved, there are the individuals who are travelling MORALITY ROAD, and they think because of their morality they will be able to escape Hell and arrive at the celestial city. It is often with a great surprise that such a person, when you are talking with him, will say, "I never did anything very wrong. I've paid my honest debts. I've kept out of jail. I've done good to everybody that I could. I've done my best to be a good father, a good neighbor, and a good citizen, and the majority of people seem to think that because of their morality God somehow is obliged to open Heaven to them. Listen: Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life; man cometh unto the Father, by me."—John 14:6.

Of what value is your morality when Jesus said, "No man cometh unto the Father, but by me." Listen again: "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."—Acts 4:12.

If there is none other name except the name of Jesus, would you depend upon your morality?

Note again: "O my Father, if it be possible let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt."—Matt. 26:39.

Jesus prayed out of the agony—the very depth of His soul—said, "God, if it is possible, let this cup—this cup of death—pass from me." I am about to drink—this bitter dregs—let it pass away. Even the Son of God shrank from that which He knew was to be His. My brother, if there has been any other way except the death of God's Son, you can be certain that God would have known by the sparing of the Son that awful death of Calvary. He would have made it known then if you could have been saved on the basis of your morality or in any other false way.

There are other false roads though that folk are travelling. In addition to Legality Lane, Reformation Alley, Morality Road, there is likewise SELF RIGHTEOUS BOULEVARD. How many there are today who are travelling Self Righteous Boulevard.

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IN ALL THY WAYS
ACKNOWLEDGE HIM



AND HE SHALL
DIRECT THY PATHS



THE WAY TO HEAVEN

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They are looking to themselves as being "so righteous" in the sight of God. You can walk down the street this morning after the service comes to a close, and you will find many an individual who today hopes for Heaven on the basis of his own self righteousness. Listen:

"All our righteousnesses are as filthy rags." — Isaiah 64:6.

The very best there is about you looks a dirty rotten filthy rag that you wouldn't want to touch. That's God's opinion. You come into a room where it isn't well lighted and you can't see the particles of dust that may be flying in the air, but when the light shines through the windows, every little particle of dust floating in the air is easily discernable. As far as you are concerned, you may think you are self righteous until you test your life in the light of the sunshine of the Word of God. It is amazing that which God says that even righteousness is but as filthy rags in His sight.

My brother, if God's estimate is true, and it certainly is true, then tell me, why would you take one step further on Self Righteous Boulevard, expecting to go to Heaven thereby?

We have a remarkable illustration right here in God's Word of a man who was travelling on this same false highway. Listen:

"And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.'"

I fast twice in the week I give tithes of all that I possess. And would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast saying, 'God be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, he justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted." — Luke 18:9-14.

There was a man, beloved, that was certainly travelling on Self Righteous Boulevard, and your pur-

Lord says concerning him, "This man went down to his house justified (referring to the publican) rather than the other." Listen to me, beloved, that man who is trying to go to Heaven because of his own self righteousness is deluded and deceived by his own self righteousness for God says our righteousnesses are just like filthy rags in His sight.

But then, beloved, there is another false route and that is RITUALISTIC AVENUE, and a lot of folk today are travelling on Ritualistic Avenue. I had a man work for me one day this past week in the printing shop who doesn't know much about the Lord. I handed him a manuscript of the sermon I preached last Sunday morning for him to set in type. In my sermon of last Sunday, I said that for one to think that he can join the church, be baptized, and do the best he can, and thereby go to Heaven after awhile, is a dream that will never come true. This man came around and said, "I think there is an extra word here. I think we ought to strike out the word 'never.'" I read it and said, "No, it is exactly like it should be." He replied, "it doesn't make sense — anybody that joins the church and does the best he can, will go to Heaven when he dies." I said, "No, not at all, there is no salvation for any man who is depending upon church membership for his entrance into Heaven." That man is travelling Ritualistic Avenue.

I had an interesting conversation a few weeks ago with a man over in Ashland. I said, "Are you a Christian?" He replied, "Yes, I'm a member of a church," and he named a church in Ashland. I said, "Have you been born again?" "Oh yes," he said, "I was baptized when I was eight years old." I asked him a third question: "When were you converted?" "Oh," he said, "I was confirmed when I was twelve years of age." I couldn't convince that fellow to save my life that he was lost and on the road to Hell. He is travelling on Ritualistic Avenue, depending upon his religion for salvation.

I was in the barber shop several years ago at the YMCA when Brother Wayne Jordan used to operate that shop. He had a young fellow who was a Catholic who worked with him at that time. I have a pretty good habit of always trying to speak a word for my Lord to any one that I

have an opportunity to speak to. Accordingly, I spoke to this young Catholic about his soul. "Oh," he said, "I'm a Catholic, but not a narrow one. So long as one is confirmed in his church he is all right." I said, "My brother, you are all wrong, and anybody else is all wrong who is depending upon any confirmation in his church or any ritualism that he may espouse concerning his church."

I'm saying to you this morning, there are a lot of false roads people travel today — Legality Lane, Reformation Alley, Morality Road, Self Righteous Boulevard, Ritualistic Avenue, and then, beloved, there's DELUSION ROAD. That's the road that is traveled by the man who thinks God is too good to damn him.

I held a two-day Bible Conference in a town in Michigan three years ago. An Englishman was in the service one night. He came to me at the close of the service to ask me about the matter of salvation in view of a statement that I had made. When I explained to him, on the basis of God's Word, that there was only one way to keep out of Hell and that was the blood of Jesus Christ, he said: "I don't believe in Hell." He told me of his lineage and of his parentage and aristocratic family in the old country, and then as he drew himself up, he said, "God would think twice before He would damn a man of my calibre." There is many a man who is travelling on Delusion Road — he has deluded himself as to the reality of sin and he thinks God won't damn him. Listen:

"Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter." — Isa. 5:20.

That's what the man does who is travelling along on Delusion Road and who thinks that God won't damn a man in Hell. Just one other Scripture in that respect:

"And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power." — II Thess. 1:7-9.

Let me mention just one other false road this morning and that is MODERNISTIC HIGHWAY. That's the road that's travelled by the intelligentsia of this country, — the folk who are just too intelligent, who know more than the ordinary man. They are too proud to accept the Bible. They prefer modern science, they prefer new thought, they prefer philosophy to the Word of God.

I have an old friend over in West Virginia whom I have known for a number of years, who is a printer. He has lost his eyesight practically. Every once in a while someone will bring a job of work to him yet, and though he is not able to do it, he will accept it and bring it over to our shop and we will print it for him. He was telling me the other day about a woman who is starting a new religion. He said she told him that she had no place for the Bible in it, — that it was all a revelation that was above the Bible, and that her religion was only for the intelligent people of the country. I thought as I was taking to this old gentleman, and he was telling me of his experience, that poor deluded soul who thinks she has found a new religion for the intelligent crowd

of society — that poor soul is merely travelling on MODERNISTIC HIGHWAY that is as sure to lead her to Hell as there is a God in Heaven.

These are some of the wrong roads — Legality Lane, Reformation Alley, Morality Road, Self Righteous Boulevard, Ritualistic Avenue, Delusion Road and Modernistic Highway — these are a few of the many false ways such as are referred to within our text when we find these words: "The labour of the foolish wear-eth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city." Every individual who is travelling these false roads is just wearying himself, he knows not how to go to the city, — the city of God, the celestial city — he knows not how to go there and he is merely wearying himself in his attempt to do so.

IV

LET ME TELL YOU BRIEFLY THE WAY TO HEAVEN. I have tried thus far to clear out of your pathway these false ways and now simply and briefly let me tell you the way to the city so that you may be sure that you are on the right road. Listen:

"There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." — Prov. 14:12.

The road on which you are travelling may seem all right, but it will lead you to eternal death. What is the way to Heaven? Listen:

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

That's the way to Heaven — through Jesus Christ. There is no other way. He Himself declared this to be true when He said:

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

Thank God, my brother, for the

door — the Lord Jesus Christ — who will take you into Heaven.

Do you want to know the way to Heaven? Listen again:

"I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world." — John 6:51.

I thank God this morning, beloved, though I once travelled on some of these false highways, — I thank God that Jesus Christ died for my sins and today I know that I'm saved and am going to Heaven because I'm depending upon Jesus and Jesus alone.

I remember some little while ago that I was called to visit a dying woman over in Raceland. I'll never forget the experience in talking with that dear soul as she was dying. She had heard me many times in the years gone by over the radio, though I don't remember ever having seen her until I went to her home. She said, "Brother Gilpin, I've been saved for 22 years." She told me how she had tried to be saved before. She had tried these various ways which I have enumerated to you this morning as being wrong roads to Heaven. She told me how she had tried them — and that they had failed, and then she told me how she had put her trust in Jesus and He had saved her. I have never heard anyone speak with more assurance nor praise God more than that dear soul did in her dying hours. Why? Because she was trusting the blood of Jesus Christ and was saved.

I say this morning that any individual can have the same assurance, the same hope, and the same experience by getting on the right road and depending upon Jesus Christ, which is the only way any man can have this assurance. May God bless you and save you now.

At Home With God

I do not care how beautiful this earth may be,
How fascinating all its lovely scenery,
How tenderly bewitching nature's luring songs
That come in winds and streams in merry throngs;
My heart is fixed to bide upon a better plane,
Where I shall never hear a plaintive minor strain,
And where undreamt of splendors overshadow this,
Even as a butterfly outshines its chrysalis.

I love the pleasing loveliness of sky and sod.
With stars and blossoms gemmed, and yet the place that God
Inhabits must be far more excellent than earth,
And flooded with the happier strains of purer mirth;
For all the mundane beauties that we hear and see
Are but the symbols of a vast eternity,
The types of that to which the earth-worn soul is drawn
When it has looked upon the last resplendent dawn.

Why should I hug to me the things that pass away,
And pleasure find in trifling vanities each day,
When there are joys supreme that never have an end?
I'm well aware of earthly good; I'll not pretend
To be indifferent to the views that meet my eyes
As I behold the pictures in the cloud-dimmed skies,
Or feel the warming of my heart by tender smiles
When day by day I've plodded life's thorn-bordered miles.

Yet when I've felt the sting of time's corrective rod,
I long at length for endless peace at home with God.
This earth may have its splendors and its beauties, too,
But, somehow, I am yearning for an earth that's new,
And for a new-made heaven circling round this sphere,
Where tears never flow, and where there is no spectral fear
To overshadow me, or prongs of doubt to prod
My soul, but where there's everlasting joy with God.

—Eugene B. Kuntz

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He should never be trusted with God's business who can not mind his own.

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GIVE GOD TIME

(Continued from page one) suddenly open.

Give God time, and when the bed of the brook is dry Elijah shall hear the guiding voice.-- F. W. Boreham.

A MISTAKEN SKEPTIC

(Continued from page one) from his father's faith.

At last he grew so tired of the theatrical work that, typical of the prodigal, he decided to go home to his father.

It was back in the days of the stagecoach, which made it necessary to stop overnight in a country inn.

Glad though he was to be going home, he didn't sleep well that night, for someone across the hall was in great agony. Upon inquiring he learned that an atheist lay dying, crying out his despair as he faced eternity, fearful and without hope.

Shortly before morning the atheist died. But before he was removed from the inn, the young traveler discovered that the atheist who died in such agony was his own college chum who had once so arrogantly disputed the teachings of the Bible.

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A MINNESOTA PASTOR

(Continued from page one) in denouncing the unscriptural and upholding that which is according to the Holy Bible.

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I would rather have the Lord whip me than the Devil kiss me, if God does not chastise us we are not His son.

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