

## MISSIONARIES IN BRAZIL

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(Portuguese Language)

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## MISSIONARIES IN PERU

R. P. Hallum  
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Miss Marguerite Hallum  
(Spanish Language)  
IN COLUMBIA  
Jose Tomas del Castillo  
(Spanish Language)

# MISSION SHEETS

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## New Missionaries To Go To Brazil

Brother Billie Parrott is a young Baptist preacher who has answered the call to go to Brazil as a missionary. He was called to preach before the war and after serving his country during the war in the Navy he attended Murray State College at Murray, Ky., and Union University, at Jackson, Tenn. Brother Parrott is married and has one child, a son named Jerry about one year old. Brother Parrott is from a family of Baptists and was saved in his early boyhood. He and his wife are members of Harmony Baptist Church in Detroit, Mich. Several months ago he came forward and made known his call to Brazil and then made application to this Mission. Since that time he has preached in twelve of the churches in the Detroit River Association. On Wednesday, May 12, he and his wife met with the directors of Baptist Faith Missions at Ryan Road Baptist Church, Van Dyke, Mich., where it was voted to accept them as missionaries and send them to Brazil. They are now studying the language and making preparation to go to the mission field as soon as the ar-

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## Brandon's Inspiring Letter Brings New Hope And Encouragement For Brazil Work

Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre  
April 2, 1948

prayed for that church perhaps more than any other one unless it be the Benton Church. Gilpin is a good preacher and a good man too and will do your church good. I am happy that he is to be with you in a meeting. Am happy to know that Brother Freyling is better. I have sought the Lord for him and his family. Interesting that Brother Arterburn got better down south and I am glad to hear of the progress of the work. Hope they have a good meeting with Brother Calvin.

A Preacher to the Lepers  
Home

I have not been able to get Mario down here (for a picture) but when he arrives I will get his picture. Eufrazo is here, he came in advance of the leper brother there in Campo de Santano. We are expecting him any day. We sent him a canoe for them to come in as they did not have one and could not get one. We had a house rented for them to live in a few days but the woman who owns it doesn't want to rent it to us anymore so we are looking for another. One has been promised and we will go there to see about it tomorrow. I was not able to go to Japyni and the pastor (Miguel) went for me. The work there is better since my return. The pastor and many of the brethren have given good cooperation.

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## TWO LETTERS FROM DON THOMAS

Bueneventure, Columbia  
May 8, 1948.

Missionary R. P. Hallum:

My much beloved Brother in Christ. We send Christian greetings with much love. We are well, thanks to the Lord. This is only to inform you with reference to our Brother—Jose Aria Rua, about who I told you of his fast of 96 hours. In the days of the revolution from the ninth of April he made another fast of 101 hours, the Lord answered and His hand kept us. Now he purposes to fast again for the glory of God and the development of his work. He prays that you and the Brethren Pastors of the Mission that they will unite with us for this purpose. He sends you greetings asking your prayers that the Lord will give him sufficient strength. In hope of informing you more I say good bye. Your co-laborer in Christ.

THOMAS DEL CASTILLO A.

May 19, 1948.

Missionary R. P. Hallum, my beloved Brother in Christ:

We send you greetings in the name of the Lord together with all yours in the Church. I received the two checks for \$54.50 and \$25.00 respectively. They arrived in due time in your letter of May the tenth. The \$2.00 that you told me a lady sent for the meeting house I sold to the bank for three pesos and forty centavos (\$3.40) and with them

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## Missionary R. P. Hallum Reports Souls Saved And Work Progressing In Peru

Iquitos, Peru  
May 28, 1948.

Dear Brother in the Lord Jesus, greetings to all the brethren in Him. For various causes I have put off writing to you. I believe that Marguerite wrote a few days ago. For the last week we have been swamped with mail. All mail that came by boat since last November arrived last week. We learned that 90 sacks of mail were put off the boat at the last port in Brazil (on the Amazon) and had been lying there for months. Another boat brought 60 sacks of mail of a later date. I am enclosing two letters from Don Thomas. I would rejoice if some more would send contributions to help on the meeting house he is slowly building. Note what he has to say in his letter about the \$2.00 the lady sent to help on the building.

Fasting and Prayer

It is my purpose to join with you and with them in Columbia in prayer and fasting the third Monday in each month.

Four Professions On  
Polio Creek

We made a three day journey in our boat with outboard motor to Polio Creek. Had a good trip with services two nights and four professions of faith, three publicly. One woman said that she believed on the Lord as her

personal Saviour but did not think that she could make a public professions of faith in Him because her husband and the rest of her family were not believers. Her husband attended both services and seemed to be interested. The last trip before this there were four or five people that held up their hands, indicating that they were trusting in the Lord. One was the man in whose house we stayed while there and another was his brother. Both these families seem to be honorable families. The other two were Witoto Indian men. Several that attended this time were people who had

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## INFORMATION

We feel certain that all the supporters of this mission work will rejoice when they read the interesting letters from the missionaries from their far away mission fields. They are more thrilling than a story book. Surely the hand of a Sovereign God can be seen all along the way. Many hear the Gospel and some make a profession (not possession) and fall away, but a few here and there really hear it and it falls on ears that have been given to understand and these few are born again and then are zealous for the faith. It is good to have a real New Testament mission work like this to

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## MEETING HOUSE

In the February MISSION SHEETS we had a picture of the meeting house in Bueneventure where Don Thomas had started asked for those to help as evidence of the Lord. In the April MISSION SHEETS we listed an offering received in March from Adam, of \$2.00 designated toward building of this meeting house. You will note from Don Thomas' letter how it was used. Money was sent as designated to Brother R. P. Hallum then he sent it on to Don Thomas who only speaks and understands Spanish. You will note Brother Hallum's letter in

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## NOTICE

Anyone desiring more information about this mission work write to the Secretary of the Mission. Address your letter to:

H. H. OVERBEY  
1210 E. Grand Blvd.  
Detroit 11, Mich.

ELDER AND MRS.  
BILLIE PARROT

(Continued from preceding page) rangements can be made. It is hoped that they will be able to sail for Brazil within the next six to eight months. The present plans are for them to go to Belem at the mouth of the Amazon River and be met by Missionary J. F. Brandon who has been a missionary in Brazil for 25 years. Then they are to go up the Amazon River 1000 miles by boat and live at Manaos for about a year while they finish learning the Portuguese language and get acclimated. Then they are to go up the Amazon river 500 miles more to the mouth of the Jurua river then up the Jurua 2000 miles to Cruzeiro do Sul in the Acre Territory where they are to carry on the work established by Brother Brandon. They are fortunate to have Brother Brandon to meet them and to be in Manaos with them while they are learning the language and getting accustomed to the climate and people. As he learns the language he will be doing personal work and preaching from time to time.

## Needs

How many want to help in sending out this young missionary and his wife and son? It will perhaps cost at least \$4,000.00 to get them from the United States to Cruzeiro do Sul not counting their salary. There will be costs for passports and visas, train fare to the boat and then hotel expense until the boat sails, and remember, sometimes the boats are delayed for many days and passage cancelled. Then there is the boat fares from New York to Belem and then cost of customs for the things taken with them, and then hotel expense again until passage can be gotten on a boat up river to Manaos and then later the boat fare from Manaos to Cruzeiro do Sul. In addition to this there are the needed supplies to be bought and crated and stored and cartage for same as well as the many other things that will come up along the way. He will need a portable typewriter, a folding organ, an outboard motor, some Coleman kerosene lanterns with a supply of wicks. A kerosene operated refrigerator, a good camera for pictures to run in the MISSION SHEETS, and furniture to take from Manaos to Cruzeiro do Sul and then a supply of canned food to take into the interior with them.

## Responsibility

The directors of this mission feel that there should be enough money in the treasury at all times to bring any and all the missionaries home in case of emergency such as war or illness, and for this reason we believe that the readers of the MISSION SHEETS will all want to have a part in sending the Parrotts out to Brazil. We hope and pray that each supporting church and individual will send a special offering for this purpose. There are many who read this who are able to send out and support this missionary and family themselves. May the

## FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MAY

South Side Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fla. ....	\$ 55.00
Big Creek Baptist Church, Wayne, W. Va. ....	5.00
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky. ....	12.00
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla. ....	50.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Central City, Ky. ....	10.00
Bellview Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky. ....	12.56
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky. ....	32.67
Seven Springs Baptist Church, Dycusburg, Ky. ....	25.00
North Side Baptist Church, Ladies' Bible Class, Mayfield, Ky. ....	5.00
North Side Baptist Church, Mayfield, Ky. ....	43.54
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky. ....	83.00
South Union Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky. ....	28.50
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla. ....	56.15
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla. (Hope Bible Class) ....	35.00
Oscar Baptist Church, Ballard County, Ky. ....	80.00
Grace Baptist Church, Owensboro, Ky. ....	5.00
Eaton Avenue Baptist Church, Muncie, Ind. ....	10.00
Bible Missionary Baptist Church, Dequincy, La. ....	19.10
Oak Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich. ....	17.93
Britmart Baptist Church, Pembroke, Ky. ....	12.00
Raiford Baptist Church, Raiford, Fla. ....	5.00
Maranatha Baptist Church, Grand Rapids, Mich. ....	10.00
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky. ....	11.76
Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky. ....	14.94
Oak Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich. (Ladies Bible Class) ....	10.00
Julian Baptist Church, Gracy, Ky. ....	34.81
Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich. ....	67.00
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich. ....	74.43
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. ....	108.70
Scotts Grove Baptist Church, Murray, Ky. ....	10.00
Benton Baptist Church, Benton, Ky. ....	48.33
Pollard Baptist Church, Ashland, Ky. ....	6.00
First Baptist Church, Murray, Ky. ....	5.00
Harry Bayless, Macedonia, Ill. ....	3.00
Miss Maude Hunt, Franklin, Ky. ....	5.00
E. H. Craft, Widen, W. Va. ....	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Wade Daugherty, Monticello, Ky. ....	20.00
William D. Harrison, Fort Worth, Tex. ....	10.00
Lillian B. Kirk, Kermit, W. Va. ....	21.30
W. J. Correll and Family, Fort Worth, Tex. ....	5.00
J. H. Kain, West Cape May, N. J. ....	5.00
William M. Kretschmer, Grayson, Ky. ....	10.00
A Friend—Huntington, W. Va. ....	5.00
Mrs. Leslie Stephens, Whitley City, Ky. ....	4.00
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$1101.72</b>

Z. E. CLARK, Treasurer.

As the Lord leads you, send all offerings for this mission work to the treasurer of the mission. It is best to send by check or money order. It is not safe to send cash. Address your envelope to:

ELDER Z. E. CLARK, Box 202, Cannelton, Indiana

Lord lead someone to do so. Also there are thousands who read this paper from month to month who never send a penny to help support the work. Here is your opportunity. Now will all help as the Lord shall lead. Send the offerings in the regular way to Elder Z. E. Clark, the Treasurer, at Box 202, Cannelton, Ind. The sooner the money is in the sooner they will be able to go.

## INFORMATION TO ALL

(continued from opposite page) support so that everyone who has a part in it can read from time to time just how and where and when their offerings are being used to the glory of the Lord Jesus. No money wasted on modernistic seminary professors or bossy secretaries who interfere with churches and pastors when and wherever they can get by with it. All who support this work should tell others about it. And those wanting a real mission work to support should join in with us. It is easy to do. There is nothing to join or unjoin. Just send your mission offerings to Baptist Faith Missions and then read the MISSION SHEETS each month and see what your offerings are accomplishing and then give the Lord all the honor and glory. The work is growing steadily from month to month. Every month there are offerings from new sources, either new churches or new individuals. As the Lord leads you, send all offerings to the Treasury of Bap-

## MEETING HOUSE

(Preceding page, Column One) this issue, he would rejoice if more of the brethren would send contributions to help Don Thomas build this meeting house. Several hundred people could send a dollar or two each designated for this building and it would be a great blessing to both the giver and receiver. May the Lord lead many to send designated offerings to help build this building. Send in the usual way to Brother Z. E. Clark, the treasurer, at Box 202, Cannelton, Ind., and the money will be sent as designated.

## HALLUM WRITES

(Preceding page, Column One) not attended services before. Polio Creek is the place that we visited a number of times before the last vacation.

On this last journey only the man and his two boys were at home the first night, his wife and other children being in Iquitos. He had to leave and come to Iquitos to take his wife home. She was sick so he left the house with us and told us to do just like we were at home. We did. We expect to make a trip to another place next week, the Lord willing. Yours in His service.

R. P. HALLUM.

tist Faith Missions. Address your letter to:

ELDER Z. E. CLARK,  
Box 202  
Cannelton, Ind.

## BRANDON LETTER

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## Preached Every Night

I have preached every night here in the mission point and with better attendance than for many months. House was filled most every night. There has been great power in the singing, prayer and preaching, but not one move on the part of anyone to obey the gospel. Conviction observed in many, yet no move.

## Mario Arrives

Mario has arrived and brings a good report from the work there. I have written some of the history of the work on another sheet. At present he is with Miguel. I sent them to visit the churches in Japyni and Parana and they will return Monday as the Lord leads them. We were unable to rent a house for the afflicted brother and yesterday Eufrazo and I called on the doctor who has charge of the lepers and he remembered that there was a house near town that was occupied by one before going to the colony and he gave permission to locate them there until they are examined, then the ones who do not have leprosy can return home and the ones who do have it can go to the colony. Eufrazo will remain until the decision is resolved then he will return to Campo de Santano. The work there has grown to a great success from this point of view. They have preached the gospel to many hundreds of people. The place is one of the best on the river for travelers to lodge and most every night there are some outsiders to hear. They have preaching five nights in the week and prayer meeting two nights. There are some converted there who have not been baptized. It would be well for Miguel to go and visit there soon.

Miguel to Make Journeys  
in the Future

I have talked over a new plan with the pastor about going up river in my absence at least twice a year and also on the Moa river. He wants to try it out. There will be two journeys a year up the Jurua to Amonho and two up the Moa to Parana. I am advising and exhorting the churches to cooperate with him, seeing that I cannot go and that our future depends upon strict cooperation of all the brethren. He will also make four trips to the church at Morapirango.

## Believers At Largohino

We now have quite a congregation of believers living in Largohino, the most of which are members of the church here (Cruzeiro do Sul). They need someone to look after them as all of them do not come to Cruzeiro do Sul at all, and the ones who do come once a year and stay for a month or six weeks. Recently an excluded brother went to Rio Branco to live where Mr. McCullough is working. At his request the church there wrote to this one here asking for a letter of recommendation for him. In reply the church here wrote and told them part of what he had done and refused him reconciliation for he had shown no repentance. They must have accepted him anyway for he wrote others here who were not believers, telling of the greatness of the work there and how well ordered it is and such like. The pastor has heard no more from them and will not no doubt as this man was very bitter against the pastor and no doubt had

A MISSIONARY'S  
EQUIPMENT

A life yielded to God and controlled by His Spirit.

A restful trust in God for supply of all needs.

A sympathetic spirit and willingness to take a lot of place.

Tact in dealing with men and adaptability towards circumstances.

Zeal in service and steadfastness in discouragement.

Love for communion with God and for the study of His Word.

Some experience and blessing in the Lord's work at home.

A healthy body and a vigorous mind.

—Hudson Taylor—

## A BURNING APPEAL

"Not called!" did you say? "Not heard the call," I think should say. He has been called loudly ever since He spoke sins forgiven — if you are given at all — entreating beseeching you to be His ambassador.

Put your ear down to the Bible and hear Him bid you and pull poor sinners out of the fire of sin. Put your heart down to the burdened, agonized heart of humanity, and listen to its pitiful wail for help. Stand by the gates of hell and hear the damned entreat you to go to their fathers' house and bid their brothers and sisters and servants and masters come there. And then look Christ in the face, whose mercy you have professed to have received, and whose words you have promised to obey, and Him whether you will join in and soul and body and circumstances in this march to establish His mercy to the world. William Booth

DON THOMAS

(Preceding page, Column One) I bought 32 bricks at ten centavos each and the 20 centavos over I paid to the one brought them to the place. Please thus inform the lady she sent for the glory of God. The construction is going very slow but with patience. The cost of everything is high. Cement costs \$5.50 a bag (five pesos and 50 centavos). Brick cost 90 pesos a thousand and sand costs 9 pesos a square yard). But in all hands of the Lord is seen in giving me in His holy cause. Last Tuesday, the seventeenth the third Monday we spent prayer from five o'clock in morning until six. Until receiving your letter and desiring you all good, I say goodbye. THOMAS DEL CASTILLO

much to say against him.

Impossible to Get Pictures  
of All

I wanted to furnish you pictures of all the places those who carry on the work so far it has been impossible. However, I will send some Mario and Eufrazo, that they turn out well. There here has no chemical to develop the films and by the time they arrive in Manaos they may be ruined. When I went down before that was the case and ones I had taken were no good so I did not send them. I am in need of more vitamin and B complex by the time I can get here. Grace be unto through the Lord Jesus, Amen. Sincerely,  
J. F. BRANDON



Only one thing will stop this coming chaos—a sweeping spiritual revival."

## Counsel To The Aged

The autumn of our life has actually arrived. The scenes of youth have fled forever; and the feelings and hopes of that period have passed away also, or are greatly changed. When we take a retrospect of the past, several weighty reflections cannot but press upon our minds and sadden our hearts. How true do we now find that wise remark, that the longest life in retrospect appears exceeding short, tho in prospect the same period appeared almost interminable! Old age has come upon us (though its approaches were very gradual) by surprise; and even now except when feeling something of the infirmities of age . . . we are prone to forget that we are old; and often are impelled to undertake labors to which our strength is no longer competent. Truly our life of threescore or more appears like a dream when we awake from sleep. And as the past years have passed so quickly the few that remain will not be less rapid in their flight. Indeed, to the aged, except when they are suffering protracted pain, time appears shorter than it did when they were young. Thus at least it seems to the writer: the year, when its days and weeks are numbered, is as long as ever, but to our sense it seems to grow shorter. We are less absorbed and interested in passing scenes than the young. Life with us has become a sober reality. The enchanting visions of a youthful imagination have now entirely vanished. But it brings a solemn and tenderly melancholy feeling over the minds of the aged to inquire for the friends and companions of their youth. How few of these can we now find upon the earth? The ministers whose labors were made useful to us, and the very sound of whose voice was sweeter than the richest music, are now lying beneath the clods of the valley. The beloved friends with whom we were wont to take sweet counsel, and to whom we could confidently open our hearts, have been torn from our side. Many dear relatives, loved it may be as our own life, have slept the sleep of death. Time may have healed the painful wounds made by such bereavements but their loss often leaves a chasm which can never be supplied. There is one reflection connected with this subject still more sad; it is that some in whom we once delighted and reposed strong confidence, have turned aside from the ways of truth and righteousness in which they appeared to be walking, and though they may be still walking up and down upon the earth, are dead to us and to all those interests which once seemed to be common to them and to us. And as to those who remain steadfast, and have continued their pilgrimage without turning aside into crooked ways, what a sad change has time made upon their persons! Where is the bloom of youth, the robust strength of manhood, the eye sparkling with intelligence, and the countenance beaming with animation? Alas! they are fled, and in their place we see the decrepit body, the sunken eye, the withered countenance and the tottering gait. All are not equally changed by the ravages of time. Indeed, to some the access of gray hairs and old age brings an addition of comeliness. There is something peculiarly lovely as well as venerable in the silvery locks and placid countenance of a good old man. There is in his countenance a chastened expression of benignity and sobriety, which long experience alone can produce.

### Reflections of the Aged

But bitterest of all reflections to the aged is that of sins committed, duties omitted, time wasted, and opportunities of doing good neglected. Reflections of this kind, at certain times, become insufferably painful. And although we could not wish to go a second time through such a pilgrimage, yet we cannot but often wish that with our present views, and with the aids of experience, we could enjoy again the opportunities of usefulness which were suffered to pass without improvement. But even in these painful regrets and this bitter repentance our deceitful hearts often impose upon us, and we give ourselves more credit for present good feelings than we deserve. For let us only ask ourselves whether we now avail ourselves of all the advantages of our situation to do good. Are we not now guilty of as gross neglects as when younger? The probability is, therefore, yea, the certainty, that if left to ourselves as much as we were, we should do no better if we were permitted to live over our unprofitable lives a second time. But while we should lay aside all fruitless wishes we ought certainly to reflect upon our sins and short-comings until a godly sorrow is so enkindled within us as to work a repentance not to be repented of. We cannot atone for our sins by tears of penitence; for this we must have recourse to another fountain, even the blood of Christ which cleanseth from all unrighteousness; but the flow of ingenuous, godly sorrow has a tendency to soften and purify the heart; and our iniquities are rendered by this means odious; so that while we are penetrated with unfeigned gratitude to God for pardoning mercy, we are rendered more watchful against our besetting sins, and made to walk more tenderly and circumspectly; and more humbly, too; for I have thought that the reason why a covenant-keeping God sometimes permits His children to fall into shameful acts of transgression is because nothing else but such a sight of themselves as these falls exhibit would sufficiently humble their proud hearts. The recollection of such sins serves all their lives long to convince them that they ought to place themselves among the "chief of sinners" and "the least of saints." And this view of our exceeding depravity of heart serves to show us the faithfulness and loving-kindness of God in the strongest light. According to that which He speaks in Ezek. 16:62, 63, "And I will establish my covenant with thee; and thou shalt know that I am the Lord: that thou mayest remember and be confounded, and never open thy mouth any more, because of thy shame, when I am pacified toward thee for all that thou hast done, saith the Lord God."

My aged friends, permit me to counsel you not to give way to despondency and unprofitable repining at the course of past events. Trust in the Lord and encourage your hearts to hope in His mercy and faithfulness. Your afflictions may have been many and sore, and your present circumstances embarrassing and your prospects for the future gloomy. Providence may seem to have set you up as a mark for the arrows of adversity. Stroke upon stroke has been experienced. Billow after billow has gone over you and almost overwhelmed you. Truly the time has come when you can say, "My joys are gone." But though friends have been snatched from you, or have proven unfaithful; though children, once your hope and joy are numbered with the dead or, what is far worse, profligate or ungrateful; though your property has been wasted away or your riches suddenly taken wings and flown like the eagle to heaven; though bodily diseases and pain distress you, still trust in the Divine promise, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." Though friends die God forever inheritance "incorruptible, undefiled, and that fadeth not away." Take for example the prophet Habakkuk, who triumphantly declares, "Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls; yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation." Learn to live by faith: no class of people need the supports of faith and hope more than the aged. And not only believe, but act. "Work while it is called today." To do good and communicate forget not, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." Your work is never ended while you are in the body. It is a sad mistake for aged persons to relinquish their usual pursuits and resign everything into the hands of their children. Many have dated their distressing melancholy from such a false step. The mind long accustomed to activity is miserable in a state of stagnation; or rather having lost its usual nutriment it turns and preys upon itself. Lighten your burdens but do not give up business or study, or whatever you have been accustomed to pursue. Imbecility and dotage are also prevented, or postponed, or mitigated, by constant exercise of the mind. Keep also as much of your property if you have any,

in your own hand as is necessary for your own support, and make not yourselves dependent on the most affectionate and obedient children. They will be more affectionate and more respectful when you are not dependent. Dismiss corroding cares and anxieties about what you shall do to get a living. How strange it is that the nearer men come to the end of their journey, the greater concern they feel as to the means of future subsistence. God's hand will provide. His command to us is, "Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

### The Reality and Importance of Eternal Things

It is surprising that the impression of the reality and importance of eternal things is not increased by the nearness of our approach to the end of our course. Time glides insensibly away . . . the mere circumstance of being old seems to affect no one with a more lively concern about the salvation of the soul. None appear to be more blind and stupid in regard to religious matters than many who are tottering on the brink of the grave. This indeed is so commonly the fact, with those who have grown old without religion, that very little hope is entertained of the conversion of the aged who have from their youth enjoyed the means of grace. And it is also a fact that real Christians are not rendered more deeply sensible of the awful importance of eternal things by becoming old and infirm. The truth is that nothing but an increase of faith by the operation of the Holy Spirit will be effectual to prepare us for that change which we know is rapidly approaching. Counsels and exhortations, however, are not to be neglected, as God is pleased to work by this means.

### Duties Incumbent On the Aged

I propose to inquire what are the peculiar duties incumbent on the aged. What would the Lord have us do?—for undoubtedly we are not privileged to fold our hands and sit down in idleness as though our work was ended. Indeed, it would be no privilege to be exempt from all occupation. Such a life to the aged or to the young must be a life of misery, for man was never made to be idle, and his happiness is intimately connected with activity. We may be no longer qualified for those labors which require much bodily strength—we may indeed be so debilitated or crippled by disease that we can scarcely move our crazy frame, and some among us may be vexed by excruciating pain—yet we still have a work to perform for God and for our generation. If we cannot use our hands and feet so as to be useful in the labors which we were wont to perform, yet we may employ our tongues to speak the praises of our God and Saviour. We may drop a word of counsel to those around us; and especially the aged owe a duty to the young to whom they may have access, and those who are related to them. Every aged Christian must have acquired much knowledge from experience which he should be ready to communicate as far as it is practicable. Why is it, my dear friends, that we suffer so many opportunities of usefulness to pass without improvement? Why are we so often silent when the suggestions of our own conscience urge us to speak something for God? How is it that we consume hours in unprofitable talk, and seldom attempt to say anything which can profit the hearers? We may plead inability, we may excuse ourselves because we are unlearned and not able to speak eloquently and correctly, but let us be honest. Is not the true reason because our own hearts are so little affected with these things? We cannot consent to play the hypocrite by uttering sentiments which we do not feel, and we have often been disgusted with the attempts of others who, in a cold and constrained manner, have introduced religious conversation. It is easy to see where the fault lies—it is in the state of our own hearts. Let us never rest, then, until we find ourselves in a better state of mind. Let us get our hearts habitually under the influence of Divine things and then conversation on this subject will be as easy as on any other. "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." There are companies and occasions when to obtrude remarks on religion would be unseasonable and imprudent, for we must not cast our pearls before swine. But in most cases an aged person may give utterance to seasonable and solemn truths without offense, and very often a word spoken in season has been the means of saving a soul! and the advice and exhortation of parents and pious friends are remembered and prove salutary after their heads are laid low under the clods of the valley . . . But I would say to those who think that they can be of no further use in the world, that they do not form a just estimate of the nature of the service which God requires, and by which He is glorified by His creatures upon earth. All true obedience originates in the heart, and consists essentially of the affections of the heart. External duties are to be performed but are only holy as connected with holy motives. The aged man may serve God, therefore, as sincerely and fervently as any others if only the heart be right in the sight of God. He can glorify God in his spirit by thinking affectionately of His glorious name, by contemplating His Divine attributes, and by exercising love and gratitude towards Him. His devotion might thus approach more nearly to our conception of the services and exercises of the saints in Heaven. But it may be that the lives of some are lengthened out that they may offer up many prayers for the Church and for the world, for after all the activity and bustle and zeal apparent, there is no service which can be performed by mortals so effectual as prayer. Here there is a work to which the aged may be devoted. . . . If you cannot preach, you can by prayer hold up the hands of those who do. You can follow the missionary who leaves all to go and labor in heathen lands with your daily and fervent prayers. It is not in vain for you to live while you have access to the throne of grace . . . The darker the times the more closely do the pious adhere to each other. . . . Do you not wish to be witnesses of the rise and glory of the Church? Pray then incessantly for the peace and prosperity of Jerusalem. Consider it as your chief business to pray that the kingdom of God may come. What though the signs of the times be discouraging; what though you live in troublous times; what though the Church may be shaken and the prospects of her increase be dark, yet remember that she is founded on a rock, and the gates of hell cannot prevail against her. The vessel which carries Christ, though it be buffeted by storms, is in no danger of being wrecked. But to govern and direct does not belong to you. Your duty is to pray without ceasing, to wrestle with the Angel of the covenant, and not to let Him go until He bless you. Give Him no rest till He establish and make Jerusalem a praise in all the earth. You cannot offend by importunity, but by this you will be sure to prevail; for will not God hear His own elect who cry day and night unto Him? Therefore never hold your peace, but as long as you live intercede with Him to fulfil His gracious promises, and to cause the earth to be filled with the knowledge of Himself as the waters cover the sea.

### The Aged to be Peculiarly Thankful

Thanksgiving is also a duty peculiarly incumbent on the aged. In the providence of God you are spared whilst most of your coevals have been cut off in the midst of their career. Some of you have enjoyed almost uninterrupted prosperity. When you consider the dispensations of God's providence towards you, in the time and circumstances of your birth, in giving you pious and intelligent parents, who took care of your health and education and in following you with goodness and mercy all the days of your life; giving you kind friends, faithful teachers, health and reason, together with abundant religious privileges, how thankful you ought to be! But that which above all other things enhances your obligations to gratitude is, that in His own good time He effectually called you from the devious paths of iniquity and adopted

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## THE TWO ADAMS

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brought grace and truth to us.

"For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ."—John 1:17.

Beloved, there is no individual in all this world, when he really analyzes his own condition, but what regrets the fact that the Devil has brought sin and death into his life. Likewise, no child of God ever faces Jesus Christ to realize that he has been saved with an everlasting salvation without the realization that all grace and truth has come by Jesus Christ. Beloved, I never would have known anything about the grace of God if it had not been for Jesus. It is true I would not have needed grace if it had not been for the first Adam, but thank God the second Adam brought grace.

Thus the first Adam brought sin and death. The second Adam brought grace and truth over sin and death.

V

ADAM THE FIRST WANTED TO BE A GOD, WHILE ADAM THE SECOND WAS WILLING TO BECOME A WORM.

In Genesis 3:5, 6, as we read of the temptation that was brought to Adam and Eve, we find these words:

"And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and YE SHALL BE AS GODS, knowing good and evil. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat and gave also to her husband with her; and he did eat."

Adam the first wanted to be a god. He wasn't content to be God Almighty's creature—he wanted to be a god; however, Adam the second was content to be a worm. Listen:

"But I AM A WORM, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people."—Psalms 22:6.

A worm—pick him up and hold him in your hands—not a bone within him. Step on the little worm that crawls upon the sidewalk—what do you have? Just a mass of quivering flesh—no bones within it.

Our Lord Jesus Christ came to take the position of a down-trodden worm. What a contrast! Adam the first wanted to be a God; but Adam the second was willing to be a worm that he might bring you and me back to God.

ADAM THE FIRST STARTED HIGH AND FELL LOW, WHILE ADAM THE SECOND STARTED LOWLY AND WAS ELEVATED BY GOD.

Old Adam the first had everything that his heart could desire. Everything that he could have wished for was within the Garden of Eden. The Word of God tells us that every tree was there which was good for food. He didn't have to worry about anything in the world. God had provided everything for him. He started higher than any man who has ever lived in the world and fell lower.

Beloved, the Lord Jesus Christ started lowly. Can you think of one born more lowly than was Jesus. Born in a barn—his first resting place a manger in which the animals ate. So lowly was he in life that He had no place to call His home—no home He might claim to be His own. He Himself said, "The foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man hath not where to lay his head." So lowly was He that He had to borrow Peter's boat to use for a pulpit—he couldn't own one Himself. So lowly was He that He had to borrow a lad's lunch in order to feed five thousand men, not counting women and children, one day. So lowly was He that when He died, He died on a borrowed cross—the cross that had been provided for the thief Barabas who escaped death by the substitution of Jesus Christ. So lowly was He that when He died, He was not buried in His own tomb, for He had none—He was buried in a borrowed tomb—the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea.

I say to you, beloved, no one could have been more lowly in life, yet the Word of God tells us that He is now elevated to the highest position that is possible for us to imagine. Listen:

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also HATH HIGHLY EXALTED HIM and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory

of God the Father."—Phil. 2:5-11.

Adam the first began high and fell low, while Adam the second began lowly and was elevated far beyond our highest comprehension.

VII

ADAM THE FIRST HID FROM GOD WHILE ADAM THE SECOND CRIED FOR GOD WHEN GOD HID FROM HIM.

In those days of the early chapters of Genesis, I think the sweetest music that ever fell upon the ears of the first Adam was the voice of God, when, in the cool of the day, God came down and walked in the Garden with Adam. However, when Adam sinned and God came down to walk in the Garden, Adam hid himself from the presence of God. He didn't want to see God. He was a sinner—he knew he had sinned—he didn't want to be near God.

That's why it is some of you don't come to prayer meeting. That's why it is so hard to get a sinner to read his Bible and come to the house of God—he is trying to hide from God just like Adam did.

Adam the first hid from God, but the second Adam cried for God when God hid from Him. Come to the day when Jesus Christ was crucified. You and I can't begin to imagine what our Lord suffered. Can you imagine in any wise just what Jesus Christ went through? The nails were driven into His hands; the spikes went through His feet and His forehead was mangled and bruised until gore ran out therefrom; His back was lacerated until it was a gorey mass; His side had a spear driven through it until blood and water ran out therefrom. Often times you have seen pictures of our Lord as He was crucified, and He has been made to appear as beautiful; but, beloved, you would not have known Jesus Christ if you had seen Him when He was crucified. His body was more mangled than you can begin to imagine. Listen:

"As many were astonished at thee; his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men."—Isaiah 52:14.

Beloved, our Lord Jesus Christ was beaten to a pulp. The Son of God was so mangled—His body was so brutally abused that if you had known Him intimately, you would never have recognized Him.

In that hour of suffering when He was thus brutally abused, God hid His face from Him, and Adam the second cried for God. Listen:

"And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"—Matt. 27:46.

Beloved, Adam the first hid from God, but Adam the second cried for God when God hid from Him.

VIII

ADAM THE FIRST MADE EXCUSES FOR HIS SINS WHILE ADAM THE SECOND NEVER DID ENDEAVOR TO EXCUSE SIN ONE PARTICLE.

When the first Adam was called into the presence of God to give an account of Himself after he had sinned, he said, "The woman thou gavest to be with me, gave me of the tree and I did eat." Mrs. Adam did likewise—she said, "The serpent beguiled me," so that they made excuses for their sin.

Not so with the second Adam, the Lord Jesus Christ. He never did try to excuse sin in any wise at all. Listen:

"O God, thou knowest my

foolishness; and my sins are not hid from thee. Because for thy sake I have borne reproach; shame hath covered my face."—Psa. 69:5, 7.

David speaking, says our Lord never did make excuse for sin. You tonight, are just like the first Adam. Every time you sin you try to make excuse for it. Somebody else was to blame. That's the excuse used by the first Adam, but, beloved, the second Adam never made excuses for sin. He doesn't excuse you and He doesn't excuse me when we sin.

IX

ADAM THE FIRST AND HIS DESCENDANTS, WITHOUT EXCEPTION, LIVE SINFULLY, BUT ADAM THE SECOND AND HIS DESCENDANTS LIVE RIGHTEOUSLY.

Get this contrast. Old Adam the first sinned in the Garden of Eden. From that time, everyone of his descendants have sinned likewise. You and I have followed him in everything he did from the day Adam the first sinned. Adam the first and everyone of his descendants have lived sinfully.

What a contrast, for Adam the second and His descendants live righteously. I don't mean to say that saved people live perfectly. I don't mean to say that I, nor anyone I know, lives perfectly; but I do say this that the general trend of the life of the child of God is to follow his Lord. Beloved, if the trend of your life is not to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, I say that you are lost. I don't care what church you are a member of. I don't say you are going to live perfectly, but this Bible says:

"Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and everyone that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him. For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."—I John 5:1, 4.

You can say all you want to tonight about a man living a life of sin. I tell you as surely as there is a God in Heaven, if you are saved tonight, the general trend of your life is to live for the Lord. You're not going to live perfectly—you will fall many, many times—but the general trend of your life is to live for Him.

Adam the first and his descendants lived sinfully, while Adam the second, My Lord, and His descendants live righteously.

Let me ask you a simple question in closing: Which Adam are you most like tonight? If you are unsaved, you are only like Adam the first; but, beloved, if you are a child of God, you are also like unto Adam the second.

Let me remind you, beloved friends, far more has been gained through Adam the second than was ever lost in Adam the first. If Adam the first had never sinned, all that you and I would have ever had would have been a perfect human righteousness. That's all Adam the first ever had. However, today, as a result of the sin of Adam the first, Jesus came and died on the cross and every man who has believed on Him, has been clothed not with human righteousness, but with the perfect righteousness of God's only begotten Son. I would rather be clothed in the righteousness of the Son of God than be clothed like Adam for mine is a perfect divine righteousness.

I say then, more has been gained through Adam the second than was ever lost in Adam the first.

I ask you again—which Adam

are you mostly like?

May God bless you and He now regenerate you by death of the second Adam, Jesus Christ!

## MODERNIST ON PRAYER

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Mr. Jones says that when thoughts come to you at prayer time, "some sex thoughts, instance," he has found a remedy. "I bat my eyes rapidly. That breaks up the thought, the batting of the eyes demands attention from the evil thought and in the midst of it I say, help me."

So much for the liberalist prayer.—The Evangelist

## COUNSEL TO THE AGED

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you as a child into His household and family, and perhaps has made you the instrument of much good to others, not on a large scale, yet in your own family and in the church, which you are a member. If to these blessings He has given you pious children who promise when you are gone, more to supply your place in society, even if they have been preserved from infidelity and disgraceful immoralities, and are disposed to pay serious attention to the preaching of the Gospel, words can express your obligations to give thanks unto the Lord, and continually to praise His name whose mercy endureth forever and ever. "By therefore, let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to his name."—13:15. —Notes and Comments

## DEMON POSSESSION

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will not make people roll in dirt and act like maniacs).  
2. They bring sickness and disease. (Matt. 17:14-19).  
3. They make people mad and devilish in their actions (Cf. the demon possessed of Gadara). Perhaps many have "mad fits" are at least temporarily controlled by a demon.  
4. They are back behind the false doctrine that is taught. Some of it is called "the trines of demons" (I Tim. 4:1). Notice that some of the trines so specified are those of Catholicism. (See I Tim. 4:1-4).

Are Demons Active in the Present Day?

Certainly they are. There is every reason to believe in demon possession today. How can one become liable to demon possession?

1. All unbelievers are particularly susceptible. (Ephes. 2:1-2).  
2. By fooling with spiritism. This is a religion of occults and deal with spiritism, aware of dabbling with spiritism in any way.  
3. By fooling with Holy Trinitarianism. Frankly, we are all of unrestrained holy rollers. Just look at the "goofy" things they get in their eyes. For missionaries in heathen lands, tells of plain cases of present day deliverance from demon possession.

What Shall be the Fate of Demons?

Read Matt. 8:29. All those Christians shall live in that world with the devil and his demons forever. Some company.

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