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Is The Bible A Catholic Book?

By Evangelist John Carrara

The Knights of Columbus have recently published a series of advertisements in many American newspapers. One came under the heading, "THE BIBLE IS A CATHOLIC BOOK." The purpose behind these articles in our press is quite evident. It is part of a nation-wide scheme to deceive Baptists, for they are not for Roman Catholics. It is not so much what is said in them, but what is left unsaid that is so deceiving. In this advertisement four claims are made as follows: (1) that the Bible consists of 73 inspired books, (2) that this list was

given to the world by the Roman Catholic Church nearly 300 years after Christ, (3) that the writers of the New Testament were all members of the Roman Catholic Church, (4) that for more than a thousand years after Christ the Roman Catholic Church did the preserving and circulating of the scriptures.

In this article I want to challenge these claims.

Apocryphal Books Have Never Been Recognized As Inspired

In the first place it is not true that there are 73 inspired books in the Bible. The Roman Catholic Church gets this number by adding the Apocrypha—

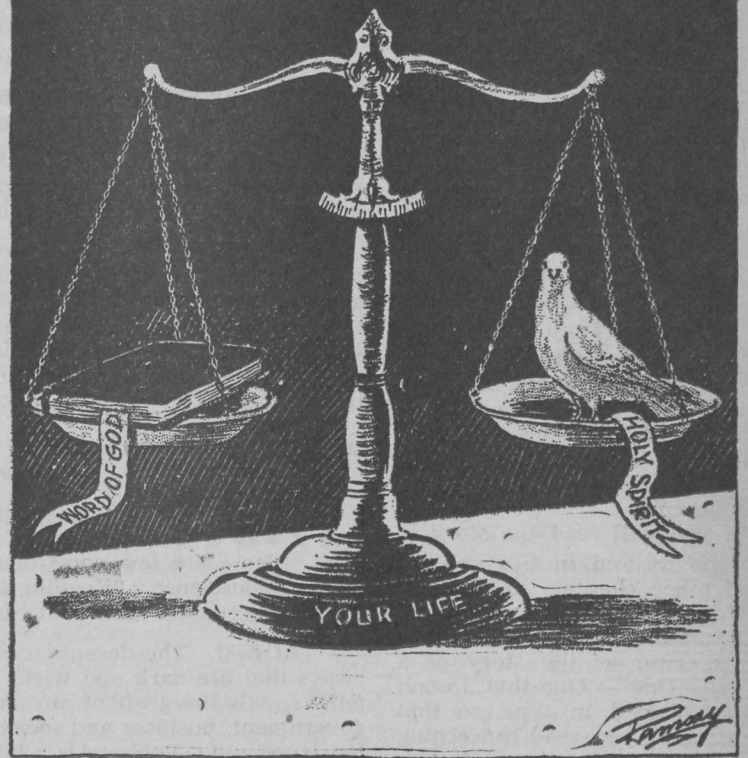
seven additional books to the Old Testament. These books were not considered inspired by either Jesus Christ or the apostles. Jesus spoke of the inspired scriptures under three heads: the law, psalms, and the prophets (Luke 24:44). Jesus did not recognize the Apocrypha, (meaning unknown) as inspired as neither He nor the apostles ever quoted or referred to anything in these books. They were added to the Bible by the Council of Trent in 1546.

Who Wrote The Bible?

The Bible is a "catholic" book, but not a "Roman Catholic" (Continued on page four)

PERFECT BALANCE

Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly...
Be filled with the Spirit. Col. 3:16 Eph. 5:8



"An Israelite Indeed, In Whom Is No Guile"

There is no Jewish Christian I have ever known to whom these words could be more truly applied than Jacob "Jakie" Rosenthal, — my brother, my friend, and a former member of our church.

Bro. Rosenthal was born in 1890 of strict orthodox parents in New York City. He grew up and was educated in all the beliefs and traditions of Judaism (the barren fig tree of Matthew 21:19). He was trained to become a rabbi.

After being married to a girl chosen by his parents, he was installed as rabbi of Pike Street Synagogue in Lower Manhattan. His rabbinical service covered a period of almost 20 years.

He became a new creature in Christ on February 2, 1928. A Christian nurse led him to the Saviour as he lay on a hospital bed. Soon thereafter, he secured a New Testament. His studies included a comparison of certain passages with the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah. He

says: "I was afraid to tell my wife and mother-in-law, who was in the house at the time. But next day, my wife caught me in the act of reading the New Testament. She inquired if I believed what I was reading. I confessed to her that I had

trusted Jesus as the Christ. She immediately left me and never returned."

He left New York, carrying with him the precious Testament, which had become his most cherished possession. After being baptized a short time later in the State of Texas, he was ordained to the Baptist ministry. Knowing that his loved ones back in New York were lost, he returned to preach Christ to them. They promptly had him arrested on the charge of disorderly conduct.

Bro. Rosenthal has had many unpleasant experiences and suffered great hardship for Christ's sake. Some of his trials parallel those endured by the Apostle Paul. He has been left for dead twice—beaten unconscious with a blackjack once, and thrown from a speeding automobile on another occasion.

The latter incident occurred on a highway near Cairo, Illinois when angry Jews to whom he had preached Christ, left him to die in a deep ditch filled with mud. Bones were broken, but he was rescued in the nick of time.

Our friend bears many scars



Jacob Rosenthal

in his body from persecution at the hands of kinsmen. He was cast out by his family, divorced by his wife who mar-

ried another man, has often gone hungry and almost naked, and suffered all kinds of abuse for the cause of Christ.

In the South he nearly died of starvation and exposure, being too proud to beg and unwilling to ask the Jews to take him back. He has a bad case of asthma today as a result of this experience. In Louisiana he was attacked by a Jew with a meat cleaver and still carries scars of this assault. Recently in New York City, after being invited by a previous Jewish convert and gaining the privilege of preaching a sermon at a Jewish wedding, his ribs were broken by Jews who took offense at the message.

Soon after his conversion, a group of Jewish leaders tried to buy him back into Judaism. The experience causes one to think of Christ's temptation in the wilderness, when Satan offered Him the kingdoms of the world. A large sum of money was placed on the table before him. He only needed to recant by saying that Christ was a bastard, in order to claim the entire amount.

Jews have caused him to be

arrested eleven times, but he has won every case. In Lubbock, Texas he was accused of slandering his race, but gained an acquittal. He has been tried for vagrancy, as a public nuisance and on other charges, but never convicted.

Recently in the city of Denver, two prominent Jews, one the head of a Jewish hospital and the other a leader of a Jewish lodge, cursed Bro. Rosenthal. One of them dropped dead soon after, and the other was violently murdered during a noon-day attack on his own store.

He constantly receives threatening telephone calls, and his enemies have tried to intimidate him at all hours of the night. But such experiences confirm his faith in the Scripture, "If we suffer, we shall also reign with him." He is not afraid to preach the Gospel to anyone, "even if I am shot down by a machine gun," to use his own expression.

Bro. Rosenthal engages in no fanfare or theatrics. He makes no exaggerated claims. His reports are plain, matter-of-fact statements, brief and to the point, telling of work done and souls saved. He is an honest man.

Traveling from city to city, (Continued on page four)

The First Baptist Pulpit

"JOSEPH, A TYPE OF CHRIST"

"A shadow of good things to come."—Heb. 10:1.

I imagine that the book of Genesis is fairly well familiar to most of you, and I am sure you will bear me record when I say that there are some exceedingly dark pictures contained therein. First of all, in Genesis 3 there is that dark picture of the entrance of sin into the human family. In Genesis 4 you find Cain killing his own brother—the first case of fratricide ever to be put on record. Then in Genesis 6 you have the

story of the godly line of Seth marrying with the ungodly line of Cain, producing thereby a race of monstrosities which God Himself had to destroy from the face of the earth with a flood. If you will read this whole book of Genesis, you will see sin on top of sin — murder, famine, covetousness, bloodshed — and yet, beloved friends, there are a few bright spots in the book.

I think one reason probably why the bright spots stand out so clearly is because of the dark pictures of sin that surround them. The dark background of

sin causes the bright spots to shine more clearly.

There are at least seven great souls that we read about in this book of Genesis — Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph. I think, beloved, the thing that makes these seven stand out so prominently is because they were surrounded by so much sin on every hand.

The last of these seven, Joseph, was one of Jacob's youngest sons. In Genesis 37 we see Joseph as a lad in his teens, when he was seventeen years

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GAMBLING BRITONS

Eighty per cent of Britain's population are gamblers, the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland was told at Edinburgh. According to Brother J. Pitt Watson, professor of practical theology at Trinity College, University of Glasgow, 500,000,000 pounds was spent on gambling annually before the war. Since then, he added, the sum has almost doubled and is now nearly 1,000,000,000 pounds. "Family gambling has provided a substitute for the family reading of the Bible which was practiced by an earlier generation," Bro. Watson declared.

THE MOVIES

The number of movie theatres in the world increased from 78,974 to 90,097 during the past two years, the Commerce Department states. Of these, Russia had 12,600, and the United States 18,400. The total seating capacity rose from nearly forty-three million to almost forty-nine million. The greatest increase was in India and Pakistan. Time viewed the trend as indicating "plainly, the world was hungering for entertainment." All of this fits in with Paul's prophecy that "in the last days" men would be "lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God."—II Timothy 3:1, 4.

"Joseph"

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of age. His companions were his half-brothers, the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, and in the light of their sinful escapades we would certainly conclude that they were utterly unfit companions for Joseph.

If you will read the story of Joseph as told in this chapter and other chapters of Genesis, I think that it will bring to us not just the story of his life, but it gives to us the story of a greater One — One that Joseph foreshadowed in type, so that everything you read concerning Joseph was actually a picture, a shadow, a type, or a prophecy of our Lord Jesus Christ. My text says, "A shadow of good things to come." What you read of Joseph is but a shadow of what was to come in the greater Joseph — the Lord Jesus Christ. If we had the time I think that I could show you that there are at least 100 points of similarity and analogy between Joseph and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I

JOSEPH WAS A TYPE OF JESUS EVEN IN THE MEANING OF HIS NAME.

"And Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zaph-nath-paaneah." — Gen. 41:45.

Here we find Joseph having his name changed. Even the original name was a type of Jesus and the name that it was changed to was likewise typical of our Lord, for the name Joseph in the Hebrew means "adder." The Lord Jesus Christ perfectly fulfills this, for He and He alone is the one that adds to the number of Heaven's inhabitants.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." — John 12:24.

Our Lord Jesus was that corn of wheat and He was telling us that by His death He would bring forth much fruit.

The name, Zaph-nath-paaneah, to which Joseph's name was changed literally means "a revealer of secrets." This name likewise fits our Lord perfectly, for Jesus Christ is the One who has revealed the heart of God the Father to man. You would never know what God the Father was like if it hadn't been for Jesus Christ. He is surely a revealer of the heart of God unto the hearts of men.

The Word of God tells us how that Jesus was a revealer. Listen:

"And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against; (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also;) that the thoughts of many hearts may be

CHRISTIANITY AND NON-CHRISTIAN RELIGIONS COMPARED

HONESTY

CHRISTIANITY. "Let him that stole steal no more."—Eph. 4:28. "Provide things honest in the sight of all men."—Rom. 12:17. Christianity provides moral power in the Word of God and by the Holy Spirit to overcome every dishonest tendency.

THE STRONGEST ARGUMENT THAT CAN BE OFFERED A SKEPTIC IS A GODLY LIFE

BRAHMANISM. The pride of an Oriental is to conceal his mind and purpose. A Brahman may be a thief or a murderer and yet be received in full fellowship by his caste.

HINDUISM. There is a proverb: "Trade does not go on without falsehood." The Assamese have hardly a word in their language to indicate strict honesty. Untruthfulness, dishonesty and perjury are notoriously common in India. Lying and stealing are all but universal. One man while in the midst of lying about his work, refused to touch an old dry bone as it was contrary to his religion.

WE ARE LESS CONVINCED BY WHAT WE HEAR THAN BY WHAT WE SEE

BUDDHISM. A Chinaman, who broke his promise, replied that it was of no consequence for he could make another just as good. There are few non-Christian Chinese who have a well-developed conscience. "Keeping face" is of first value and as long as a wrong act is not found out there is nothing to worry about.

TAOISM. The deception of the priests have filled China with "ways that are dark and tricks that are vain." The "squeeze system" equals the graft of any land and is universal. It permeates government, business and society. The sin of dishonesty is in being found out. Robbery is a high art. Officials are given little or no salary and are expected to squeeze their living from the people, and something also for officials higher up.

MEN TRUST RATHER TO THEIR EYES THAN TO THEIR EARS

CONFUCIANISM. In popular intercourse and diplomatic negotiations, the unchristianized Chinaman is untruthful. If entrusted with a thing of value, he will guard it zealously, but if not, he will steal it readily. His religion does not restrain him because he can make up for any sin by penance. Business honesty is well authenticated among many.

ZOROASTRIANISM. "Lying is regarded as the most discreditable thing; next to it is the incurring of debt, chiefly because the debtor is often compelled to tell lies." Zoroaster insisted upon honesty and charity as a means of vanquishing evil.

WE REFORM OTHERS UNCONSCIOUSLY WHEN WE WALK UPRIGHTLY

PARSEEISM advocates honesty. The Parsee merchants are considered among the most reliable in India. Their contact with English and Europeans has caused them to adopt much the same general business methods.

SHINTOISM. "If a lie is politic and convenient, not many unsaved Japanese will respect truth for its own sake." "Patriotism and loyalty to public responsibility save them to a notable extent from official dishonesty and corruption." Shinto furnishes no examples of redeemed men picked up from the gutter and made honest and pure.

MOHAMMEDANISM. "Truthfulness is one of the lost arts" in Mohammedanism. "Verily a lie is allowable in three cases: to women, to reconcile friends, and in war." After twelve centuries, the Arabs are a nation of robbers. One Persian said: "Lying is rotting this country."

revealed." Luke 2:34, 35.

Joseph is a type of our Lord Jesus Christ in the very meaning of his name — both his original name of Joseph and his Egyptian name which was given to him by Pharaoh. Both of these names are surely characteristic of our Lord Jesus Christ, for He is one that adds to the number of Heaven's inhabitants and He is the one that reveals the heart of God to the hearts of men.

II

JOSEPH'S COAT OF MANY COLORS IS A TYPE OF JESUS.

The Word of God tells us concerning this coat. Listen:

"Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he made him a coat of many colors."—Gen. 37:3, 3.

That coat of many colors was a sign of nobility and it indicated a royal birth on the part of Joseph. This is true elsewhere in the Word of God, for we read:

"And she had a garment of divers colors upon her: for with such robes were the king's

daughters that were virgins apparelled."—II Sam. 13:18.

This Scripture tells us concerning one of David's daughters. She as the king's daughter was dressed in a similar garment which was given to Joseph by his father, Jacob.

I say to you, that coat of many colors was a sign of nobility and of royal birth. It distinguished Joseph from those half-brothers. Actually, those half-brothers were not half-brothers at all as far as Joseph was concerned, for had it not been that Jacob, his father, was tricked into the marriage with Leah, those half-brothers would never have been born. They were the sons of slave-wives, born under the law of concubinage.

As Joseph was a son of royal birth to Jacob, surely the coat of many colors speaks highly to us of the royal birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Never was there one whose birth was as royal as the birth of the Son of God—born of a virgin with the Holy Spirit as His Father, with a star hung out in the heavens in His honor, with the shepherds, the lowliest of earth's inhabitants,

bowing in humble adoration and worship before Him while the angels of God in Heaven came down and sang His praise, and the wise men of the East, the highest of earth's inhabitants, gathered to offer to Him the gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Surely as you consider all the events surrounding the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, you are brought face to face with this fact, that the birth of Jesus Christ was a royal birth. As Joseph's coat of many colors indicated his royal birth, so, beloved, our Lord Jesus Christ was "high-born" — God Himself, born a man the day that Jesus was born in Bethlehem.

III

JOSEPH WAS A TYPE OF JESUS IN THAT JOSEPH WAS THIRTY YEARS OLD WHEN HE BEGAN HIS WORK.

"And Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt."—Gen. 41:46.

Genesis 37 tells us that Joseph was then seventeen years of age, and the time that elapsed during which Joseph was sold down into Egypt and then cast down into prison and later raised up to be the leading man of Pharaoh's household — the time that elapsed was apparently some thirteen years. Now when Joseph came to his place as the prime minister of the land of Egypt and his work actually began — for all his work heretofore had been but preparatory to his getting ready for his greater work as a saviour, humanly speaking, for all people of that day — he was thirty years of age. The same was literally true of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we are told that the Lord Jesus was thirty years of age when He began His life's ministry.

"And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, which was the son of Heli."—Luke 3:23.

Notice, beloved, that Joseph was thirty years of age when he began his life's work and the Lord Jesus Christ was likewise thirty years of age when He began His ministry.

IV

JOSEPH WAS A TYPE OF JESUS IN THAT JOSEPH WAS OPPOSED TO EVIL OF ALL KINDS.

"These are the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and the lad was with the sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought unto his father their evil report."—Gen. 37:2.

Joseph brought a report of the evils of his half-brothers unto his father. In the light of this, I would say that Joseph was definitely, from the time he was seventeen years of age, opposed to evil.

How true that is of Christ! Jesus said:

"The world cannot hate you; but me it hateth, because I testify of it, that the works thereof are evil."—John 7:7.

As Joseph hated and opposed evil, so he stands as a clear type and a wonderful analogy of our Lord Jesus Christ, because the Son of God hated all wrong and was opposed to evil.

V

JOSEPH WAS A TYPE OF JESUS IN THAT HE WAS THE OBJECT OF HIS FATHER'S LOVE.

The Word of God tells us this to be true. Listen:

"Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age."—Gen. 37:3.

Surely he loved him not only because he was the youngest son that he had, but he likewise loved him because he was the only son that he had that was born of his beloved Rachel. Surely Joseph was the object of his father's love.

My brother, no man can come to the New Testament with an unbiased and unprejudiced mind without the realization that the Lord Jesus Christ was likewise the object of His Father's love. At the baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ, God the Father spoke from Heaven and said, "This is my beloved Son, whom I am well pleased."

On that day at the mount of transfiguration when the Lord Jesus Christ's face was transfigured with Heaven's glory, the Father spoke again to say, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him."

We have another indication of the Father's love for Jesus when Jesus said:

"Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again."—John 10:17.

As Joseph was designedly and especially the object of his father Jacob's love, so Jesus Christ was likewise the object of the love of God the Father.

VI

JOSEPH WAS A TYPE OF JESUS IN THAT HE WAS SORELY TEMPTED, YET HE SINNED NOT.

"And it came to pass after these things, that his master wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me. But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, I am a Hebrew; and I am sold into Egypt; and my master wotteth not what is with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath in my hand; There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God? And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, to be with her. And it came to pass about this time, that Joseph went into the house to do his business; and there none of the men of the house were within. And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out."—Gen. 39:7-12.

No individual can read these verses intelligently without understanding the sore temptation that Joseph underwent. It was not a temptation of a momentary time, but it was a temptation that continued day by day until he fled from her house. Surely Joseph was tempted, but he sinned not.

How marvelously that illustrates the character of our ever-adorable Lord. He was tempted yet He sinned not.

Matthew 4 tell us of these three outstanding temptations that the Devil brought unto Jesus. See Him when He was hungry and the Devil said to Him, "If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread." See Him again when the Devil took Him up to a high mountain and pointed out all the kingdoms of the world, England, France, Germany, Russia, United States—and the glory of them, and said, "All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me." Hear Jesus as He said, "Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve."

See Him again when the Devil puts him on a pinnacle of the temple and says to Him, "If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge over thee." (Continued on page three)

"Joseph"

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concerning thee; and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone." I think it was Shakespeare who said that the Devil can cite Scripture for his purpose, and he can. Jesus had quoted Scripture in opposing him, and now the Devil gives Jesus a Scripture in enticing Him. Now Jesus says to him, "Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God."

Jesus was sorely tempted, yet He sinned not.

The Word of God tells us that He was sinless. Listen:

"For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." —II Cor. 5:21.

"For as much 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 of a lamb without blemish and without spot." —I Pet. 1:18, 19.

I tell you this morning, as Joseph was sinless, so Jesus, though sorely tempted, was likewise sinless.

Whenever I think of this, I go back in the days gone by to an experience years ago as a doctor when a doctor said he thought that I had something wrong with my gall. I've had several people to tell me that I had too much gall and I thought probably he might be right. After giving me some capsules and putting me on a diet for a day or two, he had me to come back for an examination. He put me up in front of a fluoroscope and gave me a mirror and I was able to see the organs of my body in operation. After he had thumped around on me for some period of time, he said that there was not a single dark spot upon my gall.

Beloved, you can subject the Lord Jesus Christ to the most minutizing analysis you wish, and you will never find a dark spot upon the character of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Son of God was sinless. As Joseph was sorely tempted, so Jesus likewise was sorely tempted by the Devil and was proven to be the sinless, perfect Son of God.

VII

JOSEPH WAS A TYPE OF

THE THINGS THAT COUNT

Not what we have, but what we use,
Not what we see, but what we choose—
These are the things that man or bless
The sum of human happiness.

The things near by, not things afar,
Not what we seem, but what we are—
These are the things that make or break,
That give the heart its joy or ache.

Not what seems fair, but what is true,
Not what we dream, but what we do—
These are the things that shine like gems,
Like stars in fortune's diadems.

Not as we take, but as we give,
Not as we pray, but as we live,
These are the things that make for peace,
Both now and after time shall cease.

—The Outlook

JESUS IN THAT HE WAS HATED FOR HIS WORDS.

"And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him. And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told it his brethren: and they hated him yet the more." —Gen. 37:4, 5.

They hated him, first of all, because they saw how their Father loved him. They hated him more and more when Joseph told his dreams unto them. Notice, they hated him because of his words.

I ask you this morning, why was it that the Son of God was hated so sorely when he was here in the days of his flesh? The Word of God tells us that they hated Him because of the words that He spoke. Listen:

"Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only had broken the sabbath, but said also that God was his Father, making himself equal with God." —John 5:18.

"The Jews murmured at him, because he said, I am the bread which came down from heaven." —John 6:41.

"But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham." —John 8:40.

"I and my Father are one. Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him." —John 10:30, 31.

Why did they hate Joseph? Primarily because Jacob loved him and because that hatred was augmented and intensified by the words that Joseph spoke.

Why was it that they hated Jesus? Because of His words.

Christian friend, the world hates you this morning because of your life and your testimony and your conversation which is a rebuke to the world day by day. The world will hate you for that testimony that you give.

VIII

JOSEPH IS A TYPE OF JESUS IN THAT HE FORETOLD HIS FUTURE SOVEREIGNTY.

Genesis 37 tells us that Joseph dreamed a dream and in that dream he and his brothers were in the field binding sheaves, and his sheaf arose, but the sheaves of his brothers bowed their heads. Then he told them of another dream in which the sun and the moon and all the other stars did obedience unto him. His brothers interpreted the

dreams as if to say that if their sheaves bowed to his, they would have to bow to Joseph, and if the sun and the moon and the stars bowed to that one star representing Joseph, that would indicate that Joseph's mother and father and all of his brothers were going to bow down to him.

Beloved, that authority that Joseph foretold by way of a dream as to his future sovereignty, was later publicly owned, for we read of those sons of Jacob's bowing down to Joseph when they went to buy grain in the land of Egypt.

"And Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in vesture of fine linen, and put a gold chain about his neck; And he made him to ride in the second chariot which he had; and they cried before him, Bow the knee: and he made him ruler over all the land of Egypt." —Gen. 41:42, 43.

Joseph foretold his future sovereignty and what he foretold came to pass.

Our Lord Jesus Christ foretold his future sovereignty, for we read:

"Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven." —Mt. 26:64.

Jesus Christ, just like Joseph, foretold His future sovereignty and some day it is going to come to pass. The world will then recognize Jesus as the sovereign God.

IX

JOSEPH WAS A TYPE OF JESUS IN THAT HE WAS SOLD.

"Then there passed by Midianites merchantmen; and they

CELESTIAL CROWNS

Walter V. Conklin

Behold, I am quickly coming, with rewards for every man,
To give to every faithful one
According to the work he's done
And the threads that he has woven in My Father's mighty plan.

For those who have for My name's sake endured death's cruel sting
I have a shining martyr's crown,
And for their dress a spotless gown,
And everlasting glory in the presence of their King.

And for the faithful shepherd who disdains the lure of gold,
Who will tell the blessed story,
There awaits a crown of glory,
And a shelter with the Saviour in the everlasting fold.

There's a crown of great rejoicing for the workers who have won
From the ranks of sin and sorrow
Precious souls for God's tomorrow;
These shall shine as stars for ever when their work on earth is done.

And for those whose eyes are lifted with a look of expectation,
Whose hearts are in them burning
For their Saviour's glad returning,
There awaits a crown of splendor and a joy without cessation.

For the victor in the battle and the winner in the race,
Incorruptible and glorious,
For the one who is victorious,
Waits a crown of fadeless beauty and a Father's fond embrace.

Do you seek a crown, dear worker, to lay at those pierced feet?
Cease not thine upward climbing,
Time's bells are solemn chiming,
Time's last hour is drawing nearer, and the days are passing fleet.

dreams as if to say that if their sheaves bowed to his, they would have to bow to Joseph, and if the sun and the moon and the stars bowed to that one star representing Joseph, that would indicate that Joseph's mother and father and all of his brothers were going to bow down to him.

Joseph was just seventeen years of age at this time and not yet in the prime of life. He was hardly worth the price of a full grown male slave. Instead of getting the customary \$15.00 for a male slave — nearly thirty pieces of silver—he was sold for twenty pieces, a little better than \$10.00.

Can you imagine, beloved, the man that one day is going to rule all Egypt, the man who is going to control the wheat and the grain and the food to keep the people from starving, the man who is big enough, under God, that God can use him, — can you imagine such a man being sold for a little more than ten dollars? Yet Joseph was sold.

Come down to the days of our Lord Jesus Christ. He is now in the prime of life and is sold at the full price of a male slave. He is sold for thirty pieces of silver — \$15.95. Beloved, they sold the saviour of Egypt for a little more than \$10.00 and they sold the Saviour of the world for \$15.95. It was Judah who proposed the sale of Joseph and it was Judas that proposed the sale of the Lord Jesus Christ. I tell you, beloved, when you look at these points of similarity in typography, you can see that Joseph is a type of the Lord Jesus Christ.

This man who was sold for twenty pieces of silver became the saviour of the people of the land of Egypt. The Word of God tells us of the multitude that came before him.

"And the seven years of

dearth began to come, according as Joseph had said: and the dearth was in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt there was bread. And when all the land of Egypt was famished, and the people cried to Pharaoh for bread: and Pharaoh said unto all the Egyptians, Go unto Joseph; what he saith to you, do. And the famine was over all the face of the earth: and Joseph opened all the storehouses, and sold unto the Egyptians; and the famine waxed sore in the land of Egypt. And all countries came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy corn; because that the famine was so sore in all lands." —Gen. 41:54-57.

Beloved, the Lord Jesus Christ was sold for thirty pieces of silver and He became the Saviour of the people of all nations.

"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.

When Joseph had been sold to the Ishmaelites, those boys of Jacob's were in quite a predicament. The most plausible excuse that they could give for the disappearance of their brother was that "an evil beast hath devoured him."

Beloved, as Joseph's blood-stained coat was presented to his father that day, the Lord Jesus Christ came to the Cross and there presented his blood to His Father.

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Ideas For The Hell Box

The Hell Box is where all discarded metal—printer's mistakes and errors—is thrown, to be melted and remolded.



Popular misconceptions of religion that are deadlier than yesterday's type.

GOD'S FOREKNOWLEDGE MEANS THAT HE KNEW WHO WOULD BELIEVE

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Those who say this do not have the faintest idea what the "foreknowledge of God" is. They do not know the difference in a "divine attribute" and a "divine act" of God. Foreknowledge as an attribute refers to God's knowledge of events before they happen, or to His omniscience, His all-wisdom. He knows everything because He is God.

But the "foreknowledge" of God in Romans 8:29 is a "divine act" of God. This "foreknowledge" took place in eternity, before time. It is what God "does," not what He "is." He did "foreknow" in eternity (past), therefore it is an "act" of God. The persons that God "foreknew" (in eternity past), He "predestinated" (in eternity past), He "called" (in time), He "justified" (in time), and He "glorified" (in eternity future), Romans 8:29-30. Did God "justify" the person in hell? Did

He "glorify" the person in hell? All will say no. Then He did not "foreknow" the ones in hell because the ones He "foreknew" He both "justified" and "glorified." Therefore He only "foreknew" His elect ones, because the "elect" ones are, "according to the foreknowledge of God the Father," I Peter 1:2.

The Greek word "proginosko" (a verb) is the word translated "foreknowledge" and is used only five times in the New Testament: Rom. 8:29, 11:2, II Peter 3:17, Acts 26:5, and I Peter 1:20. The Greek word "prognosis" (a noun) is used twice in the New Testament and is translated "foreknowledge": Acts 2:23 and I Peter 1:2. The Greek word "pro" means "in front of, prior." The Greek word "ginosko" is the word translated "knew" in Matt. 1:25, "And knew her not till she brought forth her firstborn son."

This refers to an "act" between Joseph and his wife Mary. We have the same in

Gen. 4:1, "Adam knew Eve his wife," and in Gen. 4:17, "Cain knew his wife," and in Gen. 4:25, "Adam knew Eve his wife again." Now these two Greek words "pro" and "ginosko" put together make the word "proginosko" for "foreknowledge," which is an act of God in eternity of persons He regarded with favor, or looked upon with gracious favor. An act in the mind of God to beget.

Jesus said in John 10:14, "I am the good shepherd and know (ginosko) my sheep." II Tim. 2:19 says, "The Lord knoweth them that are His." In Matt. 7:23 the Lord said to the lost preachers, "I never knew you." If He never knew them, then He did not foreknow them. He knew His sheep and the others He did not know. Some say I do not believe it. But God will not change His Word because some do not believe it. Therefore we will have to relegate this popular conception to the "hell box."

will have to accept salvation on the same basis that Joseph's brothers got their grain—you will have to accept it as a free gift.

May God help you this morning, sinner friend, to see the truth that Jesus Christ died for your sins, and that the only hope that you can ever have is to receive the Son of God as a free gift.

As the song says:

"In my hand no price I bring,
Simply to Thy cross I cling."

The Bible

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Book." The actual claim in this article is that the Bible is a Roman Catholic Book. The word catholic means "universal" or "general." God gave the Holy Bible to mankind for all. No religious group whether Roman Catholic or Protestant can lay claim on it as their private possession. The Bible did not originate with the Roman Catholic Church. They had absolutely no part in giving it to the world. It is not in any sense a Roman Catholic Book any more than it is a Protestant Book. It is a God given Book through God appointed and inspired agents. Not one of these agents were Roman Catholics as these articles claim; nor were they Protestants. The Holy Bible is divided into two parts: The Old Testament and the New Testament. All versions and translations prove this. The Old Testament was completed about 400 B. C. In entirety it was given by God to the Jewish people and it was written by Jewish prophets and priests. In what sense the modern Roman Catholic Church can appropriate as peculiarly its own, the Old Testament as well as the New Testament, is a strange mystery. There was not one Roman Catholic among the writers of the

New Testament, for the words "Roman Catholic" were not known until the beginning of the 4th century when the Roman Catholic state church was in the process of organization. All the writers of the New Testament, with the exception of one or two, were Jewish Christians. St. Peter was a Jew as well as St. Matthew, St. John and St. Paul.

The Letters written by the apostles were read among the Christian churches. They were loved by the Christians (those who turned from idols to the true and living God, who had received Christ as their personal Saviour from sin), and carefully preserved by the Christian churches through the years. The Christians soon discovered these letters were divinely inspired and God breathed. The early council of Christians (not Roman Catholic) merely approved the writings that were already accepted and sealed by God among the people. No council of Christians could include a book that was not accepted or sealed by God among the early churches and Christians. The fact that the Roman Catholic Church published one of the first versions of the Bible does not make it any more a Roman Catholic Book than a Chinese version of Shakespeare makes that writing a Chinese book. Roman Catholic laymen are taught to regard the "Protestant Bible" as satanic. They are afraid to touch it. This is the result of prejudice drilled into them from childhood, for they know little about their own version, and are in complete ignorance of the Protestant version. There is only one Bible, "God's Holy Word," but there are different versions.

History Disproves The Roman Catholic Church's Claims

What does the record reveal concerning the attitude of the Roman Catholic Church towards the Bible?

1. The Roman Catholic Church denies the ability of the common man to read and properly understand the Bible. They are opposed to "private interpretation of the scriptures," the "church" must tell men what it says and what it means. If a Roman Catholic insists on reading the Bible as some few do—they insist that he confine his reading to the Douay Version and its revisions, with its interpretative notes appended by the Roman Catholic Church.

2. England was a Roman Catholic country in the days of John Wycliffe, and the clergy fought Wycliffe's effort to give the Bible to the common people. The first translation of the Bible in English was done by Wycliffe in 1383, long before the Protestant reformation or the invention of printing. He was tried for this "sin" and excommunicated in May, 1378. Later, following his death, the council of Constance issued a decree that resulted in his grave being opened. His bones were brought out in wicked desecration and burned. What had that saintly man done? He merely sought to give the Bible to the common people of England. This is history, facts cannot be changed. Later on William Tyndale was betrayed through the scheming of a Roman Catholic spy, Henry Phillips, and was imprisoned and later strangled and burned at the stake. For what? For circulating the scriptures.

The first printed New Testament in English was a translation by Tyndale in 1525, and the first complete Bible printed in English was Tyndale's work completed by Coverdale in 1535. These translations preceded the first Roman Catholic translation into English known today as the Rheims Douay version. Now the Roman Catholic Church seeks to pose before the modern world as the agency that has circulated the scriptures throughout the centuries.

Baptist And Not Roman Catholic Church Spread The Scripture

What organizations have translated the Bible into more than eleven hundred languages but the non-Catholic Bible societies of England and America? What missionaries, that go into the far corners of the globe, take the Bible, as well as thousands of printed copies, in the native tongue, but the non-Catholic missionaries? Who have put the Bible in the class rooms of both public and parochial schools in fifteen states, but the non-Catholics? Find out what religious group would like to remove these Bibles from the public schools.

What religious group has put Bibles in almost every hotel and tourist room in America, but the Gideons, a Protestant organization composed of Christians from many Protestant churches? The above should impress the reader with the facts of history as to who wrote the Bible, who circulated and still is circulating the scriptures, and what group of people is the greatest defender of the Holy Word of God.

Read it, dear friend and it will make you wise unto salvation. The Bible says of itself, "These are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing ye might have life through his name" (John 20:31).

There are plenty of filling stations along the road to Hell.

The "red hot mamas" they sing about, didn't get that way leaning over a cook stove.

An Israelite

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Bro. Rosenthal talks directly to Jews regarding Christ, instead of talking about Jews before church audiences. He says: "I speak to them in their own language, which they appreciate."

Gentile Christians who try to do this kind of missionary work are handicapped at best. Jews generally shy from them through suspicion and think they are simply doing something to make a living.

"The vail upon their heart," which Paul describes in II Corinthians 3:15, still exists. This clouds their understanding and causes them to do many dangerous and foolish things.

Bro. Rosenthal does not consider a Jew genuinely converted until his mind is enlightened, as to the true nature of Christ's person . . . and until his will becomes operative to the point of whole-hearted and unreserved acceptance. The seeker is also made to understand that the decision will mean hardship and persecution from his own people. Then the faithful missionary tries to keep in touch with each convert, if not through personal contact, by correspondence.

He has kept an exact count of every convert made in 21 years of constant, consistent witnessing, and the number is well over 500—perhaps the highest average of any missionary to the Jews in the United States.

Converted Jews who travel, holding meetings with church congregations, actually win very few souls to Christ. Their ministries are primarily to Christians.

Bro. Rosenthal's conversions are always in the nature of "hand picked fruit." This is the only way to really evangelize the Jews. There is no "guile" about him or the methods he employs in the service of the Christ.

He believes that a Jew must accept Christ the same way as any other nationality. "Jesus Christ of Nazareth . . . there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:10, 12.

None of his trying experiences have made him bitter. He is a sweet-spirited, gracious Christian brother, engaged in a highly important ministry for the salvation of lost and perishing souls. The prayers of our readers everywhere are solicited in his behalf.

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