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Why Folk Should Be Re-Baptized?

By ROY MASON
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saying that she had previously been an unsaved church member, and had just trusted Christ. She was received just as were the people mentioned above. A Baptist preacher who was present, criticized the procedure, and a member of long standing took me to task for baptizing over again a person who had already been immersed. In reply to his question, "Why should such a person be re-baptized?", I answered somewhat as follows:

We have scripture authority and example for baptizing over

again those who were unsaved at the time they were previously baptized. (See Acts 19:1-5) Note in this Scripture that the thing wrong was not "John's baptism." John's baptism was all right, for it was all that Jesus and the apostles had. Evidently it was not John himself who baptized those people—but some disciple of John who had a garbled conception concerning what it was all about. (My guess is that it was Apollos who did the baptizing—and Acquilla and Priscilla had to take him aside and straighten him out. See Acts 18:24-26).

Evidently those people had not truly believed on Jesus, and
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Christmas

It is now again what the world in its mad revelry calls Christmas. We get a bit tired and heartsick to keep repeating in these columns that which our readers by this time do know, or should know, that our Lord was never born on the 25th day of December. That is the cold and heavy rainy season in Palestine and no shepherds would be out in the fields feeding their flocks with the rain pouring down on their heads. Nor would the sheep themselves be out grazing in the rain; they would be looking for shelter somewhere. The truth is that the so-called Christ-Mass was an invention of the Romish hierarchy and was made as a concession to certain heathen who were celebrating that day for one of the idols of their own obscene worship. But we have gotten tired of reminding some of our people of these facts and we think that perhaps we should rather be thankful that at least for a brief moment the world's attention is called to the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ. It is interesting to add another further piece of information that may throw light on this idolatrous Christmas business: Nowhere in the Word

of God will you find that any person's birth-date is given or celebrated. The only statistical information ever given about notable characters in the Bible is the dates of their death, and not of their birth. And so it is that our Lord's death is distinctly dated in the Book, but not a whisper about the date of His birth. There may be some purpose in this, but what that purpose is, we do not know. We only accept God's will as it is.

Who Gets The Presents?

However, assuming for a moment that the Christmas idea has even the slightest reason for existing, here is a rather arresting question: If you were giving a birthday party at your house, to celebrate your own birthday, or if you were giving a birthday for your child who may have reached the age of eight or ten; you would invite all your friends to the party, or you would invite the friends of your child to the party, and those who would come would bring presents to give you or to the little one whose birthday is being celebrated. But what
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THE NEW UNHOLY PERVERSION OF THE HOLY BIBLE

It doesn't take more than the common sense of a ten-year-old child to understand that the word "prevent" was simply old Anglo-Saxon, of Latin origin, for "go before." The current issue of Webster's International Dictionary even now contains the word "prevent," and gives to it as the primary meaning, "to come or to go before; to precede." So you see it was of little profit to comb over the Bible to find this trivial piece of quibble and make it read, "shall not precede," instead of "shall not prevent." These "mistakes" of the King James Version are as grasshoppers compared to the elephantine stupidities of the scholars of this new day!

THE WORD INERRANT

The Word of God as given to the human race originally was perfect and without a single flaw. This is what we call the inerrant inspiration of the Book. The original revelations as given by God have been passed on to the human race by means of human minds and human

hands; therefore, it is natural to expect that the human hands and human minds had their shortcomings and their failures, so that the translations we now have, can from time to time be improved upon, as we have access to more recently discovered manuscripts.

WHO ARE THE TRANSLATORS

One becomes intrigued in looking over the names of the gentlemen who have been "authorized" to revise the American Standard Version of 1901 and the King James Version of 1611. Not one of these scholars—and we wish to give to them every token of respect—would classify today as a devout, orthodox believer on the Lord Jesus Christ, or a personally avowed follower of the Lord Jesus Christ as the only begotten Son of God, who was Himself God made manifest in the flesh. What right then have such men to translate the Book to us? What fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? How can a man be allowed to inter-

pret the Word who himself is at heart an unbeliever?

One of these translators is a noted Jewish scholar, who, by very tradition, is bitterly opposed to the Christ as having been sent of God to bring to the world redemption through the sacrifice of His own body and blood. Was there assigned to this particular Jewish scholar the dominant control over how the principal Jewish passages that deal with the Lord Jesus Christ, His Sovereignty, His Deity and His Supreme Lordship, should be interpreted? It is difficult to explain otherwise to our own satisfaction how there could have come about this strange perversion of divine truth.

THE SCRIBE MUST BE CLEAN

In the hoary tradition of Jewish ritual, certain rigid and sacred routines were established that were to govern any scribe who would undertake the writing on parchment of the Holy Scriptures. There were hundreds of special laws directing

them how to write the Hebrew scrolls. It was required rigidly that the scribe had to be a very pious man. Every time he would begin to work on the scroll, he had to be immersed. The extremely holy scribes used to immerse themselves each time they came to the sacred Name of Jehovah, so that they should be perfectly pure before writing the name. This is only a little hint of the sacredness with which was surrounded the task of the scribe.

We could not help wondering just how this noted board of translators described as "thirty-two of the foremost biblical scholars and teachers," prepared themselves, or sanctified themselves, to do this holy work of translating the precious Word of God. We wonder how many times they immersed themselves and how many times they actually prayed to God for guidance as they sought the true meaning of the Holy Word.

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CHRISTIAN ADORNING

"Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning . . . but let it be the hidden man of the heart" (1 Peter 3:3, 4).

Ever since the fall of Adam there is a powerful instinct in man to adorn himself. Love of self and personal adoration has taken the place of love to and admiration of God. The savage hopes to be admired because of his tattooing and the fashionable lady because of her latest finery. Adam and Eve may have admired the fig leaves, but they were not clothed till God covered them with skins. We may be priding ourselves on our beauty and accomplishments while God sees only your nakedness. The righteousness of God alone can cover the shameful nakedness of man as a sinner. It is "unto all and upon all them that believe."

ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN

It is hard to say who was the happier over the announcement of the purchase of our new press—your editor in making the announcement, or many of our readers who have written to their joy.

This had been our dream for a long time, and it seems amazing that God has allowed us to have this press so cheaply. We have been daily praising Him for it, though it is not yet installed. It is a real job to prepare the specially constructed foundation on which to erect it, and an even bigger job to move and erect it. However, it won't be too long until we have it in operation (D. V.).

Right now we need your prayers and financial assistance more than ever. As stated in the
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The First Baptist Pulpit

"BIBLE WELLS"

"Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation."—Isa. 12:3.

For my Scripture reading this morning, I read to you from the fourth chapter of the Gospel of John, which is a very, very familiar portion of God's Word. Many times in the past I have given an exposition of this chapter, and have found it to always be most profitable. This morning I want us to study it, not from an expository point of view, but I want us to think of the well—the well from whence

the water came—as being illustrative of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

If you will notice through the Word of God, you will find that the character of the place frequently supplies the key to the meaning of the Scripture. For example, we read that John the Baptist was preaching in the wilderness. The wilderness is a barren, solitary, desert place, and that in itself was an indication of the spiritual condition of the Israelites. When John the Baptist was preaching, the place where he was, was a wilderness,

and they themselves were in a barren, spiritual state.

Or, for example, in the story of the good Samaritan we read about the poor, unfortunate man who went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and who fell into the hands of thieves, who stripped him of his raiment and robbed him and left him half dead. That poor, unfortunate man is a good illustration of every sinner's spiritual condition. When it says that this man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, this is a description of
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the book of II Sameul we find another well that is very interesting. Listen: Now Jonathan and Ahimaaz were hid by Enrogel; for they were not to be seen to come into the city; and a wench went and told them; and they went and told David. Nevertheless, as he saw them, and told Absalom: it was to his hurt that they went both of them quickly, and came to a well in his court; whither he went down. And the woman took and spread a covering over the well's mouth, and hid ground corn thereon; and nothing was not known."—II Sameul 17:17-19.

Two men were seeking to escape but so-and-so told so-and-so and so-and-so told so-and-so where they were to be found. The only place that they could find any safety was to get down into a well, and a woman put a covering over the well and spread out to dry over the top of the well. When the pursuers came into that court looking for these two men, of course nobody had any information as to their whereabouts, and the pursuers went on their way and left these two men in security hidden within that well.

Let me tell you the meaning of this from a spiritual standpoint. Those men found perfect security within that well, and that man who has trusted in Jesus Christ as a Saviour, who has been saved from past, present, and future sins—that individual who has thus been saved is perfectly secure in the arms of Jesus Christ. The pursuers couldn't find those two men, they were covered up, hidden within that well. Listen to what God says: For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God."—Col. 3:3.

As those men were hidden within that well in a place of complete security, so if you are hidden this morning, you are hidden today with Christ in God. Did you notice that last phrase and the thing was not known? How expressive this is! Listen, beloved, the world is in ignorance as to the believer's place and position in Jesus Christ. A man of the world may know that you have made a profession, but he is in absolute ignorance as to your place and position in the Lord Jesus Christ. The world just can't understand it. Just like those men who were pursuing were hidden within the well, so beloved, the world is absolutely in ignorance as to your position and place in Jesus Christ.

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The word of God tells us concerning another well. Listen: Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian; and he sat down by a well. Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters: and they came and drew water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock. And the shepherds came and drew them away: but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock."—Ex. 2:15-17.

Moses had announced himself as being God's man. For many years the children of Israel had been living in the land of Egypt and they had been slaves to the Egyptians. One day Moses saw an Egyptian smite an Israelite.

Though Moses had been brought up in the court of Pharaoh, he also had had his mother as a private tutor and that mother had told him of the God of the Jews, and that he himself was a Jew. When he saw the Egyptian smite the Israelite, Moses immediately rose up in behalf of his own nation and with a quick blow, killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. But you know, beloved, things have a way of getting out. Soon it became known that Moses, crown prince of the land of Egypt,—Moses, who was the adopted son of Pharaoh's daughter,—had taken sides against the throne and had taken sides with these Jews that the Egyptians had been trying to suppress. The Word of God tells us that as soon as Pharaoh heard it he sought to slay Moses.

Listen, beloved, Pharaoh is a good type of the Devil himself. Just like Pharaoh sought to slay Moses, so the Devil seeks to do harm to each believer in Jesus Christ every day. Moses fled out into the wilderness and sat down beside a well to rest. Beloved, I thank God this morning that when the Devil would seek to do you harm, like Pharaoh sought to do harm to Moses, you can flee to that well which is Jesus, and you can find refuge and rest in the Lord Jesus Christ. It ought to thrill your soul this morning just to know that as Moses fled and sat down in the wilderness by that well to rest, perfectly reposed, he completely illustrates you as a child of God. When the Devil would do you harm you can find refuge and rest in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Scriptures go further and tell us that as he sat there and rested by the well that the priest of Midian, who had seven daughters, sent those daughters to water his flock. They came and drew water for their flock, but the shepherds round about drove them away. Moses rose up in behalf of those seven daughters and drove the other shepherds away and watered their flocks.

Listen carefully, in this day in which you and I live, there are many false under-shepherds of the Lord Jesus. Many who claim to be shepherds are not shepherds. Many who claim to love the Lord Jesus Christ and preach His Word are not true preachers of the Word. Not every man who signs his name as a preacher is a God-called preacher. Many a supposed under-shepherd of our Lord, by his infidel and athiestic teachings, drive the people away, just as these other shepherds drove the flocks of the priest of Midian away from the well. But God raised up a Moses. That Moses stood up in behalf of, and to defend those girls, and he helped them to water their flock.

Thank God, here and there, God raises up a true shepherd to give to His people, to His own, to His elect, the water of life and the bread of life!

CONCLUSION

Each of these wells I have read to you illustrate the Lord Jesus. The first of them would picture the sinner destitute in the wilderness, where he had to be found by the Lord. The second one would picture the sinner so blind that he can't see until the Lord opens his eyes. The third would picture our Lord Jesus making a covenant whereby your salvation is guaranteed to the end. The fourth would picture your security and your safety in the Lord Jesus Christ. The fifth tells us as believers, that we can flee from our troubles to Jesus and find a refuge from our difficulties

GIVING AND TAKING LIFE



HOW MANY GIVE THEIR LIVES?

"WHOSOEVER WILL SAVE HIS LIFE SHALL LOSE IT; BUT WHOSOEVER WILL LOSE HIS LIFE FOR MY SAKE, THE SAME SHALL SAVE IT."—LUKE 9:24

Who Is Jesus Of Nazareth, And What Is He To You Today?

"Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God."—I John 5:1.

Many people have been misled into thinking of the matter of being saved as something mystical, indefinite and unknowable, something through which one must "pull", or "be pulled", or something in which he must "do" or "give" something in order to be saved.

We declare with all the emphasis possible that this business of being saved, or being born of God, is a matter, so far as the human element is concerned, of hearing and learning from God's Word Who Jesus of Nazareth is, and What He has done to save us from our sins.

The Holy Spirit plainly declares through the apostle Paul, "Ye are all the children of God

by faith in Christ Jesus" (Gal. 3:26). He also says, "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God" (Rom. 10:17). Jesus Himself, said, "It is written in the prophets, And they shall all be taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me" (John 6:45).

The purpose of the Book of John, the one book of the Bible given to show lost men all they need to know to have everlasting life, is given in John 20:30, 31. "And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His disciples which are not written in this book; But 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." Through this same John the Holy Spirit further says, "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God." (I John 5:1).

Therefore, the BIG question is, Who is Jesus? Who is He to you?

Jehovah spoke of Him as the "Seed of woman." Jesus was so born. See Matt. 1:18-25.

Isaiah said, "Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel" (Isa. 7:14). Jesus was born of a virgin, and so named. Read again Matt. 1:18-25.

Micah said that the Ruler of Israel, the Messiah, the Christ, would be born in Bethlehem. Jesus was born of the virgin Mary in Bethlehem of Judea (Luke 2:1-7).

The angel of God told Joseph, "Thou shalt call His name JESUS; for He shall save his people from their sins" (Matt. 1:21).

The Voice from heaven (God the Father, said, "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased" (Matt. 3:17).

John the Baptist said of Him, "I saw and bare record that this is the Son of God" (John 1:24).

A demon from hell said, "I know thee who thou art; the Holy One of God" (Luke 4:34).

The woman at the well said, "I know that Messiah cometh, which is called Christ: When He is come, He will tell us all things. Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am He" (John 4:25, 26).

Peter said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matt. 16:16).

Pilate, after a thorough examination as governor of Judea, said, "I find no fault in this man" (Luke 23:4, 14).

The Roman officer who had charge of the crucifixion, upon seeing what took place when Jesus died, said "Truly this was the Son of God" (Mark 15:19).

Even Judas, who betrayed Him, said, "I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood" (Matt. 27:4).

Thomas said, upon seeing Jesus after He arose from the dead, "My Lord and my God" (John 20:28).

Christmas

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would you think if these "friends" came in and began giving presents to each other, and ignored you entirely, or ignored your little one entirely? Would you not be scandalized? Would you not be insulted? And yet this is the thing that the world is doing year after year! They celebrate that which they say is the birthday of our Lord Jesus Christ; but, lo and behold, they give presents to each other, and not to the Christ, Whose birthday they profess to celebrate; Not only that, but they hold Christmas parties where liquor is consumed by the gallon, where one hears language and blasphemy that would almost shame the devil himself, and where the boisterous behavior is such as would normally require the calling of the police. All this goes on as a "Christian" celebration.

—The Chosen People

Re-Baptizing

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thus they were not really and truly saved. They did so evidently when told about Him and subsequently were baptized.

Baptism does not mean anything—and in fact it tells a lie, when a person has not been truly born again. Baptism signifies that one has been raised to "walk with Christ in newness of life." (Rom. 6:4) This is not and cannot be true, unless one has actually become a believer.

One of the cardinal doctrines of Baptists—and of the New Testament, is the doctrine of "BELIEVER'S BAPTISM." The Scriptures nowhere teach that any one should be baptized but a believer. That rules out infant baptism, for infants can't believe.

Baptists get their name from their time-honored practice of baptizing those received from other faiths. Baptists through the centuries were called "Anabaptists," which signifies "re-baptizers." Eventually the name was shortened, and the "ana" was dropped until we have the present term "Baptist." One reason Baptists have refused to accept the baptism of others is the fact that often baptism is designed to help save, or is administered without insistence on previous conversion. Also of course there is the question of authority involved.

One SHOULD NEVER be baptized over again if he were really saved before his baptism, and if that baptism was properly administered by the proper authority. But if one wakes up to the fact that he wasn't saved back there—then truly turns to the Lord for salvation, he should certainly follow the Lord in a baptism that is genuine.

WHY FIRST WITHDRAW FELLOWSHIP?

Often a church in such cases goes right ahead and baptizes the person over again, without first withdrawing fellowship. No harm is meant, but that is a highly incorrect procedure. Why? Because that reverses Baptist and New Testament Doctrine by putting Church Membership before baptism. Should a person be a church member before he is baptized? When a church baptizes one who is a member, that church as-

sumes that position exactly. No—there should be a correction publicly made. The person confesses the mistake made in being baptized without conversion. The church in view of such mistake removes the person's name from membership. Then the church can properly receive the person on his profession of faith for baptism, just as they would receive any other person who might come professing faith in Christ. If anybody objects to this procedure, let him remember that the Bible says, "Let all things be done decently, and in order."

The New Bible

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Because we happen to be on the front line of battle in the war of the demons against the Christ, and because we also happen to be in the very fiercest heat of battle, for we are engaged in that most difficult of all tasks, making known the Christ as the Messiah of Israel to our Jewish people throughout the world, we naturally turned to this so-called "modern translation" to see what these translators have made of the pivotal declarations of God's Word concerning the Christ.

You may well imagine our surprise. Naturally, we turned to the first book of the Word to find the roots and beginnings of prophetic unfoldment. We turned to Genesis 49:10, which in the hallowed King James Version reads as follows:

"The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be."

But we had to rub our eyes when we found in this highly touted Revised Standard Version the following fabrication of the anti-Christ mind:

"The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until he comes to whom it belongs; and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples."

In Jewish tradition as old as Mt. Sinai, the word "Shiloh" has always meant the Messiah. By what kind of legerdemain did the translators have the audacity to render this sacred phrase, "until Shiloh come," by the expression "until he comes to whom it belongs"? Certainly it robs the Word of God of one of the foundation proof-texts having to do with the coming of Him who "was foreordained before the foundation of the world but was manifest in these last times for you."

We thought that this perhaps was just a little slip, and we turned over quickly to the beautiful picture of Isaiah 7:14, upon which we have been leaning with supreme confidence through all the more than fifty years of our testimony to Israel. The King James Version reads:

"Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel."

And now we looked at the Revised Standard Version and here is what our blinking eyes revealed to us:

"Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, a young woman shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel."

By what test of scholarship the translators could have dared to change the word "virgin" so that it reads "a young woman" is beyond our understanding. Nowhere in the Hebrew Bible will you find the word "almah" meaning anything else but a virgin.

Where is the translators' sense

He feeds others' hearts who speaks from his own heart.

of logic or of exegesis? We are told plainly, "The Lord Himself shall give you a sign." Now this word "sign" has the same meaning as the word "miracle." Any sound exegete will know that. What kind of a miracle or a sign is it, then, if any young woman (evidently the translator's idea is a married woman) shall bear a son? Where is the sign, and where is the miracle? Such a failure to use ordinary logic, certainly disqualifies the translator as either a scholar or clear thinker.

To find out the exact meaning of "almah," we must consult other passages in the Bible where it is used. It is found in six places.

1. In Genesis 24:43 we read, "and it shall come to pass, that when the virgin (almah) cometh forth to draw water..." These words were spoken by Eliezer, Abraham's servant, who was sent to find a wife for Isaac, and he certainly could not have meant a married woman.

2. We find the word "almah" also in Exodus 2:8, "And the maid (almah) went." This was Moses' sister. Nobody will deny that she was an unmarried woman.

3. The word is next used in Psalm 68:25, "damsels playing with timbrels."

4. The word is used again in the Song of Solomon: "therefore do the virgins love thee" (1:3). This cannot mean married women.

5. And again in the Song of Solomon, 6:8, "virgins without number."

6. Finally, we find it in Proverbs 30:19, "the way of a man with a maid (almah)."

When we examine all of the above passages we cannot find a single one where the word "almah" definitely means a married woman, or a widow. Therefore, the meaning of the prophet Isaiah admits of no uncertainty when he says, "The virgin shall conceive, and bear a son..." For this reason he calls it a "sign"—a miracle. It was, indeed, a miracle—a woman without a husband having a child through the power of God, who speaks and it is done, who commands and it stands fast.

A similar idea is presented in Jeremiah 31:22, "the Lord hath created a new thing in the earth, a woman shall compass a man." What is this new thing, never heard of in the earth before? It is the "sign" of Isaiah 7:14. There can be no doubt of that.

MODERN VS. BIBLICAL HEBREW

Now one may say, "But certain modern Hebrew scholars contend that 'almah' in its strictest etymological sense does not necessarily mean 'virgin,' and that it may mean any young woman who has reached maturity." Modern Hebrew scholars who make such a contention ignore two important principles of interpretation where the translation of a dead language such as Biblical Hebrew is concerned, namely, (1) that some words like "almah," do not have the same meaning in modern Hebrew as they have in Biblical Hebrew; and (2) no matter what the etymological analysis of a word may show, it is usage that determines its final meaning.

We have shown that in every case where the word "almah" is used in the Hebrew Bible, it invariably means a virgin and nothing else. The claim that "b'thoolah" should have been used in the Isaiah 7:14 passage, if a virgin had been the meaning, is shown to be false when a text containing this word is examined, such as Joel 1:8, "Lament like a virgin (b'thoolah)

girded with sackcloth for the husband of her youth."

Even Rashi admits that there were some Jewish scholars who believed that the word "almah" used in Isaiah 7:14 meant a virgin.

The Moffat translation of the Old Testament, now perhaps twenty years in existence, made the first bold leap over the stone wall of divine limitations, when he dared to put in that translation the expression "a young woman" instead of the original King James text of the word "virgin." We suppose that in this way he sort of broke the ice for these modernists to jump in, and now they go the whole length and tear the Bible to pieces by a sacrilegious translation which hacks at the very roots of revealed truth and of divine inspiration.

But give a man enough rope and he will eventually hang himself. This is an old proverb which has been proven true many times. So we have only to apply the test here and we may be surprised to discover that even these modernists contradict themselves, for in Matthew 1:23 we read:

"Behold, a virgin shall be with child and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel."

If, therefore, we are to swallow in all innocence these new fangled translations, we will find that in Isaiah 7:14 they would have us read:

"Behold, a young woman shall conceive, and bear a son."

But they catch themselves in a noose because when they come to Matthew 1:23, they use the King James Version wording,

"Behold, a VIRGIN shall conceive and bear a son..."

Let us use the brains God gave us, and ask ourselves, "If Isaiah 7:14 is to be translated, 'Behold, a young woman,' then how can Matthew 1:23, 'Behold, a virgin' be true?" Do you not see how these men, without realizing it, are making the Word of God a lie? Since Matthew quotes from the Septuagint Version, we have scholarship going back to the year 285 B. C. The Jewish Encyclopedia says:

"The oldest and most important of all the versions made by Jews is that called the Septuagint."

The Greek word used is "parthenos," unquestionably the word for virgin.

Certainly this sort of treatment of God's Book cannot be called scholarship nor even academic freedom; it is rather a victory for satanic forces. The thing which our Jewish rabbis have fought so desperately to accomplish for nearly 1900 years, and have always failed, now has been done so smoothly and so suavely that it is an open insult to every true child of God who trusts only in the virgin-born Son of God for salvation and for eternal life.

It does not mitigate the offense of the translators for them to plead that wherever they have departed from the historic translation of a given passage, they have included a footnote at the bottom of the page (in very fine type) in which they give the proper translation. But the truth still will out, that not one person in a hundred who reads the regular text will ever stop to look at the bottom of the page to find in that infinitesimally small type the correction. For instance, in Isaiah 7:14, where they boldly and arrogantly make the text read, "a young woman shall conceive and bear a son," at the bottom of the page they put in microscopic type the words, "or virgin"! If they were really acting in good

faith, why did they not reveal the rendition? Why did they make the text itself read, "virgin shall conceive" and "or, a young woman"? in footnote? We have felt it compulsory to mention these translations, because it adds to the conclusion that cannot trust these translations since they seem determined to put in the text their own destructive ideas concerning Word of God.

—The Chosen People

Who Is Jesus?

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dead, "My Lord and my God" (John 20:28).

Reader, who is Jesus to you? Is He a complete, all-sufficient, eternally enough Saviour for you? If so, He is the Christ, and you and you are born of Him.

—A. M. Over

Enlargement Campaign

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last issue of this paper, the cost itself is fully paid for. However, it will cost \$2500 to move, build, and erect it.

I have asked several of our close advisers if I should move the money with which I put the press in operation. They all have said, "No." Each has suggested that we call upon readers for this extra assistance. This we are doing by this appeal.

Now is the time for each of us to show whether he wants eight page paper. We have within our immediate grasp only our readers will only contribute the necessary funds installing this press. Sooner we do hope that it will be an early date. On the advice of our friends, I have determined to do nothing toward installation except as the funds become available.

Tucked in with this paper you will find a business reply envelope, which needs no stamp, and neither do you need to address it. My prayer is that each of you will place an envelope, large or small, in the envelope and forward it immediately for this cause. May I say that you pray first, and then only as God may impress you.

To especially show my appreciation, I am going to give every subscriber up for life a contribution through these business reply envelopes during the month of January.

In this way you can both help yourself, and us. You can have the paper guaranteed for your lifetime, and at the same time help us in installing the press.

We'll never need your more than we do today, and turn we'll never appreciate your help more. May the Lord lead us together for His glory.

THE TEN VIRGINS

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