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Some Kinds Of Professing Christians

By ROY MASON
Tampa, Florida

in" methods are used.

The professed Christian who wants to use christianity for some sort of personal gain. (See Acts 8:18-23) Simon mentioned here, wanted to make money out of religion. Many have joined a prominent church hoping for profit to their business or social standing thereby. Many are in a church for what they can get out of it. They want attention—they want notice—they want to be visited and coddled, and if they don't get it, they are mad and become critics. "I am among you as one TO BE SERVED" is their attitude, rather (Continued on Page Four)

tism. It is very doubtful if such persons have been saved. (John 8:31).

The professed Christian who is baptized, then never shows any further interest in the things of God. We think of the great numbers who were baptized following a certain revival. Many of those baptized never came back to church. Evidently they thought that they were now safe from hell—so why bother any further with religion? Such is often the fruit of unsound evangelism, where "rake 'em

There are different kinds of professing Christians among those who claim to be saved people. The same different types are found wherever churches are found. Let us list some of these types:

The professed Christian who doesn't follow Christ in baptism and Church membership. New Testament times 3000 were saved on Pentecost, and the same number were baptized that day. Often nowadays we hear of people—a whole group making profession during a revival—then maybe a third of the number never show up for bap-

Have You Been Washed In The Blood Of Jesus?

By Ernest R. Perdue
Iron Mountain, Mich.

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From far and near we have heard from friends since announcing that we had purchased a new press and hoped soon to be able to enlarge this paper from four to eight pages. How we thank God for the letters we have received and the encouragement they have brought to us.

We will share a few of them with you:

Dear Bro. Gilpin:

You'll never know how much I appreciate THE BAPTIST EXAMINER. It gives me spiritual food for the week—till the next copy arrives. I often wonder if your congregation loves your sermons as much as we do.

Lester Alderman
Savannah, Ga.

Dear Bro. Gilpin:

We are sending you a small donation to help on your new printing press. We hope to send (Continued on page four)

Fervency In Prayer — A Mighty Influence

"The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." (James 5:16)

Another rendering of this brief but pregnant statement is "The heartfelt supplication of a righteous man exerts a mighty influence." And the whole history of mankind reveals the truth of it, whether recorded in the Bible or not. Abraham in the plains of Mamre having power with God for the deliverance of Lot; Jacob at Peniel prevailing as a prince with God and man; Moses at Sinai pleading for his nation and obtaining God's presence abiding with them; Samuel at Gilgal mediating for the deliverance of Israel from the Philistines; Elijah at Carmel supplicating against the false prophets of Baal and restoring the nation to the worship of the true and living God; Hezekiah at Jerusalem laying Rabshakeh's scornful and defying letter before the Lord and obtaining the defeat of Sennacherib's army; and both Ezra and Nehemiah coming in between God and the returned remnant to Jerusalem in their decadent times. These living examples

have proved to be a great encouragement to the many since who have interceded in critical moments and days and have prevailed with God for others.

Austin Phelps writes: "I was very pleasantly impressed lately by an incident which occurred in a brief correspondence which I had with a noted professor of philosophy. In his reply he artlessly, and with the trustfulness of a child, asked that we might pray for him. He is no fanatic or hypocrite; but one of the ripest of our American scholars, and one of the most profound of our philosophers. A good part of his life he has spent in the study of Plato, and now, after sixty-odd years in which human phil-

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"ALIEN BAPTISM AND THE BAPTISTS"

Elsewhere in this issue will be found an advertisement of the book whose title appears above, of which W. M. Nevins is the author. This book should have a much wider circulation than it has had. Every Baptist should not only read it, but should study it diligently. Wherever it goes it will help to stem the tide of unionism and looseness among Baptists. It will inspire Baptists to stand firm on their glorious heritage of faith preserved for them by the heroes of faith who suffered and died in freedom's cause. Another edition of this book may not be issued. Therefore all Baptists should now avail themselves of the opportunity to buy it.

We give the following testimonials with the hope that they will help more of our people to realize the merit of this great book:

"I want to say that I have read a number of books on scriptural baptism and the Baptist doctrines, but none have been so clear and easy to understand as this book. After having read it, I recommended (Continued on page three)



"Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, From everlasting Thou art God; to endless years the same . . . O God, our help in ages past; our hope for years to come; Be Thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home."

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"SATAN AND HIS GOSPEL"

"I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed."—Gal. 1: 6-9.

A few days ago I saw some counterfeit money. So far as I was concerned it was genuine. I looked at it closely and yet, beloved, I couldn't see one single difference between it and a genuine bill that was laid down side by side with the counterfeit. I think because of my printing experience that I would be a little more apt to detect flaws and imperfections in a counterfeit bill than the average person who doesn't look each day for mistakes in printing, and yet, beloved, though that be true, I couldn't detect one single

difference in the two bills—the one genuine and the other counterfeit. Even after it was pointed out to me wherein there was a difference, it was still hard to detect the difference.

That leads me to remember that the success of any illegitimate coiner depends upon how closely the counterfeit resembles the original. Unless an illegitimate coin or a bill most closely resembles the original, you or I or the average person would be able to detect the difference. It is only when a counterfeit (Continued on page two)

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"Satan And His Gospel"

(Continued from page one) is so nearly perfect that the success of a counterfeiter is guaranteed.

Now, beloved, the Devil is the world's greatest counterfeiter.

Sometime ago in a western city, a counterfeit ring was smashed. The F. B. I. said that it was the most complete and successful counterfeiting operation that they had ever come across. But, beloved, the F. B. I. has never yet dealt with the Devil in that respect.

I would insist this morning that the world's greatest and most successful counterfeiter is the Devil. He can so successfully imitate and ape and counterfeit the things of God that it is almost impossible to detect the difference. That is why it is that the Devil so successfully thwarts the servants of God. That is why it is that the Devil is so successful in opposing the program of the Lord Jesus Christ. He is so shrewd as a counterfeiter.

In the thirteenth chapter of the Gospel of Matthew, we find that the Lord Jesus Christ speaks of the field as the world in which He placed His children. Then we are told that the Devil over-sowed the Lord's field. To use the figure that is used in the parable, our Lord sowed the field with wheat, whereas the Devil over-sowed it with tares. So complete was the Devil's work that when the two sprang up and grew side by side, even our Lord said, "Let them both grow together, because if you attempt to root up the tares, there is a possibility you might destroy some of the wheat at the same time." In other words, both looked so closely alike and so nearly identical that our Lord didn't risk the destruction of some of His wheat. Therefore, He would rather allow the tares to go on in this world until the end of the age rather than suffer the possibility of the destruction of some of His wheat.

This would tell us that the Devil is a very good counterfeiter. He can make an illegitimate Christian look as good as the original. I am persuaded to believe that many a person who attends church, who may be a church member and probably worships regularly Sunday after Sunday—many an individual instead of being the genuine wheat is nothing more or less than the Devil's tare—an illegitimate Christian that the Devil has set up within the church. I want to burn it within your very soul this morning that wherever God has sown His wheat, the Devil has sown his tares, and it is by the work of apeing and counterfeiting that the Devil aims to neutralize, and negate, and nullify, and bring to

nought the work of the Lord Jesus Christ.

I

THE DEVIL HAS HIS PREACHERS.

Our text tells us that this is true, for Paul says in this book of Galatians that there are some that pervert the Gospel of Christ. You know, beloved, that God's wheat isn't going to pervert the Gospel. You know God's preachers aren't going to pervert it. You know, beloved, that a man who is genuinely saved isn't going to pervert the Gospel of Jesus Christ. His nature just wouldn't allow it. That nature that God put inside you the day He saved you, wouldn't allow you to pervert the Gospel of the Lord Jesus. Therefore, beloved, the man who perverts the Gospel is not God's man, but he is the Devil's servant.

The Devil has his preachers, for we read:

"For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for SATAN himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if HIS MINISTERS also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works."—II Cor. 11:13-15.

Paul tells us that the Devil is an angel of light and also that the Devil has his ministers who likewise pose as an angel of light, who act as ministers of righteousness.

Beloved, not every man who stands before a congregation today who claims to be a minister, is a minister of the Lord. Not every man who writes his name with a "Reverend" in front of it, or some ministerial title at the end of it, is God's minister. I would insist, beloved, in the light of these Scriptures in II Corinthians and in the first chapter of Galatians that the Devil has plenty of preachers within this world.

I used to think when I was just a boy preacher, before I came to study much about the Word of God—I used to think that the Devil's apostles were the saloon keepers and the white slave traffickers and the riff-raff of society, but I learned long ago that the Devil's greatest apostles are not the scum of morality nor the dregs of society, but rather, beloved, the Devil's greatest apostles are ordinary ministers, supposedly ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Our text tells us that one striking characteristic of the Devil's ministers is that they are ministers of righteousness. That means that they head up all the reform movements of the country. That means they are given over to community work and social uplift. That means that the Devil's ministers are the ones that take an active part in building up the community spirit and in sponsoring reform movements of various types. In other words, the social gospel is the Devil's perfect gospel for his apostles.

In the light of that, beloved, I would insist that the Devil has many Baptist preachers. He has the preponderant majority of all Protestant preachers, and without an exception, he uses every Catholic priest in the whole world. Oh, can it be possible that the Devil has his grip on the ministers to such an extent that the preponderant part of the so-called preachers are not God-called preachers, but rather they are apostles of the Devil himself? I think that is true, and I think that I can prove to you that it is true. God wrote this Bible. I don't believe that God would in any wise at all call any man to preach a message contrary to this Bible. Since God

wrote the Bible, certainly God didn't call 90 per cent of the ministers of the world today, for surely 90 per cent of them preach a message contrary to the Word of God. They are ministers of righteousness. They prate much about works, morality, good deeds and alms-giving, and they head the civic organizations to build good will and community spirit. They are at the head of the reform movements such as the temperance organizations and such organizations that tend to reform men on the outside, but, beloved, God's man doesn't work from that standpoint. God's apostles work from the heart to get men regenerated, and when men are regenerated on the inside, that in itself will work them over and reform them on the outside.

So I say to you, beloved, in the light of these Scriptures, the Devil has his preachers—illegitimate preachers. As an imitation of the genuine preachers of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Devil has set up his ministers.

II

OUR TEXT TELLS US THAT SATAN HAS HIS GOSPEL.

Naturally he has a gospel for his preachers to preach. It was preached in the days of the Apostle Paul. It was the message that had been preached to these people of Galatia after Paul had been in the regions of Galatia preaching. The result was that many of the people had been disturbed and upset, and many of the people had swerved from the original teachings that the Apostle Paul had given to them. Now Paul writes and says to them, "If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed." I tell you, beloved, in Paul's day the Devil's gospel was being preached.

There are at least four subtle, dangerous delusions that are a part of the Devil's gospel.

There is, first of all, that most subtle delusion of the Fatherhood of God—that God is the spiritual Father of us all. You can rarely go into a church organization of any kind without hearing the preacher sooner or later say that he believes in the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. There isn't a secret fraternal organization on the top side of God's Almighty's earth today that isn't based upon the fact of the so-called Fatherhood of God. That is why I have no use in any wise for any fraternal organization.

I was impressed last evening while watching Amos and Andy on television as Amos taught his little girl the meaning of the Lord's prayer. If you noticed carefully what he had to say, you noticed that Amos was teaching his little girl that God is the spiritual Father of everybody within this world. What Amos said last night is what 99 per cent of the ministers of the world would tell you today, but, beloved, it is a lie from beginning to end. God is not the spiritual Father of us all.

We have the words of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself, when He said:

"Ye are of YOUR FATHER THE DEVIL."—John 8:44.

Paul makes it clear that God is not the spiritual Father of us all, for he says:

"That is, They which are the CHILDREN OF THE FLESH, these are NOT THE CHILDREN OF GOD: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed."—Rom. 9:8.

Listen again:

"In this the CHILDREN OF GOD are manifest, and the CHILDREN OF THE DEVIL: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he

that loveth not his brother."—I John 3:10.

"But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."—John 1:12-13.

"For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus."—Gal. 3:26.

Beloved, in the light of these five Scriptures, I would insist today that if you have not received Jesus Christ, God's Son, to be your Saviour by faith, then this morning you are not God's child. It is a delusion of Satan, and it is a part of the Devil's gospel to allow you to think that you are God's child apart from faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Concerning the so-called Lord's prayer, which starts out with "Our Father, which art in Heaven," you have no right to tell an unsaved man to pray that prayer. Beloved, if an unsaved man speaks those words, they become hollow mockery, for he is calling upon God as his Father in the very opening sentence of this so-called Lord's prayer. God isn't his Father until he becomes a child of God by faith in Jesus Christ. Until that day comes, the Devil is his spiritual father.

This is one of the Devil's delusions. Beloved, he certainly has done a good job in deluding and deceiving the world into believing that we are all God's children and that God is just a sort of a great big granddaddy who is willing to pass everything by and just allow people to live as they please, and in the end He will be their Father and everything is going to be all right. It is the deception of Satan; it is the Devil's gospel.

A second delusion on the part of the Devil is that God is too loving to send His children to Hell. All over America today preachers are telling congregations that God is too loving to send anybody to Hell. Let me tell you this morning, God does not send His children to Hell. He sends the Devil's children there. He sends them there, and don't think for one moment's time that they don't go there. Listen to what God's Word says:

"The wicked shall be turned

into hell, and all the nation that forget God."—Psa. 9:17.

"But I say unto you, whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment; whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council; but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire."—Mt. 5:22.

"Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte; and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves. Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?"—Mt. 23:15, 33.

"And whosoever was found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."—Rev. 20:15.

Beloved, aren't these Scriptures simple and plain enough for anybody to accept?

There's one man who lives here in town who very rarely ever attends services, but who has been most courteous and unusually kind to me as a citizen. Every time that I've asked him to come to the house of God, he has objected because I preach that there is a Hell. He doesn't believe that God would ever send anybody to Hell. He just can't conceive of a loving Father sending His children to Hell.

Beloved, God doesn't send His children to Hell, but woe be to the Devil's children! Every one of them who die without Jesus Christ as their Saviour, will go to a Devil's Hell. If they die in the battlefield, if they give their life for their country, or if they die at home on a comfortable bed; if they die as a sacrifice for the betterment of humanity or if they die a drunkard's death—regardless of where or how a man dies, if he dies without Jesus Christ, he goes immediately to a Devil's Hell.

The majority of preachers today don't preach it. Instead, the most of them will tell you that God is just too loving. They can't conceive of a God of love ever sending anybody to Hell. Beloved, that is the Devil's gospel. It is just a part of the delusions of the Devil. It is one of the deceptive elements of the Devil's Gospel.

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Another Year

Is here!

Like an arrow swiftly flying; like the sunlight quickly dying;
Like fragrance from the flower, passing with each passing hour—
Such is the year now past, the time that seemed so vast,
Yet, scarce begun; Ere done!

Christ, teach us, then, Thy way,
To work while yet 'tis day,
For nighttime cometh when no man may sow.
To speed the arrow straight, to use the light, nor wait
With idleness to watch the harvest go.
To trust that through God's power, many a fragrant flower
Will rootage take, and gloriously grow.

With forward-looking face
And guided by Thy Grace
Would we, O Master, work throughout the year.
Thus, led forth by our God, the landscape yet untrod
Shall day by day be traversed without fear.
Thus shall the passing days hold ever-growing praise
Till, unashamed, before Thee, we appear.

—Author Unknown

Many a preacher fails to strike fire because he had a cord of books in his head and an ice plant in his heart.

"Satan And His Gospel"

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A third subtle deception on the part of the Devil is that of salvation by works. Again, I can truthfully say that 99 per cent of the world believes in salvation by works in some form or another.

A young couple sat four or five seats in front of me a short time ago. They were fine young people and were here for just one service, but during that one service the young man nodded his head to me on several occasions as I was preaching. After the services were over, I asked him if he were saved and he assured me that he was, but in the same conversation he went on to tell me that if a person failed to hold out, that that individual would go to Hell. He went on to say that if he himself didn't go to church and if he didn't continue his service for the Lord, that he would be lost and go to Hell. I said to him, "You wouldn't be lost; you are lost right now." That just showed that he wasn't fully trusting Jesus Christ as his Saviour. He was depending to a certain extent upon himself — his holding out, or his keeping the law, or his doing what was right. Beloved, the man who will go to Hell, is definitely going to Hell, because he has never fully trusted the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour.

Years ago, I heard S. Parks Cadman say over the radio in one of his religious broadcasts, that "character and character alone is the only passport to Heaven." Beloved, it is a lie. That is salvation by works.

A preacher friend of mine was telling me sometime ago that he heard a preacher who represented the Federation of Churches, say that "the business of the church is to educate, educate, and educate," and that his phrase throughout the message was "Be good and do good." Beloved, the Word of God makes it plain that no man can be good until he is saved.

"For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh): dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not."—Rom. 7:18.

Beloved, you can't be good in your flesh. You can't be good until the Lord Jesus Christ becomes your Saviour. Yet, beloved, to the average man this deception of Satan's — that of salvation by works, is all right. It seems all right to the average man.

Suppose one of these Arminian heretics and I sit down side by side with an unsaved man and I tell that man that the only hope he has is that Christ died for his sins — that Jesus Christ paid for all of his sins and if he trusts Jesus Christ to save him, he will go to Heaven. Apart from any works, apart from baptism, apart from church membership, apart from anything that he does or that a church may do for him, apart from anything that any preacher can do for him, he will go to Heaven if he trusts Jesus Christ simply by faith. When I have finished telling him that, this Arminian preacher says, "What Brother Gilpin has told you is all good, but you have to hold out. You have to work. You have to live right. You have to do these things or you will fall by the wayside." Beloved, unenlightened the Spirit of God has quickened that man and revealed Jesus Christ unto him, what this Arminian heretic has said will make a greater impression upon that unsaved man than what I have said to him out of the Word of God. Why? It just seems right. It just seems to an

ordinary unsaved man that he has to work, that he has to do something himself. It just appears to that unsaved man that he must do something himself if he is going to be saved. While it may seem right, God's Word warns against it!

Listen to what God's Word says:

"There is a way which SEEMETH RIGHT unto a man; but the end thereof are the ways of death."—Prov. 14:12.

Don't think for one moment's time that what seems right may be right. What is right is what God says within His Word, and God says that salvation was finished by the Lord Jesus Christ when He died for our sins on Calvary's Cross, and that no works are necessary on your part for you to be saved. Listen:

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: NOT OF WORKS, lest any man should boast."—Eph. 2:8, 9.

"NOT BY WORKS of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Spirit."—Titus 3:5.

There is another deadly, deceptive delusion that makes up and becomes a part of the Devil's gospel and that is that the Devil's gospel completely ignores the atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ. Now these others are bad enough. It is bad enough for a man to believe in the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. It is bad enough to believe that God won't send anybody to Hell, that He loves them too much to send them to Hell. It is bad enough for a man to believe that he can be saved by his works, but, beloved, this is serious when a man believes that the atonement of Jesus Christ is all unnecessary.

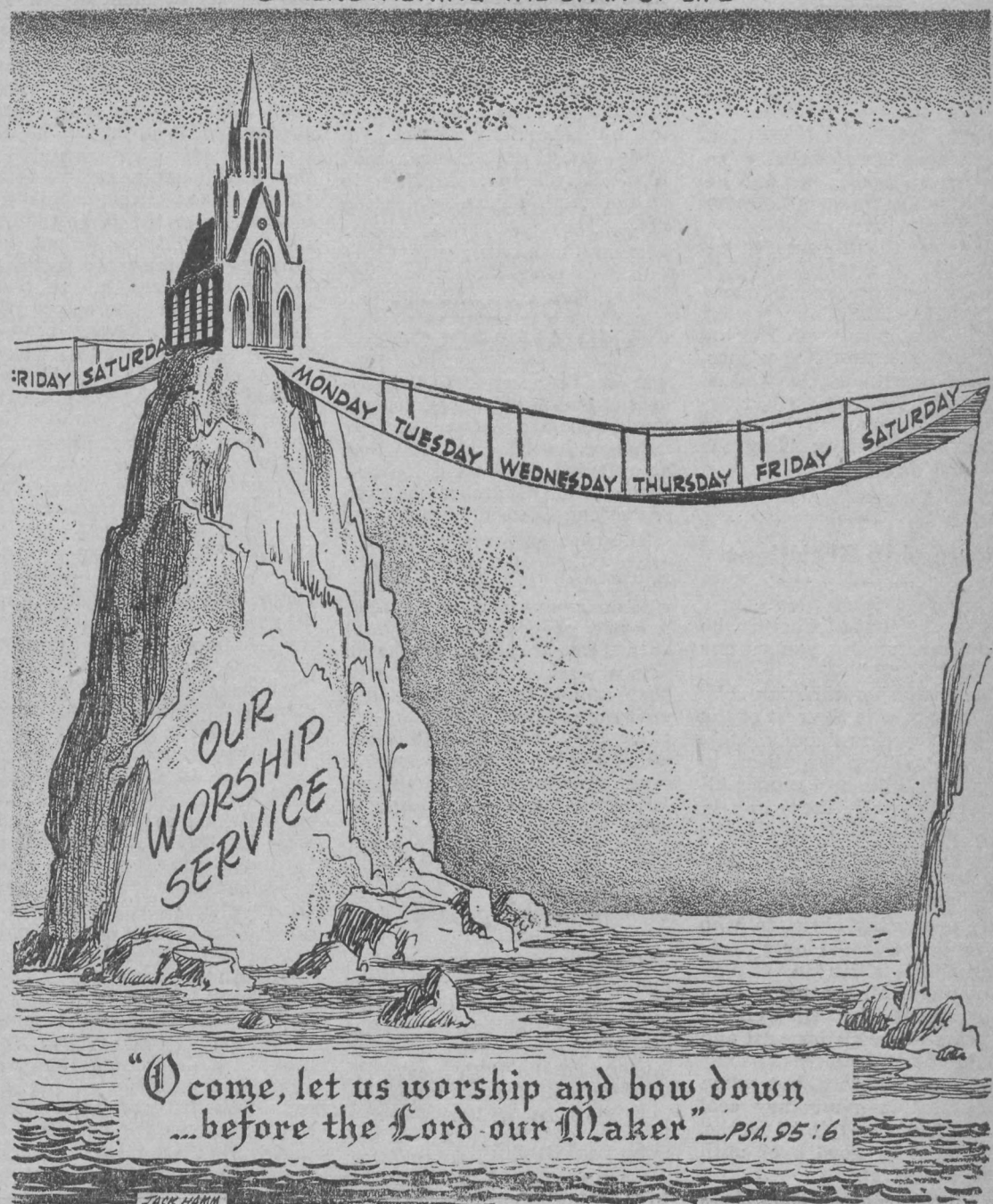
Sometime ago a Methodist preacher in this town said that if any man would repeat the Lord's prayer just before he died, he would be saved. No wonder his Sunday School superintendent said in the barber shop in my presence one morning that if a man did the best he could, whether he were a church member or not, he would go to Heaven when he died. Beloved, there isn't one ounce of Gospel in the Lord's prayer. There isn't one thing there that would tell us about the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ on the Cross of Calvary.

Listen, beloved, all over the world today there are men who talk about the deeds of Christ, the life of Christ, the birth of Christ, the good that Christ did, but there are so very few who talk about the death of Jesus Christ to keep them out of Hell.

I have often been impressed by what I think is the Devil's greatest masterpiece — that is, the paganism and the heathenism of Xmas. At Xmas, what do you celebrate? At best, the birthday of Jesus. Surely the Devil wants people to think about the birthday of Jesus. He would much rather you think about the birthday of Jesus than to think about the death of the Lord Jesus Christ. It won't hurt you one particle to think about the birthday of Jesus. In fact, it may even help you along for the Devil. It may even delude, deceive and crowd your mind so that you will forget about the fact that He died for your sins. Beloved, the birth of Jesus Christ means no more than the birth of any other person that was ever born. It is the death of Jesus Christ that is necessary for your salvation.

All over the world, men are thinking in terms of the birth, the life, the deeds, the sermons, and the miracles of Christ, but the death—the sacrificial death,

STRENGTHENING THE SPAN OF LIFE



the vicarious death—the atoning death of Jesus is omitted.

That, I say, is the Devil's gospel. He has his preachers, and those preachers preach the Fatherhood of God. They preach that God is too loving to send a man to Hell. They preach salvation by works, and they ignore the atonement of Jesus Christ.

III

LET ME GIVE YOU A PICTURE OF THE PERSON WHO HAS BELIEVED THE DEVIL'S GOSPEL, WHEN HE COMES TO THE JUDGMENT.

If there is one in this house who doesn't believe what I have preached, but who ignores it and passes it by and believes what the Devil's apostles preach, let's see him when he comes to the Judgment.

"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity."—Mt. 7:21-23.

There are going to be a lot of people who are preachers, who have prophesied in the name of Jesus, who will fail to get to Heaven. There are going to be a lot of people who have cast out devils in His name, who are not going to Heaven. There are going to be a lot of people who have done many wonderful works, who have headed up reform movements and have taken an active part in all the social organizations and the community clubs, but the Lord is going

to say to them, "Depart from me; I never knew you." Beloved, do you want to know where those individuals are going? Do you want to see a further picture of them when they come to the judgment, having believed the Devil's gospel? Then listen to my text in Galatians again:

"But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be ACCURSED."

This just simply means, beloved, that Paul says to let the person who preaches the Devil's gospel go to Hell. That is where he is going, for the man who believes the Devil's gospel is going to Hell.

CONCLUSION

In closing, let me ask you one question. Have you believed the Devil's gospel, or have you believed the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ as laid down in I Corinthians 15:3, 4?

"For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the Scriptures."

Beloved, that is the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Now which do you believe this morning? Do you believe the Devil's gospel or the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ?

Listen again:

"And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and WITHOUT SHEDDING OF BLOOD IS NO REMISSION."—Heb. 9:22.

Oh, may it please God this

morning to help you believe this truth, to help you turn away from the Devil's gospel, from his deluding, deceptive delusions, and may you turn to the Lord Jesus Christ and be saved on the terms of His Gospel — that Jesus Christ died for all your sins, that He paid for every one of them on Calvary's Cross — and when you trust Him, you will be saved for time and for eternity.

May God bless you!



Alien Baptism

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it to our pastor as a study course book which should be taught in every Baptist church and to every Baptist. Further, when our church wanted to assist the Negro preachers in this vicinity by giving them some valuable books, this book was recommended and accepted. Thus my order for sixty-five copies, fifty for our Negro preachers and fifteen for a study course in our own church." — A. C. Morris, Temple Baptist Church, Ruston, Louisiana.

"I appreciate this book more than I can find words to express. I am glad to commend it anywhere and everywhere. I know of nothing so valuable to the subject, and I have read over one hundred volumes from our Baptist stalwarts of the past as well as other authors. I thank God from the bottom of my heart for this fine piece of work." — Louis Entzminger, Ft. Worth, Texas.

In The Red

(Continued from page one) shrinking and hence capital expenditures by industry on plants and equipment are sure to decrease.

Thirdly, export trade is dwindling as overseas countries improve their food crops, and domestic retail trade of late has shown some weakness.

Evidently the illusion is at last coming to its end.

The very term deficit financing should satisfy our readers that it cannot succeed. Natural man is deeply "in the red" morally and spiritually, as well as financially. What an awful reckoning it is going to be when Divine Justice says: "Pay me that thou owest!"



Professing Christians

(Continued from page one) than having that of Christ, who said, "I am among you as one that SERVETH."

The professing christian who is content to ride the rest of the church. There are many such. They are willing for others to pay all the bills and render all the service, while they drop in for an occasional visit. No one should belong to anything unless he is willing to bear his share.

The professing christian who has to be "warmed over" frequently. This is the kind of person who gets all heated up during a revival. They shed crocodile tears—they go forward and reconsecrate themselves—they show great interest, but when the revival is over, they cool off in about a couple of weeks, and then it is "good bye" until the next revival.

The evergreen christian. (See I Cor. 15:58) He is the fellow who is saved and who follows in baptism and church membership. He starts in attending the services and he is eager to learn the Bible. He grows and thrives as a Christian. He readily serves in any capacity. He starts right in putting his money into the cause of Christ. He permits the Word of God to correct his life of any habits not pleasing to Christ. He doesn't have to be "pumped up" like a leaky tube—he continues steadfast, proving by his life, service and behavior that something vital has taken place in his life. One Christian like this is worth a dozen mere professors. Note some things about him.

He doesn't have to be put to work. He FINDS work, as the Lord leads him. Much of the activities around a church are like the government W. P. A. work of depression days. It is artificially made work. The theory is that everybody should be kept busy—even if it is at doing something which the Bible does not authorize at all. Any Christian who wants to do something worth while can get busy at soul winning.

He isn't spasmodic—he is right on the job all the time. People who attend church spasmodically are not worth much as a rule. Between "spasms" they do nothing.

He is a fervent Christian. (Rom. 12:11) Enough Christians of that kind make for a live church. Things are not draggy and mopy around a church where there are enough people "fervent in spirit." Fervency and stiff formality can't get along together. Fervency disgusts for-

Jonah learned more at the bottom of the sea than some preachers learn at the seminary.

malists, and formality worse than disgusts fervency.

The "evergreen Christian" keeps his experience up to date. He isn't forever going back to his conversion for an experience to relate. He has a daily experience. It takes daily contact with God—daily dependence upon Him—daily help from Him, to lead a vital, fervent, Christian life.



A CORRECTION AND AN APOLOGY

It has been called to the editor's attention by several friends that in his sermon on the new unholy Bible of recent date that he referred to the old Federal Council of Churches as the "American Council."

This was an error, as the old corrupt Federal Council is now called the "National Council," whereas the "American Council" is a new group which came out as a protest organization, and who are as bitter in their condemnation of the new Bible as is your editor.

To the "American Council" we extend our apologies for this regrettable error which "slipped in" through our carelessness in proof reading.



Enlarging TBE

(Continued from page one) more in the future. We enjoy very much reading THE BAPTIST EXAMINER. It surely has helped us very, very much to understand the Bible more.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Staley Prichard, W. Va.

Dear Bro. Gilpin:

I am enclosing a check for \$5.00 for your new printing press. Will be glad when the paper is enlarged for it is the best Baptist paper published today.

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Each of the above letters contained a contribution of \$5.00 for the enlarging of our paper by way of the new press. We have had several smaller contributions and a few that were larger.

Our hearts were made to rejoice on Sunday afternoon when we received a letter from a friend (unseen, unknown, but not unloved) in Port Norris, N. J., who sent us a check for \$200 for the enlargement of this paper. How we do thank God for such friends who not only believe the Truth, but who wish to see it propagated through our paper.

Little by little since making the recent announcement as to the enlarging of our paper the funds for doing so are coming in. We have a long ways yet to go to reach that which we must have—\$2500—but thank God, we are on our way in this respect.

Wouldn't you like to have a part in our written ministry? Well, then write us today your letter of encouragement and if God makes it possible enclose an offering for this work—large or small. Remember—what I or you can't do alone, all of us together can do.



Fervency

(Continued from page one) osophy has become an alphabet to him, and universities on both sides of the Atlantic honor him for his acquisitions, he thinks and speaks of the prayers of a few humble women, strangers to him and hundreds of miles away, as if they possessed a real power

of which he may avail himself for the achievement of real results which shall stretch on into other worlds. He proposes to us that power (the power of prayer) as trustfully as he would send a commission to a friend to Europe. He gives you his request in the same conviction that he is doing a sensible thing which he would feel in sending a message to the telegraph office, knowing it would reach the other side of the globe in twenty minutes. Such is the trust which the ablest and wisest men repose in intercessory prayer, when they have been as wisely taught of God. We shall all find by and by that the most natural thing in the world for all wisdom to do is to sit at the feet of Christ and ask for that which nothing else than prayer can compass." What a testimony!

At the time of the Diet in Nuremburg was held Martin Luther was earnestly praying in his own dwelling, and at that very hour when the edict granting free toleration to all Protestants was issued he ran out of his house, crying out, "We have gained the victory." De Thou, the great historian, at his morning prayers, implored God to purify his heart from partiality and hatred, and to open his spirit in developing the truth amid the contending factions of his times; and Haydn, the great musician, employed in his masterpiece "Creation" earnestly addressed the Creator ere he struck his instrument. When St. Augustine won on the eve of his departure for Rome, where his mother knew he would encounter so many temptations, she prayed earnestly for the prevention, if possible, of his going. Notwithstanding, he went, but the prayer was answered in that while there he was brought under such conviction that he cried out to God and was converted, that wonderful life and ministry following.

The Apostle James who wrote the epistle from which the above text is taken, has much to say on this matter of prayer; chapters 1:5-8; 4:2, 3, 8; 5:13-18. But what about his personal practice in the matter? Well, he practiced just what he preached, and the tradition concerning him is that when on his death, the women came to bestow upon his body the last attentions, they found that his knees were so worn, even to callousness, through his constant habit of prayer. He therefore knew what he wrote to be true: "The heartfelt supplication of a righteous man exerts a mighty influence." This further suggests three things worthy of note, and of real importance; the character of the one who prays—"a righteous man"; the character of the prayer offered—"the fervent, effectual prayer"; and the character of the answer received—"availeth much." Availeth much in its working, or exerts a mighty influence.

The character of the one who prays—"a righteous man." This declares the power in prayer to be inseparable from the character of the person praying. What he is, gives weight to what he asks. Then what does the phrase "a righteous man" mean. It means that one who is possessed of "the righteousness of Christ." Man by nature has "no" righteousness of his own by which he can lay claim to anything from God; but man, by grace, through faith in Christ who took his place on Calvary and bore his sins in His own body to the tree is accounted righteousness in the sight of God. Christ's righteousness being clothed with the righteousness of another, even the righteousness of Christ, wherein lies all the merit with God and before God. That is why we are taught to

Washed In Blood

(Continued from page one) one needs to accept Christ and trust in what He did on the

pray "in the name of the Lord Jesus;"—"if ye shall ask anything in my name, He (the Father) will give it you." Look up the following scriptures: Zech. 7:13, Prov. 8:9; Psa. 24:3-6; 66, 18; 84:11, John 15:7, I John 3:31, 22.

The character of the prayer he offers: "the fervent effectual prayer." The heartfelt supplication burns with holy and heaven-begotten desire. There is an urgency in the praying that seemingly will not take "no" for an answer. It holds on to God with a longing that enables the one who prays to persevere and become importunate till the answer comes. Jesus said: "Men ought always to pray, and not to faint," and illustrated it by the parable of the widow and the unjust judge, from whom she finally won her case. Elijah prayed like that. "He prayed earnestly that it might not rain, and it rained not on the earth by the space of three and a half years. And he prayed again (seven times) and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit." His praying exerted a mighty influence with both God and man." Do you pray like that?

The character of the answer given: "availeth much." Such praying exerts a mighty influence, renders abundant service, bring great and blessed results. Read carefully verses 13-16 to see that. This is really "praying in the Holy Ghost," and having power with both God and man. And just "how much" it avails only eternity will truly and fully tell. Yield ever to the prompting of that ever abiding and indwelling Guest, the Comforter, the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, and you, yes, you, my reader, a humble believer, can exert a mighty influence, bringing blessing, upon individuals, families, communities and country. Put yourself in the way for it and prove it.

—The Evangel

cross at Calvary for us.

"And from Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, first begotten of the dead, the prince of the kings of earth. Unto him that loved and WASHED US FROM ALL OUR SINS IN HIS OWN BLOOD." Rev. 1:5.

Perhaps you have wondered what James 2:17 means, which it reads: "Even so faith without works is dead." It is beautifully explained in the 18th verse if you do not hurry while reading. "Faith alone" a MAN may say, "THOU art a MAN, and I have works, and I have faith, and I will shew THEE by my works." James 2:18.

So we see in this word, show ME and I will THEE. That is man reasoning with man. Man asks for proof. The world we come in contact with—proof—show ME. And then earth can see our faith only see our works, bear fruit they will not our testimony. Works in the sight of man.

"Ye see then, how works a man is justified not by faith only." James 2:24.

God gives us eternal FAITH in Christ. He gives faith. "He that believeth on the Son HATH everlasting life" (John 3:36). "And by that believe are justified all things, from which you not be justified by the law." Acts 13:39.

God expects his sheep to love him closely, and He rewards us for our obedience. Please read John 10:27-29, also turn in your Bible Cor. 3:11-15 which explain gain of rewards, or the rewards, according to our faithfulness.

Trust in Christ for salvation and remember: "He that believeth on him is NOT condemned already. But he that believeth NOT hath NOT believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." John 3:18.

SOME QUESTIONS

Pastor, are your church members informed as to the rise of alien baptism and the millions who have died for their faith in opposition to it?

Do you know that in a state convention in the South a Baptist pastor said there were seven churches in his association that received alien baptism?

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