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"To the law and to the testimony; if they speak not according to this word it is because there is no light in them."—Isaiah 8:20.

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## Effects Of Roman Catholicism

The Lord Jesus Christ foretold that "Many will come making use of my name" (St. Matthew's Gospel, chapter 24, verse 5). He gives explicit instructions as to how to judge religious pretenders.

He says, "Be on your guard against false prophets, men who come to you in sheep's clothing but are ravenous wolves within. You will know them by the fruit they yield. Can grapes be plucked from briars, or figs from thistles? So, indeed, any sound tree will bear good fruit, while any tree that is withered will bear fruit that is worthless; that worthless fruit should come from a sound tree or good fruit from a withered tree is impossible. Any tree which does not bear good fruit is cut down, and thrown into the fire. I say therefore, it is by their fruit that you will know them. The kingdom of heaven will not give entrance to every man who calls me Capital Master; only the man that does the will of my Father who is in heaven" (St. Matthew's Gospel, chapter 7, verses 15-22, Monignor R. A. Knox, Roman Catholic Version).

To one who is confused with the claims of Roman Catholicism, so arrogantly pressed upon America today, it would be well to study its effects in lands where there has been no Baptist competition to confuse the simple minds of the people. The present "party line" of Catholicism is that all the world's ills began with the Protestant Reformation. Were it not for this distorting influence, there would be happiness and unity, with prosperity and progress. This does not explain the explosions of the French Revolution caused, not by Protestantism, but as a reaction to Roman Catholic-dominated totalitarianism both of Church and Government of that day.

### Sicily—Where Rome Reigns Supreme

### CAN YOU IMAGINE?

1. The early Christians seeking an evangelist who could pull the crowds!"
2. The Apostle Paul using wire pulling methods to get into a coveted pulpit!
3. Philip the evangelist depending upon the Samaritan Gazette and catchy window cards to advertise his evangelistic campaign!
4. The Thessalonian church off to the bathing beach for their annual picnic!
5. The early preachers giving one another flowery introductions to new audiences!
6. The Jerusalem church putting on a cake sale to make up the preacher's back salary.
7. The Ethiopian eunuch or the Philippian jailer being satisfied to sign a card indicating their faith in Christ!
8. The early preachers having an eye to salary, popularity, and advancement, when going to a new field!

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Let us look at Sicily where Protestantism never obtained an entrance, thus disturbing the absolute sway of the church for 1,500 years. It offers a perfect laboratory study as it has been an incomparable proving-ground for the methods and principles of Romanism. There are few places in the civilized world where ignorance and superstition exist in a worse degree than in Sicily, as any traveler can testify. Surely a power which has not been able to do any better with a completely subject people, than has the Catholic church in Sicily, should not set itself up as an educator or reformer of American life and society as does that church.

A graphic description of Southern Italy's ignorance, squalor, and filthiness was published in LIFE recently. It said: "They are intensely religious, often superstitious . . . In some areas the illiteracy rate is as high as 50 per cent."

A still franker evaluation of the effects of Roman Catholicism in Southern Italy is that of Doctor Carlo Levi in his interesting book, "Christ stopped at Eboli," (Farrar, Straus and Co., N. Y., 1947) not intended as an attack on the church, but merely a relation of his experiences in the great sector of Italy. There has been no opposition to the program of the church in Southern Italy during the past millennium and a half. Protestantism is practically unknown there. What they are is just what the Catholic church has made them. Here one can see the effect of Romanism's doctrines and social practices.

### The Fruit Of Ignorance

Let Doctor Levi tell what he discovered in the hygienic conditions of the villages of Southern Italy. He says: "In Grassano, at almost regular hours, in the early morning and again in the evening, windows were surreptitiously opened and the wrinkled hands of old women were to be seen emptying the contents of chamber pots into the streets" (p. 95).

"The sheep and goats ran up and down the streets choked with garbage, and half-naked, pale, puffy children chased one another among the rubbish" (p. 167).

Howling dogs chasing one another down the streets, with human bones—still retaining flesh on them, in their jaws (page 70) were seen in one Catholic Italian town! Imagine a Protestant town as filthy as that!

Listen to this description of a Catholic Italian town: "The houses . . . only light came in the front door. Some of them had no entrance but a trapdoor and a ladder. In these dark holes with walls cut out of the earth, I saw a few pieces of miserable furniture, beds, and some ragged clothes hanging up to dry. On the floor lay dogs, sheep, goats, and pigs. Most families have just one cave to live in and there they all sleep all together—men, women, children, and animals. This is how twenty thousand people live" (page 86).

One would think that rather than making it almost impossible for Protestants to send missionaries to this town, as Romanism does, they would welcome help in civilizing those unfortunate people! And to think of such conditions existing after some 1,800 years of Roman Catholicism!

### OUR WEEKLY RADIO PROGRAMS

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## The First Baptist Pulpit

### "NO ROOM FOR JESUS"

"And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger: because there was no room for them in the inn."—Luke 2:7.

For four thousand years the world had been waiting for the coming of Jesus. Every true child of God had been listening for the sound of His foot-fall. The first promise as to His coming was given in Gen. 3:15, "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed: it shall

bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel." From the day that God gave this first promise of the Saviour, the world had been watching, waiting, and praying for the coming of the "seed of the woman." Now that He had come, there was no room for Him.

This is much in contrast to the reception which is given earthly rulers. A few years ago Queen Mary of Rumania visited the U. S. It was a royal welcome she received in every town in which she appeared. I was in Louisville, Kentucky on the day

## The Jew, A Proof Of God's Dealing In Human Affairs

Text: Romans 11:25-27.

"For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.

And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins."

The most remarkable people who have ever lived on the face of the earth are the Jewish people. People can rail on the Jews, persecute the Jews, drive the Jews from nation to nation, but the truth of this statement remains. It is a good thing for us to make a re-study of this most remarkable race of people. I have said that the Jewish race is the most remarkable of all races, and I want to submit some reasons for making such a statement.

1. The Jew is remarkable in his origin. And when I say "Jew" I mean to include all that is included under the term "Israelite" and "Hebrew." For I take it that the present term "Jew" is inclusive, for let me say most emphatically that I do

not take any stock whatsoever in that foolish and absurd "Anglo-Israel" theory which holds that the Anglo-Saxon people are to be identified with the so-called ten "lost tribes." Brother Jacob Gartenhaus, a Christian Jew, has recently written a book entitled "The Ten Lost Tribes" in which he knocks the Anglo-Israel theory into a cocked hat.

The origin of the Jewish people is described in the first three verses of the 12th chapter of Genesis. This is one race of people deliberately started by the God in Heaven. He called Abraham out of Ur of the Chaldees for the specific purpose of starting a new race of people. And this leads me to say in the second place that

2. The Jew is remarkable in the purpose of his existence. That purpose is stated in the passage read a moment ago—that God might bless all the nations of the earth through them. How could this be? There is only one answer. God from the very beginning designed to bring forth the Messiah, or Redeemer from this race of people, and He purposed that people of every race and nationality should share in the benefits of His salvation. This purpose and promise is in process of fulfillment through Jesus Christ, Who

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"Under the bed slept the animals, and so the room was divided into three layers: animals on the floor, people in the bed, and the infants in the air" (page 122).

"Worse living conditions would be difficult to imagine" (page 164).

### Entrenched Clergy

Most of the difficulties in Catholic countries could be solved were it not for an entrenched clergy, who are persuaded that they have inherent powers not in any way connected with upright lives. Let Carlo Levi describe those in the villages where he was imprisoned during the war.

"Priest perpetually drunk" (page 40).

"Priest . . . known for his excellent table and the number of children he had begotten" (page 94).

"Almost all the priests have children, and no one sees in this fact any dishonor reflecting upon their calling" (page 103).

"She lived there for years with the priest . . . She had twins, stillborn, by the priest" (page

104). Anyone who has lived in Latin America, or in Italy, or Spain, can witness to the truthfulness of such descriptions. The effect on the morals of the peoples is disastrous. Let Levi tell what he saw, and let us not forget these conditions remain after the church has had eighteen hundred years in which to teach men to live as Christians!

"There is no question of a code of sexual morals or even of social disapproval for an illicit affair" (page 99).

"They thought nothing but love-making, in the most natural way in the world, and they spoke of it with a license and simplicity of language that were astonishing" (page 101).

"A great part of the children are illegitimate . . . The father's identity is no longer so strictly important" (page 102).

### "Religion" Without A Bible

What type of Christianity exists? (Continued on page four)

### OUR NEW PRESS

To say that we are happy, is really speaking mildly, so far as our new press is concerned. We printed the issue of Dec. 19 on it—as a trial run. While quite a number of adjustments are yet to be made, and there is a lot for us to learn about it, all in all, we are exceedingly well pleased with our first paper to come from the press.

By thus printing TBE last week, we are spoiled now and we hated to drop back to our old press this week. However, Bro. Overbey had prepared the December Mission Sheets for only two pages, thinking that we would not get our new press ready to operate before January 1, and when I called him for more copy, he was getting ready for an out of town trip and did not have time to prepare more copy.

We'll be greeting you next week with our eight page paper and thus every week thereafter (D.V.).

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## "No Room For Jesus"

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that she received a welcome very much different to the welcome which was accorded the Lord Jesus when He was born.

When George V was crowned king, his eldest son went to the old Welsh castle at Carnarvon to be received as the Prince of Wales, accompanied by Lord George. As he approached, the door swung wide, the castle within was all glorious with light and vocal with song. The prince had come to his own and they received him with a ringing welcome. This was not true with the "Prince of Peace," for the Scriptures declare "He came unto his own, and his own received him not" (John 1:11).

I

**JESUS WAS AN UNWELCOME VISITOR.** It is not only true that there was no room for Him in the inn at birth, but it is further true that there was no village or town which wanted Him in His lifetime. His home city was Nazareth. In the synagogue, in the beginning of His ministry, He read from the prophet Isaiah, and then said, "This day is this Scripture fulfilled in your ears" (Luke 4:21). When He applied this prophecy of Isaiah to Himself, His hearers tried to destroy Him. "And all they in the synagogue when they heard these things, were filled with wrath. And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led Him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong. But he, passing through the midst of them, went his way" (Luke 4:28-30). It was because that He was unwelcome in His home city, Nazareth, that He said, "That a prophet hath no honor in his own country" (Jn. 4:34).

Leaving Nazareth, Jesus went to the city of Capernaum. For a while He was very popular there. During this season of popularity, He fed the five thousand miraculously. Growing out of this experience, He preached His memorable sermon on the "Bread of Life" which was heard by an immense crowd. As a worker of miracles, His fame spread abroad and the people came to Him from every direction. In this sermon concerning the "Bread of Life," He annihilated all hope outside of Jesus, even declaring, "It is the spirit that quickeneth" (Jn. 8:6). Soon many of His disciples went back and walked no more with Him (John 6:66). Thus His audience of 5,000 dwindled to a mere handful—just His disciples.

Then Jesus went to Jerusalem. You would expect that in this city of the King, He would be accorded a royal welcome, but

sad to say, this city never at any time in His ministry, received the Lord Jesus. Instead of a welcome, there was rather a hiss. Note this Scripture, "And every man went unto his own house, Jesus went unto the mount of Olives" (Jn. 7:53, 8:1). What a picture this text presents. Everyone went away to spend the night. Jesus had no home, and therefore He had no place to go, and since no one invited Him into his home, Jesus must spend the night in the Mount of Olives. Jesus actually went so far as to declare, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests: but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head" (Lk. 9:58).

II

**NEITHER IS THERE ANY ROOM FOR JESUS TODAY.** There would be no room for Jesus in the political world today. There isn't a political party who would want Him as their standard bearer. Republicans, Democrats, Socialists, and Communists in mass would vote against Him. There are very few towns where Jesus could even be elected as mayor. He could not be elected as governor of any state of the Union, nor could He be elected president of the United States. The political bosses have no room for Jesus.

The newspapers would not want Him as an editor. How I would like to read the daily papers if the editorials were written by the Lord Jesus. There would be a lot of illegitimate advertising that would be omitted from the papers if He were editor. There would be more truth, and less fancy — more facts, and less fiction published if the Lord Jesus were editor today. But judging by the present newspaper standards the newspapers have no room for Jesus.

The schools of the land have no room for Him. From grammar school to college, our school system is shot through and through with modernism and evolution. The result is that God is completely ruled out. It is easy enough to hold a pep rally, but almost an impossibility to have a spiritual chapel program. The morality or perhaps I should say the immorality of high school girls is shocking. A teacher in a high school nearby recently took a Wasserman test of the girls of that school, and found that one out of ten was afflicted with syphilis. But how could it be otherwise, for it is surely true that monkey-men make monkey-morals. No, there is no room for Jesus in our schools today.

Even our homes have no room for Jesus. In the days of His flesh, there was one home at Bethany — the home of Mary, Martha, and Lazarus — where He enjoyed going. There are very few homes today like this home at Bethany. Many parents, some perhaps even listening to this broadcast tonight, will not let Jesus come into their homes enough to crowd out the liquor, cards, dances, and other amusements, though they know that to keep these sins, it may cause their boy to become a drunken sot or an assassin, and their daughter to merchandise her womanhood. "The Great American Home" which we used to read about, is now a thing of the past. There was a time when home was the father's kingdom, the mother's world, and the child's paradise. Today it is a filling station where we perhaps eat one meal and sleep. Today, the theater, the dance halls, and other places of amusement have robbed the home of its fireside joys. The average family instead

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I suggest, my reader, that as you leave your home some a. m., that you ask those you meet the above question. No doubt you will be surprised at some of the answers that you will receive, to this most important question. I know, for I have tried it.

Here is an answer I received. "I am trying to be," I replied thus. I have a son who is a clerk in the local post office, you go to the post office window and ask him if he is A. Z. Mathews and Bettie Mathews son? and if he tells you, "I am trying to be," I will go to the sheriff's office and swear out a lunacy warrant and have him sent to the asylum. I saw by the expression on his face that my comment upon his answer, "kinder stung" him. I then added, "Why can't people be as sensible about Christianity as they are about, secular matters?"

Another answer that I received to the above question was, "I was baptized when I was a baby,

of requiring a house, only needs a garage with a bedroom upstairs. Surely under such conditions of living, there is no room for Jesus.

**Business men** have no room for Jesus, in the main. There are very few who would be delighted to have Him audit their books and see their ledgers. White lies, business lies, and outright lies result in no room for Jesus in the business world.

**High society** has no room for Him. He probably would not be able to do the "rhumba," nor play bridge, nor smoke cork-tipped cigarettes, nor drink champagne pleasingly. When you consider that nine-tenths of the social life of the country centers about cards, dances, and booze, then surely nine-tenths of this country has no room for Jesus. This cocktail, gin-sizzling, beer-guzzling, whiskey-soaked nation, which is trying to drown its conscience in a sea of rum, has no room for the Lord Jesus.

The fraternal organizations would not want the Lord Jesus, in spite of their boasted claim that their organizations are founded upon His teachings. There is scarcely a lodge in the country but what would black-ball Him if He would try to join.

Even the embroidery and sewing circles would not want Him. Did you ever attend the weekly meeting of one of these "chatter and stitch societies," where they take one stitch and six chatters. Well, that group would not want Jesus for a member, for it would mean that their gossip and a lot of their immodest talk would come to an end.

"Have you ever heard of Gossip Town,  
On the shores of Falsehood Bay,  
Where old Dame Rumor, with rustling gown,  
Is going the livelong day?"

It isn't far to Gossip Town,  
For people who want to go:  
The Idleness Train will take you down  
In just an hour or so.

The Thoughtless Road is a popular route,  
And most folks start that way,  
But it's steep down grade; if you don't watch out,  
You land in Falsehood Bay.

You glide through the valley of

## Say, Are You A Christian?

and my parents had my name enrolled in a church book, and I think I am a Christian." This writer would be the last to condemn the dedication of a baby to the Lord, indeed, I think every child born to Christians should be dedicated to the Lord, but please don't baptize-rantize them, and count them members of the church, for that would deprive them of their "free moral agency."

Another answer was, "I keep the Ten Commandments, therefore I think I'm a Christian." I said, "Well, you have nothing on the 'rich young Ruler' who said to Jesus, 'all these things I have observed from my youth.' Jesus said to him, 'one thing thou lackest . . .'"

Still another that I received, "I live as near right as I know how, and I think I'm a Christian." I said, "My friend, if you lived as sinless as an angel, from birth to the grave, you would go straight to hell, for you inherited a sinful nature from your parents, and they from theirs,

on back to Adam, you have to have the divine nature imparted to you in the "new birth" to become a child of God—a Christian."

Still another answer that I received was, "I use to be, but ain't now." I said, "Lord help, and I continued, 'I have a son working in the local post office. Go down there and ask him if he is my son, and if he tells you, 'used to be, but I ain't now,' the quicker I get him in the insane asylum, the better it will be for all of us.'"

About one out of ten will answer the above question thus: "Yes, I am a Christian—a child of God; for one day I met Christ Jesus, face to face, and fell at His feet and received Him as my Saviour, and the Holy Spirit regenerated and borned my soul into God's family, and although I've been wayward, yet I know He will keep me safe, and at death He will open the Pearly Gates of the New Jerusalem and receive me unto Himself, to live in His presence forever."

Vicious Town,  
And into the tunnel of Hate,  
Then crossing the Add-to bridge  
you walk  
Right into the City gate.

The principal street is called  
'They Say' and  
'I've Heard' is the public well,  
And the breezes that blow from  
Falsehood Bay  
Are laden with 'Don't you  
Tell.'

In the midst of the town is 'Tell  
Tale Park';  
You're never quite safe while  
there,  
For its owner is Madame 'Suspicious Remark,'  
Who lives on the street  
'Don't Care.'

Just back of the park is Slander's Row,  
Twas there that Good Name  
died,  
Pierced by a dart from Jealousy's bow,  
In the hands of Envious Pride.

From Gossip Town peace long  
since fled,  
But envy and strife and woe,  
And sorrow and care you'll find  
instead,  
If ever you chance to go."

But sadder than all else, even our churches have no room for Jesus. The majority are like the church at Laodicea who went on record against Christ. They said, as a church, "I am rich and increased with goods and have need of nothing" (Rev. 3:17). This meant that they did not even need Jesus. The average church today is like the church at Laodicea; they have no room for Him. I confidently believe that the average church would not let the Lord Jesus become their pastor if He would offer His services free.

I am sure that there are very few churches that would tolerate His ministry for a period of six months space. They would not have any room for Him, for they would be afraid that He would put the cooking squad out and the prayer band in. If Jesus were here today, we would have less gravy and more grace; less pie and more piety; less soup and more salvation; less ham and sham and more life and love; less leaven and more Heaven; less use for the cook and more use for the Book. If Jesus were here, He would put out the fire in the kitchen

and build it on the altar. If He were here, He would get up fewer dinners and go out after more sinners. Our churches need to be filled with waiters and servers—those who wait on God and those who serve God.

I am sure that there would be no room for Jesus in churches today, because Jesus would not approve of a lot of doctrine that is taught. He would not appreciate pious talk on Sunday and foul living during the week. I am sure He would not appreciate Lent, wherein Christians by self-denial, try to get enough religion within a few weeks to permit them to live like the Devil the balance of the year. I am positive He would not even appreciate the way His birthday is celebrated. No, even our churches have no room for Jesus.

III

**THE ONLY PLACE WHERE JESUS CAN ENTER AND FIND LODGING, IS IN THE HUMAN HEART.** The city of Jericho would not receive Him. "And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho" (Lk. 19:1). A question arises: Why did He pass through Jericho? The answer is obvious: There was no invitation for Him to stop. But though the city of Jericho would not receive Him, there was a blind Bartimaeus outside the city, and a Zacchaeus within the city who did receive Him.

Do I speak to someone who is making merry during this holiday season? Mr. Worldly-mind, you are having a great party now: Your rooms are all filled with guests. Mr. Wealth, Mr. Greed, Mrs. Conceit, Mr. Indifference, Miss Hypocrisy, and Miss Licentiousness are all visiting you tonight. As I speak, your faithful servant, Conscience, brings word to you that an uninvited guest called Jesus has arrived. The question before you is: Shall I make room for Him? As you ponder it, Mr. Selfishness says, "Your house is full, I would not let Him in." Mr. Procrastination says, "You could let Him in after a while." Even now Un-easiness whispers, "If you would let Him in, you could not bring 'Purity' in with these other guests." Dear man, before you tell conscience to bid Jesus good-bye, may I urge you to make room in your heart for (Continued on page three)



MISSIONARIES  
IN BRAZIL

ELD. AND MRS. ROYAL CALLEY  
MIGUEL IBERNON  
CICERO BICIPO  
MAIO DUTRO  
EUFRAZO SORAES  
JOHN DIAS  
ZACHARIAS NUNES de ABRIU  
JOHN BENTES  
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ELD. AND MRS. R. P. HALLUM  
MISS MARGUERITE HALLUM

DON SIMON GUIMA  
DON JUAN CASTRO  
(Spanish Language)

IN COLUMBIA

JOSE TOMAS del CASTILLO  
(Spanish Language)

DISCOURAGEMENTS FAIL TO DETER MITCHELL LEWIS IN WORK



On their way to Polis. Brother Lewis is head mechanic and Simon is chief pilot. They are on their way to tell the lost about Jesus who died to save them from sin.

Iquitos, Peru  
Nov. 27, 1953

Dear Bro. Overbey:

After reading the program of the conference on the back of The Baptist Examiner I know that you must have had a wonderful time of fellowship with the different brethren. I regret very much that Ruby's brother did not attend. I was almost certain that he would.

Well the flesh has let us down again. I was beginning to have high hopes for a young man in the church, but now I find that he is living with a woman and she is about five months pregnant. She says Juan Ramires prays a nice prayer in church but is a devil at home. Thus are some of the discouragements that we have here. I thank the Holy Spirit for II Tim. 2:19, "Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

In Leticia, Columbia about a hundred and thirty miles below Iquitos the G.A.R.B. missionaries have been forbidden to hold services in their churches, homes or houses of friends. The only excuse the police had for closing the churches was "this territory belongs to the Catholics."

The book dealer who is not afraid to display our books, tracts, etc., has sold thirteen Bibles since he started helping us. We have on display the Catholic Bible which sells for eighty soles and the Evangelical Bible which sells for eight soles. The book-dealer told Juan Castro that the priests always stop to see what is new and that they leave all steamed up about something. We have on display, "Why I Left Catholicism," by Louis Padrosa an ex-Roman Catholic priest who was a special speaker.

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A "Balsa" or floating house in Lake Marono. Behind the house is the kitchen which can be cut loose in case of fire. This is where Brother Lewis leaves from, in his boat when he makes a missionary journey.

Mission Sheets And Baptist Examiner To Be Doubled

Many do not know the relation between THE BAPTIST EXAMINER and the MISSION SHEETS. THE BAPTIST EXAMINER is edited by pastor John R. Gilpin of the First Baptist Church, Russell, Kentucky. The MISSION SHEETS is edited by pastor Hafford H. Overbey of the Canfield Avenue Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan. THE BAPTIST EXAMINER is a weekly Baptist paper and the

subscription price is only fifty cents a year. The MISSION SHEETS tells about the work of BAPTIST FAITH MISSIONS and is a monthly paper. Once each month, Brother Gilpin prints the MISSION SHEETS as the "MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT" of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER. So all who subscribe for THE BAPTIST EXAMINER get the MISSION SHEETS along with it once a month without any extra charge. The MISSION SHEETS are sent out in bundles to over 100 churches so that each family of each church can have a free copy. We do not have an individual mailing list for the MISSION SHEETS because of the expense. It costs about 30c a year for envelopes and postage to mail the paper out to one individual not counting the time to address and mail it. We are writing this because many people who read the MISSION SHEETS do not know about THE BAPTIST EXAMINER. We urge every family to become a subscriber to THE BAPTIST EXAMINER. Write today to John R. Gilpin, Russell, Ky., and send him one dollar for two years subscription to THE BAPTIST EXAMINER and get the MISSION SHEETS free each month along with it. Do it today and you will never regret it. Brother Gilpin is now installing a rotary printing press and the Lord willing THE BAPTIST EXAMINER will be increased to eight pages in January, 1954 and the MISSION SHEETS will be increased to four pages and all this without extra cost. Where can you get such a bargain elsewhere? Think of it. A weekly Baptist paper and a monthly mission paper both together for only fifty cents a year. You can get a life subscription for only \$5.00.

OVERBEY PLANS TO  
GO TO S. A.

The Lord Willing, Brother Hafford H. Overbey plans to go to South America for three months, June, July and August, 1954, to visit the mission fields in Brazil and then in Peru and then in Columbia. Brother Overbey has been the secretary of Baptist Faith Missions since its beginning. He has also been the editor of the MISSION SHEETS since its beginning. He has served without pay as a work of love. Brother Overbey has been pastor of Canfield Avenue Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan for almost ten years which is his only pastorate. The church he pastors has voted to grant him a three months leave of absence with full pay and also voted to call his son, Edward H. Overbey, to pastor the church while he is in South America. This is a mission work by this church to support the pastor and his family while he is away for three months.

It is estimated that the total expense for the three months trip will be about \$1600.00 with about half of that amount for airplane tickets alone. Brother Overbey is not making this trip

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The Paul Calleys Leaving  
Soon For Work In Brazil

The Lord willing Brother Paul Calley, wife and son, Leslie Paul, will be leaving for Brazil this month of December. They are now finishing taking the necessary shots and vaccinations. They have their passport in hand and plan to go to Chicago to get the visa from the Brazilian Consulate the second week in December. The Calleys plan to take a 1950 model Ford Tudor to Brazil with them for use in the work in Manaos. This will be a big help in the work. Also they will take a kerosene operated refrigerator and a kerosene range together with other household items. The car and other items belong to them because they paid for them themselves. The Calley's will drive the car to New York City and a forwarding Company will then ship the car and other things by boat and the Calleys will go by air-

plane. Brother Paul M. Calley is an older brother of Brother Royal H. Calley, who is already a missionary in Brazil. These two brothers will make a great mission team to go out two by two. There will be no jealousy between them. They are sound as they come in doctrine and both are hard workers. Remember to pray for all the missionaries every day.

We thank God for a mission work where all who help support it can know about the missionaries and can read letters direct from the missionaries themselves.

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RUSSELL CONFERENCE,  
THE BEST YET

The Missionary Conference in Russell, Kentucky was a high time spiritually. There were people there from 17 different states and Peru and Mexico. It seemed like everyone was of one accord in the Scriptures. There were services morning, afternoon and night. There were two and sometimes three speakers at each session. The meeting started off on a high spiritual plane with messages by pastors Gus Randolph, Burnsville, N. C., and Harry Hille, Dearborn, Mich., and there was not any let down. The meeting reached its peak when pastor John R. Gilpin preached his 25th annual Thanksgiving day sermon Thursday morning. The total Thanksgiving Day offering by the First Baptist Church, Russell, Kentucky was \$1673.71 with \$1174.71 of the amount for Baptist Faith Missions. It seems that the more our enemies try to hurt this mission work, the

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Missionary Lewis stops on the river to make a house call to tell the people about the gospel. The water is way down and the banks are muddy so they walk up logs to dry ground.



## NOTICE

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

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

## Lewis Letter

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er for the Catholic church in Spain for ten years. This man was saved by studying the New Testament in order to combat the evangelists with their own book.

Ronald Everett Lewis was born Nov. 16th at 9:50 a. m., at the Inter-Americano hospital here in Iquitos. Ruby lost more blood than usual and on the 5th day I gave her a pint or so and the doctor says that in a few days I can give her some more. At this date we are all up and around and feeling fine except for an occasional extra hot day that comes along.

We have hopes of renting a house away from the main part of town and which has good ventilation as it is not built right against another house. It also has a yard all the way around the place.

Our services at the church are about the same and the services in private homes at night are showing good interest. Many times we have a larger congregation outside a house than we have inside, but be as it may the Holy Spirit is not confined to the inside of a house in order to convict lost souls.



## Overbey

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for a vacation. He is making it in the interest of the mission work. He will not make the trip on mission money. The money for this trip must be designated for that purpose. If you wish to have a part in this, send your offering to the mission treasurer, Elder Z. E. Clark, Box 551, Evansville, Ind., and designate it for Brother Overbey's trip to South America. Brother Clark will list the amounts given each month. Any money left over from the trip will be turned in by Brother Overbey to the mission treasurer for the regular mission work. He will give a strict accounting of the expenses of the trip upon his return.



## Paul Calleys

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selves telling about what they are doing each month, so that all may know what their mission money is accomplishing. There are many heartaches, much sickness and great suffering and some missionaries are failures and return, but not all. Those who help support this mission work learn about both the good and the bad. Truly we thank the Lord for the Lewises and Calleys who have stood the test and made good. We thank the Lord for the Hallums who have given their lives as the best of missionaries. Brother Hallum is now 70 years old. Down in Peru in the city of Iquitos on the Amazon River is the First Baptist Church of Iquitos, as a living monument of his 18 years on the mission field. Praise God from whom all blessings flow.



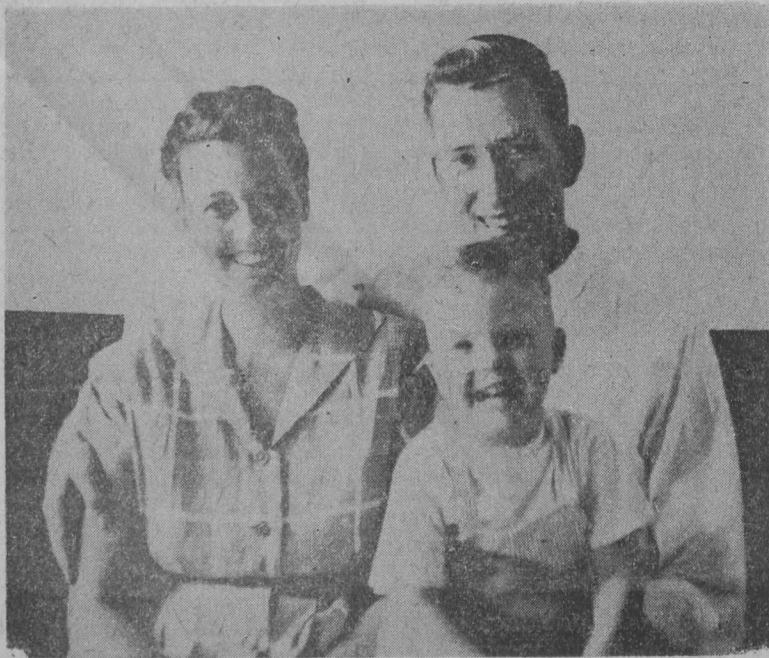
How long since you have sent a contribution in behalf of Baptist Faith Missions?

## FINANCIAL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER, 1953

Fish Springs Baptist Church, Hampton, Tenn.	\$ 6.76
Faith Baptist Church, Lawtey, Fla.	6.27
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark.	66.00
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla. (Hope Bible Class)	50.00
Emmaus Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky.	15.36
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	30.26
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, North Kenova, Ohio	23.84
South Side Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fla.	25.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Flint, Mich.	16.86
Chattaroy Baptist Church, Chattaroy, W. Va.	15.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	25.52
Immanuel Baptist Church, Dayton, Ky.	25.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich.	55.36
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. (Ladies Bible Class)	10.00
Faith Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich.	8.50
Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Buchanan, Ky.	11.90
Mount View Baptist Church, Watauga, Tenn.	12.75
Hopewell Baptist Church, Mayfield, Ky.	62.60
Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky.	29.23
Zoar Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky.	26.41
Hopewell Baptist Church, Arlington, Ky.	30.97
Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Cedarville, Va.	5.00
Dawson Baptist Church, Cedarville, W. Va.	6.43
New Hope Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill.	60.00
South Bristol Baptist Church, Bristol, Tenn.	5.00
Newby Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	12.29
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky.	8.16
Naborton Baptist Church, Mansfield, La.	33.75
Bellview Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	8.31
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky.	15.00
Mt. Hebron Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky.	52.90
Lucasville Baptist Church, Lucasville, Ohio	30.80
Repton Baptist Church, Repton, Ky.	26.00
Hampton Baptist Church, Hampton, Fla.	25.00
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, Ind.	20.17
Upper Steer Run Baptist Church, Normantown, W. Va.	5.00
Kirbyton Baptist Church, Bardwell, Ky.	40.45
Grace Baptist Church, Ellaville, Ga.	25.00
Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Buchanan, Ky.	9.80
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	15.00
First Baptist Church, Arabia, Ohio	34.70
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky.	50.00
Sylvania Hills Baptist Church, New Brighton, Penna.	7.10
Temple Baptist Church, Evansville, Ind.	30.00
Canfield Avenue Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.	151.95
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky.	25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich.	300.00
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich. (B. T. U.)	6.83
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich. (Ladies Bible Class)	10.00
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky.	140.00
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. (Thanksgiving offering)	1174.71
Members of Port Norris Baptist Church, Port Norris, N. J.	100.00
J. H. Kain, West Cape May, N. J.	10.00
Miss Maude Hunt, Franklin, Ky.	5.00
Bill Little, Webb, W. Va.	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Willis, Monticello, Ark.	5.00
Miss Kittie Bullington, Atwood, Tenn.	3.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Burleson, Knoxville, Tenn.	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bayless, Macedonia, Ill.	20.00
L. W. Page, Lawtey, Fla.	16.00
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robbins, Port Norris, N. J.	9.00
Friends of Baptist Faith Missions, McLeansboro, Ill.	40.00
John H. Mock, New York, N. Y.	11.00
Dean Martin, Covington, Ky.	5.00
Raymond A. Waugh, Louisville, Ky.	5.00
Clinton H. Craig, Robertsburg, W. Va.	8.00
Ronald E. Hall, McLeansboro, Ill.	20.00
E. H. Lambert, Pennington Gap, Va.	10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3161.94</b>

As the Lord leads you, send all offerings for the mission work to the treasurer of this mission. Address all offering to:

ELDER Z. E. CLARK, Treasurer  
Baptist Faith Missions  
P. O. Box 551  
Evansville, Indiana



Elder and Mrs. M. E. Lewis and son, Ben, Iquitos, Peru. This fine missionary family are the parents of a son born on Monday, November 16, 1953.

## CALLEY PERSEVERES WITH WORK IN BRAZIL DESPITE OPPOSITION FROM THE CATHOLICS

I am writing you this letter to tell you about the things that have come to pass in the past month.

We are happy at this time for many things. All of us are well, and the weather has started to change now for the better.

I have stopped teaching the native preachers and the school for a while, it was necessary for me to lay down some of the things that I have been doing. However, the school is still being taught, and that, very well, by John Bentes, Miguel, and John Dias. I really believe that I will leave the school children in their hands from now on. They do very nicely with them. Besides these changes we still have the same work as we ever had. We have our meetings every night, and there are always a few to listen to the Gospel. Everything is about the same here. The Catholics are as energetic as ever. They were throwing stones at us the other night, didn't hit anyone though, their aim is terrible, they don't play anything but soccer here and you only use your feet and head in that game. The so-called "evangelicals" are as lazy as ever, their mission seems to be to usher in the kingdom of baseball.

There was one confession this month and two exclusions from the church. We have twenty-four comfortable chairs now. It is such a relief from the benches that we had without backs or anything. When we get all the chairs that the auditorium will hold comfortably there will be 48 chairs.

We are thinking about buying a little launch now. It would be good to work on the rivers with. As yet we have not done any

work on the rivers around Manaus. We are looking forward to the time when we may.

It will not be long until my brother and his family will be here. We are looking forward to seeing him, and his family. I know that both of us together shall be able to do much more.

We wish to thank you for your support that you have given us. I am sure that any honest person that has ever been supported by the churches that contribute to B.F.M. must say that they have been given every possible aid, that the mission was capable of giving. We wish to thank you in particular for the gift that was given to us to help us through some medical expenses that we have had, for we know that only through the offerings of the churches that support us was this possible.

I am very glad to learn that Bro. Clark of the Grace Baptist Church and Bro. Sims of Temple Baptist Church have been elected to the board of B.F.M. Nobody has to ask where these two men or their churches stand in regard to missions.

That is all the news for now. May God bless you.

Yours in Christ,  
Royal H. Calley



## Russell Conference

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more the Lord blesses it. The next missionary conference will be in Evansville, Indiana in April, 1954, with pastor James H. Sims and Temple Baptist Church. Make your plans now to attend. Make it possible for your pastor to attend.



Inside the house of Don Adolfo in Polis. Notice the stairway between the women. The stairway is made out of a single log with the steps notched in the log.



One of the houses visited by Brother Lewis on the Mamon River. These pictures give you a good idea of real New Testament mission work and where your money goes. Thank God for such a real mission work.

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## "No Room For Jesus"

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Him. Sooner or later all these other guests will leave. All? All, yes, all, except Remorse. Through a never ending eternity, Remorse will keep you company if you fail to make room in your heart for the Lord Jesus.

There is room in your heart for everything else. "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked" (Jer. 17:9). "For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, all evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: All these evil things come from within and defile the man" (Mk. 7:21-24). These sins can not be put out by the mere exercise of your will. If you let Jesus in, all these guests shall have to leave. "The blood of Jesus Christ, his Son cleanseth us from all sin" (1 Jn. 1:7). "And without shedding of blood is no remission" (Heb. 9:22). "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God" (1 Pet. 3:18).

What a terrible doom there is awaiting the individual who does not make room in his heart for Jesus. "If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed" (1 Cor. 16:22). "And to you who are troubled, stay with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ; Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power" (II Thes. 1:7-9). "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire" (Rev. 20:15). "The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation: and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb: And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: And they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name" (Rev. 14:10, 11). "And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousand of his saints, to execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him" (Jude 14, 15). May I ask again, is there room in your heart for Jesus?

B. H. Carroll used to tell of a young girl in his choir at Waco, Texas, who could outsing the birds. Especially was this true when she sang the song "There Is Room In My Heart for Thee, Lord Jesus." Though a church-goer, she was not a Christian. At a meeting in a private home, she sang this song one day with unusual beauty. Mr. Carroll leaned over and whispered, "My child, you sing it beautifully with your lips, but is there room in your heart for the Lord Jesus?" At once, she was convicted of her sins. The following Sunday she professed her faith in Jesus, saying, "I have not only given Him a room in my heart, but all of it as His residence forever." Years later, as a young wife and mother, when she lay

dying, she took Dr. Carroll's hand in hers and said, "He is still in my heart and has called me to a room in His Father's house of many mansions."

There is a day coming when this scene will be reversed. Today, Jesus is on the outside, and you have no room for Him. After a while there is going to be room in Heaven for Jesus, but not for you. "Strive to enter in at the straight gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able. When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut the door and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door saying, I know you not whence ye are: Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets. But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are: depart from me all ye workers of iniquity. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out" (Lk. 13:24-28).

A few years ago, I held a revival meeting for one of the Baptist churches in Ashland. One of the members of the church, a professor but not a possessor of Jesus, came to me after that I had preached a message somewhat as I have preached to you just now, and said, "I am unsaved, I want Jesus to have a place in my life." That night, before she left the church building, she received Him by faith, who had died for her. May God grant that someone in my invisible audience shall in this hour quietly receive Jesus as your Saviour, and just now give Jesus a place in your life. Make room in your heart and life for Him!

## The Jew

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was that Messiah, and through Whom millions of this earth have found the way to eternal life. That was the main purpose for which God began the Jewish race with Abraham — that He might bring forth the Messiah from them. But there is still a further purpose that God has and that is to eventually bring the Jews as a race to acceptance of Jesus as their Messiah, and to make them the leaders of this world, when Jesus the Messiah returns to this earth to rule and reign. But I shall speak of this more in detail later.

3. The Jewish people are remarkable in their preservation. It is nothing less than a miracle of history, the way in which the Jewish people have been preserved during the centuries of the past. For 20 centuries now they have been a dispersed and scattered people, without national home, without national government, without anything to unify, and yet they have continued as a people with the same characteristics that they had back twenty centuries ago. What is the explanation of this strange happening? The answer is found in the writings of the prophets, and in the promise of Jesus Christ. Let me cite you two Scriptures in proof of this (Deut. 28:64-66) (Matt. 24:34).

Note that Jesus mentions a number of things that must come to pass, and then He distinctly promises that "this race" — the Jewish race — shall not pass away, until all of the things promised by Him shall find fulfillment. Every attempt imaginable has been made to exterminate the Jewish people. 3200 years ago, Pharaoh Menepthah of Egypt

caused an inscription to be written on a granite slab, and this was the inscription: "Israel is crushed; its seed is no more." But Pharaoh and his empire have perished, while the Jewish race remains. And so it has been all down through the centuries. They have been driven out of country after country, and every form of persecution and slaughter has been tried upon them, and yet they have not perished. Why? Because the Word of God the Father through the prophets, and the Word of Jesus Christ the Messiah is at stake, and those words shall not fail. It seems to me that even the most skeptical ought to pause and consider the remarkable evidence of the inspiration of the Bible in the preservation of the Jewish race. Surely only God in fulfillment of His Word could accomplish this.

But next, I ask the question: Why this dispersion of the Jewish race that has already lasted for twenty centuries?

Here again there is only one explanation that even begins to explain. That explanation is their rejection of the Messiah when He came. Jesus the true — the long looked-for Messiah was born in the fullness of times. He was born at the time that the prophet Daniel said that He would be born. He was born in the way that Isaiah said He would be born — of a virgin. He was born of the family, of the tribe, and in the very town foretold by the prophets. Why was He rejected by His people? There are two explanations as follows:

(1) First, He was rejected because it was in the purpose and plan of God, and because foretold by the prophets. In Isaiah 53 we read, "He is despised and rejected of men, a man of sor-

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rows and acquainted with grief, and we hid as it were our faces from him." Only as the Messiah was rejected by the Jews, and they temporarily set aside, would we Gentiles have a chance. Let us note what is said in Romans 11:11. "I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy."

(2) Jesus was rejected because of corrupt Jewish religious leaders. Jesus didn't get their "ok" on His ministry, and that corrupt religious and political machine crushed Him. And let me say that the same identical spirit characterizes every religious machine that exists today. The common people among the Jews "heard Jesus gladly" and it was the corrupt leaders that brought ruin upon the nation by leading that nation into rejection of Him Whom Israel had looked and longed for during the centuries. And Jesus knew that He would be rejected — knew that it was foretold that He would be — knew that the Jewish leaders would bring it about, and He not only foresaw that, but He foresaw the tragic history of His people all down through the centuries. And what did He do? As He stood there on the Mount of Olives and looked down upon the city of Jerusalem and contemplated the future of the people whom He loved, He burst into tears and cried, "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!" And seeing and foreknowing the tragic centuries, Jesus uttered this prophecy: "And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all na-

tions: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled" (Luke 21:24). Let's analyze this:

(a) "They shall fall by the edge of the sword." That happened in about 30 years, when the Roman armies came and surrounded and destroyed Jerusalem.

(b) "They shall be led away captive into all nations." Read Josephus' history of the Jews, and you will read that the slave market was glutted with Jews after the Roman capture of the city.

(c) "Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled." I ask you, hasn't Jerusalem been trodden down by the Gentiles during the whole of the past twenty centuries? In other words, history has exactly followed the words of Jesus as here laid down. But note that a time limit was set: "until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled." That means that God has a time set for Gentile rule of Jerusalem to cease and for the Jews again to possess it. And that is just as certain to come to pass as God lives on His throne.

But let us note some of the promises made concerning the Jews in the Scriptures.

1. Note God's promise to curse those people who should afflict and persecute them. In Genesis 12:3 God said to Abraham, "I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee." Has God kept His Word? He certainly has. Listen: do you (Continued on page four)



## The Jew

(Continued from page three) remember that woman of Jericho who hid the Jewish spies? What happened? When Jericho was destroyed that woman and her family were preserved. "I will bless them that bless thee." Go yonder in Central Park, New York City, and look on that obelisk that was taken from the ancient city of Memphis, near Cairo. That obelisk is a relic of the past—a reminder that that race of people—the Egyptians who for four hundred years crushed the chosen people beneath their yoke of bondage,—were visited by divine retribution, and their glory as a nation lies buried beneath the sands of the Nile, while the Jews live on. Go look at the ruins of Babylon—one of the mightiest cities in the world—the capitol of the world empire. They carried the Jews into a 70-year bondage, they destroyed their temple, and Nebuchadnezzar's son Belshazzar used the golden vessels from the house of the Lord as instruments of a heathen debauch. But Babylon lies in ruins today—nothing but heaps of stones to mark the place where the city stood, and the mighty Babylonian empire is no more. "I will curse them that curse thee." And so it is with the other mighty nations of antiquity which persecuted the Jews: Persia, Assyria, Greece and Rome. And I say unto you when nations like Germany, Poland, Russia and others join in persecuting the Jews, they are courting disaster. They show that they are without knowledge of history or benefit of God's Word. For God's ancient promise holds just as good today as it did in the days of Abraham—"I will curse them that curse thee."

2. Note God's promises concerning their regathering to the land of Palestine. I have time to ask you to consider with me just a few of the prophetic promises of their regathering. Read carefully the following: Ezek. 34:12, 13, 28; Ezek. 36: 24-28; Ezek. 36:33-35; Ezek. 37:21-23.

### Hitler's Part In The Plan

I want to ask just here, do we find any sign of the fulfillment of these promises? Up until a few years ago, there was little to indicate that these words would ever be fulfilled. The Jews were scattered over the world, Palestine was in the hands of Arabs, and people often suggested that the Jews would never leave their paying businesses in different lands, their lucrative professions, and their good jobs to return to a waste country. Perhaps this would have been true, if it had not been for one fact—and that fact the tremendous fact of God. God has a way of seeing to it that His Word is fulfilled. So how does He go about it? Why He uses such men as Hitler, Stalin and their butchers to drive the Jews out of Europe and He uses persecution in other lands to induce them to want to return to Palestine. The person who can't see the hand of God in these movements against the Jews in different lands must be stone blind! It is nothing in the world but God's plan to drive the Jews back to Palestine. That doesn't excuse the wicked and unjust way the Jews are being treated, but it explains the ultimate reason back behind it.

### The Jewish Future

Now what is going to be the

future history of the Jews as they are regathered in Palestine? I haven't the time to go into details and to bring before you the many Scriptures that might be presented. But here in outline is what the Bible teaches will happen. We have many of the countries of the world under dictators today. This is strictly in accord with prophecy. And the Bible teaches that this dictator business will increase until one great supreme dictator shall arise whom the Bible calls the "Beast" or "Anti-Christ." This great dictator shall at first appear very favorable to the Jews, and shall enter into some kind of a "covenant" with them. Look up this passage from Daniel 9:26, 27. Compare this with the words of Jesus on the same subject. Matt. 24:15, 16, 21, 22.

After about three years and a half this dictator or Anti-Christ, shall break his covenant with the Jews, and shall begin the bitterest and most awful persecution that they have ever known or shall ever know. This is called in the Scriptures "The Great Tribulation." The destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70 is only a type of this future tribulation that the Jewish race shall pass through. And do you know what will put a stop to it? The answer is, **The return of Jesus, the Messiah,** from Heaven to this earth. And do you know what will happen then? The Jewish race, tortured and afflicted and persecuted as never before in human history, shall be prepared to believe in Jesus. They shall come to realize that their ancestors made a terrible mistake when they rejected Him, and they shall turn unto Him as a nation. Can I prove this? I certainly can. Listen to this:

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem."

"And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his first born."

"In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for un-

cleanness."

(Zech. 12:9, 10; 13:1). Now I am ready to come back to my text in **Romans 11:25-27** and to deal with it. Let us analyze this passage for just a moment. What does it say?

(1) That blindness in part has happened unto Israel in this age, such that they don't see and realize that Jesus was indeed and in truth the true Messiah. It says, "in part." Why, "in part?" Because not all Jews reject Christ. Many of them do receive Jesus as the Christ, and I want to tell you that if I were a Jew, I would accept Jesus as my Messiah and Saviour and would regard the privilege of receiving Him as the greatest privilege of my life.

(2) It says that the nation or race—the Jews, will be blinded to the fact that Jesus is the true Messiah, until "the fulness of the Gentiles be come in." What does that mean? That means until the full number of Gentiles whom God in His elective purpose has determined, has been saved. And when the last Gentile in God's plan has come to salvation, then God will take up His dealings with Israel once more.

(3) It says here that "all Israel shall be saved." That means that as a race of people they shall turn unto Christ and shall receive His salvation. And Paul quotes the prophets to prove this: "As it is written, There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: for this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins." I say, thank God, the time is coming—foretold in the promises of God Who cannot lie—when the Jewish race shall as a whole turn unto the long-rejected Messiah and shall accept Him and be saved through Him. Oh, that many of the Jewish people of this present day might do the same!

But now, I come to one more question:

**What about the ultimate future of this people—the Jews?**

My friends, the Jewish race has the greatest and most glorious future of any people. Germany persecuted the Jews and talked about a "place in the sun." Mussolini dreamed of the revival of the Roman Empire, and now Russia dreams of world conquest. But following the return of Jesus Christ, the center of this world's government is go-

ing to be converted Israel. Did you get that expression? Converted Israel—not believing Israel. God's ancient and chosen people shall come back into their own place. Let us read just one passage that clearly pictures this:

"And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it."

"And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem."

"And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

"O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the Lord."

(Isa. 2:2-5).

### All Lost Without Christ!

But I stop now to remind you of a solemn and awful truth. It is this: Whether you be Jew or Gentile, without Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, you are lost. If you die without trusting Jesus Christ to save you from your sins, you go out into an eternity that is hopeless and awful beyond human description. Therefore I ask each of you: "Have you taken Jesus, the Son of God, the Messiah into your heart and life as your Saviour?" If not, I want to lay before you the burning question as to what you will do with Him. "What will you do with Jesus, which is called the Christ?" was the question Pilate asked long ago, and it is as live a question this minute as it was back there. Upon how you settle this question, depends the future of your never-dying soul, and I beg you to settle it right. Ah, this is no little matter of which I speak! The mighty God of Heaven sent His Son to this earth. He was born a little babe in a manger; angels hovered over Bethlehem and sang songs of praise on the night of His birth. He grew up and lived and walked among

men—healing the sick, curing the deaf and opening the eyes of the blind. "He was despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief." And He was nailed fast to the cross as He bore our sins in His body there. He was buried in a tomb, but three days later He came forth alive again. He ascended into Heaven, and He is coming back again to this earth. Coming—to claim His chosen Bride! Coming to rule the world! Coming to fulfill all promises made through the centuries. Meanwhile, He is calling out of the world a people for His name, to rule with Him when He comes. Are you numbered among the people? I'm staking everything on the belief that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. I'm staking everything on His power to save. I'm staking everything on the belief that He is coming again. Will you join with me in staking everything on Christ?—Roy Mason.



## Effects Of Catholicism

(Continued from page one) ists in this portion of Italy? Remember that the church makes it impossible to circulate the Holy Scriptures among these unfortunate people. Levi reports: "One day he saw on my bedside a Protestant edition of the Bible, and he started back in horror, as if it were a serpent. 'Such books as you read, Doctor! Throw it away, I beg of you!' (page 262).

What kind of Christians can exist when they have no access to the source of Christian instruction—the Scriptures? "We're not Christians; Christ stopped short of here" (page 3).

"Here the peasants did not sing" (page 37). What have Catholics to sing about? They live "in a dark, mysterious world of their own where there was no hope" (page 62). "There was no religious happiness or ecstasy in the people's eyes; instead they seemed prey to a sort of madness, a pagan throwing off of restraint" (page 118). The priest said, "They're not Christians; they've no religion at all" (page 42).

### A Pagan Church

"Even the ceremonies of the church become pagan rites, celebrating the existence of inanimate things, which the peasants endow with a soul, and the innumerable earthly divinities of the village" (page 117).

"The black-faced Madonna, in the shower of wheat, among the animals, the gun-fire, the trumpets, was no sorrowful Mother of God, but rather a subterranean deity, black with the shadows of the bowels of the earth, a peasant persepnone or lower-world goddess of the harvest" (page 119).

"The Madonna appeared to be a fierce, pitiless, mysterious, ancient earth goddess, the Saturnian mistress of the world, the president of a sort of all-powerful ZEUS, the benevolent and smiling master of a higher sphere" (page 122).

After 1800 years of Roman Catholic domination the people still wail, "If we knew how to read and write they couldn't rob us like this!" (page 243).

—Converted Catholic



## Can You Imagine?

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