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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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HOW SATAN HAS PERVERTED THE LORD'S TABLE

by ROY MASON
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The Devil has a counterfeit for every doctrine of the Christian faith. So simple a thing as the ordinance of the Lord's Supper, he has counterfeited. Let us take note of some of the false teachings that are current concerning this ordinance.

1. Transubstantiation. The Roman Catholic teaching is that the bread and the wine when it has been blessed by the priest becomes the actual body and blood of Christ. Chemical analysis proves that it is still bread and wine, but no matter they believe

it is flesh and blood. Thus, they claim to offer over and over again the body and blood of Christ. On what do they base such a view? On bald literalism. When Jesus said (I Cor. 11:24), "This is my body," they take it literally. Jesus, of course, meant "this represents my body." He could have meant nothing else for He was there, in the body, at the time He spoke. Jesus also said, "I am the vine . . . I am the door." Try bald literalism on those two verses and what do you have? Besides we read in Hebrews that Christ was offered "once for all." That precludes the

daily offering up of Christ's body and blood.

2. Consubstantiation. Some Protestants who reject the Catholic view hold to "consubstantiation." This is the theory that while the bread and wine do not become the literal body and blood, the presence of Christ somehow goes along with the observance. This theory gives a mystical and magical meaning to the Lord's Supper.

3. The spiritual blessing idea. Some Protestants (Baptists are NOT Protestants) hold that some kind of a mysterious special (Continued on page eight)

A CUP OF COLD WATER IN OUR LORD'S PRECIOUS NAME!

"I SHOULD LIKE TO KNOW"

Please send your questions for this column on a sheet of paper that is separate from letters, book orders, etc. Number each question. No unsigned question will be answered.

1. Recently I was in a Baptist church where there wasn't a pastor. A visiting preacher from another church brought the message. At the close of the service "The Lord's Supper" was observed. This visiting preacher took charge of "The Lord's Table," and he also partook of the Supper. I think he was wrong in both, am I right?

Yes, you are right. First of all, he was not a member of the church and was not appointed by them to administer at the Lord's Supper. Secondly, he had no right to partake of the Lord's Supper, for he was not a member of that particular church.

2. As our new pastor came in a year ago, he instituted a new

system for Sunday School calling—called the Williams System. We as many others are not in sympathy with it as it seems to be man-made and promoted, and the Lord seems to be in the most left out. He claims it is Scriptural and dares anyone to show him Scripture to prove otherwise. He has accused us of being out of fellowship with the Lord, and of having sin in our lives based only upon the fact we disagree with him in the issue. Can you give us any enlightenment upon this?

I do not know what this system is, but if it was started by Williams, then it is unscriptural. Most of the modern Sunday School systems are based entirely on the wisdom of the flesh. They usually divide the church and upset the spiritual people of God.

3. What do you think should be used for Communion, wine or grape juice?

Definitely wine. Grape juice contains leaven which symbolizes evil (I Corinthians 5:6). In the process of fermentation, the leaven is thrown off, and only pure wine is left. This typifies the pure, sinless blood of the Son of God (I Corinthians 11:25). To use grape juice would be saying in (Continued on page eight)

"For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward." — Mark 9:41

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There is the tendency on the part of Christians to sit back and get stuffed full of good sound Bible teaching, and to forget about the "thirsty soul" in the "far country." This paper prints some of the best all-around spiritual food that is being published today, and the readers of this paper are among the soundest Christians on earth. However, there is great danger that despite (Continued on page eight)

The Cooperative Program Is Now Baptist 'Doctrine'

PIKEVILLE, Tenn.—Chancellor H. J. Garrett, who is hearing the Pikeville Baptist Church case in Chancery Court here, is manifesting more interest in the question of whether the Cooperative Program of the Southern Baptist Convention is Baptist "doctrine" than in almost any other phase of the question.

At one point in Tuesday's session of the trial, the Chancellor interrupted counsel to state his concern on this point. There were a number of Baptist ministers in the courtroom. "I am going to request all the Baptist ministers to stand," said the Court. "I am putting you under subpoena as witnesses in this case and I am placing you under the rules." He then instructed the sheriff to escort the ministers to the corridor to wait until they were called as witnesses.

Of the group, three Southern Baptist ministers were called to the stand, and three Baptist ministers whose churches are independent of the Convention were called.

The question they were asked by the Court was: "Is the Cooperative Program of the Southern Baptist Convention regarded as Baptist doctrine?"

Every one of the Convention ministers swore that the Cooperative Program is Baptist doctrine. Every one of the other ministers swore that it is not.

—Baptist Bible Tribune

Editor's note: According to a tract published by the Convention, the Cooperative Program was "found" by Southern Baptist leaders in 1925, and ever since then (according to Albert McClellan) it has been "the Holy Spirit's way of doing mission work." It appears that our Convention friends are getting closer to the "Holy Papa" every day. We wait with great anticipation to see what "new doctrine" the Conventionites will come up with and draft as "Baptist doctrine" next.

It is strange that our Lord should wait so long to reveal this "new doctrine." Don't fail to read II Timothy 3:16, 17.



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A sacrifice by you in behalf of our work will be most deeply appreciated this Thanksgiving especially. This year, let your thanksgiving be by giving of money as well as the giving of thanks.

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On Wednesday evening, Nov. 14, your editor will be in the home of Brother J. A. Frederick at 227 North Kenwood Avenue, Texarkana, Ark.-Tex., to conduct services and to visit with our friends in that area.

Not only do we wish to meet our friends on this occasion, but we herewith extend to you the invitation of both Brother and Sister Frederick to visit in their home.

The Fredericks have long been readers of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER, have visited in your editor's home, and have been the kind of friends and supporters we truly appreciate. Please meet us in Texarkana on Nov. 14. We will surely be happy to see you!

The Baptist Examiner Pulpit

"THE BOOK OF REVELATION"

(Read Revelation 5).

There are many things about the book of Revelation which are hard to understand. There are many of its symbols and mysteries concerning which I cannot speak dogmatically. However, the meaning of chapter five is obvious.

Two great events have prominent mention in the Bible. They are, namely, the resurrection and the translation. Some day—we trust it won't be long—all the righteous dead shall be resur-

rected, and all the living saints shall be translated. Immediately thereafter, the fifth chapter of Revelation becomes a reality. What is prophecy to us today will become history immediately after every saint is garnered off this earth. Hence when we come to this fifth chapter of Revelation, we are reading the description of that which takes place in Heaven just as soon as the righteous are caught up from the earth.

I

First of all, John presents to

us a SEALED BOOK.

"And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a BOOK written within and on the backside, SEALED WITH SEVEN SEALS."—Revelation 5:1.

Many regard this as an inexplicable mystery, and consider it as one of the things of the Scripture which we will not be able to fathom and understand until we get to Heaven. Personally, I do not agree with those of my brethren who thus consider this glorious chapter (Continued on page two)

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"The Book Of Revelation"

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We do not have to even get outside of this chapter to get a hint as to the meaning of this seven sealed book, for verse nine would lead us to believe that it is a book which has to do with REDEMPTION.

"And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worth to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and has REDEEMED US to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation."—Revelation 5:9.

Then by referring to an old Testament incident, we have a further key of explanation by noting the Jewish custom of the buying and selling of property. When the Babylonian army was drawn up outside the city of Jerusalem, and it looked as though there was no hope for the Jews, God told Jere-



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miah to buy a certain field from his uncle, Hanameel. Though that field was then occupied by the army of Babylon, Jeremiah did so, and concerning the purchase of this field, we read:

"And I subscribed the evidence, and sealed it, and took witnesses, and weighed him the money in the balances. So I took the evidence of the purchase, both that which was sealed according to the law and custom, and that which was open. Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these evidences, this evidence of the purchase, both which is sealed, and this evidence which is open; and put them in an earthen vessel, that they may continue many days."—Jeremiah 32:10, 11, 14.

The statements of this Scripture referring to the evidence which was sealed, and the similar evidence which was open, is merely a reference to what we speak of as deeds today. One was sealed, whereas the other was open that the public might read.

I think then when we come to the book of Revelation, and look at this sealed book which has to do with redemption, that we can see thus that this sealed book was the sign of an alienated inheri-

tance. When John saw this book, he saw the title deed to the whole creation. Somebody had bought it; somebody had paid for it; somebody had the exclusive right or proprietorship. You remember, of course, that the original possessors of the earth—Adam and Eve—sinned, and this world passed out of their hands to the disinheritor of their seed. However, Christ brought it back.

Though purchased by Christ, it has not yet been completely delivered from the bondage of sin. Even this world itself groans today because of sin. Listen:

"For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath

subjected the same in hope, because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the WHOLE CREATION GROANETH and travaileth in pain together until now."—Romans 8:20-22.

Some one has said in this connection that even the bark of the dog is out of tune, so completely has this earth been corrupted by reason of sin.

Even the material world itself has not been redeemed, for it still produces thorns and thistles. The desert has not yet blossomed as a rose. The wilderness and the solitary place have never yet been

made glad. Though the earth has been bought back to God, it isn't yet fully redeemed.

Furthermore, society has not been redeemed. No one can even glance at a daily newspaper and observe the conflict now raging amongst the world powers, without saying that society itself is far from a state of redemption. Even in our own country both politically and economically, we see abundant evidences of lack of redemption. Economically our country has been torn between the strife of capital and labor, while politically we have just passed through a season of unholy warfare. All this presents a positive evidence of lack of redemption on

the part of society.

Even our bodies have not been redeemed. They are still as subject to sin and as capable of sinning as they were the day we were born into the kingdom of God. Not only does our flesh sin, but our bodies have aches and pains which indicate that our fleshy bodies have not yet been redeemed.

I say, beloved, that though Christ has bought back this world to God and has the exclusive right of ownership of it, that the world and society therein has not been fully delivered from the bondage of sin, and is not as yet fully redeemed. Things are not as (Continued on page three)

An Open Letter To All Our Readers

Dearly Beloved Christian Friends:

The eve of another Thanksgiving is upon us, and as I pen this letter to you, I am having no difficulty recalling the many things that the Lord has done this year for me and THE BAPTIST EXAMINER, for which I am indebted to Him.

I am truly thankful to the Lord for His blessing upon the paper this past year and the good that has been accomplished by His using it. He has blessed us with a tremendous increase in circulation, and many have been the testimonies that have been received telling of the glorious work of the Lord through the paper.

I am happy in the Lord and give praise to Him for all the saints of God that have been given to us as "new" friends this past year. Though a few who stood by us in the past have been lost due to our stand for what we believe to be right, the Lord has raised up friends for us all over the country.

The Lord is also to be praised for Calvary Baptist Church, of which your editor is pastor. The Lord brought this church into being a little over a year ago, and though it is small in number and material wealth, our monthly missionary offering has averaged over \$500.00 monthly since March 1. It takes grace working in the hearts of saints of God to perform such a task as this. Thank God for it.

Our Saviour has truly given our church "an open door" of service in many ways. We have two weekly Sunday morning broadcasts, we publish tracts, we contribute regularly to the mission work in Mexico, and we have given special offerings to the work of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER. We thank God for the ministry that He has given to our little church.

I am also deeply grateful to the Lord for all His material blessings. Although my health has not been, and is not the best, the Lord has been marvelously good to me and has given me all the strength that I have needed, to carry on. On several occasions, such as my trip to Mexico, when I needed strength the most, the Lord graciously supplied me with it.

My new home could have only been the gift of God. The pattern that the Lord has laid out for me the past two years, as to things earthly, has caused me to bless His name repeatedly. I thank God for the wonderful friends that made it possible for me to have the house in which we now live -- especially the Building and Loan who financed it, the beloved brother in Tennessee who furnished the lumber so cheaply and the contractor -- a member of our church -- who built it so reasonably and did such a wonderful job in doing so.

Surely now as I face the future, I am expectant. The outlook is bright for spiritual blessing upon the paper, our church, and our mission work. The subscription campaign which is now in progress reveals that God's people are anxious for others to receive His Word. We thank God for you who have sent in subscriptions for others.

Among other things for which I rejoice this year is the work of Bob and Ruth. Only God knows what they have meant to me and to THE BAPTIST EXAMINER this year. As a preacher, as an editor, or as a worker in any capacity, Bob has no superior. He has taken many burdens off of me this year in a most unselfish manner, and for his help I thank my God over and over again. As for Ruth, I don't deserve to have a daughter so wonderful as she. In a most sacrificial way, she has served God and helped to carry the burden of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER. Yes, the work of both Bob and Ruth is like the grace of God in my behalf -- so undeserved.

The small price that we charge for publishing THE BAPTIST EXAMINER has never paid the expense of getting it out. Actually, it does not pay the cost of the postage and paper, to say nothing of the cost of setting type and printing it, which is the greater part of the cost. Many have offered some good reasons why the subscription price should be increased, but on the other hand, we have some good reasons for keeping it as it is.

Naturally, we must depend upon the friends of the Truth to supplement the subscription price, and God has never failed us. We do not believe that He will ever fail us, but that this paper shall continue to go forth each week to be a blessing to thousands, -- just as it has been in the past.

Each Thanksgiving, the friends of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER show their appreciation for God's blessings to them through the paper by contributing a portion of the world's wealth that God has given to them. We have come to depend heavily upon the offering that we receive during this season of the year. In fact, without such, we could never have gotten along through the years. This year is no exception. While we are happy in our work, we have had many problems this year -- chiefly financial ones. It has been the hardest year we have had from this point of view.

We are this year especially expecting the Lord to impress His people who have been blessed by THE BAPTIST EXAMINER to send just what He would have the paper to receive. He knows our needs and can impress each of our readers to give exactly what He sees fit for us to have. I pray that you may listen to the voice of His indwelling Spirit this Thanksgiving, and that you will send your offering for the support and on-going of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER.

May we wish for you a most joyful Thanksgiving in the Lord!

Yours, forever for the Truth,

John R. Gilpin, Editor

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The man who bows the lowest in the presence of God stands the straightest in the presence of sin.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1956

HOW THE DEVIL WILL BE DESTROYED

Revelation 12

MEMORY VERSE: "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb." —Rev. 12:11.

How the frauds and crimes of a single day —
Spring up. We want to know.

Oh, the Devil is fairly voted out,
And of course the Devil's gone—
But simple folk would like to know
Who carries his business on.

The Devil is "Great" —in power. Consider what he has done and we must say that he is great in power. "Red" — a murderer. Cf. John 8:44. Murdered Adam and Eve, and all their descendants. Every murder since, every war, and every grave caused by Satan.

Seven heads and ten horns (V. 3). The head is the governing power. When crowned, it implies political rulership. Satan has usurped the power of God. Cf. John 12:31; I John 5:19.

He deceived (V. 9). Cf. I Tim. 2:14. A Christian's biggest problem is to know whether the Lord is leading or the Devil is deceiving. He still has access into Heaven. He accuses the saved to God (V. 10). Who are the stars of Heaven (V. 4). These are the angels who fell with Satan. Cf. Job 38:7; Jude 6; II Pet. 2:4.

How the Devil has fought Christ (V. 4). Gen. 3:15. Devil tried to prevent the entry of woman's seed into world. Thus he caused Cain to destroy Abel.

Nearly succeeded by sons of God and daughters of men marrying. Only eight survived.

God revealed that Satan's destroyer was to be born of Abram's seed. Thus Satan worked through Pharaoh to destroy the Jews.

God revealed that the Messiah was to be born of the tribe of Judah. Satan caused kingdom to be divided in an attempt to exterminate Judah. Caused Haman to plot to slay all the Jews.

Satan moved Herod to slay all children of Bethlehem.

Tried to persuade Christ to throw Himself from Temple.

Satan back of Luke 4:28-30.

He is Prince of power of air. He lashed the Sea of Galilee into a fury to drown Jesus.

He worked through Peter. Mt. 16:22, 25. Serpent's tail wrapped about the cross.

III. THE CHILD. —Rev. 12:5, 6.

This is Christ. He was produced by the Jews. He is to rule the nations with a rod of iron. Cf. Ps. 2:6-9. Christ's ascension pictured in verse 5. Cf. Acts 1:9-11. The whole of the church period and the first half of tribulation comes between V. 5 and 6. Verse 6 tells of last half of Tribulation.

IV. THE HEAVENLY WARFARE. —Rev. 12:7-12.

Sometime during the Tribulation period of seven years (perhaps in the middle) Satan will be cast out of Heaven forever. Now he is overcome. (V. 11). Woe to the earth (V. 12).

V. THE TRIBULATION. —Rev. 12:13-17.

These verses tell of the persecution of the Jews during the Tribulation. God cares for His own (V. 14). Cf. Is. 40:31.

CONCLUSION: The saints of Heaven overcome Satan with the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony. No one can ever overcome him in this world otherwise.

ment in our characters if we are to be Christ-like.

However, when John turned to see Him, He saw Him as a Lamb slain. You will notice that in Heaven He still bore evidence of the fact that He was once slain for sin. In fact, beloved, the only remembrance of sin in Heaven will be the marks of death upon the Lamb.

In view of the fact that John saw Jesus as the Lamb slain, I would insist upon the fact that the title deed of creation is signed in the blood of the Lamb. Listen:

"And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where you are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you." —Exodus 12:13.

"In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins." —Colossians 1:14.

"And without shedding of blood is no remission." —Hebrews 9:22.

I say, beloved, that church letters and certificates of baptism are valueless. Nothing can or will effect our redemption but the blood of the Lamb.

We are living in a remarkable day in this modern twentieth (Continued on page eight)

INTRODUCTION: In our last chapter we noticed the time when the kingdoms of this world will become the kingdoms of Christ. Cf. Rev. 11:15. They are not Christ's now. They are in the hands of usurper, Satan. Eventually Christ shall be completely victorious.

From chapter 4-11 we have had a continued chain of events. Beginning with Rev. 12, the remainder of the book is not consecutive as to the events.

I. THE WOMAN. —Rev. 12:1, 2.

"Wonder," i.e., a sign or symbol. Some say the woman represents the Virgin Mary; others say the Church. I think the woman represents Israel. Not Israel of the rejection, but Israel as she appears in the purpose of God. Arrayed with light from head to foot. In God's purpose, Israel was to rule the world. Was to be an object of beauty to all the world. The crown of twelve stars represents the twelve tribes of Israel. The birth pains (V. 2) are prophecies of Christ, given in Old Testament by Jewish writers, such as:

Genesis 3:15; Jeremiah 31:15.

Genesis 49:10; Psalm 22:1-18.

Numbers 24:17; Micah 5:2.

Isaiah 53:1-6.

II. THE DRAGON. —Rev. 12:3, 4.

This is the Devil. Cf. V. 9. There is then, a Devil. Cf. Mt. 13:39; I Pet. 5:8; Acts 5:3.

"Men don't believe in a Devil now,
As our fathers used to do;
They have forced the door of the broadest creed,
To let his form pass through.

There isn't a print of his cloven hoof,
Nor a fiery dart from his bow
To be found in earth or in air today,
For the world has voted so.

But who is mixing this fatal draught
That palsies both heart and brain
And loads the bier of each passing year
With ten hundred thousand slain?

Who clogs the steps of the toiling saint,
And digs the pit for his feet?
Who sows the tares in the field of time,
Wherever God sows His wheat?

Ah, the Devil is voted not to be
And of course the thing is true;
But who is doing the kind of work
The Devil alone should do?

They say he does not go about
Like a roaring lion now,
But whom shall we hold responsible
For the everlasting row,

To be heard in home, in church, in state,
To earth's remotest bounds,
If the Devil, by a unanimous vote,
Is no-where to be found?

Won't somebody step to the front forthwith,
And make his bow, and show,

experience—since Heaven, earth, and Hell are silent concerning redemption—it is no wonder that John wept much.

III

Then when it is revealed that Heaven, earth and Hell stand silent in the realm of redemption, Christ, in His kingly character, opens to book. All through the Bible there is prophecy that Christ must put an end to Satan's dominion and thus redeem the earth. Listen:

"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." —Genesis 3:15.

This is the fountain-head of prophecy. It is the first prophecy



Many are the blessings each of us have received from the Lord. What shall we render unto the Lord for all of His benefits? Why not show your appreciation to the Lord by sending an offering to help us publish His precious, life-giving Word?

his influence has stirred both Jew and Gentile through the ages, Moses is as silent as the tomb which might have marked his resting place on Nebo's lonely mountain. It is thus when the angel turns to each of the Old Testament writers. Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and Daniel might prophesy of events to come, and might foretell the coming Messiah; but not one of these nor any of the Old Testament writers could redeem or bring this world back to God. In fact, as the angel searches through Heaven issuing this challenge for some one to loose the seals, to open the book, and to claim the inheritance — as he does so, we might call the roll of martyrs, prophets, angels, archangel, cherubim, and seraphim, and yet not one could open it. Not one in Heaven possessed the ability to open the book and to claim the inheritance. Not one in Heaven has the ability to redeem this world back to God.

Convinced that no one in Heaven was able to accept his challenge, the angel then turned toward the earth, and though there are many within the world today who lay claim to redemption, the angel found that there was no one on earth who might loose the seals and say, "I have redeemed the world back to God." Philosophy, with all of its writers of human wisdom, is silent. Incidentally, beloved, practically all of these man-made Arminian churches who stress salvation by works merely have re-vamped the old heathen, pagan doctrines that were abroad in the days of the Apostle Paul. Yet, philosophy is silent as it has nothing to offer by way of redemption.

Even science is powerless. Science may be able to hurl thousands of horse-power a minute through a tiny wire. Science may be able to tunnel through mountains and to change the course of rivers. Science apparently is able to work miracles in the material world, and yet when face to face with redemption, all science and all scientists shake their heads negatively. None are able to redeem it.

Even when we turn to education we find no one who is able to redeem it. We go to Chicago University and Columbia University and talk with their greatest teachers to hear them say that what the world needs is not regeneration but reformation and education. We will go to the seminaries with all their skill and learning, and ask those who teach that one church is as good as another, and that baptism and the Lord's Supper are to be decided by the church's wishes and not by Scriptural edicts, and who teach young preachers to get all the folk possible to join the church in hopes that they may be converted afterwards—we will turn thus to the seminaries and ask them what they have to offer in the realm of redemption, and all these are silent. In fact, there isn't an individual in the educational world with all his skill and learning and training that offers any answer when the angel challenges the earth to open the book of redemption and to claim the inheritance.

Even religion is silent. Confucius, Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, Charles T. Fuller, Amy Semple McPherson Hutton, all Arminians, and all the religious heretics of the world stand silent. Even religion itself cannot bring redemption to pass.

Now that the angel challenged Heaven and challenged earth, and there is no one who is able to accept his challenge, he then turns to speak to those under the earth; and as heretofore, there is no one from the abyss to make answer. The devil, though he brought sin and originally wrecked the human family, had nothing — absolutely nothing to offer.

It looks like God is to be defeated. There is no one to take possession. No man on earth nor in Heaven, no angel in Heaven and no demon in hell, has ought to offer whereby the lost estate of man could ever be recovered. It is no wonder in the light of this

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God made them. I observe a drunkard stumbling and staggering along the street, and then I read God's Word:

"And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness." —Genesis 1:26.

Surely all of us must be convinced that this is not as God made the world.

I saw sometime ago an armored motor car drive up before a bank. Six men with sawed-off shotguns and pistols stood on either side of the car and stopped the traffic coming in each direction that the money inside the car might be carried into the bank. I am ready to admit, beloved, that this is efficiency, but certainly it isn't Christianity. I say that though Christ has bought this world back to God, the world at large has not yet been redeemed.

However, eventually all will be redeemed. Of this we are assured in the Scriptures:

"In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy spirit of promise, Which is the earnest of our inheritance UNTIL THE REDEMPTION OF THE PURCHASED POSSESSION unto the praise of his glory." —Ephesians 1:13, 14).

God will not be defeated and driven out. He will never withdraw His hand until He is completely and eternally and finally victorious. Such is the meaning of the sealed book. It tells us that this world has been bought by God and that ultimately the process of redemption which began in the souls of God's elect, will be completed in the final restoration of the earth, the transformation of our bodies, and the ultimate remaking of this world and all things therein to the glory and praise of God.

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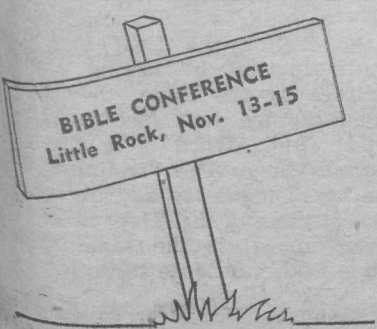
While considering this sealed book, which is the title deed to creation—the book indicating our redemption, **THE ANGEL ISSUED A CHALLENGE.** Listen:

"And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof? And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon. And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon." —Revelation 5:2-4.

In substance, the angel said, "Find someone who is worthy to open the book—to loose the seals—to claim the inheritance and say, 'it is mine.'" I wish you would notice this angel's voice, for our Scripture indicates that all those in heaven, earth and even those under the earth heard him when he spoke. How we long for such a voice that we might be able to let the gospel go forth from this place to the ends of the earth.

First of all, when this angel issued his challenge, looking for some one who might claim the inheritance and say, "it is mine," he turned in the direction of Heaven.

"Come on, Moses, you wrote the law. You were God's great human instrumentality by whom the law was given. Step forward now and see if you can claim the inheritance and thus redeem the world back to God." Though mighty man he was, and though



"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth."—Ecc. 12:1

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"O God, thou hast taught me from my youth: and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works."—Psa. 71:17

A Strange Prescription

Some years ago a lady (who tells the story herself) went to consult a famous physician about her health. She was a woman of nervous temperament, whose troubles—and she had many—had worried and excited her to such a pitch that the strain threatened her physical strength, and even her reason. She gave the doctor a list of her symptoms, and answered the questions, only to be astonished at the brief prescription: "Madam, what you need is to read your Bible more."

"But doctor"—began the bewildered patient.

"Go home and read your Bible an hour a day," the great man reiterated with kindly authority; "then come back to me a month from today." And he showed her out without a possibility of further protest.

At first his patient was inclined to be angry. Then she reflected that, at least, the prescription was not an expensive one. Besides, it certainly had been a long time since she had read the Bible regularly, she reflected with a pang of conscience. Worldly cares had crowded out her prayer and Bible study for years; and, though she would have resented being called an irreligious woman, she had undoubtedly become a most careless Christian. She went home and set herself conscientiously to try the physician's remedy.

In one month, she went back to his office.

"Well," he said, smiling as he looked at her face, "I see you are an obedient patient, and have taken my prescription faithfully."

Do you feel as if you needed any other medicine now?"

"No, doctor, I feel like a different person. But how did you know this was just what I needed?"

For answer, the famous physician turned to his desk. There, worn and marked, lay an open Bible. "Madam," he said, with deep earnestness, "if I were to omit my daily reading of this Book, I should lose my greatest source of strength and skill. I never go to an operation without reading my Bible. I never attend a distressing case without finding help in its pages. Your case called not for medicine, but for a source of peace and strength outside your own mind, and I showed you my prescription. I knew it would cure."

"Yet I confess, doctor," said the patient, "that I came very near not taking it."

"Very few are willing to try it, I find," said the physician, smiling again. "But there are many, many cases in my practice where, if tried, it would work wonders."

There is soul help in the Scriptures. The body must therefore be blessed with the soul. The Bible will bring over the reader a calm and a resignation and a trust which results in spiritual relaxation and rest. What a prescription was this! A physician sending his patient to a Great Physician! He was a real doctor with a remedy from Heaven. Again let God be praised for the OLD BOOK! It is the Wonderful Word.—Tucker



God's people have so much to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. No doubt, **THE BAPTIST EXAMINER** is one of the things you have of the Lord for which you are so thankful. If so, you can express your appreciation to the Lord and the paper by helping to keep it in the mails with an offering.

HERE IS THE ANSWER

"Preacher, is it wrong to . . . ?"

No matter how you fill in the blank, the answer is found in I Cor. 10:31, — "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

— Paul Goodwin

The Evils Of Sprinkling For Baptism

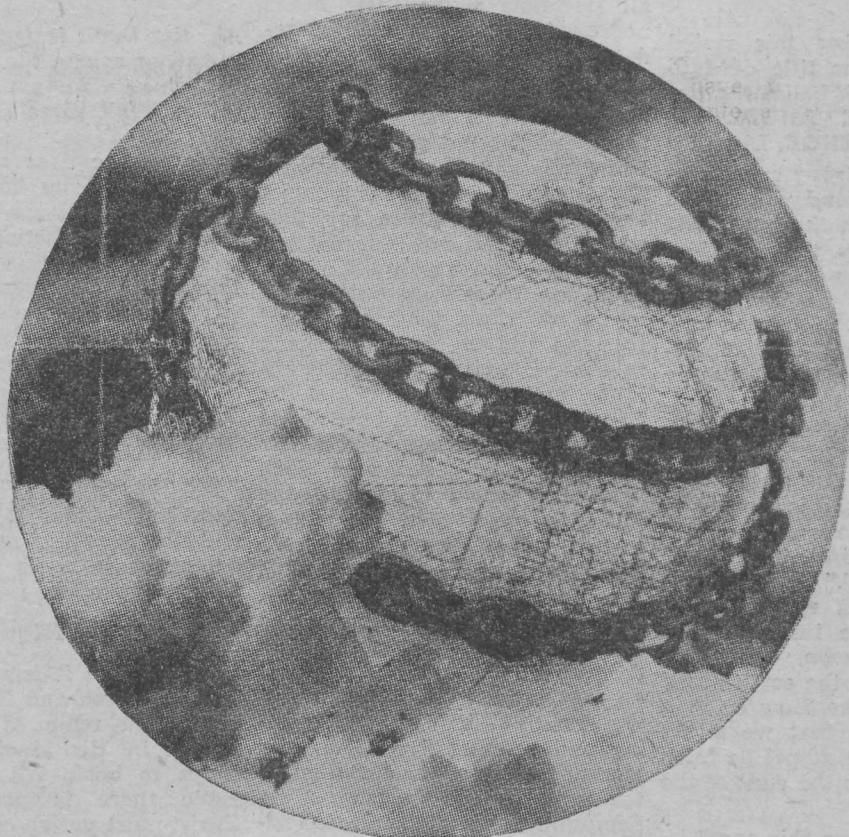
By H. B. Taylor, Sr.

Sprinkling is not baptism. They do not mean the same thing. Baptism means immersion. Immersion is not a form of baptism; immersion is baptism. That is what the word means. People who have been sprinkled have not been baptized. They have substituted sprinkling, a commandment of men, for baptism, a command of God. There is not an example from Genesis to Revelation where pure unmixed water was ever sprinkled upon anybody, anywhere, at any time, for any purpose. I made this statement in Mississippi once and a Methodist man sat up to two o'clock in the morning to find a passage to prove that I lied. He didn't find it. He hasn't found it yet, because there isn't any such passage in the Bible. Sprinkling is sprinkling and baptism is immersion. They are not akin in any way. John the Baptist started baptism by the authority of the God of Heaven; the Catholic church at the Council of Ravenna substituted sprinkling for baptism and said it would do as well. All

the folk who sprinkle or have been sprinkled follow the Catholics rather than follow God. They "teach for doctrines the commandments of men."

Immersion is a burial and a resurrection, as Paul says baptism ought to be in Rom. 6 and Col. 2; sprinkling has nothing that looks like a burial or resurrection. Baptism is a likeness of the burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ and of the believer's death to sin and resurrection to walk in newness of life; sprinkling pictures nothing that we know of. Immersion is baptizing the way the Lord was baptized and He told us to follow in His steps; sprinkling has neither divine authority, command, example, precept, testimony, approval or blessing upon it. Sprinkling voids and frustrates the whole symbolism of baptism. To change a picture changes its value and meaning to those who want it. It matters not how fine the frame nor how beautiful the picture, it has no value or worth to a man, who wants his mother's picture. The picture may be of a fair, (Continued on page five)

BOUND WITH THE CHAINS OF SIN



"Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Mt. 28:19, 20

FEELING OR THE BIBLE -- WHICH?

The battle between modernism and the Bible is a battle between reason and faith; whether man's infallible reason or God's infallible Bible shall be the final authority on all subjects on which the Bible speaks. But not so with the common people. The battle there is largely between faith and feeling. The final word to an old man who was defending women speaking in public was said when he said: "She made me feel good." That is the chief argument for women leading in public prayer. They work on the feelings of their auditors. They can get up a

last and final word to all who love the Lord Jesus and acknowledge His lordship and authority.

It is significant that psychologists as well as the ignoramuses make feeling the final test of truth. Instead of testing their feelings by the Bible, they test the Bible by their feelings, and reject God's Word if it crosses their feelings. The "feelings" of the psychologist are as truly sensual as those of the "Holy Roller." Their appeal is the same. The Bible is the antidote to both.

—News and Truths



Our Bible Study

STUDIES IN GALATIANS

By A. M. Overton
(Now in Glory)

CHAPTER VI

"Ye see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand."—V. 11.

It is a commonly accepted fact that the Apostle Paul suffered with an affliction in his eyes, and this verse clearly indicates such. The Revised Standard translation states it this way: "See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand." Galatians is not a large letter from the standpoint of volume. It is a great letter in spiritual values, but what he says has to do with the size of the letters used in writing. It is a common practice of those who see poorly to write a "large hand."

"As many as desire to make a fair show in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ."—V. 12.

There is a definite stigma to the message of the cross of Christ. The Devil hates the Lord Jesus Christ with a hatred that is not approached in any other or toward any other. He hates the message of the cross, the message

of "good news," with an equally venomous hatred, because it is in that message that men may see Jesus as God's Anointed Saviour. Therefore, he attacks, slurs, misrepresents, and castigates by every possible means everyone who talks, proclaims, or supports the gospel message.

The outward form of respectable (before men) religion always receives a good report from the world. A "good report" or "fair show" before men is greatly desired by professional religionists. That is why we have such a perfected system of records, and so much publicity given to the activities of people rather than to the works of the Lord.

The apostle gives a parting warning to the Galatians concerning those who "put on the pressure" to get them to be circumcised. Circumcision, to the Jews, was the initial rite whereby one might become a Jew in religion. The early believers in Jesus Christ were greatly confused on this point by the Judaizing preachers, who insisted that one must become a Jew before he would become a disciple of Christ. They had "high pressure" artists in those days who, like their modern counterparts, have a varied bag of tricks by which (Continued on page five)

The Little Baptist

CHAPTER VIII (Continued)

The Shepherd

Henry H. Jessup once stopped to take a drink from a brook in the Orient. Two shepherds, with their flocks, came up from opposite directions. At once both flocks took to the water, and they seemed inextricably commingled. "Can you ever get all your sheep back again?" he asked one of the shepherds.

"You watch and see," said the shepherd with a quiet smile.

And when he was ready to move on, that shepherd walked off down the road, simply giving a shepherd's call, as a hunter gives a whistle for his dog. At once, every sheep of his flock started after him, as if called by name. They jumped over the backs of the other sheep, who, undisturbed, kept on their drinking while the called sheep followed their shepherd.

"Then," said Jessup, "I saw new meaning in the words of Jesus, spoken in that land, and to the people who were familiar with his ways: 'I am the Good Shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.' 'My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.' 'And a stranger will they not follow.'"

Sprinkling

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lovely, attractive, beautiful young woman, but he wouldn't give it house-room if it wasn't his mother.

Immersion is called all sorts of ugly names by those who advocate sprinkling; but it is sure enough baptism and sprinkling isn't. The Lord Jesus, whose house each local church is, left two pictures in His home, namely, baptism and the Lord's Supper. Baptism is a picture of His burial and His resurrection; the Lord's Supper is a picture of His broken body and shed blood. Men who hated Him have tried to destroy both. They have substituted sprinkling or pouring for baptism and have turned the Lord's Supper into a love-feast instead of a memorial, prostituting it to show their love for those present, instead of a memorial of an absent Lord. Shame on all such!

The Lord, whose house it is, will have no such miserable, worthless, wicked perversions of His pictures in His church.

Sprinkling is not baptism; it is a wicked perversion of baptism invented by the Catholics to destroy scriptural baptism, because they hated the Baptists, who had through all the ages kept the ordinances as they were delivered unto them. A church which has sprinkling in it is not a church of God but a daughter or granddaughter of Rome; and teaches for doctrines the commandments of men. Sprinkling is no kin to scriptural baptism and pouring is no better than sprinkling.

Now

The time is now!
It is not too soon.
For now it is late
In the afternoon:
And our day is fading
Without so seeming,
And into the sunset
We go dreaming.

Awake, oh nation—
The Christ avow!
For God's salvation
The time is now!

—B. Philip Martin

vated by the glory they can have in their flesh, not in their spiritual lives or development. It is the fleshly number, or the fleshly feelings, that they desire. They know nothing about, and of course are not interested in, anything spiritual.

For Little Children

LITTLE KING JOASH

II Kings 11:1-16 and
II Chronicles 22, 23:1-15

Boys and girls, when King Joash was just a little baby before he became king, his father Ahaziah died. Ahaziah had been the king over the land of Judah, and he had been a very wicked king because he had listened to what his wicked mother, Athaliah, had told him to do. He had worshipped idols and burned incense to the idols, and the people of Judah did as he did.

So after King Ahaziah died, his wicked mother Athaliah did not want anybody else to reign as king, but she wanted to rule over the land of Judah. So she killed all the people of the royal family of Ahaziah because she knew that they would sometime become the rulers over Judah. That is, Athaliah thought that she had killed all of Ahaziah's family. But she hadn't; she had missed little Joash.

Joash was just a little baby boy. So his Aunt Jehoshabab took him and his nurse and hid them in a bedroom so that Athaliah would not find them. Joash's Aunt Jehoshabab was the wife of the good priest Jehoiada. There little Joash stayed hidden for six years. During those six years, Joash's wicked grandmother Athaliah reigned over the land of Judah.

When Joash was seven years old, Jehoiada the priest felt that the time had come to make little Joash king. So he called together many of the men of Judah to be guards in the temple on the day when little Joash would be crowned as king. Jehoiada took the men and divided them into groups and placed the groups at different gates into the temple. And he told them to let nobody come into the temple except the priests and the Levites, who were the Lord's people. And he told them that they all would have weapons in their hands, and that they would use them to protect little Joash from Athaliah and the other wicked people.

So when the day came to crown little Joash as king, all the men were in their places with spears, bucklers, and shields. And little Joash was brought out and crowned as king. Then Jehoiada the

priest anointed him, and all the people said, "God Save The King!"

Now when Joash's wicked grandmother Athaliah heard the people in the temple of the Lord, shouting and praising the king, she ran into the temple. And she looked and saw the king crowned and all the people playing instruments and singing, and she was so surprised. She thought that she had killed all the people who would ever be king. So she became very angry, and she cried, "Treason, treason."

Then Jehoiada the priest told the guards to follow her out of the temple and kill her with a sword, but to not kill her in the temple because it was holy unto the Lord. So they followed her outside and killed her there.

Boys and girls, we will learn more about little Joash next week. But now I want to ask you a question: Why do you think the Lord permitted Jehoiada the priest to kill Athaliah? You might say, "Well, she was a wicked woman, and the Lord doesn't like sin." That is right, but there is another reason too. Joash was the Lord's anointed servant, and the Lord had made him the King over the land of Judah. Athaliah was trying to kill the Lord's anointed one, and that is why the Lord killed her. The Lord tells us in His Word that we are not to bother His anointed, because we read in I Samuel 26:19: "Who can stretch forth his hand against the Lord's anointed, and be guiltless?" That is why the Lord was angry with Athaliah: because she was going to try to kill His anointed.

Well, boys and girls, who are the Lord's anointed people today? Well, all of His children, those who have trusted Him as their Saviour, are His anointed people. But there are some special anointed ones. Do you know who they are? Yes, they are His preachers, His God-called preachers, who stand in their pulpits preaching His Word. And these are just as precious to Him as little King Joash was; He will not let anything or anybody harm them. Let us remember that our preacher is the Lord's anointed and let us always try to help him in our church's work, and always be obedient to our Lord.

The Lord Gives

Life—Acts 17:25.
Food—Psalms 136:25.
Strength—Psalms 29:11.
Wisdom—Proverbs 2:6.
Grace—Proverbs 3:34.
His Son—John 3:16.
His Spirit—Romans 5:5.
Forgiveness—Acts 5:31.
Peace—John 14:27.
Eternal Life—John 10:28.
Every Good Gift—James 1:17.
"What hast thou done for me?"

"Every reader—ten new subscriptions."

It may cost something to pay the tithe to the Lord, but it costs a heap more not to pay it.



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—News And Truths

Our Bible Study

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they sought to "string the fish." Then, as now, the chief motive in all this was to "make a fair show in the flesh."

"For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh."—V. 13.

These circumcision preachers, that these preachers are moti-

these law preachers, preached loud and long about the necessity for keeping the law after circumcision in order to go to Heaven (see Acts 15:1, 5). But, exactly like those who preach today that people must keep the law, or "live aright," in order to be saved, the preachers did not practice what they preached. Through Paul, the Holy Spirit puts His finger on the very crux of the whole matter. He declares

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CHURCH IN IRAPUATO CELEBRATES THEIR THIRD ANNIVERSARY

Here Is How The Students Of The School Work Faithfully

Story of An Incident in One of the Missions

I visited a town called Huani-marro and began to tell the Gospel to various people, but one day I was talking with a young man about the Gospel and a crowd of other young men began to form around us and to ask questions of the young man I was talking with, asking him what we were talking about. The young man told them that we were talking about the Gospel and they turned and asked me if I was a "Hallelujah" (Pentecostal, as they call them there) and I told him that I was an Evangelical, and that it was my mission to preach the Gospel.

I began then to talk with them about the Gospel and they began to argue with me, telling me that Mary was the only one who could save. I then told them of our position concerning the virgin Mary which made them very angry. One of them had a bolilla (small loaf or ball of hard bread similar to French bread) and they forced it in my mouth in order to keep me from talking and at the same time they made

plans to take me to the well in the city, to throw me in the water.

At that point a man who is a sympathizer of the Gospel (not a believer, but not fanatically opposed to the Gospel) intervened and began to talk to them and while he talked, I left.

The next week as I had completed my visit at the town, I got on the bus and met one of the young men from the group which wanted to throw me in the well the week before. He began to talk with me. He asked me if I knew what the group had planned to do to me the week before. He told me that they wanted to tie me up, and throw me in the water all tied up, so that I could not get out. But I told him that I had complete confidence in God and believed that He is all-powerful and was able to save me from all danger. I also told him that I was certain of my salvation, and if necessary I was willing to give all to preach the Gospel of Christ.

As we were talking a Catholic nearby heard us. He heard me say that I was certain of my salvation. (Continued on next page)

In Mexico anniversaries are always to be remembered and the third anniversary of the Baptist Church in Irapuato was no exception. It was on October 10, 1953 that the church moved into the house that is used for the church services. This house is a rented house and we are paying the rent.

The day began with an early morning service at 6:00 a. m. A large crowd came for the services, and this first service of the day was a sermon by Brother Oscar Cruz, pastor of the church. A large crowd was present for this, but mainly members of the church.

For the meal at the middle of the day, they went to the home of Brother Arcadio Jaramillo where they had a big "fiesta" which is their way of having a celebration. I don't know what all they had to eat, but I know that they had turkey and a lamb. Since most of them have chickens and turkeys in their backyards (even in the city) it was the easiest thing to prepare that since it would go around for all of them. The lamb was sent from one of the missions to help in the celebration of the anniversary.

In the evening everyone gathered back at the church building (which as I stated is a home) and waiting around for the services to begin, the young people practiced some special music to sing at the evening service.

At 7:00 p. m. another service was held and this time it was my privilege to bring them a devotion. A large crowd still was gathered for this service, and by the time the regular service began at 8:00 all of them could not get in the house. A small hallway goes along the room where they have the services, and many of them stood in this hallway where they could hear the service, even though they could not see the speaker.

The main speaker for the day was Brother Felipe Duran of Morelia, Michoacan. Brother Duran was a professor in the seminary for many years when the seminary was located in Morelia and upon Mr. Lacy's death (the founder of our work) Brother Duran became the head of the seminary as the director. Brother Duran has always been a close friend of mine and of the Baptist work in general in Mexico. Just recently he translated the book "Alien Baptism and the Baptists" which is just off the press (see related (Continued on next page)

"Alien Baptism And The Baptists" Now In Spanish

The book written by Brother W. M. Nevins, "Alien Baptism and the Baptists" has now been published in Spanish and I have received the first copies. The book has been printed with a good cloth binding under the title "El Bautismo Extranero y Los Bautistas" and is the first book of its kind to be published in Spanish.

Brother Felipe Duran of Morelia Michoacan made the first translation of the book, writing the material down with pencil, and then the material was given to me, and Brother Oscar Cruz and myself typed it out and made the necessary corrections.

Brother Mariano Leon of Guanajuato, and now a member of the church here became a Baptist from the reading of this book, as I asked him to read through the book after we had made the final corrections so that I could get a final proof, and it was in the reading of this book that he became convinced that he should be baptized and become a Baptist. It was my privilege to baptize him on March 4, the same

day as the organization of the church here in Guanajuato.

The translating of the book took nearly three years, due to the fact that we could not devote all our time to the work on the book, but we are thanking the Lord that we have finally finished. It is a book that is greatly needed in Mexico, and other countries of the world.

We are presently working on two other books, both of them books that are needed in Spanish. I am translating the book by Brother T. P. Simmons, "A Systematic Study of Bible Doctrine." The only theology book that we have in the Spanish language is the theology by Pendleton, and it has quite a few errors such as the universal church, etc., so we are trusting that we will be able to complete the translation of Bro. Simmons' book so that we can use it in our seminary.

The other book that I am translating is "Expository Notes on the Book of Ephesians." This is the best book that I know of that (Continued on next page)

IRAPUATO PASTOR AND WIFE



Brother Joel Rosas, who is a product of the Seminary, and who was ordained as a Baptist preacher in March of this year, is now pastor of the church at Irapuato. Previously, he was pastor of the mission in Villahermosa, Tabasco. Shown with him is his wife.

ANNIVERSARY PREACHER



Bro. Felipe Duran lives in Morelia, Michoacan, but came over to Irapuato at the invitation of the church, for their special anniversary service. Surrounded by flowers, which are loved by the Mexicans, he is preaching the anniversary message.

SPECIAL SINGING



The Mexicans love music and here we see a group of the young people singing a special song in connection with their anniversary celebration. The girls are both members of the church at Irapuato, while the boys are visitors from the seminary at Guanajuato.

ANNIVERSARY CONGREGATION



On Sunday, October 10, the Church in Irapuato celebrated their third year in the home where they have their services. They do not own the building, and the rent is paid by the Central Baptist Church of Little Rock. There was quite a crowd present for this service, and even all of them could not get into the picture. Some are standing in the door on the left side, near the back of the building.

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9:30—9:45 Devotion
9:45—10:40 Unitarianism and the Bible.....William J. Crider
Tabernacle Baptist Church,
Tulsa, Oklahoma
10:45—11:40 Pentecostalism and the Bible.....John W. Reynolds
Grace Baptist Church
Tyler, Texas

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:00—2:55—Israel's Valley of Troubling
For a Door of Hope.....R. Nelson Colyar
Mountain View Baptist Church,
Denver, Colorado
3:00—3:55 Tithing and the Bible.....Ray Kelly
Mount Zion Baptist Church
Canon City, Colorado
4:00—4:55 Alien Baptism and the Baptists.....O. T. VanMeter
First Baptist Church
Clute, Texas

TUESDAY EVENING

7:00—7:45 Millennialism and the Bible.....E. D. Strickland
Temple Baptist Church
Evansville, Indiana
7:45—8:00 Song Service
8:00—8:45 New Testament Missions and
the Sovereignty of God.....John R. Gilpin
Calvary Baptist Church
Ashland, Kentucky
8:45—9:30 The Divine Philosophy of Human
Government.....R. Nelson Colyar
Mountain View Baptist Church,
Denver, Colorado

SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1956

MORNING SESSION

9:30—9:45 Devotion
9:45—10:40 Jehovah's Witnesses and the Bible.....Bob Ross
The Baptist Examiner, Ashland, Ky.

Irapuato Church

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article in this issue) and he was
invited by the church to bring
the main message.

Brother Duran brought a very
good message and I am sure that
all of those enjoyed the message.
I only wish that I could have
taken it down and translated it
so that each of you could at least
read the message.

After the services, Brother Duran,
Brother Oscar Cruz, and myself
went to the home of Brother
Arcadio Jaramillo and ate our
supper. This consisted of turkey
left over from the noon meal and
"mole" which is a sauce made
from chili peppers. While eating
we listened to some of the records
of Spanish hymns that he uses
in the missions with the amplifier.

When the church first moved
into the home they were small

in number, hardly enough to
make a showing in the home.
They were using small chairs that
were made for children and were
only having a Sunday School in
the morning and nothing more.

Today, after three years of
growth, the church fills completely
the house, they have bought
some home-made benches, bought
a piano (one of the few churches
in Mexico with a musical instrument
of any kind), and recently
bought a public address system
that they use in missions, not far
from Irapuato. The church is very
enthusiastic and they are workers
in the real sense of the word.
They now have the regular services
on Sunday, prayer meeting
on Wednesday and Bible study
on Friday nights.

The church has been handicapped
a little since the pastor
of the church was also a member
of the faculty of the seminary
and had to live in Guajuato
where the seminary is located.
For this reason, the church
in Irapuato and the seminary
have been cooperating together
very closely. Since Brother Cruz
could not devote all of his time
to pastoring the church, the students
from the seminary would work
in the missions of the church,
and members of the church would
accompany these young preachers
to the various missions to help
in the song service and to visit
in the different homes and help
to bring others out to the service.

The church and the seminary
working together have begun
missions in San Juan, Huanimaro,
Los Guayabos, etc. Since they
recently purchased the loudspeaker,
they have been using it in
the services in Huanimaro, placing
the microphone in the house
where they have the services, and
the loudspeaker on top of the
house. This, of course, is against
the law in Mexico, but Brother
Arcadio Jaramillo, member of the
church in Irapuato and who has
charge of the equipment, says
that he has secured permission
from the president (mayor) of the
city to use the equipment, and
so far they have been able to
preach without any difficulties,
using the equipment.

Looking back over the three
years, we can see where the
church has grown in a great
way. We arrived back in Guajuato
about 12:15 a. m. and were
tired and glad to get rest, but
we were thankful for the progress
of the work in the church
during the past three years, and
are looking forward, under the
power of God, to many more
years of seeing the Gospel preached
in Irapuato and of many coming
to know the Lord Jesus
Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

"Alien Baptism"

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treats the book of Ephesians
scripturally correct on the doctrine
of the church and refutes
the heresy of the universal church
idea. Brother R. Nelson Colyar,
pastor of the Mountain View Baptist
Church of Denver, Colo., is
the author of this book.

There are other books that we
need in Spanish, but unfortunately,
we can only translate books
so fast, and no faster. We are
praying that we will be able to
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books into the Spanish language.
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Church in Little Rock.

We are hoping that these books
will receive wide distribution, and
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Mountain View Baptist Church,
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3:00—3:55 Seventh-Day Adventists and the Bible.....C. M. Prewett
First Missionary Baptist Church,
Arkansas City, Arkansas
4:00—4:55 Scriptural Church Cooperation.....Fred T. Halliman
Macedonia Baptist Church
Chicago, Illinois

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AFTERNOON SESSION

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Dallas, Texas
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EVENING SESSION

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7:45—8:00 Song Service
8:00—8:45 Evils of Organized Work.....Ray Morrow
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Denver, Colorado

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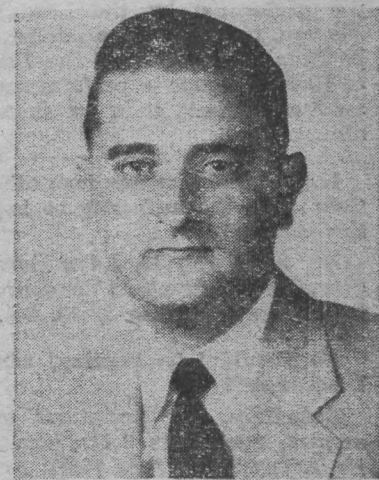
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vation, and he began to talk with
me about the question of salvation,
and, thanks unto the Lord,
I was able to answer and clarify
all of the questions. He then
brought up the subject of the virgin
Mary telling me that she was
our only hope of salvation, but I
discussed the point, telling him
that Christ is the only Mediator
for salvation, and that there is
salvation in none other. He
seemed favorably impressed with
our talks.

On my trips to and from the
missions I have ample opportunity
to tell of the Gospel to many

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I have been able to proclaim the
Word of God to them.

We ask you to continue to pray
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"I Should Like To Know"

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a symbolic manner that Christ had sin in His blood, for leaven is typical of evil.

4. Where can I find the Bible proof that Christ's twelve apostles were John's baptized believers?

Acts 1:21, 22.

5. Does the Bible say "mourn at a birth and rejoice at a death," or something to that effect?

In all probability, the passage you wish is Eccl. 7:1-4.

7. What do you think of the Kirkbride New Chain Reference Bible?

Though I can not unreservedly recommend any reference Bible, this Bible is very good on the whole.

8. What modern speech translation of the New Testament do you recommend?

I think that Moffat is, in all probability, the best. Of course, he is a modernist, and in many instances he attempts to put a modernist interpretation into the Book. However, as far as I know, this is true of all other Bibles written in modernistic speech. At the same time, there are some unusually fine features about the Bible produced by Mr. Moffat.

9. Some days ago, our pastor received a Christian tract anonymously. Last Sunday during the church service, he vigorously denounced this brother from the pulpit, calling him a coward and making other violent statements. Was this a Scriptural, Christian manner of dealing with the matter?

It is hard to say without more information. I do not know the nature of the tract; neither do I know what your pastor's attitude was. However, I think that any Christian lowers himself beneath the dignity of his calling whenever he writes an anonymous letter. Frankly, I have read my letters, for years, from the bottom up, and if there is no name signed, I refuse to read the letter. This would be a good attitude for your pastor and all other preachers to take. At the same time, your pastor may have been wrong in the way he denounced this brother who had thus written him.

10. Is footwashing an ordinance?

No. Footwashing was an example performed by the Lord of Heaven, teaching the disciples to be humble servants. If the Lord of Heaven stoops to perform such an humble task, then we should also.

11. Did God give any man other than John the authority to baptize anyone?

No. John 1:6, 33. Later, however, Christ authorized the church to baptize (Matthew 28:19, 20).

12. Should I be baptized after I am saved?

Definitely. For Scriptural examples, read Acts 2:41; Acts 8:12; Acts 8:26-38; Acts 10:47; Acts 16:30-33; Acts 16:14, 15; Acts 18:8. When one is baptized, he obeys the Lord, and by this act identifies himself as the servant of Christ.

13. What does baptism represent?

It represents the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. In death Christ gave Himself a sacrifice for our sins. His burial typified the fact that our sins are buried in Him. His resurrection tells forth that the Father is satisfied with the sacrifice of Christ for our sins. In baptism, a believer shows forth that he died, was buried, and resurrected in Christ, his Representative.

The Lord's Table

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blessing goes along with the observance of the Lord's Supper. But the Scriptures do not warrant such a view. The Lord's Supper is a simple memorial, designed to cause us to remember the Saviour — His sacrificial death and His promise to come again. "Ye do show forth the Lord's death till he come."

Not "Communion" Not A "Sacrament"

The Catholics hold that the Lord's Supper is a sacrament, conferring some sort of grace. The Bible does not teach that it is a sacrament at all. No such hint is given.

Protestants (and some Baptists) term it "The Communion." The thought is that we "commune" with our friends, kin-folk, and neighbors. Baptists are often reproached in this language, "If I were a Baptist, I could not even commune with my own mother, who is a good Presbyterian." To make this ordinance a "communion" in that sense, is a wicked perversion. Jesus said (I Cor. 11:25), "in remembrance of me." Not remembrance of mother, or any other human being. The whole objection to what is termed "close communion," is that it prohibits one from "communing" with other believers, of a different religious group.

The ordinance we are dealing with is "The Lord's Supper" (I Cor. 1:20). Incidentally, it has always seemed strange to us for a church to observe this Supper at lunch time. Certainly the more fitting time is in the evening.

Restrictions Imposed

"Open communion" as it is commonly called, is certainly unscriptural. Let us remember that it is the Lord's table, and if His, then He has the right to invite the guests. Suppose a friend should invite you to supper, and as you think over the invitation, you think "That invitation is too narrow — I think our whole church should be invited." So, you proceed to invite the church. At the time you are supposed to show up, two hundred other guests put in an appearance. Would your host appreciate your having broadened his invitation? Listen—you have no more right to broaden your Lord's invitation!

To whom did Jesus give the Supper? To His disciples. Not to the unsaved or to the unbaptized. Judas had gone out before Jesus



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instituted the ordinance (John 13:27-30. This passage makes clear that Judas left immediately following the evening meal, and before Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper. Note Acts 2:41-42. There the proper order is given: saving faith, baptism, church membership, then the Lord's Supper.

People hopelessly divided doctrinally, as are the people of different denominations, CAN NOT observe the Lord's Supper together (see I Cor. 11:19-20, R.V.). The words of this Scripture were written to a church filled with division. Certainly they apply in the case of various differing religious groups.

There is also a restriction concerning those living known lives of gross sin (see I Cor. 5:9-11). If it be argued that the words "no not to eat" refer to the eating

of meals together, then how much more would they apply to the eating of the Lord's Supper together. Any pastor or church acts with high presumption when they invite to the Lord's Table those whom Christ has not invited.

Cup Of Cold Water

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the spiritual food served in this paper from week to week, the readers of TBE will grow fat and lazy, and forget about the fact that we who are saved are God's "debtors" to preach the Word of God to others. (Rom. 1:14)

Some may have the spirit of "let George do it," instead of being on fire for the Lord "always abounding in the work of the Lord." (I Cor. 15:58).

But we must remember this solemn truth, that God will hold us responsible for what He has committed to us. He knows the



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blessings which you have received through TBE, and He knows if you have done all you can to spread these blessings to others. Listen:

"For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required; and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more." (Luke 12:48b).

Jesus said, "Freely ye have received, freely give."

No one can escape the responsibility of either serving the Lord gladly, or else giving an account for his sinful greediness. Readers of this paper are under a tremendous responsibility, because of the fact that this paper declares the "whole counsel of God" and because it can be sent to others at such a low cost. Are you serving the Lord, or are you selfishly withholding the blessings of God from others, that can be theirs through the paper?

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"The Book of Revelation"

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century, when modern science adds a "less" to practically everything of consequence. For example, we have horseless buggies, and iceless refrigerators, and smokeless shells, and beardless wheat, and seedless fruits; and the sad thing is in too many of our churches we have a bloodless religion. I am ready to grant that smokeless shells, beardless wheat, and horseless buggies are all improvements over the past; and yet, beloved, a bloodless twentieth century religion will send souls to a first century Hell. In view of the fact that there is no way in Heaven of opening this book which is the title deed to creation, apart from the blood of the Lamb, then why in the world should anyone waste time down here looking for anything else? Though the angel searched Heaven, earth, and the abyss, nothing was found that could suffice for redemption except the Lamb that was slain from the foundation of the world.

It is interesting to notice, that John saw Jesus in the midst of the throne. In other words, he saw Him on His throne. What if there is great apostasy? What if the foundations seem to be shaking? What if Christianity is on trial? What if there are modernists and evolutionists? Christ is still on His throne.

What if women are out of their

God-given sphere in business, in church, and in politics, God is still on His throne.

What if sorrows come in battalions? What if the Devil does destroy your home? There are those here in this presence this morning who have buried husbands and wives and children within the last year. What if your home has been destroyed? What if God has led you through the wilderness? What if friends forsake you and foes arise? Remember, Christ is still on His throne.

Then marvel of marvels, the slain Lamb accepted the angel's challenge to loose the seals, to open the book, to claim the inheritance, and say, "It is mine." When He did so, all Heaven was set rejoicing. Listen:

"And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne. And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints." —Rev. 5:7, 8.

You will notice by these verses when the Lamb took the book all Heaven said, "Hallelujah, hallelujah, every prayer is to be answered!" Mother's prayers are to be answered. Maybe she prayed her last time ten, twenty, thirty, or forty years ago; now she is in glory, and her prayers are to be answered. Father's prayers, and wives' prayers, and husbands' prayers, and children's prayers, and pastors' prayers, and teachers' prayers, and martyrs' prayers, and everybody's prayers, that have been offered in Jesus' name will be answered; perhaps not precisely as they were offered, and yet all will be satisfied in knowing that these prayers have been answered for the glory of God.

And then as soon as Christ claims the inheritance, notice the singing that takes place:

"And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by the blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation." —Rev. 5:9.

There is just one subject of their singing, and that is the blood of the Lamb. That's why I preach on it so often. That's why I like to sing about it. In Heaven, the only theme that will ever excite our hearts to sing will be that of the blood of the Lamb.

And what a crowd it is that thus sings of redemption, through the blood! "Every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation."

When I attended the World's Baptist Alliance in Toronto, Canada, in 1928, I heard men from China, and Italy, and South America, and the islands of the sea testify as to what Jesus meant to them. Dressed in their native costumes they came from the east and the west, the north and the south, to honor the name of Him who died for them. Somehow as I recall that experience, that conference fades from my memory, and I see the nations, the kindreds, the tongues, and the people of the earth rise up to sing the same song — the blood of the Lamb. You might just as well learn how to sing now, you will have to when you get to Heaven; and I certainly would hate for any of you, my people, to be in the primer class in Heaven on the question of singing. I would hate to think of any of you having to learn "do, ra, me," after you get to Heaven.

And what a choir it was that John saw! The number of the choristers was beyond his calculation.

"And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands." —Rev. 5:11.

Bring on your adding machines, your posting machines, your stenographers, and your bookkeepers, and even after you have calculated the number of this choir, all you can know is that it is composed of ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands. This brings us lots of joy, for in our stand for the truth here we are often in the minority; but up yonder, we are going to be in the majority.

What a scene this is! When the choir leads off, do you notice that which happens? Every creature in Heaven, which includes the angels, the arch-angel, the cherubim, the seraphim, the writers of the Scripture, the saints and martyrs of days gone by, all fall down to praise the Lamb. And then down on earth, every creature in the earth does likewise. I verily believe that in that day when the earth is completely redeemed back to God, that even the animals—the elephant, the giraffe, the monkey, the lion and the wolf, and all the balance of the animals of this earth will prostrate themselves, giving honor and allegiance to Jesus. Even those under the earth do likewise. The Devil comes out of his abode, and the fallen angels who are reserved in darkness and chains likewise praise a redeemer who has never redeemed them. Even those within the sea, including the whale, and the fish, and all the forms of life that inhabit the water — all of these and all those in Heaven and on earth — yea, every creature sings the praise of the Lamb so that in view of His redemption, we have universal adoration of the Lamb who is the King. Undoubtedly this is the greatest congregational singing ever known. We have never heard the like of it in this world, but someday we are going to sing in that group who sing the praises of the Lamb.

Doubtlessly this is what Paul had in mind when he wrote to the church at Rome. He looked at his troubles, and then he contrasted these with the glory he was going to have and then said: "For I reckon that the suffering of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." —Romans 8:18.

In all probability, the song writer was thinking of the same thing when he said:

"When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun."

Then you will notice that this group completes their worship by saying, "Amen." Just as I have said concerning singing, I will say also concerning the saying of this word, "amen." You might as well learn how to say it now, for some day you are going to say it yonder in Heaven.

What a picture then this chapter presents to us. The sealed book is the title deed to this whole creation, which no one in Heaven, earth, or Hell could claim — no one save only the Lord Jesus Christ. Oh, I ask you, "Are you going to be in that crowd of the blood-washed who shall praise Him throughout eternity?" I insist, beloved, that if you are, you must be washed in the blood now.

May God bless you.

Y'ALL COME!

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