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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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Christ Jesus Taught That the Scripture Is Infallible

broken.—John 10:35.

What did the Master mean the Master: or "destroy," when (Continued on page 8, column 4)

And the Scripture cannot be when He said, "The Scripture cannot be broken"?

It is worth our while to get it If there are errors or mistakes into our heads that an infallible in the Scriptures, they not only Bible and an infallible Christ can be broken but they must be stand or fall together. The lan- broken sooner or later, for the guage above is the language of error will be made manifest and speaking of the temple: or "put. the Son of God. If the Bible is will have to be separated or off" when talking of Moses "putnot infallible, He was mistaken broken from the truth. The Mas- ting off" his shoes in Acts 7:33, and is therefore not infallible. By ter said in the strongest way that or "loosed" when it speaks of infallible, I mean the Bible has He could have said it, that the Christ being raised from the dead;

infallible, that He made no mistakes and taught no errors and is, translated "loosed," when when it speaks of the heavens
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to put it any stronger, I would where it is tied: or "unloose," The best interpreter of Scripdo so.

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What kind of world will Amer-

-D. E. Wyatt

whether we are on God's side."

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no mistakes or errors in it, as it Scriptures are infallible and free or "broken" when it speaks of came from God in the original from error of any kind, when He the ship that Paul was on being Hebrew and Greek. I mean the boldly said: "The Scripture can-wrecked: or "loosed" when it speaks of a man being divorced infallible that Ho

The Message of a Bird

Your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

Take therefore no thought for the morrow.—Matthew



Martin Luther in his autobiography says, "I have one preacher I love better than any other; it is my little tame robin, who preaches to me daily. I put his crumbs upon my window sill, especially at night. He hops onto the sill when he wants his supply, and takes as much as he desires to satisfy his need. From thence he always hops to a little tree close by, and lifts up his voice to God, and sings his carol of praise and gratitude, tucks his little head under his wing, and goes fast to sleep, to leave tomorrow to look after itself."

> Praise the Lord, and leave tomorrow In Thy loving Father's hands; Burden not thyself with sorrow, For secure the promise stands, He is faithful, Leave thy troubles in His hand.

> > -W. G. S.

Whatever The Problem May Be: "Christ Is the Answer"

John 1:4 "In Him was life; and you think God is on our side? The the life was the light of men." President replied, "I'm not con-

President Eisenhower said: "America has to have a religious revival if we are to be saved."

Sir Winston Churchill said: "Our bombs have become so big is the answer. With Him we can that they in themselves have become a deterrent to war."

Mr. Clement Attle said to the ful." We need to be concerned man hath not where to lay his head." at history it offers no comfort . . . Christ is the answer. the problem of the world is not with the bomb . . . the problem of the world is with man . . . We have got to do something about

Our Lord said: "I am the light of the world." The reason this intellectual world cannot find peace is because they do not know the One Who is the Prince of Peace. The reason this world is walking in spiritual darkness is because they do not know the One Who is the Light of the World.

Mankind is stumbling in darkness, as proven by the lack of peace and the threat of war. Never before has there been so many diversities offered mankind in order to entertain him. Never before has mankind been so miserable. What is wrong? Has not ation become so modern, so worldly wise and so independent, it has no need for Christ? Leave Christ out and nothing but catastrophe develops. No Light, no hope and no life. Men as never before, need to turn their eyes toward the Prince of Peace as their good Shepherd and yield themselves unto Him.

Someone said to Abraham Lincoln during the Civil War, "Don't

A Rebuke To All **Our Human Pride**

The life and death of our Lord Jesus Christ are a standing rebuke cepted theories of this day is the to every form of pride to which theory of evolution. With most ica live in, in the future? Christ men are liable. Take, for instance:

Pride of birth and rank. "Is not move to higher heights. Without this the carpenter's son?"

Him my prayer is: "God be merci-

Pride of respectablity. "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?" "He shall be called a Naz-

"He hath no form nor comeliness.'

Pride of reputation. "Behold a ber, a friend of publicans and sinners."

Pride of independence. "Many others who ministered to him of their substance."

Pride of learning. "How knoweth this man letters, having never

Our Lord Jesus Is Reasons Why the Devil's Lie -Evolution-Is a Big Lie

By Roy Mason Tampa, Florida

One of the most widely acpeople who accept this theory, it is something they accept without personal study or investigation. We are in a world today that is largely governed by mob psychology. People are like sheep, they jump the fence when other sheep ahead of them jump. People will put on any kind of dress that gets to be the style, no matter how it looks. Let anything be adver-Pride of personal appearance, tised enough until it seems that everybody is buying it, and people will rush to buy. no matter how poor the product. The toman gluttonous and a wine-bib- bacco companies have advertised a cigarette into most of the educators simply ASSUME that

world, men are likewise slaves to all purpose out of existence; it the scientific fads of the time. makes Jesus Christ a mere pro-Few dare question that which is duct of evolutionary develop-Pride of superiority. "I am dished out to them as fact. It is so ment; it makes Christianity a (Continued on page 8, column 5) with evolution. Scientists and mere development in the realm of



PASTOR ROY MASON

mouths of Americans, even evolution is true, and go on from though people have good reason there. The truth is that it is to believe that smoking is one of one of the big lies of our age. It of the prolific causes of cancer. in reality denies God, it supposes In the scientific and educational a mechanical universe; it takes religion, and it denies sin and denies future judgment and future punishment for sin Evolution goes along with the moral and spiritual break down of our day, pleasing infidels and Christ-rejectors and sin-lovers.

Why Is Evolution A Big Lie?

1. It is a lie because it contradicts the revelation given by the God of Heaven. Gen. 1:1 attributes creation to God, and Gen. 1:26-27 attributes man's creation Even so, come, Lord Jesus." - ment, there are 318 refer- wilderness. You will recall also ed man as a special, direct creato God and shows that he creattion, and not by evolution. The Bible is demonstrated to be true

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teresting to notice that out of the session of the country for the time (Continued on page 2, column 3)

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CHRIST'S SECOND COMING

Sermon Preached By Pastor John R. Gilpin; Mechanically Recorded For Publication

Rev. 22:20.

To all I meet upon the Pilgrim thirds of those prophecies have to ond coming of our Lord. do with the second coming and

New Testament, it is rather in- Absalom succeeded in taking pos- ointed over us, is dead in battle.

"Surely I come quickly. Amen. 260 chapters in the New Testa- being, driving David out into the

drove David off the throne. I am themselves: Then when you come to the sure that you will recall how

ences to the second coming of how ultimately the battle This message is a continuation Christ, or an average of one out was fought and Absalom was deof the message of last week. At of every twenty-five verses in the feated, and in seeking to make his (Continued on page 8, column 5) that time, as you may recall, I New Testament speaks about the getaway his mule on which he told you that there was a tre- return of Jesus Christ to this was riding ran underneath a low mendous amount of the Word of world. In spite of the fact that so hanging tree and one of the limbs The silent door swings on its God which talks about the second much is said in both the Old and caught his long locks of hair and coming of our Lord. There's far the New Testament concerning he hung there within the tree and Opens, closes . . . and no more more that speaks about the sec- the second coming of Jesus Christ, died. Then the Word of God tells ond coming than speaks about the there are very, very few sermons us how the people, when they first coming. In fact, if you will preached that are Scripturally realized that Absalom was dead, read the prophecies of the Old true and God-honoring and peo- began to turn back to David. Testament, you will find that two- ple-edifying concerning the sec- Those who had been led astray by Absalom now turned to David I often think about the time and sought to come back to David For no man travels twice, the only one-third has to do with when Absalom rose in rebellion and to make friends with him. the first coming of Jesus Christ against his father, David, and We read that they said among

"And Absalom, whom we an-

BUT ONCE But once I pass this way and then . . . and then

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pass this way. while I may, With all my might I will essay weet comfort and delight

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That winds through darkness up into this world. to light

Through night,

To day.

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Tract ministry. Several months Literal Translation of the Greek, fact, only money enough to print two tracts was received. Those is being given, why not translate two tracts are:

(1) The Bible and Water Bap-

(2) Our Suffering Substitute

(by Spurgeon).

At present time more tracts are out of print than when we made special reference to this work. The following tracts are now on the That A. B. A. editor whose stateunavailable list:

Member, But Are You Saved?

and Go to Heaven.

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(9) Lost in the Church. (10) Immodest Apparel

We already have on hand requests for many tracts now out of print and for many of these just The Campbellites may hold to named. But we have been unable something which they call salvato print them. Your help in this tion by Christ and the A. B. A. Social Constant of the A. B. ministry will be deeply appreci- editor may hold to something he ated and the Word of God will calls foreknowledge, but their be spread as a result.

ed by the Sovereign Grace Book and he certainly needs to make built while He was on earth. Club. Volume I of this scheduled an amendment as to these false four-volume work is now avail- charges. able and covers the books of Matthew, Mark and Luke. The idea of this work is to give a parallel reading or a comparison of several translations along with the is the only hope of sinners. "He Greek text of the New Testament. bore the sin of many and made In this work, under each line of intercession for the transgres-Greek, are these translations: The sors." Isa. 53:12.

ago (see Jan. 18 issue of TBE) the King James Version, the Engwe published an article request- lish Revised Version of 1881 and ing our readers' support in our in several places the English work of printing and distributing translation of the Codex Vaticatracts. (We consider this ministry nus (B). In other words, in this to be one of the most effective one volume the student gets what works we have available to us) At he would have to consult four or the time we published the article five books to get, and then some. referred to we said that we would This means a great deal to the keep our readers posted as to the one who wants to get the true Tract Fund and the tracts print- meaning of the Greek. There is ed. However, support of this only one disappointment we have work has been so slow that we found thus far in this work. That have had very little to report. In is the anglicizing of the word "baptizo." If a literal translation "baptizo" to "immerse?" We care Pressed out of measure and pressvery little for the rules that Protestant translators have made with regard to this word and consider such to be unjust handling of the Word of God.

No apology to A. B. A. editor. ments denying the foreknowledge (1) You May Be a Church of God were quoted in the May 17 issue of TBE has accused us of (2) How to Become a Christian "a plain falsehood" with regard to our statement that he denied the foreknowledge of God. So he is asking that we retract what we said and apologize, telling people (6) A Woman's Place in a New that he does believe God's foreknowledge. Sorry, but we can't do (7) Objections to God's Sover- that until he retracts his stateeignty Answered (This tract has ments made in his previous arbeen printed, but is not yet as- ticle. As long as they stand our Most of you readers, even some in that first article is plainly a of you who have written for denial of God's foreknowledge. tracts, have disregarded or else Not only so, but even in this secforgotten our Tract Fund which ond article he denies this truth! about what had become of Enoch. was set up for the purpose of try- He says: "It is Bro. Ross's view ing to expand this work further, that every act that man or beast Right now, in addition to the ever performed or may perform above tracts, we have type set for no matter how insignificant was translated him. foreknown . . . In no place does the Bible teach such extreme pre-(2) The Heresy of Sinlessness in sumption." There it is, another That to me is the most precious TURN TO THIS WORLD. flat denial of God's foreknowl- thing about the experience of (3) The Foreknowledge of God. edge, yet this man wants us to Enoch. He changed his residence, to you. Behold, he is in the desert Campbellite who wrote wanting He was still in the same company them when we said that they do here within this world. not teach that salvation is altogether by Jesus Christ. Of course with Abel as he offered his sac- 27. the Campbellites do not teach rifice. You can see how salvation altogether by Christ and neither does the A. B. A. editor teach the foreknowledge of God. ideas about such are foreign to God's Word. If any apologizing One of the best things we have is to be done, we think this seen in a long time. That is what A. B. A. editor should take the we have to sav about THE MUL- first step. He falsely accused us TILINEAR TRANSLATION OF of several things in his first ar-THE NEW TESTAMENT publish- ticle (such as Hardshellism, etc.)

Christ's prayer, not mother's For One Hundred

"Christ's Second Coming"

(Continued from page one) Editor-in-Chief Now therefore why speak ye not word of BRINGING THE KING BACK?" - II Sam. 19:10.

> had been driven from his throne in Jerusalem, and how the people, after the rebellion of Absalom was over, said, "We ought to be thinking about bringing the king back." Beloved, when I think of it, I am reminded that we as God's people ought to be doing a lot of preaching about bringing back the king — the Lord Jesus Christ — to this world,

> I was impressed very, very much this week as I studied anew and afresh the prophecies of the Word of God concerning the return of the Lord Jesus Christ. I couldn't help thinking of Enoch,

"And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for GOD TOOK man, yet only as God permits, HIM." - Gen. 5:24.

when we read:

LATED that he should not see yet they did only what God's death; and was not found, beed God." - Heb. 11:5.

Here was a man who walked him, that he pleased God. One day he walked with God and he wasn't found. I am satisfied that his family sent out a searching party to look for him. I am sure that his friends spent time wondering

5555555555555555555555555555555 them. PRESSED

ed to all length:

Pressed so intensely it seems, beyond strength; Pressed in the body and pressed

in the soul, Pressed in the mind till the dark

surges roll. Pressure by foes, and a pressure from friends;

Pressure on pressure, till life nearly ends.

Pressed into knowing no helper but God; Pressed into loving the staff and the rod.

Pressed into liberty where nothing clings: Pressed into faith for impossible

Pressed into living a life in the Lord,

statement stands. What he said Pressed into living a Christ-lif. outpoured.

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They looked all about for him, but the Word of God says that he "was not found, because God had Enoch changed his place, but

he didn't change his company. GOING TO BE A VISIBLE REapologize! He reminds us of the but he didn't change his company.

Abel's lamb points to the Cross. and EVERY EYE SHALL SEE When you read about Enoch, you realize that his translation points us to the second coming of the

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7 Should Like to Know I see from this verse that David

answering several of these.

more of the fruit of the vine, ment of this truth. until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

This verse is virtually a promise of Christ's second coming and the establishment of the Millennial Kingdom. Then Christ will since the world began. again drink with His disciples "the fruit of the vine."

2. Explain Isaiah 45:7: ". . . I make peace, and create evil . . . "

Although evil arises from sinful earth once had. directs and controls. Therefore, We have a little fuller account God is said to create evil. We of this in the book of Hebrews, have an excellent example of this in the death of Christ. All "By faith Enoch WAS TRANS- the evil performed was of men, hand and counsel had "before vation, certainly not to the soul's cause God had translated him: determined to be done" (Acts for before his translation he had 4:28). In other words, God perthis testimony, that he pleas- mitted and directed man's evil to perform His own purpose.

3. Explain Proverbs 16:4: "The with God. Here was a man who Lord hath made all things for had this testimony concerning himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil,"

Notice that this verse does not say that God made men to damn them. Surely, He did make men knowing that they would be damned, but not simply to damn

Since God creates all creatures, He created and does create the wicked. The "day of evil" possibly refers to the present time, is wrong anywhere. Exodus 20:4. perhaps to the future punishment of the wicked.

4. Explain Romans 12:4, 5: "For we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office: So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another."

Paul is here using the physical body to illustrate a truth with regard to a church, the body (assembly) of Christ. We have dif-

Lord Jesus Christ. Just as Abel's lamb points us to the Cross regarding the first coming of Christ, and the culmination of that coming at the Cross, so Enoch's translation points us out yonder to the future when the Lord Jesus Christ shall come back to this world

coming back.

WHEN HE COMES, HIS IS

"Wherefore if they shall say ungo not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. space in our paper to answer the that he had been walking with For as the lightning cometh out "false charge" that we made of during the days of his pilgrimage of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming I think of Enoch in contrast of the Son of man be." Mt. 24:26,

"Behold, he cometh with clouds; HIM, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen." - Rev. 1:7.

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet what church is the church Christ the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." -I Thes. 4:16, 17.

like these without the realization kind. concerning the plan of His coming — that when the Lord Jesus with the Campbellite church. Christ comes He is going to be

(Continued on page 3, column 1)

Note: Of recent date, we had ferent members in our bodies for several requests for explanations various uses; i. e., arms, hands. of Scripture. In this issue we are legs, feet. So it is in the church. Not all hold the same office or 1. Explain Mark 14:25: "Verily have the same gifts. Read I Cor-I say unto you, I will drink no inthians 12 for a fuller develop-

> 5. Explain Acts 3:21: "Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets

This probably refers to the establishment of the Millennial Kingdom, which will certainly be a restoration of the glory this

6. Explain Matthew 26:29.

This verse is the same as Mark 14:25, for which see answer to question No. 1.

7. Explain I Timothy 2:15.

Probably refers to physical salsalvation. The word for "saved" is "preserved."

8. Do you know who is responsible for the comic strip "David Crane" by Winslow Mortimer?

No, but the clippings this querist sent to us savors very much like Roman Catholicism. 9. What do you think of such

articles appearing in the newspaper every Sunday? Heresy is wrong anywhere,

anytime. 10. What do you think of pic-

turing Christ in the "funnies"? A so-called picture of Christ

11. What about picturing the symbols of the Bible? Are they sacred monograms?

The clippings the querist sent contain heresy as to the "symbols," many of which are not at all Scriptural. There are no "sacred monograms" that we know

12. Do you people accept missionary Baptists on their bap-

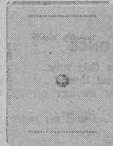
It is the only baptism we will receive. Of course, we won't accept some so-called missionary Baptists because they are not truly Baptists.

13. Is the election of an individual to salvation by the Lord based upon God's seeing before hand the one's faith, or is election not based on foreseen faith?

No, election is not based on I would like for us to notice foreseen faith. The object of something as to the plan of His God's foreknowledge is the person, not faith. Acts 13:48 says: "And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord; and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed." Faith is the gift of God; therefore, it could not be foreseen as being of mai Election is of pure grace (Romans 11:5, 6):

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Charles Haddon Spurgeon

'Christ's Second Coming"

(continued from page 2) this world so many years ago. We pure nonsense of the worst kind. When you turn to these Scriptures that I have read to you, you second coming of Jesus Christ is going to be visible.

The Greek word that is trans-

He appears, that He shall be seen. Beloved, how in the world could you expect the return of esus Christ to be otherwise in the light of the Scriptures that I have read? It says that our Lord is going to descend from Heaven with a shout, and it says furthermore that it is going to be accompanied with the voice of the archangel, and still again it will be companied by the translation of bind itself to some false ground of trust. the living saints to be caught up to the eyes of all mankind?

a man driving an automobile save us, unless we are prepared to let Him have all the glory. along the highway, a saved man, taken up into the skies to be to be drawn from it. come by to pick up that car and wide, but on a nation wide and an of eternal torment.

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'Not for your sakes do I this, saith the Lord God, be it known unto you: be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel." (Ezekiel 36:32).

There are two sins of man that are bred in the bone, and that continually come out in the flesh. One is self-dependence and the other is self-exaltation. It is very hard, even for the best of men, to keep themselves from the first error. The holiest of Christians, and those who understand best the gospel of Christ, find in themselves a constant inclination to look to the power of the creature, over and over again, Holy Scripture has to remind us of that which we never ought to forget, that salvation is God's work from first to last, and is not of man, neither by man. But so it is, this old individuals and sects and churches error — that we are to save ourselves, or that we are to do some-80-called, at least) who talk about thing in the matter of salvation—always rises up, and we find the coming of Christ and who ourselves continually tempted by it to step aside from the sim-claim that Christ came back to plicity of our faith in the power of the Lord our God.

Why, even Abraham himself was not free from the great error have at the present time "inner of relying upon his own strength. God had promised to him that circle christs" and we have "ob- He would give him a son—Isaac, the child of promise. Abraham scure corner christs," and we have "obscure corner christs," and we have
christs that came back to this
world who have never fully revealed themselves to the world.
I say to you, beloved, that is just
pure nonsense of the worst kind.

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Now we, in the matter of salvation, are apt to think that can't help realizing that the God is tarrying long in the fulfillment of His promise, and we set to work ourselves to do something, and what do we do?—sink ourselves deeper in the mire and pile up for ourselves a His coming is likewise spoken store of future troubles and trials. Do we not read that it grieved of in the book of Hebrews. Listen: Abraham's heart to send Ishmael away? Ah! and many a Christian "So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he APPEAR the second time with-cut sin unto salvation." — Heb. 9:28.

The Greek word that is trans-"So Christ was once offered to has been grieved by those works of nature which he accomplished own spirits.

lated "appear" is the word which means "he shall be seen." What does it say then? "That unto them that look for him shall he be seen the second time without sin unto salvation for help, and strength, and grace, and succor, then our work will proceed to our own joy and comfort, and to God's glory. That error, then, I say is in our bone, and will always dwell with us, and hence it is that the words of the text are put as an application. salvation."

Imagine some individual tell-salvation is of God. "Not for your sakes do I this." He says nothing about what yes speak of what God does. "I will take you from kingdom in 1914, like the Russalvation."

Sellite-Jehovah Witness crowd give you a new heart." "I will sprinkle clean water upon you." "I will sellite-Jehovah Witness crowd give you a new heart." "I will put my Spirit within you." It is does. When some individual tells all of God: therefore, again recall to our recollection this doctrine, you that the Son of God has been and give up all dependence upon our own strength and power.

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The other error to which man is very prone, is that of relying 1914, mark it down that that man upon his own merit. Though there is no righteousness in any man, is a false prophet and that he is yet in every man there is a proneness to truth in some fancied preaching contrary to the Word of God save acters have yet some virtue as they imaging upon which there of God, for the Word of God says acters have yet some virtue as they imagine, upon which they that when Christ comes — when rely. You will find the most abandoned drunkard pride himself that he is not a swearer. You will find the blaspheming drunkard pride himself that at least he is honest. You will find men with no other virtue in the world, exalt what they imagine to be a virtue - the fact that they do not profess to have any; and they think themselves to be extremely excellent, because they have honesty or rather impudence enough to confess that they are utterly vile. Somehow the human mind clings to human merit; it always will hold to it, and when you take away everything upon which you think it could rely, in less than a moment it fashions some other ground for confidence out of itself.

Human nature with regard to its own merit, is like the spider, accompanied with the trump of keep spinning on to all eternity. You may brush down one web, shall be accompanied by the replace, and you will find it clinging to your finger, and when you surrection of the dead in Christ, seek to brush it down with one hand you find it clinging to the shall be accompanied by the replace, and you will find it clinging to your finger, and when you shall be accompanied by the remay take the thread from one and still again that will be ac- other. It is hard to get rid of; it is ever ready to spin its web and

It is against all human merit that I am this morning going into the air with our Lord. How to speak, and I feel that I shall offend a great many people here. in the world could all that take I am about to preach a doctrine that is gall and vinegar to flesh place and nobody know anything and blood, one that will make righteous moralists gnash their at all about it? How could that teeth, and make others go away and declare that I am an Antitake place without being visible nomian, and perhaps scarcely fit to live. However, that consehe eyes of all mankind? quence is one which I shall not greatly deplore, if connected with Suppose we think for a mo- it there should be in other hearts a yielding to this glorious truth, ment's time in that respect. Here and a giving up to the power and grace of God, who will never

g the highway, a saved man, First, I shall endeavor to expound at large the doctrine consuddenly the Lord Jesus tained in this text; in the next place I shall endeavour to show its Christ comes in the sky and that force and truthfulness; and then in the third place I shall seek ved person is taken away. He is God's Holy Spirit to apply the useful, practical lessons which are

translated with the Lord, and that automobile goes over into the I. I shall endeavour to EXPOUND THIS TEXT. "Not for your discomplished by the Lord God."

The motive for the salvation of the human race is to be found haul it off the highway and when in the breast of God, and not in the character or condition of man. they begin to look, they find no Two races have revolted against God—the one angelic, the other driver. Of course the news is human. When a part of this angelic race revolted against the Most going to spread around that the High, justice speedily overtook them; they were swept from their automobile wrecked on the high- starry seats in Heaven, and henceforth they have been reserved way and no driver could be found. in darkness unto the great day of the wrath of God. No mercy was Don't tell me that such an experiever presented to them, no sacrifice ever offered for them; but ence as that, not only on a state they were without hope and mercy, forever consigned to the pit

international scale, will not at
The human race, far inferior in order of intelligence, sinned (Continued on page 4, column 1) as atrociously; at any rate, if the sins of manhood that we have

heard of be put together and rightly weighed, I can scarcely understand how even the sins of devils could be much blacker than the sin of mankind. However, the God who in His infinite justice passed over angels, and suffered them forever to expiate their offences in the fires of hell, was pleased to look down on man. Here was election on a grand scale; the election of manhood, and the reprobation of fallen angelhood.

What was the reason for it? The reason was in God's mind, an inscrutable reason which we do not know, and which if we knew probably we could not understand. Had you and I been put upon the choice of which should have been spared, I do think it probable we should have chosen that fallen angels should have been saved. Are they not the brightest? Have they not the greatest mental strength? If they had been redeemed, would it not have glorified God more, as we judge, than the salvation of worms like ourselves? Those bright beings—Lucifer, son of the morning, and those stars that walked in his train—if they had been washed in His redeeming blood, if they had been saved by sovereign mercy, what a song would they have lifted up to the Most High and everlasting God!

But God, who doeth as He wills with His own, and giveth no account of His matters, but who deals with His creatures as the potter deals with his clay, took not upon Him the nature of angels, but took upon Him the seed of Abraham, and chose men to be the vessels of His mercy. This fact we know, but where is its reason? certainly not in man. "Not for your sakes do I this. O house of Israel, be ashamed and be confounded for your own

Here, very few men object. We notice that if we talk about the election of men and the non-election of fallen angels, there is not a cavil for a moment. Every man approves of Calvinism till he feels that he is the loser by it; but when it begins to touch his own bone and his own flesh then he kicks against it. Come, then, we must go further. The only reason why one man is saved, and not another, lies not, in any sense, in the man saved, but in God's bosom. The reason why this day the gospel is preached to you and not the heathen far away, is not because, as a race, we are superior to the heathen; it is not because we deserve more at God's hands; His choice of Britain, in the election of outward privilege, is not caused by the excellency of the British nation. but entirely because of His own mercy and His own love. There is not reason in us why we should have the gospel preached to us more than any other nation. Today, some of us have received the gospel, and have been changed by it, and have become the heirs of light and immorality, whereas others are left still to be the heirs of wrath. But there is no reason in us why we should have been taken and others left.

"There was nothing in us to merit esteem, Or give the Creator delight. "Twas 'Even so, Father!' we ever must sing, Because it seem'd good in thy sight."

And now, let us review this doctrine at length. We are taught in Holy Scripture that, long before this world was made, God foreknew and foresaw all the creatures He intended to fashion; and there and then foreseeing that the human race would fall into sin, and deserve His anger, determined, in His own sovereign mind, that an immense portion of the human race should be His children, and should be brought to Heaven. As to the rest, He left them to their own deserts, to sow the wind and reap the whirlwind, to scatter crime and inherit punishment.

Now, in the great decree of election, the only reason why God selected the vessels of mercy must have been because He would do it. There was nothing in any one of them which caused God to choose them. We all were alike, all lost, all ruined by the fall; all without the stightest claim upon His mercy; all, in fact, deserving His utmost vengeance. His choice of any one, and His choice of all His people, are causeless, so far as anything in them was concerned. It was the effect of His sovereign will, and of nothing which they did, could do, or even would do; for thus saith the text:
"Not for your sakes do I this, O house of Israel!"

As for the fruit of our election, in due time Christ came into this world, and purchased with His blood all those whom the Father

hath chosen. Now come ye to the cross of Christ; bring this doctrine with you, and remember that the only reason why Christ gave (Continued on page four)

God's Matchless Grace

O Matchless Grace of God! The height and depth And length and breadth can ne'er be told; twas wondrous Grace that drew me from the depths of sin—into His fold.

O Matchless Grace of God! Yea, before the rth received its frame—He chose me. 'Twas loving Grace that saved my soul from death and hell and Whispered Peace.

O Matchless Grace of God! Not works of Righteousness That I have done; 'Twas only Grace—His matchless Grace that lifted me into His Son,

O Matchless Grace of God! that even I No more a slave to sin do roam. 'Twas Grace That washed me in His blood-and seated me upon His Throne.

O Matchless Grace of God! that by His stripes Of all disease, I now am healed. 'Twas Grace, His marvelous Grace that by His Holy Spirit I am sealed.

O Matchless Grace of God! that took away My heart of stone and gave me His. 'Twas Grace That stripped me of my rags, and robed me in His Righteousness.

O Matchless Grace of God! By faith in Him I now approach my Father's Throne. 'Twas Grace That said, "In Him all things I freely give unto my own."

O Matchless Grace of God! My every need He now so graciously supplies. 'Twas Grace That said, "Your Father knows before you ask; on Him rely."

O Matchless Grace of God! His child redeemed I am joint heir with His own Son. Twas wondrous Grace—of His amazing Grace I'll tell until He comes.

O Matchless Grace of God! No pen, or mortal Tongue can 'er express the height, or know the Depth, or find the length, or span the breadth of His amazing grace. -AUTHOR UNKNOWN.



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many churches that will be left without a pastor when the Lord Jesus Christ comes back. I don't mean to say that every church fully is going up. I hope, beloved, that every member of this church goes up when our Lord comes again. I hope that every member of this church is saved and goes up to be with our Lord when He comes back. I tell you, beloved, here will be a lot of churches though left behind, when the pastor is taken away, to wonder why "Reverend" or "Doctor" "Brother" didn't show upon Sun-

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Jesus Christ as his Saviour. left in this world to carry on the Son of man be." - Mt. 24:37-Imagine the Lord Jesus Christ services the next Sunday when 39. coming and that engineer being the Lord Jesus Christ takes away

there is nobody to stop it. There's place, when others realize what engineer to be found. They don't graveyards open and the saints of find worldly possessions left be- these events can take place, and

WHEN HE COMES, HE IS COMING UNEXPECTEDLY.

If you will turn to the Word of God, you will find that all through the Bible we are told that His coming is to be an unexpected event. Listen:

"Behold, I COME AS A THIEF."

Now, beloved, when a thief comes, he doesn't write you a letter and tell you that on such-andsuch a night, at such-and-such an hour, he is going to come around and pay you a social visit and relieve you of your pocket change and your silver and whatever valuables you may have. No, no, beloved, a thief comes unexpect-

Listen again:

We read:

"For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so COMETH AS A THIEF in the15c night." — I Thes. 5:2.

In other words, the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ is going to .10c be just as unexpected as the coming of a thief in the night. As the thief comes unexpectedly, so the Be still, my heart, if sorrow comes coming of the Lord Jesus Christ is going to be unannounced and without warning. The only way that we can say that the coming of the Lord is announced is in a general sense. In my text He said, Be still, my heart, and realize "Surely I come quickly." That is have as to His coming, but when He comes, He will come as un- His Spirit guides thee tenderly, expectedly as a thief in the night.

can't tell me that when He comes, that were before the flood they

our times and the days of Noah. train who are saved being caught Beloved, do you mean to tell Here was Noah hammering and or good deed, that dwells in us by nature. away. The train crashes because me that when such an event takes pounding away, building on that ark for 120 years. People wouldn't begin to look about, there is no of God, and when they see the and they went right on with their business, and with their mareven find half the bodies that God caught up - do you mean to riages, and with the ordinary, norwere on the train. They will find tell me that there won't be a vis- mal pursuits of life. They thought clothes left behind. They will find ible manifestation of our Lord. only in terms of flesh. They marsuitcases left behind. They will Do you mean to tell me that all ried, they gave in marriage, they bought, they sold, they built, and hind, but the saints of God will be Christ be called a hidden Christ they planted; and they did exactcaught up into the air with the or a Secret Chamber Christ? No ly what their flesh directed them beloved, when Jesus comes, His to do and paid no attention at Or think about it from this coming is going to be a visible all to the warning that Noah standpoint, that there will be event, gave relative to the flood of waters that was to come upon the earth.

The Lord Jesus Christ says that it is going to be just like that when He comes back. He says that there are going to be preachers just like Noah who are going to faithfully proclaim the Word of God concerning His compay any attention to them. They are going to shrug it off. They are just going to deliberately pass by the message of the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, and they are going on marrying, giving in marriage, living for the world, and thinking in terms of the flesh, and they will never be conscious (Continued on page 6, column 5)

IN HIS HAND

Psalm 31:15

Be still, my heart, if trouble comes And pauses at thy door. Just turn and seek His lovely face And trust His rich redeeming grace,

And love Him more and more.

An uninvited guest.

For thou wilt find His loving arm A shelter and a strength from harm

And in His comfort-rest.

Thy times are in His hand. thee.

For thou art in His hand. —CHARLES NEILSON.

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(Continued from page three) up His life to be a ransom for His sheep was because He loved His people, but there was nothing in His people that made Him die for them. I was thinking as I came here this morning, if any man should imagine that the love of God to us was caused by anything in us, it would be as if a man should look into a well to find the springs of the ocean, or dig into an anthill to find an Alp. The love of God is so immense, so boundless and so infinite. that you cannot conceive for a moment that it could have been caused by anything in us. The little good that is in us-the no good that is in us-for there is none, could not have caused the boundless, bottomless, shoreless, summittess love which God mani-

Stand at the foot of the cross, ye merit-mongers, ye that delight in your own works; and answer this question: Do you think that the Lord of life and glory could have been brought down from Heaven, could have been fashioned like a man, and have been led to die through any merit of yours? Shall these sacred veins: be opened with any lancet less sharp than His own infinite love? Do you conceive that your poor merits, such as they are, could be so efficacious as to nail the Redeemer to the tree, and make Him bend His shoulders beneath the enormous load of the world's: guilt? You cannot imagine it. The consequence is so great, compared with what you suppose to be the case, that your logic fails in a moment. You may conceive that a coral insect rears a rock by its multitude, and by its many years of working; but you cannot conceive that all the accumulated merits of manhood, if there were such things, could have brought the Eternal from the throne of His majesty, and bowed Him to the death of the cross: that is a. thing as clearly impossible to any thoughtful mind, as impossibility can be. No; from the cross comes the cry-"Not for your sakes do I this, O house of Israel."

After Christ's death, there comes, in the next place, the work of the Holy Spirit. Those whom the Father hath chosen, and whom the Son has redeemed, in due time the Holy Spirit calls "out of darkness into marvelous light." Now, the calling of the Holy Spirit is without any regard to any merit in us. If this day the Holy Spirit out of their estate of sin into a state of righteousness, you shall bring these hundred men, and let them march in review, and if you could read their hearts, you would be compelled to say, "I see no reason why the Spirit of God should have operated upon these-"But as the days of Noe were, I see nothing whatever that could have merited such grace as this You can't tell me that that isn't so shall also the coming of the -nothing that could have caused the operations and motions of the

For, look ye here. By nature, men are said to be dead in sin. were eating and drinking, marry- If the Holy Spirit quickens, it cannot be because of any power in ing and giving in marriage, until the dead men, or any merit in them, for they are dead, corrupt In contrast, there will be a lot the day that Noah entered into and rotten in the grave of their sin. If then, the Holy Spirit says, Then again, imagine a train run- of churches that will still be hav- the ark, And knew not until the "Come forth and live," it is not because of anything in the dry ning sixty miles an hour, with an ing services the next Sunday. flood came, and took them all bones, it must be for some reason in His own mind, but not in usengineer that knows the Lord There will be plenty of preachers away; so shall also the coming of Therefore, know ye this, men and brethren, that we all stand upon a level. We have none of us anything that can recommend us to God; and if the Spirit shall choose to operate in our hearts unto Notice the comparison between salvation, He must be moved to do it by His own supreme love, for He cannot be moved to do it by any good will, good desire,

To go a little further: this truth, which holds good so far, holds good all the way. God's people, after they are called by nobody to set the airbrakes. The has taken place, when they hear believe him. There had never grace, are preserved in Christ Jesus; they are "kept by the power train crashes and hundreds of the shout of God and the arch- been any water fall out of the of God through faith unto salvation;" they are not suffered to people are killed, and when they angel, when they hear the trump skies. They wouldn't believe Noah sin away their eternal inheritance, but as temptations arise they have strength given with which to encounter them, and as sin blackens them they are washed afresh, and again cleansed. But mark, the reason why God keeps His people is the same as that which made them His people—His own free sovereign grace. If, my brother, you have been delivered in the hour of temptation, pause and remember that you were not delivered for your own sake. There was nothing in you that deserved the deliverance. If your have been fed and supplied in your hour of need, it is not because you have been a faithful servant of God, nor because you have been a prayerful Christian; it is simply and only because of God's mercy. He is not moved to anything He does for you by anything that you do for Him; His motive for blessing you lies wholly and entirely in the depths of His own bosom. Blessed be God, His people shall be kept.

'Nor death, nor Hell shall e'er remove His favourites from His breast; In the dear bosom of His love They must forever rest."

And to conclude my exposition of this text. This shall held good in Heaven itself. The day is coming when every blood-bought, blood-washed child of God shall walk the golden streets arrayed ing, but people are not going to in white. Our hands shall soon bear the palm; our ears shall be delighted with celestial melodies, and our eyes filled with the transporting visions of God's glory. But mark, the only reason shall bring us to Heaven shall be His own love, and not because we deserved it. We must fight the fight, but we do not win the victory because we fight it; we must labour, but the wage at the days' end shall be a wage of grace, and not a debt. We must honour God here, looking for the recompense of the reward; but that recompense will not be given on a legal ground, because we merited it, but given to us entirely because God had loved us, for no reason that was in us.

> When you and I and each of us shall enter Heaven, our song shall be, "Not unto us, not unto us, but unto thy name be all the glory;" and that shall be true, it shall not be a mere exaggeration of gratitude. It shall be true; we shall be compelled to sing it, because we could not sing anything else. We shall feel that we did nothing, and that we were nothing, but that God did it allthat we had nothing in us to be the motive of his doing it, but that His motive lay in Himself; therefore unto Him shall be every particle of the honour forever and ever.

Now, this, I take it, is the meaning of the text; distasteful it is to the great majority, even of professing Christians in this age-It is a doctrine that requires a great deal of salt, or else few people will receive it. It is very unsavory to them. However, there it stands. "Let God be true, and every man a liar." His truth we must preach, and this we must proclaim. Salvation is "not of men, neither by man; not of the will of the flesh, nor of blood, nor of birth, but of the sovereign will of God, and God alone.

II. And now, in the second place, I have to ILLUSTRATE AND ENFORCE THIS TEXT.

Consider a moment man's character. It will humble us, and the only announcement that we His wisdom knows the best for it will tend to confirm this truth in our minds. Let me take an illustration. I will consider man as a criminal. He certainly is such in the sight of God, and I shall not slander him. Suppose now that some great criminal is at last overtaken in his sin, and shut

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up in Newgate. He has committed high treason, murder, rebellion, and every possible iniquity. He has broken all the laws of the realm—every one of them. The public cry is everywhere—"This man must die; the laws cannot be maintained unless he shall be made an example of their rigour. He who beareth not the sword in vain must this time let the sword taste blood. The man must die; he richly deserves it."

You look through his character: you cannot see one solitary redeeming trait. He is an old offender; he has so long persevered in his iniquity that you are compelled to say, "The case is hopeless with this man; his crimes have such aggravation we cannot make an apology for him, even should we try. Not jesuitical cunning itself could devise any pretence of excuse, or any hope of a plea for this abandoned wretch; let him die!"

Now, if her Majesty the Queen, having in her hands the sovereign power of life and death, chooses that this man shall not die, but that he shall be spared, do you not see as plain as daylight, that the only reason that can move her to spare that man, must be her own love, her own compassion? For, as I have supposed already that there is nothing in that man's character that can be a plea for mercy, but that, contrariwise, his whole character cries aloud for vengeance against his sin.

Whether we like it or not, this is just the truth concerning Ourselves. This is just our character and position before God. Ah! y hearer, you may turn upon your heel, disgusted and offended; but there are some here who feel it to be solemnly true in their wn experience, and they will therefore drink in the doctrine, for it is the only way whereby they can be saved. My hearer, your conscience perhaps is telling you this morning that you have sinned heinously that there is not an inlet for a solitary ray of hope in your character. You have added to your sins this great one, that have rebelled against the Most High wantonly and wickedly. you have not committed all the sins in the calendar of crime, it has been because providence has stayed your hand. Your heart has been black enough for it all. You feel that the vileness of your magination and desires has achieved the consummation of human guilt, and further you could not go. Your sins have prevailed gainst you, and have gone over your head. Now, man, the only ground upon which God can save you is His own love. He cannot e you because you deserve it, for you do not deserve it, because there is no excuse that might be made for your sin. No, you are without any excuse, and you feel it.

Oh! bless His dear name, that He has devised this way, whereby He can save you upon the basis of His own sovereign (Continued on the right)

Readers From Six States Visit And Fellowship With Us

Within the past few days we have had a number of guests from six different states, including Ohio, Indiana, North Carolina, Michigan, Florida, and West Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Oral Stephens of Lansing, Mich., formerly from the Lost Creek section of Greenup, Ky., and personal friends of your editor for over thirty years, came to see us and the Lord gave us an exceedingly good fellowship, for which we are most grateful. Their visit on Thursday, July 3, called to mind many happy experiences the Lord has given us together over the past thirty years.

On the same weekend following, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Hampton and daughter, Martha, of Wabash, Indiana, came to see us, and spent the week end in our home. We have heard from these fine Christian folk for many months, and it was truly a joy to have them in our home.

On the same week end that the Hamptons visited us, Mr. and Mrs. DeWayne Austin of Hamilton, O., and their daughter, Joyce, also were our guests. This is the second time these dear friends have been with us, and we truly thank God on each remembrance of them.

Both the Hamptons and the Austins were on their vacation and we rejoice to know that they scheduled our home and church for a portion of their vacation time. It is good to have such friends as these come to see us. I am sorry that the pictures of these two families were worthless for printing, yet we rejoice greatly on account of their visit.

On Sunday evening, July 6, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mountse, Jr., of Charleston, W. Va., visited us in our church, and later in our home. These are folk who have endeared themselves to us through the many months that they have been receiving THE BAPTIST EXAMINER, and it was truly a joy to have them worship with us in our church, and visit us in our printing shop, and fellowship with us in our home.

The following week brought Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brantley of Tampa, Fla., and their two daughters, Barbara and Ruth, and son, Robert. Brother Brantley is a deacon, teacher and church clerk in the Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church of which Brother Roy Mason is pastor. That in itself is sufficient to guarantee that we had a good time together in the Lord.

Then on the week end of July 12 and 13, Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Snyder of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, were in our home. When they were on their honeymoon nearly a year ago, they came to see us, and in the past year we have heard from them continuously. They have been great supporters of our paper, and we thank God for them. One just can't associate with young folk like these without being blessed.

Mrs. Gilpin and I consider it a blessing to our home to have such friends as each of these groups visit us from time to time. It is truly a joy to have our readers from a distance come to see us. Naturally, we have a good time in the Lord and a wonderful fellowship around His Word. Not only were we happy to have these, but we will consider it just such a blessing to have any of our readers call on us whenever God may make it possible.



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love and unbounded grace, without anything in you. I want you to go back to Newgate again to this criminal. We suppose now that this criminal is visited by her Majesty in person. She goes to him, and she says to him, "Rebel, traitor, murderer, I have in my heart compassion for you; you deserve it not; but I am come this day to you, to tell you that if you repent you shall have mercy at my hands."

Suppose this man, springing up, should curse her—curse this angel of mercy to her face, spit upon her, and utter blasphemies, and imprecate curses upon her head. She retires; she is gone; but so great is her compassion, that the next day she sends a messenger, and days, and weeks, and months, and years, she continually sends messengers, and these go to him, and they say, "If you will repent of your transgressions you shall have mercy; not because you deserve it, but because her Majesty is compassionate, and out of her gracious soul she desires your salvation. Will you recent?"

Suppose this man should curse at the messenger, stop his ears against the message, spit upon him, tell him he does not care for him at all. Or to suppose a better case—suppose he turns upon his seat and says, "I don't care whether I am hanged or not; I'll take my chance along with other people; I shall take no notice of you." And suppose more than that, rising from his seat, he indulges again in all the crimes for which he has already been condemned, and plunges headlong afresh into the very sins which have brought his neck under the rope of the gallows. Now, if her Majesty would spare such a man as that, on what terms can she do it? You say, "Why, she cannot, unless she does it out of love; she cannot because of any merit in him, because such a beast as that ought to die."

And now what are you and I by nature but like this? And my unconverted hearer, what is this but a picture of you? Has not God Himself visited your conscience? and has He not said to you, "Sinner! come now, let us reason together; though your sins be as scarlet they shall be as wool." And what have you done? Stopped your ear against the voice of conscience—cursed and swore at God, blasphemed His holy name, despised His Word, and railed against His ministers. And this day, again, with tears in his eyes, a servant of God is come to you, and his message is, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved; as I live, saith the Lord. I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, but had rather that he should turn unto me and live." And what will you do. Why, if left to yourselves you will laugh at the message—despise it. It will glance off from you like an arrow from a man that is girt about with mail, and you will go away to despise God again, as you have done before. Do you not see, then, that if God ever (Continued on page six)

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(Continued from page five) shall save you, it cannot be for your sakes; but must be from His own infinte love; it cannot be from any other reason, since you have rejected Christ, despised His gospel, trodden under foot the

blood of Jesus, and have refused to be saved. If He saves you, it

must be free grace, and free grace alone.

But now picture a little more about this criminal at Newgate. Not content with having added sin to sin, and having rejected mercy for himself, this wretch industriously employs himself in going round to all the cells where others are confined, and hardening their hearts also against the mercy of the Queen. He can scarce see a person but he begins to taint him with the blasphemy of his own heart; he utters injurious things against the majesty that spares him, and endeavours to make others as vile as himself. Now, what does justice say? If this man ought not to die on his own account, yet he ought to die for the sake of others; and if he be spared, is it not as plain as a pike-staff that he cannot be spared because of any reason in him? It must be because of the unconquerable compassion of the Sovereign.

And now look here: is not this the case of some here present? Not only do you sin yourselves, but lead others into sin? I know this was one of my plagues and torments, when first God brought me to Himself, that I have led others into temptation. Are there not men here that have taught others to swear? Are there not fathers here that have helped to destroy their own children's souls? Are there not some of you that are like the deadly Upas tree? You stretch out your branches, and from every leaf there drops poison upon those who come beneath its deadly range. Are there not some here who have seduced the virtuous, that have misled those who were seemingly pious, and that are perhaps so hardened that they even glory in it? Not content with being damned yourselves, you are seeking to lead others to the pit also. Thinking it not enough yourselves to be at enmity with God, you want to imitate Satan by dragging others with you.

O my hearer, is not this thy case? Does not thy heart confess it? And does not the tear flow down thy cheek? Remember, then, this must be true: if God shall save thee, it must be because He will do it. It cannot be because there is anything good in thee, for thou deservedst now to die, and if He spare thee it must be

sovereign love and sovereign grace.

I will just use one other illustration, and then, I think I shall have made the text clear enough. There is not so much difference between black and a darker shade of black as there is between pure white and black. Every one can see that. Then there is not so much difference between man and the devil as there is between God and man. God is perfection; we are black with sin. The devil is only a darker shade of black; and great as may be the difference between our sin and the sin of Satan, yet it is not so great as the difference between the perfection of God and the imperfection of

Now, imagine for a minute that somewhere in Africa there should be a tribe of devils living, that you and I had it in our power to save these devils from some threatened wrath which must overtake them. If you or I should go there and die to save those devils, what could be our motive? From what we know of the character of a devil, the only motive that could make us do that must be love. There could not be any other. It must be simply because we had such big hearts that we could even embrace fiends within them.

Well, now, there is not so much difference between man and the devil as between God and man. If, then, the only motive that could make men save a devil must be man's love, does it not follow with irresistible force, that the only motive that could lead God to save men must be God's own love. At any rate, if that reason be not cogent the fact is indisputable—"Not for your sakes do I this, O house of Israel." God sees us, abandoned, evil, wicked, and deserving His wrath; if He saves us, it is His boundless, fathomless love that leads Him to do it-nothing whatever in us.

III. And now, having thus preached this doctrine, and enforced it, I come to a very solemn PRACTICAL APPLICATION. And here may God the Holy Spirit help me labour with your hearts!

First, since this doctrine is true, how humble a Christian man ought to be. If thou be saved, thou hast had nought to do with it; God has done it. If thou be saved, thou hast not deserved it. It is mercy undeserved which thou hast received. I have sometimes been delighted when I have seen the gratitude of abandoned char-

acters to any who have assisted them.

I remember visiting a house of refuge. There was a poor girl there who had fallen into sin long, and when she found herself kindly addressed and recognized by society, and saw a Christian minister longing after her soul's good, it broke her heart. What should a man of God care about her? she was so vile. How could it be that a Christian should speak to her? Ah! but how much more should that feeling rise in our hearts? My God! I have rebelled against thee, and yet thou hast loved me, unworthy me! How can it be? I cannot lift myself up with pride, I must bow down before Thee in speechless gratitude.

Remember, my dear brthren, that not only is the mercy which you and I have received undeserved, but it was unasked. It is true you prayed, but not till free grace made you pray. You would have been, to this day, hardened in heart, without God, and without Christ, had not free grace saved you. Can you be proud then?proud of mercy which, if I may use the term, has been forced upon you?-proud of grace which has been given you against your will.

until your will was changed by sovereign grace?

And think again. All the mercy you have you once refused. Christ sups with you; be not proud of His company. Remember, there was a day when He knocked, and you refused-when He came to the door and said, "My head is wet with dew, and my locks with the drops of the night; open to me, my beloved;" and you barred it in His face and would not let Him enter. Be not proud, then, of what thou hast, when thou rememberest that thou didst once reject Him.

Does God embrace Thee in His arms of love? Remember, once thou liftedst up thine hand of rebellion against Him. Is thy name written in His book? Ah! there was a time when, if it had been in thy power, thou wouldst have erased the sacred lines that contained thine own salvation. Can we, dare we, lift up our wicked head with pride, when all these things should make us hang our heads down in the deepest humility? That is one lesson: let us learn another.

This doctrine is true, and therefore it should be a subject of the greatest gratitude. When meditating upon this text yesterday, the effect it had upon me was one of transport and joy. Oh! I thought, upon what other condition could I have been saved? And I looked back upon my past estate; I saw myself piously trained and educated, but revolting against all that. I saw a mother's tears shed over me in vain, and a father's admonition lost upon me, and yet I found myself saved by grace, and I could only say, "Lord,

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I bless Thee that it is by grace, for if it had been by merit I had never been saved. If thou hadst waited till there was something good in me, thou wouldst have waited till I sank into the hopeless perdition of hell, for good in man there never would have been, unless thou hadst first put it there." And then I thought immediately, "Oh! how I could go and preach that to the poor sinner!" Ah! let me try if I cannot.

O sinner! you say you dare not come to Christ because you have nothing to recommend you. He does not want anything to recommend you; He will not save you, if you have anything to recommend you, for His says, "Not for you sake do I this." Go to Christ with earrings in your ears, and jewels upon you; wash your face, and array yourself with gold and silver, and go before Him and say, "Lord, save me; I have washed myself and clothed myself; save me!" "Get you gone! Not for your sakes will I do this.'

Go to Him again, and say, "Lord, I have put a rope about my neck, and sackcloth about my loins; see how repentant I am, see how I feel my need; now save me!" "No," saith He, "I would not save you on account of your flaunting robes, and now I will not save you because of your rags; I will save you for nothing about you; if I do save you, it will be from something in my heart, not from anything you feel. Get ye gone!"

But if today you go to Christ and say, "Lord Jesus, there is no reason in the world why I should be saved-there is one in Heaven; Lord, I cannot urge any plea, I deserve to be lost, I have no excuse to make for all my sins, no apology to offer; Lord, I deserve it, and there is nothing in me why I should be saved, for if thou wouldst save me I should make but a poor Christian, after all; I fear that my future works will be no honour to Thee- I wish they could be, but thy grace must make them good, else they will still be bad. But, Lord, thou I have nothing to bring, and nothing to say for myself, I do say this: I have heard that thou hast come into the world to save sinners-O Lord, save me! 'I the chief of sinners am.'

I confess I do not feel this as I ought, I do not mourn it as I ought; I have no repentance to recommend me; nay, Lord, I have no faith to recommend me either, for I do not believe thy promise as I ought; but oh! I cling to this text. Lord, thou hast said thou wilt not do it for my sake. I thank Thee thou hast said that. Thou couldst not do it for my sake, for I have no reason why thou shouldst. Lord, I claim thy gracious promise, 'Be merciful to me, a

Ah! you good people, this doctrine does not suit some of you; it is too humbling, is it not? You that have kept your churches regularly, and been to meetings so piously, you that never broke the Sabbath, or never swore an oath, or did anything wrong, this does not suit you. You say it will do very well to preach to harlots, and drunkards, and swearers, but it will not suit such good people as we are. Ah! well, this is your text-"I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." You are "whole"-you are; you "need not a physician, but they that are sick." Go your way. Christ came to save such as you are. You think you can save yourselves. Do it, and perish in the doing of it.

But I feel that the same gospel that suits a harlot suits me, and that that free grace which saved Saul of Tarsus must save me, else I am never saved. Come, let us all go together. We are all guiltysome more, some less, but all hopelessly guilty. Let us go together to the footstool of His mercy, and though we dare not look up, let us lie there in the dust, and sigh out again, "Lord have mercy upon

us for whom Jesus died."

"Just as I am, without one plea, But that thy blood was shed for me, And that thou bidst me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come."

Sinner, come now; come now, I beseech thee; I intreat thee, come now. O Spirit of the living God, draw them now! Let these feeble weak words be the means of drawing souls to Christ. Will you reject my Master again? Will you go out of this house hardened once more? You may never again have such feelings as those which are aroused in your soul. Come, now, receive His mercy; now bend your willing necks to His yoke; and then I know you shall go away to taste His faithful love, and at last to sing in Heaven the song of the redeemed-"Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, unto him be glory forever. Amen."

> "O thou great eternal Jesus, High and mighty Prince of Peace, How Thy wonders shine resplendent, In the wonders of Thy grace: Thy rich gospel scorns conditions. Breathes salvation free as air; Only breathes triumphant mercy, Baffling guilt, and all despair.

"O the grandeur of the gospel, How it sounds the cleansing blood: Shows the bowels of a Saviour Shows the tender heart of God. Only treats of love eternal, Swells the all-abounding grace, Nothing knows but life and pardon,

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I asked an old colored preacher how his church was getting on, and his answer was: "Mighty poor, mighty poor, brudder." I ventured to ask the trouble, and he replied: "De cieties, de cieties. Dey is just drawin' all the fatness bone of the blessed Lord's body. We can't do nufin' without de ciety. Dar is the Lincum 'Ciety, wid Sister Jones and Brudder Land Pilgrims. Why brudder, by God. de time de brudders and sisters chickens." — Cuyler.

Mort Joseff "Christ's Second Coming"

early teens when I had more time, have stood with a raincoat on may behold my glory." when a storm was beating its and the thunders roared and the times in the last few years when to be defeated in any wise at all. have traveled by plane I have and I have looked down upon the clouds beneath to remember His coming. I have seen those clouds when it looked like I was going over the top of a mountain of show. Everytime I stand and look up in the sky and see a cloud come over the sky, the thought comes to my mind, my Lord may be on that one.

I will never forget the first time that I drove through Ashville, North Carolina. Ashville, as you know, is recognized as the city in the land of the sky. They have that for their slogan for the Chamber of Commerce. The first time that I drove through that city didn't realize what was happening until we were driving along in the clouds — with clouds all about us. I tell you, beloved friends, whether you are walking on the earth looking up at the clouds, or whether you are driving along on a mountain with the clouds all about you, or whether you are flying through the air looking down upon the clouds, it Is Well to remember this: He is coming on one of these clouds some of these days. I don't tell you when Jesus Christ is coming. but I do tell you He is coming Isibly. You will see Him when He comes, He is coming riding upon the clouds as a chariot.

WHEN HE COMES, HE IS COMING VICTORIOUSLY TO RECEIVE HIS OWN.

"And if I go and prepare a place for You, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." — John 14:3.

Father, I will that they also whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst Christ." — II Thes. 1:7, 8. me before the foundation of the world." — John 17:24.

John 17? Doesn't it encourage er? I thank God that when He (Continued on page 5, column 1)

preached by Arminians I can't say "Amen" to. Some of them will talk about the fact that there are going to be empty seats in Heaven, and they will say that there ABSALOM'S REBELLION _ are going to be empty houses in Heaven — that there are going to be houses in Heaven with a "For Rent" sign on them — that there and marrow outen de body and are going to be houses that will never have an occupant - all because, as they say, you thwarted God's plan, that you didn't let God do what He wanted Brown to run it. Sister Williams to do for you and what He was mus' march right in front of de begging to. You know, beloved, a Daughters of Rebakah. Den dar preacher that preaches like that is de Dorcases, de Marthas, de just doesn't know much about the Daughters of Ham, and de Liber- God of the Bible. That means that lan Ladies." "Well, you have you: that preacher is saying that man brethren to help in church," I is stronger than God Himself. He Suggested. "No, sah, dar am de is saying that man is bigger than Masons, de Odd Fellows, de Sons God — that he is bigger and of Ham, and de Oklahoma Promis' stronger and more powerful than

I tell you, beloved, the God of pay all the dues, and tend all de the Bible is a God of omnipotent meetings, dere is nuffin left for power. He is not trying to save Mount Pisgah church but just de people. He is saving His elect. He I. The Leader Of The Repellion. ^{cob.} De co'n has all been shelled is not seeking and attempting to off and frowed to de speckled bring men to salvation provided Him as a love gift from before God the Father. Beloved, some of life, particularly as a boy in my whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they

worst, and felt a kinship with the God we preach to you isn't going elements, as the lightning flashed to be a defeated God. I am glad sible to make sin attractive to us. that the God we preach to you is clouds passed overhead. Many a God of power. He is not going

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to save any man and turn him will save him. He will never begin those false religions. to do so and turn him loose and II. How The Leader Worked. let him go to Hell.

Listen, when our Lord Jesus comes, every one of the elect of God from the day of Abel until the last man that shall ever be saved, will be in that group that will behold the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ. Beloved, He is com-

ing victoriously. Oh, can't we realize how victorious our Lord is going to be! Not one person that He died for is going to be lost. Not one person that He gave His blood for will fail to get to Heaven. Not one person for whom the Son of God expiated at Calvary will fail to be within the crowd. I tell you, beloved, it is the will of the Lord Jesus Christ that everyone of the saints of God shall be with Him, and His will isn't going be thwarted. Yes, He is coming

victoriously.

WHEN HE COMES, HE IS COMING TO EXECUTE VENGE-ANCE ON THOSE WHO KNOW NOT THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

"And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?" - I Pet.

"And to you who are troubled rest 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

Listen to me, every man who knows not God, and every man Beloved, doesn't it encourage who has not obeyed the Gospel of you to know that everyone of our Lord Jesus Christ, God is God, to know that everyone of our Lord Jesus Christ, God is God's elect was prayed for in going to take vengeance on, at the second coming of the Lord Jesu you to know that while million Christ. Now don't misunderstand Were passed by and unprayed for me: The punishment of the wick-(for Jesus said, "I pray not for ed will be a thousand years after the World"), the Lord Jesus Chris the saints of God are caught u brayed for every person that has into the air. I recognize the fact ever been saved from the day of that there will be a period of Abel down to the last man that time that will intervene between shall ever be saved, in that pray- the coming of Christ for His

The Hens And The comes, He is coming victoriously Sunday School Lesson — Outline and Notes by John R. Gilpin for His own.

Most of the messages that are LESSON FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 1958

The Book Of II Samuel

__ II Samuel 14-18

MEMORY VERSE: "The goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance."-Rom. 2:4.

In our last lesson we noticed that as result of the shameful way Amnon treated his sister, Tamar, Absalom slew Amnon and fled to Geshur, where he lived three years. Through the craft and trickery of Joab he was recalled home as we notice in Chapter 14. However, David forgave Absalom in only a half-hearted way (V. 24). For two years Absalom dwelt in Jerusalem but did not see the king (V. 28). Chafing under such restraint, through the burning of Joab's barley field, Absalom was brought again unto the king's presence. Upon being restored to the position of prince in David's sight, Absalom steals the love of all Israel and inaugurated a rebellion to put himself in the position of king and to dethrone his father. I believe that in this we have a picture of the rebellion which was raised against Christ and which has continued down to this day, David being a type of Christ and Absalom a type of Satan.

1. It was a real person, Absalom. He was David's third son born at Hebron. He was not a fictitious they let Him. Rather, He is sav- personality, but a very real person. There is a real ing everyone that was given to Devil. Most teaching uses Satan as a by-word. However, the Scripture declares him to be real. the foundation of the world by Cf. John 13:2; Acts 5:3; I Peter 5:8; Eph. 6:11, 12.

2. He was a prince. Absalom's father was a these days every last one of them king; thus he was the Prince of Palestine. The (Continued from page 6) is going to be yonder in Glory, Bible speaks of Satan as a Prince. Cf. Eph. 2:2; forms in the sky. Many times in for He said, "I will that they also John 12:31; John 14:30.

3. He was very attractive. Absalom was very handsome — physically perfect — a regular sheik. II'Sam. 14:25. It is thus the Devil always comes Beloved, I am glad that the to us. He does not appear with cloven hoofs and forked tail, but in the most handsome guise pos-

4. He was a religious leader. Absalom brought about his rebellion in the name of religion, professing loyalty to Jehovah. II Sam. 15:2-8. The Devil Nown along up above the clouds, thing, that he which hath begun ligion. He is the father and perpetrator of the redoes the most of his business in the name of rea good work in you will perform ligion of evolution; teaching that man is evolving (the fall of Genesis 3 is false), and doesn't need salvation. He is likewise the author of all religion Beloved, God will never begin which denies the super-natural. Half of our churches preach religion of this type, with no loose and let him go to Hell. If Divine Salvation. He preaches procrastination of God begins to save a man, He one's salvation, the Devil being the author of all

1. He worked when others were ignorant of his work. Absalom arose early to pour his poison into the hearts of the people (II Sam. 15:2). Thus he worked while his father was asleep: so the Devil works. Cf. Mt. 24:25; Luke 16:8.

2. He lied. Absalom lied to his father (V. 8, 9) and to the people (V.3). That is the Devil's old trick. He lies about salvation, men's characters, sermons you hear, the Bible, your Christian duty and your particular sin.

3. He flattered the people, Absalom told every one that his cause was just and that he was right (V. 3). The Devil is still telling men that. He intercepted those who were coming to the king for judgment. Absalom stood between the seeker and the source of wisdom. It is thus the Devil stands between every sinner and Jesus. Cf. Luke

III. Look At Absalom's Army.

1. They were a lot of deceived folk, for "They went in their simplicity" (II Sam. 15:11). The Devil has the whole world deceived. Rev. 12:9.

2. They did not know that they were leaving Jerusalem, the place of sacrifice, when they went after Absalom. God had said concerning the mercy seat at Jerusalem, "and there I will meet with thee." Absalom was leaving this place of meeting God. As the sinner follows the Devil, he leaves behind the cross of Christ, the only place a sinner can be saved.

3. They did not know that they were going to certain disaster. They, doubtless, thought that with such a leader they could not fail. However, 20,000 were slain including Absalom, II Sam. 18:9-14. The day is coming when Satan and all who follow him will be destroyed. Cf. Rev. 20:10-15.

IV. The Barley-field On Fire. II Sam. 14:23-31.

When Absalom desired a conference with Joab the latter refused. Absalom saw to it that Joab's barley field was burned, which brought Joab to him in a hurry.

Many times God calls and we refuse to respond. Like Absalom, He burns our barley-fields. When all is gone, we are usually glad to turn to Him.

V. Submission To The Will Of God, II Sam, 15:26.

When David fled from the city of Jerusalem all the country wept with a loud voice (II Sam. 15:-23). David himself went out weeping, bare-headed and bare-footed (II Sam. 15:30). In spite of the sadness of the people and the sadness of the king, we find David putting himself in God's hands submissive to His will.

VI. David's Grief Over Absalom, II Sam. 18:23.

It is well to contrast this with David's grief for his babe which had died some ten years before (II Sam. 12:23). Separation between him and his babe was temporary, but between himself and Absalom, it was eternal. He had hope of Heavenly recognition as to the babe, yet no hope as to Absalom which accounts for this incon-

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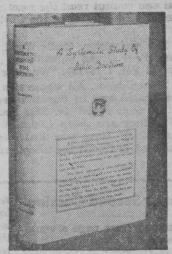
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EVANGELISTIC OUTLINES by Frank Beck

Christ Our Substitute on the Cross

Text: 1 Peter 2:24 - Scripture reading: 1 Peter 2:18-25.

INTRODUCTION: Verse misunderstood by many. Does not refer to all men! Addressed to the "elect" (1 Pet. 1:1), the "holy nation" (2:9), the "people of God" (2:10). To these Peter pens: Christ "bare our sins . . . that we being dead to sins . . . by whose stripes ye were healed." Only the elect, the called, the regenerated, hear eternally. Would to God that we everything to her, since she was to theory of transmutation of species this. It is spoken to no other.

I. THE REALITY OF CHRIST'S SUFFERINGS FOR BELIEVERS.

A. Personal. "Who His ownself."

1. Seen in symbol.

(a) Christ is our sin-offering. Sin-offering was never to be eaten (Lev. 6:30). No man can partake of Christ's sufferings, except as to the results of it.

(b) Christ our atonement. On day of Atonement high priest was to take sweet incense in his own hands to mingle with sacrifice (Lev. 16:12-13). No spoons, no other instruments used. Personal!

2. Seen in substance.

(a) He trod the winepress of God's wrath alone (Isa. 63:3).

(b) By Himself purged our sins (Heb. 1:3).

(c) By His own blood obtained eternal redemption for us (Heb. 9:12)

B. Penal. "Who . . . bare our sin."

1. To satisfy the law's demand (Ezek. 18:4; Rom. 6:23; Gal. 3:10, * 13)

2. To separate us from our sins (1 John 1:7; Rev. 1:5). 3. To save us to God (1 Pet. 2:25; 3:18; Rom. 5:8-10).

C. Physical. "In His own body."

(a) Head crowned with sharp thorns (Matt. 27:29).(b) Face bruised with blows (Matt. 26:67).

(c) Hair plucked from face (Isa. 50:6).

(d) Hands and feet nailed fast to cross (Psalm 22:16).

(e) Back lacerated, cut and bloody (Matt. 27:26).

(f) The terrible cramps from the sagging position (Psalm 22:14 and 17)

(g) The terrible thirst of the dying (Psalm 22:15).

II. THE REASON FOR CHRIST'S SUFFERINGS FOR BELIEVERS. -"That we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness," Christ died, not only as our Redeemer, but also as our Represen-

A. Crucifixion. "That we, being dead to sins." How? By jointcrucifixion with Christ!

(a) "Crucified with Christ" (Gal. 2:20). "With Christ I am nailed to the cross" (Gal. 2:19, Duoay Version).

(b) As in Romans 6.

v. 2-"dead to sin."

v. 3-"baptized into Christ's death."

v. 4-"buried with Him by baptism into death."

v. 5-"planted together in the likeness of His death." v. 6-"our old nature (old man) crucified with Him."

v. 7-"dead."

v. 8-"dead with Christ."

v. 11-"reckon yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin." B. Coronation. "Should live unto righteousness."

(a) Christ not only gave His life for us, but to us! "He is our life" (Col. 3:4). "Christ liveth in me" (Gal. 2:20). (b) As in Romans 6.

v. 4-baptism also says "that like as Christ was raised up . . . even so we should also walk in newness of life."

v. 5-That we should be "in the likeness of His resurrection."

v. 6-no longer to serve sin.

v. 11-"reckon yourselves alive unto God through Jesus Christ." v. 13-"yield yourselves unto God as those that are alive from the dead," to live righteously.

v. 22-for now we have "everlasting life."

v. 23-a free gift through Jesus Christ our Lord.

III. THE RESULT OF CHRIST'S SUFFERINGS FOR BELIEVERS. "By whose stripes ye were healed."

That He is not referring to "physical" healing, but rather spiritual and soulful read the next verse! Though we do not doubt that the physical healing of the Christian is by means of the atone-

A. The expression. God's Word: "Ye were healed." Right then and thereafter! Grand substitution and transaction. "Ye were redeemed" (1 Pet. 1:18-19). "We were reconciled" (Rom. 5:10).

B. The evidence. All whose sins Christ bore in His body on the tree are healed and in due time return unto the "Shepherd and Bishop" of their souls! (v. 25). Isa. 53:5-6. No others. But all of them. For they are sheep (John 10:27-30). Does God say now to you-Isa. 44:22? Have you died to sin? Do you live to God Have you returned to Christ the Shepherd? Christ died for and saves no

"Christ's Second Coming" sentence that have shrieked and

(Continued from page seven) for the punishment of the wicked. However, the fact remains the may be a thousand years delayed, Jesus Christ comes again? He is going to wreak vengeance

slain." — Isa. 26:21.

upon them. I have seen individ- the neck until he was dead.

fell swooning when the death sen tence was pronounced against saints and the coming of Christ them. But what is the death senwhen He comes, even though it come upon the unsaved when

died. I'll never forget that mother plan for. Beloved, can you imagine what as she clung to me. I'll never for-

the plan of His coming will turn of Jesus. be visible - all will see it; unexpected, so that no one will have ding some of these days, and I apart from living things crossing time to prepare for His coming, am looking forward to it. I am over the bounds of the specific coming in the clouds that every- looking forward to the marriage and mounting ever upwards. The body shall see Him; coming vic- of the Lamb when Jesus comes is contrary to experience, toriously to receive His saints un- again. to Himself; and coming to execute Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

CONCLUSION

I ask you, are you ready for glory. His coming? You who are saved, are you ready? Would you want the Lord to come back today? Is there anything that you think you ought to do before He comes? We

"And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall the word thus translated mean in wax cold." — Mt. 24:12.

have just the opposite effect on that with which it is connected. as any of today. Men have turned us. When we see iniquity it ought To loose a colt is to separate it their minds to mechanical thing to put fire in us, but instead, it from the thing to which it is tied. and have produced machines, b has just the opposite effect. The To "unloose the shoes" meant to but that doesn't mean greate Word of God says that when we take them off. To "destroy" the mentality. If one wants to get ! see iniquity, the love of many temple meant that one stone slant on the basic mentality of waxes cold.

ing of Jesus Christ? If He were to come today, would you welcome Him? Would you be glad to see ought to be done as far as your Christian experience is concerned? If so, you had better do it, for He is coming unexpectedly. passages. He is coming on one of these clouds someday when you least expect Him.

Have you ever been baptized? Have you ever followed the Lord Jesus Christ in baptism? My brother, my sister, if you are a saved person, you ought to follow the Son of God in baptism. It is the all-important thing for a child of God to confess his allegiance to God thereby.

church? Are you faithfully serving Him to the best of your abil- from the true, and the Scripture two great world wars by inducin ity? Are you doing your best as would be broken. The Son of certain leaders to believe that a child of God? Are you ready for God said: "The Scripture can race had been produced that was

Jacob had to get ready to go back us apply: to Bethel. When God called him fifth chapter of Genesis, he had so all hell cannot get it out. to do a lot of things before he could go up to Bethel. He had to Scriptures and it can not be got- of evolution. It has been truly sale do a lot of things before he could ten out. go back to the place where he first met the Lord.

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about like a wedding. I have mar- gotten out either. ried a lot of people in life. I am tence for the body in comparison not sure, but I think I have mar- mentalism" falls down and lines to the soul's sentence that shall ried between ten and eleven up with Modernism. Baptist thousand couples since I have churches are in the Scriptures and been in the ministry. I have mar- all hell can't get them out. The ried them under every condition Son of God said so in Matt. 16:18. A few years ago over in the in this world. I don't think that Even Alexander Campbell adon those that know not the Lord state of West Virginia a man who there is anything you could mitted that the church in Jerustine Christ was a miner killed another man. think of that I haven't passed salem was a Baptist church and Isaiah foretold it, for we read: I became interested in the case through as far as weddings are the church in Samaria was a Bap-"For, behold, the Lord cometh in view of the fact that the man concerned. I have married some tist church. Immersion is in the his own and his own received his place TO DIVIGHTUP was from Ashland when till the control of the contro out of his place TO PUNISH THE was from Ashland who did the of them that were dressed out of Scriptures and the sprinklers and INHABITANTS OF THE EARTH killing. His family lived very this world, and I have married pourers can't get it out. Close believe on him." "He was des FOR THEIR INIQUITY: the close to where our printing shop them with their shirt tails hang- communion is in the Scriptures earth also shall disclose her blood used to be located, and I became ing out of their britches. I have and the "Unionists" and "Invisand shall no more cover her interested in the case because of married them under all kinds of iblists" just can not get it out. my interest in the family. I'll circumstances and under various Democratic church government is not, for he that is not against " Why is He coming? Among never forget the day when that conditions. To me, beloved, a in the Scriptures and the hierar- is on our part." other things to punish the inhabi- lad was sentenced to be hung by wedding is something that people chies and oligarchies and "matants of the earth and their in- the neck at Moundsville until he generally look forward to and chines" cannot get it out. Missions

it is going to be like when our get as long as I live the wild shop, I sold an order of wedding just can not get it out. Lord comes in vengeance? I have look in her eyes and the shriek of invitations. The little girl who was "The Scripture can not be seen people shricking when the her voice when the news came getting married came in and se- broken." The Son of God said so court has pronounced sentence that her son was to be hung by lected the ones she wanted, and And heaven and earth will pass was she happy? She was just away sooner than one word of ceiveth sinners, and eateth will

in comparison to what it is going married. She had several pictures to be like when the Lord Jesus of her fiance in her bill-fold Christ comes back to this world and she showed them to me. She to punish the inhabitants of this was so proud of him. She just left by the fulfillment of dozens earth for their iniquities. It won't saying, "Isn't he handsome?"] be a death sentence whereby a could not have given her a truthman will be hung by the neck, ful answer without offending her, but it will be far worse, for the for he was just about as plain and unsaved will be cast into a Devil's homely as they come, yet to her, Hell to burn and burn he was handsome. He meant might realize that when He comes, be his bride. Well, that is the way in the light of the Word of God, we should be looking for the re-

Beloved, I am going to a wed-

vengeance on them that know not you who are saved to live closer hybrid cannot reproduce its kind God and have not experienced the to Him, that you might be ready The Bible states that God mad when He comes. If you are not species separate and distinct, ego saved, may the Lord save you after "its kind." (See Gen. 1:24 now by His grace and for His 25.)

May God bless you!

Scripture Is Infallible

(Continued from page one) all the above passages? The idea You know, beloved, it ought to in each case is separation from phers. They were just as brail would not be left upon another, human race let them examine the I ask you, has your love waxed according to the Master—a com- music and the art of this day. Let cold? Are you ready for the complete separation of all its parts. them listen to the drivel that When Christ was "loosed from pours out of the radio and se the pains of death," it meant that the moronic stuff put out by TV He was completely separated Him? Do you have anything that from death and all connection would not have to be bolstered with it. When the ship was up with fraud and deception "broken" there was a separation Take for instance the "Piltdow of its parts. So with the other Man" hoax so widely published

'The Scripture can not be broken,' scription perpetrated by one He must have meant that God has the great evolutionists, so firmly tied it together, that Haekel, who admitted that had not a chapter or verse or line or palmed off pictures (reproduce word or letter of it could ever be in his books) of animal organs 2 separated or torn out of its set- belonging to man. Belief in every ting. That means there is not an lution is an illustration of the error or mistake of any kind, sci- truth of Scripture, that men W entific, historical, sociological or "believe a lie rather than the any other kind in it: for if there truth." (See 2 Thess. 2:11). were a single mistake in it, that mistake in time would have to Devil's lie by the evil fruits it has Are you a member of His be gotten out, and then there produced. There is strong e would be a separation of the false dence that it helped to bring The Bible tells about how infallible and inerrant. Now let race" was the product of the high

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Evolution

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and there is not only no proof this, but to the contrary proof that such is not true. There ca be no complete organic evolution when attempts are made to cross Oh, might it please God to help species, a hybrid results, and the

> 3. If evolution were frue, 1 process would still be going but such is manifestly not the case. There is development within the species to be sure, but that not evolution in the true sens Take for instance the mind man, there is no evidence that the mind of man has improved sinc the days of the old Greek philos

4. If evolution were true, in books on evolution and show Now, when The Lord Jesus says to be pure fakery. Take the

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Human Pride

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