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THE SINS OF GOD'S CHILDREN --**CHASTISEMENT -- CONFESSION**

"Our Father who art in Heaven . . . forgive us our sins." Luke 11:1-4.

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive Our sins." - I John 1:9.

"Ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto as unto sons. My son, despise not thou the chastening of Lord, nor faint when thou are rebuked of him; for whom nicktue Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom of receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you m^{00} with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth ston? But if ye be without chastening, whereof all are partakers, that skin are ye bastards, and not sons. Furthermore, we have had Wehers of our flesh who corrected us, and we gave them reveris jece; shall we not much rather be in subjection under the her of spirits and live? For they verily for a few days chast-new put her of spirits and live? For they verily for a few days chast-new dus as seemed right to them; but he for our profit, that we may but be partakers of his holiness."—Heb. 12:5-10.

ist with "Also I will make him my firstborn, higher than the kings God's plan concerning the lives twelve as I was before; in fact, in the the earth. My mercy will I keep for him for evermore, and of men redeemed from the curse why wouldn't I be worse? I ill the Covenant shall stand fort with him of the line (Cal 2012) and couldn't find any satisfaction usele covenant shall stand fast with him. His seed also will I needs ke to endure forever, and his throne as the days of heaven. which is children forsake my law and walk not in my judgments, That'sn will I visit their transgression with the rod and their in-It saulty with stripes. Nevertheless, my loving-kindness will I It with stripes. Nevertheless, my loving-kindness will I that it is not concerning the sins hell and the judgment of God adultery; I had not robbed a st to v covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone fessing Christians or not. God's and the lightning flashed, my called "big" sin. But I was a sinto all of my lips. Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will ound I lie unto David." —Ps 89:27-35.



By the late T. T. Martin (1862-1939)

of the law (Gal. 3:13), redeemed couldn't find any satisfaction hell. I recall waking in the night, and adopted as God's sons (Gal. felt wrong all along. 4:4-7), let the reader keep in mind

I'm Not Afraid of Hell **Anymore!**

By BOB L. ROSS

I remember as a youngster how my conscience would prick me when I would do things which I knew were wrong. I would ask my mother about such wrongdoings, but she had been taught to believe the unscriptural idea that a person does not become "accountable" for sin until twelve years of age. This idea gave me a brief but false relief.

But the more I thought about my sins and the older I grew, I began to dread the day I would become twelve years old. I knew In coming to the question of that I would be just as sinful at



from all iniquity (Titus 2:14), with the idea that I wasn't ac- trembling and crying aloud for from under the law (Rom. 6:14), countable until a certain age. I fear of hell. My conscience was a burden to me. I had not killed When I grew older, I feared any one; I had not committed plan with the sins of unredeemed heart sunk within me. I was a sin- ner and my soul was just as lost (Continued on page 2, column 1) ner and was afraid of going to (Continued on page 16, column 3)

Christmas and the Churches

CHRISTIAN READER, DO YOU LOVE THE LORD? IF YOU SINCERELY LOVE HIM, WHY NOT GIVE YOUR GIFTS TO HIM INSTEAD OF DISHONORING HIS NAME BY PARTICIPATING IN THE PAGAN-ISTIC SEASON? DON'T YOU BELIEVE IT WOULD PLEASE HIM IF YOU WOULD?

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larne hristmas is of heathen origin; l luke refore it did not originate un-How 5 the leadership of the Holy be se tit, of whom God said, "How-Klaw t when he, the Spirit of Truth, come, he will guide you into truth; for he shall not speak himself; but whatsoever he dreeful hear, that shall he speak: that he will shew you things to

Roy, he," John 16:13. According to f thentory, Christ's birthday was not ort ndebrated until the fourth cenwe sey after Christ, and then by the e's dulman Catholic Church. The folving few brief excerpts from

adard encyclopedias will sufto g1 "infis

'twelfth night,' a stocking of each being hung up before the fire. Soon the cry 'Ecco le Beffana' is raised when the children jump up god . . .' and seize their stockings, each of which contains a present bearing value in proportion to the conduct the 19th, but after Caesar's re- dolls. These dolls were especially taken to commemorate the maniof the child during the year. One form of the calendar, on the 17th whose behavior has been particu- of December. larly bad finds his stocking filled with ashes, in token of Beffana's and 18th should be sacred to Sat-

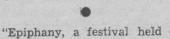
effigy called the Beffana's on to prove the origin of Christ-

"Saturn, an ancient Italian

"Augustus decreed that the 17th displeasure. "The custom of carrying an Apalia, the festival of Ops. "Coligula added a fifth urn, and the 19th and 20th to

"Caligula added a fifth day, page 5236. 'Twelfth Night,' in procession 'The Day of Youth,' December through the streets, is probably a 25. Lasted seven days. The time

were closed . . .



Claus, is supposed to take a great the middle ages."-New Ameri- The wollen fetters were taken the 6th of January by the Eastern interest in children, who in Italy, canized Encyclopedia Britannica. from the feet of the Image of and Anglican churches in comare put in bed early on the Edition of 1899, vol. XI, page 404. Saturn, and each man offered a memoration of the manifestation pig. During the festival schools of Christ. Three different events

are included in this celebration. "Gambling with dice, at other As early as the third century at times illegal, was now practiced. least it was observed as The Com-"Saturnalis, this is the great All classes exchanged gifts, the memoration of the Baptism of 'Festival of Saturn' celebrated on commonest being tapers and clay Christ... Later in the East it was given to children. Varro thought festations of divine power in that these dolls represented orig- Christ's first miracle at Cana in inal sacrifices of human beings Galilee . . . In the fourth century (children) to the 'Infernal god'." the birth of Christ was also con-New Americanized Encyclo- nected with it by some writers pedia Britannica, 1900. Vol IX, . . . Many special observances are to have been connected with the day, which, under the name of Twelfth Day, Twelfth "Epiphany, a festival held on Night, was a time of special merrymaking in England, and closed

Beffana. A corruption of the rd 'epinhania' (Epiphany) is the gonnine of an old female character e thi Italian folklore who was so ily engaged in house cleaning fer then three wise men of the East sed by on the way to offer Ir treasures to the infant Sav-", that she excused herself for going out to see them, thinkthat she would have an optunity of doing so when they urned. Not knowing that they at home by another road, she been ever since watching for M. She, like the Dutch Santa

HE DID NOT HOARD GOD'S GRACE

The above was said of one of the saints of God who lived in years gone by. Would to God that the same could be said of each of us. Do we hoard God's grace, do we keep it to ourselves, or do we seek to spread the "word of His grace" to others?

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ourselves your servants for Jesus' thing that he could discuss but sake." - II Cor. 4:5.

church in this college town, told preaching Jesus. In all prob-

Years ago, I knew a Baptist front who knew more about it pressed that the Jesus of the preacher who was then pastor in than he did. He said, "If I talk Bible is known but exceedingly a northwestern state. It was a about chemistry, there is the little in this world in which we college town, and this friend of chemistry professor sitting in the live today. I am afraid that the mine was pastor of the First Bap- audience, and he knows much majority of people, especially tist Church there, which was the more about chemistry than I do. preachers, know but mighty, most popular church of the town. Or if I quote from literature, mighty little about the Lord There were at least twenty of the there is the English professor, Jesus Christ. It was thus in the college professors who were and he knows far more about lit- days of the Apostle Paul. When members of that church and who erature than I'll ever know." he went to Athens and met with attended the services somewhat Then enumerating various teach- the Stoic and Epicurean philowith regularity. His old father, ers that he had in his congrega- sophers, as they appraised Paul's who was likewise a Baptist tion, and calling attention to ministry, they said, "He seemeth preacher, came to see him and as their special abilities, he said, to be a setter forth of strange they talked relative to the prob- "Now what is there left for me to gods." The reason that they said lems of the ministry, this younger preach?" In answer, the old this was because he preached man, the pastor of the Baptist father said, "Son, you might try unto them Jesus.

"For we preach not ourselves, his father one of his problems. He ability there isn't a one of them but Christ Jesus the Lord; and told him that there wasn't any- that knows anything about Him." Beloved, the more I study the that there was somebody out in Word of God, the more I am im-

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the Christmas festivities." - The New International Encyclopedia, second edition, Vol. 3, page 27.

"Christmas. It was, according to many authorities, not celebrated in the first centuries of the Christian Church," as the Christian usage in general was to celebrate the death of remarkable persons rather than their birth. (Continued on page 3, column 4)

NOTHING LOST To talk with God, No breath is lost-Talk on! To walk with God. No strength is lost-Walk on! To wait on God, No time is lost-Wait on! To give to God, No wealth is lost-Give on!

PAGE TWO

Scientist, a Unitarian, a Univer-_____ salist, confess their sins, — are they forgiven? To these and all others under the law, God has said:

> "Apart from shedding of blood there is no remission."-Heb. 9:22.

> > wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled."-Matt. 5:18.

only (I John 5:13), to those who and to them he says, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins."-I John 1:9. Men unredeemed, under sins by confession. To them God has one message:

"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever be-3:14-16.

The Saviour taught the dis-ciples to pray, "Our Father, . . . spread is the misconception that whereof all are partakers, then tongue walketh through through it applies to all, redeemed and are ye bastards and not sons."— earth. Therefore, his people that and unredeemed kneel down every Heb. 12:8. night and say, "Our Father, . . forgive us our sins," and lie down to sleep deluded with the thought of Christ dying for our sins (I Cor. 5:3)?

law, and law knows no forgive- cause of the difference. ness. With the redeemed, those who are redeemed, who are really Our Saviour taught His dis- God's children, realize the blessed us our sins."—I John 1:9.

Wilful Sins

But there is another class of sins committed by God's children, "If his children forsake my law" God chastens His children, just as an earthly father chastens his wilful and disobedient children.

"Ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto sons, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art God thenceforth deals with them him that worketh not, but be- rebuked of him; for whom the as a father with children, and lieveth on him that justifieth the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and ceiveth. If ye endure chastening, Many believe and teach that if God dealeth with you as with confess their sins and are for- his sins, God will be faithful and be without chastening, whereof given. Second, they sin wilfully just to forgive his sins. A Mo- all are partakers, then are ye basand are chastised. God's children hammedan, a Jew, a Christian tards and not sons. Furthermore, "Church of Christ," and "Disciwe have had fathers of our flesh ples of Christ," and gives a refuwho corrected us, and we gave tation of their heresies. them reverence; shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits and live? For they verily for a few days chastened us as seemed right to them; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness."—Heb. 12:5-10. Chastisement or punishment of God's children is for correction; 'for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness" (Heb. 12:10); punishment of the unredeemed is to carry out law, for justice: "that he might be just" (Rom. 3:26); "every transgression received a just recompense of reward."-Heb. 2:2. The unredeemed, those under the law (Rom. 3:19), are punished beyond this life, in the Day of Judgment, -"Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land God's children receive their chastisements in this life,—"If ye 12:7. Professing Christians who

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"SALVATION." In churches, in wonder if you know Him. If yo withe the Sunday School class, on the aren't willing to use such a papeless. ihis is sonal contacts, in hospitals, and kind in print, we wonder if yoneed are God's children (I John 3:1, 2), in other places, this paper has a are really zealous for His Gospe Gosp tnesse the I

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lieveth on him should not perish, are not redeemed, not really fatness, they have more thand ha but have everlasting life."-John God's chldren, do not receive heart would wish. They are coky sin complood with the other unredeemed. "But loftily. They set their mouth or the forgive us our sins"; But so wide- if ye be without chastening, against the heavens and the blood thyou u

turn hither, and waters of a cup are wrung out to them. An ut G they say, How doth God knowwbei is there knowledge in the has And that they are forgiven. If they are pose who has not noticed that Most High? Behold, these are the energy why was there any need redeemed poorle Code children suffer more in this life than the world; they increase in riches the unredeemed. God says that His Verily I have cleansed my hear. 12: But the real child of God can children endure chastenings and in vain and washed my hands in God pray, "Our Father, . . . forgive others who are not His children innocency. For all the day lond ring us our sins," and he is really for- do not. The difference can be have I been plagued, and chasting I have I been plagued, and chasting L ened every morning. If I say, call the unredeemed those yet under observe closely. The Psalmist ob- will speak thus: behold, I snoulmies offend against the generation David ing as judge with violators of ed by it until he understood the thy children. When I thought tchild know this, it was too painful fold die "Truly God is good to Israel, me; until I went into the sancial hi even to such as are of a clean ary of God: then understood vid p their end. Surely, thou didst se dea ing as father with son. Let those were almost gone; my steps had them in slippery places; those his well nigh slipped. For I was en- castedst them down into destruct? An vious at the foolish when I saw tion. How are they brought inten Da the prosperity of the wicked. For desolation, as in a moment? The was . forgive us our he is faithful and just to forgive there are no bands in their death, are utterly consumed with terrors and but their strength is firm. They As a dream when one awakethe int are not in trouble as other men; so, O Lord, when thou awakes wor thou shalt despise their image own other men. Therefore pride com- For my heart was grieved, and red, t passeth them about as a chain; was pricked in my reins. So fool he wiolence covereth them as a gar- ish was I, and ignorant; I way ants lievers (I John 5:13), those who (Ps. 89:30), wilful sins. For these ment. Their eyes stand out with as a beast before thee. Neverthe that less, I am continually with theest fas thou hast holden me by my rightle it hand. Thou shalt guide me willd wa thy counsel, and afterward releat i ceive me to glory."—Ps. 73:1-24 child That chastisement in this life wer

for wilful sins is God's plan will when redeemed men, His real children me, t is clearly revealed even in the nov Old Testament. God swore biuld I His holiness to David that this age would be His plan with redeemedam. 1 dow c men:-

"Also, I will make him mi bad firstborn, higher than the king", "The of the earth. My mercy will block Shows the origin of groups njon the keep for him forevermore, and n covenant shall stand fast wit your him. His seed also will I make ma to endure forever and his thrond "_____I as the days of the his in c as the days of Heaven. If his in C children forsake my law, and he li walk not in my judgments; ibrd s they break my statutes, and keepie ho not my commandments; then wilfolom I visit their transgressions withat. the rod, and their iniquity with to stripes. Nevertheless my lovingher a kindness will I not utterly takene con from him, nor suffer my faithfulk hin ness to fail. My covenant will h wit not break, nor alter the thing that of is gone out of my lips. Once have dep I sworn by my holiness that In. 7: will not lie will not lie unto David."_Psi ch 89:27-35. David himself was a case Index; A point. After his terrible sin, God^V (A sent word to him by the prophet or. Nathan, "Whereas Nathan, "Wherefore hast thou deen to the er the commandment of the transformed to de the transformed to de transformed t Lord, to do evil in his sight? Thouton; This is the man who invented the hast killed Uriah the Hittite wife the day of judgment, than for that Compbellite "water gospel plan" and the sword and has taken his wife the wife the city."—Matt. 10:15; to be thy wife, and hast slain ael. I him with the him with the sword of the chill and him with the sword of the chile order of dren of Ammon. Now therefore will the sword shall never depart from d sail thine house."-2 Sam. 12:9, 10. "Get (Next page, column one) Darim

Should Like to Know

(THE BAPTIST EXAMINER welcomes questions, to be answered In this column. Please state questions on separate sheet of paper, rather than including them in correspondence which relates to book orders, subscriptions, or some other matter).

Bible, when referring to being be cast. saved by believing on Christ, means the same as the word therefore, is through Christ. "He trust. Believing in this sense is is our peace" (Ephesians 2:14, not merely the acceptance of a Romans 5:1). Our sins being paid fact, but it is a relying confi- for by Christ, we by faith in Him dence. To trust Christ, or believe enjoy peace with God. YOU on Him, is to have a relying CANNOT MAKE PEACE, you can confidence in Him as Saviour. only enjoy it by faith in Christ The reason for this confidence is as your Redeemer. that Christ's death for sin is set forth in God's Word as the only way of redemption from sin. If we rely upon what He did, fully means a change of mind, the retrusting Him and not depending sult being a change in one's outupon anything we or any one can ward actions. When used in redo, then we are promised salva- gard to a sinner's salvation, the tion. (Acts 16:31).

with God?

with God is to have all of your sin as he once did; he no longer sins (past, present, and future) looks upon God and Christ with paid for. That is, divine justice indifference; he no longer has must be satisfied; the punishment such a high regard for himself. of God against sin must be exe- This change of mind and attitude cuted. There are only two places results in a sinner's judging himwhere God's justice has ever re- self as a lost soul and trusting ceived such satisfaction: the first Christ as his Saviour. The Bible was back at Calvary when Christ calls upon sinners to "repent and died for the sins of all who shall believe the Gospel." (Mark 1:15).

1. What is it to "trust Christ"? trust Him; the second is in Hell, The word "believe" in the into which all unbelievers shall

The only peace for sinners,

3. How does a sinner repent?

The word "repent" simply word "repent" means that the sinner who has either heard or 2. How does a sinner make peace read the Word of God, has been so affected that he is changed The only way to have peace within. He no longer looks upon

Sins of God's Children

(Continued from page one) men has been shown in a previous article. Hence it is not a question of the sins of hypocrites, or other professing Christians

It has also been shown that when men are redeemed from the curse of the law (Gal. 3:13), from all iniquity (Titus 2:14), they are no longer under the law; "Ye are not under the law."-Rom 6:14. God's word lays down a principle recognized and endorsed by all enlightened nations,-"Sin is not reckoned (imputed) when there is no law."-Rom. 5:13. Those who have been redeemed from under the law are adopted as God's children.

"God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, "If we confess our sins he is to redeem them that were under faithful and just to forgive us the law, that we might receive our sins,"—I John 1:9; Paul the adoption of sons."-Gal. 4:4, taught the unredeemed, those

not as judge with transgressors ungodly, his faith is counted for scourgeth every son whom he reof law. Earthly children commit righteousness."-Rom. 4:5. two kinds of sins against their earthly fathers; they sin under any one, the unredeemed man as sons, for what son is he whom the temptation and are penitent, and well as the son of God, confesses father chasteneth not? But if ye

sin in like manner; they sin under temptation, are penitent, confess their sins and are forgiven. Second, they become backsliders, sin wilfully and are chastised.

Let us consider the two classes who are not really God's children. of sins of God's children and who have been adopted as God's God's plan with men for them.

Confession of Sin

ciples, God's children, to pray fact that "If we confess our sins, "Our Father . sins,"-Luke 11:1-4; Paul and Silas taught the jailer, a man under the law, unredeemed, not a child of God, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and thou shalt be saved." -Acts 16:31. John taught the bewere redeemed from the curse of the law (Gal. 3:13), and were God's children (I John 3:1, 2), who were not God's children. "To

"POSSIBILITIES UNLIMIT- the Saviour. If you aren't colAlso, "Till heaven and earth pass, ED." That is what we visual- cerned that others come to knoish. I one jot or one tittle shall in no ize as applying to our new paper, the Christ this paper exalts, will w

John is writing to believers mission field, in visitation, in per- when there is no other of great field in which to be used. God has placed this opportunity before us and before you. He has opened this door (Rev. 3:7. the law, can never get rid of their 8). Let us enter with no thought of turning back.

single solitary Christian would dresses of Sunday School teac so must the Son of man be lifted fail to see how he could make use ers in your church and we up, that whosoever believeth on of this new paper. If you don't send them a sample copy of "Salve s him should not perish, but have believe the message this paper vation," urging them to mail Nati eternal life. For God so loved the will carry, we wonder if you know use of it in their labors.

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chastisements; hence, they are rupt, and speak wickedly punished in the day of judgment cerning oppression; they speak

Examples of Chastisement

He has observed to little purgiven. Why the difference? With easily seen by any one who will the law (Rom. 3:19), God is deal- served it and was greatly disturb-

children (Gal. 4:4-7), God is deal- heart. But as for me, my feet neither are they plagued like

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know wbeit because by this deed he was not lost, for he was with in the hast given great occasion to are th enemies of the Lord to blasthme, the child also that is born richeo thee shall surely die."-I hean. 12:14. (Let the reader notice ands il God, foreseeing that people y longed ridicule the idea of God chasting David, calls it blasphemy say, calls those who do it "the snoulimies of the Lord.")

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tion david fasted and prayed for ight ^t child. On the seventh day the ful fold died, "But when David saw anctut his servants whispered, tood vid perceived that the child dst se dead; therefore David said tholo his servants, Is the child estrund? And they said, He is dead. nt inten David arose from the earth They washed and annointed himerror and changed his apparel, and akethe into the house of the Lord vakes worshipped: then he came to image own house; and when he rered, they set bread before him o fooly he did eat. Then said his I wayants unto him, What thing is erthe that thou hast done? Thou theest fast and weep for the child, rightle it was alive; but when the withd was dead, thou didst rise rd rel eat bread. And he said, While 3:1-24 child was yet alive, I fasted wept: for I said, Who can 2 with whether God will be gracious ildren me, that the child may live? in the now he is dead, wherefore bluid I fast? Can I bring him thick again? I shall go to him."eemecam. 12:19-23.

Now could David be thus sure? mi had God's word on which to king", "The life of the flesh is in will blood, and I have given it nd n the altar to make atonement with your souls; for it is the blood maket maket maketh atonement for the hrone."-Lev. 17:11. But because of If his sin God chastened him as long andhe lived. "Now therefore the its; ilord shall never depart from keephe house." n wilkolomon is another case in without. Concerning Solomon God withd to David, "I will be his ovingher and he shall be my son. takene commit iniquity, I will chasthrule commit iniquity, I will chas-thrule him with the rod of men, will h with the stripes of the chilg that of men; but my mercy shall have depart away from him."-2 hat In. 7:14, 15. P⁵in chastening, God uses as a loss of loved ones (2 Sam. in 14; Amos 4:10), loss of prop-Gody (Amos 4:6-9), loss of health ophel Cor. 11:30), death (1 Cor. 11:30; u de nos 4:11; Deut. 32:48-52). Conof the er the case of Moses and Thou'ron; God told them to speak with the rock that it might bring wife in water for the children of slain del. But they wilfully disobeychill and instead of speaking to refore rock, struck it in anger. For from d wilful sin, as a chastisement, 10. Said to Moses:

has been said that if a church less, unconcerned witness, but He not evangelize it will fossil- uses the man of a broken spirit, own soul and desires for others

If we aren't such men, we ought Gospe Gospel! God has sent us as to right now begin to pray that thesses." He sent His Spirit to God will make us so. Nothing is the power (Acts 1:8). How as useless in God's work as a al wilought to seek His face daily Christian who is not concerned ith the He has laid the Gospel bur- for the cause of the Gospel. Let upon us and blessed us with us ask God to forever forbid that we should fall into such a state od does not use a cold, life- of lethargy!-B.L.R.

also hath put away thy sin; to the children of Israel for a posand was gathered unto his people: because ye trespassed against me among the children of Israel at the waters of Meribahadesh, in the wilderness of Zin." - Deut. 32:49-52.

Though Moses was thus severen. An ut God does not stop there. ly chastened for his wilful sin, Elijah on the mountain at the transfiguration of the Saviour (Matt. 17:1-3).

The lesson needs to be learned by God's children that as certainly as a redeemed man sins wilfully, whether the sin be great or small, the chastening rod is sure to fall. "If his children fosake my law . . . then will I visit their transgressions with the rod and their iniquity with stripes." Ps. 89:30-32. But God does not send the chastening in wrath, nor in justice. "Whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth." Heb. 12:6.

The Lost Are Not Chastened

There are many who profess to be redeemed, to be God's children, professed Christians, church members, who sin wilfully, and God never sends chastisements to them; but God explains about them, "But if ye be without chastening, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons." — Heb. 12:8.

He does not chasten this class; in Hell they will receive their punishment, but it will be just. God will treat no human being wrong. With some it may seem severe that God should chasten and scourge His children. That ence after they become His children, and that is the belief of possible plan left for God with many.

ly:

God's worst is better than the devil's best.

(Titus 2:14), that God would force now. the same debt to be paid twice. "Shall not the judge of all the earth do right?"

(2) That would mean that God would punish, by law, those who have been redeemed from the curse of the law (Gal. 3:13), and who are not under the law (Rom. 6:14), and would violate God's own principle, "Sin is not reckoned (imputed) when there is no law" (Rom. 5:13).

of God, redeemed and adopted of Sol. (Gal. 4:4-7), and born again (I Spirit (John 3:8), sent to Hell.

(4) That would mean to make the Saviour unreliable and un- traced back to the Romans and truthful in His statements. "Many will say unto me in the day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in shalt not die."-2 Sam. 12: session: and die in the mount thy name? and in thy name have 1942 edition, vol. 6, page 623. whither thou goest up, and be cast out demons? and in thy thaod has but one way of putting gathered unto thy people; as Aar- name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess

15) for their sins, send them to be wrapped in a Christless shroud, to be laid away in a Hell. redeemed them from all iniquity nity in a Christless Hell. Believe



Christmas

(Continued from page 1)

memory of the birth of the Sav-

are of pre-Christian times.

"The Christmas Tree has been from them to Babylon. It went from Germany to Great Britain." -The Encyclopedia Americana,

"Christmas. Christmas properly begins with the evening of December 24 . . . and continues until Epiphany, January 6, the whole period called Christmastide. In the Roman, Greek, Episcopal, and Lutheran 'Churches, Christmas is observed as a religious festival with special services. Its celebration was formerly for-bidden by the Puritans." — The Century Dictionary and Cyclopedia, 1903, volume II, page 987.

"Christmas Day. There is, how-ever, a difficulty in accepting this (December 2t5h) as the date of the Nativity, December being the height of the rainy season in Judea, when neither flocks nor shepherds could have been at night in the fields of Bethlehem.

"By the 5th century, however, whether from influence of some tradition, or from the desire to supplant heathen festivals of that period of the year, such as Saturnalia, the 25th of December had tion, volume 5, page 611.

A Heathen Custom

We have shown you what en-Second, the second plan pos- cyclopedias say about Christmas customs.

The Name

redeemed men, redeemed from abomination to the Lord. "Christ- rather than God's method (I Lord. "Mass" is from the Roman Catholic mass. We believe that church to be a harlot church and First, beyond this life punish love He planned to adopt us as will stir a man to anger more quickly than for someone to connect his mother's name with a harlot. What about blending the title of our blessed Lord with a harlot church (not His bride) -"Christ-Mass"?

PAGE THREE

WATER"

"STAGNANT WATER" was once upon a time fresh water. But it sat in its own container so long "A feast was established in that it became undesirable as a means of quenching thirst. Is iour in the fourth century. In the this what has happened to many fifth century the Western Church Christians? We fear it has. If we (Roman Catholic) ordered it to be are not like a fresh stream of celebrated forever on the day of water, always running, always (3) That would mean a child the Old Roman Feast of the birth moving on to new experiences, our faith becomes stagnant. Our "The Holly, the Mistletoe, the hearts grow dull; our joy is re-Peter 1:23), born of the Holy Yule Log and the Wassel Bowl, membered, but not a present experience; our prayer is a shell without the kernal; our interest is only habit, not zeal.

Our faith should not be just going in, but out. If it only goes in and stays there, it will be of no blessing to others. There is a group of professing Christians whose favorite theme seems to be their own inward tribulations. They always are downcast, afflicted in their souls, burdened over their condition. Such a spirit is good to have, but it is only half of a Christian's experience. While a Christian laments his depravity, he also should be burdened with the Gospel, desiring to see lost souls saved. This latter burden brings joy and that joy overcomes the afflictions of the old nature.

If we are not zealous for God's work, we are likely to get a bad case of religious measles. What's that? A case where our religion just "goes in." In such cases, it becomes like stagnant water.

Let's pray for a greater burden for God's work and He will use us.-B.L.R.

Abihu in regard to religious matters teaches the seriousness of corrupting the worship of the true and living God.

"And Nadab and Abihu, the been generally agreed upon." — sons of Aaron, took either of them Encyclopedia Brittanica, 9th edi- his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the Lord, which He commanded them not. And there went out fire from the Lord and devoured them, and they died before the Lord" (Lev. 10:1, 2).

> It is a serious matter to tamper with God's ordained plan or order of worship. These men went be-

Error Of Good Intentions

The example of David and Uzway. David let the people choose the Philistines' beautiful and sen-The name "Christmas" is an sible method of moving the ark the Scriptures say again, "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the 'mother of harlots.' Nothing the ways of death" (Prov. 14:12). (Continued on page 4, column 4)

OBJECTS FOR MISSIONARY CONCERN AND PRAYER

- Our new paper, SALVA-TION:
- The outreach of TBE.
- 0 Halliman in New Guinea.
- Bronson to Korea.
- The sending of James Crace and Jeffrey Brac-
- The Upbuilding of church-Word of God.

unto them, I never knew you."-Matt. 7:22, 23. These are the professing Christians at the judgment who are lost, and Jesus says, "I never knew you," that not one of them was ever really redeemed and adopted as a child of God.

(5) It would mean for God to violate His own oath (Ps. 89:27-35)

sible to God in dealing with and its origin, now let us look those who sin wilfully after they into the Scriptures. We believe, have been redeemed from all in- according to history, that Christiquity (Titus 2:14), from the mas is a heathen custom and God curse of the law (Gal. 3:13), and said to His people, "Learn not the adopted as God's children (Gal. way of the heathen . . . for the 4:4-7), would be to let them con- customs of the people are vain yond God's commandment. tinue to sin wilfully, and neither ..." (Jer. 10:2-4). This meant that punish them beyond this life, at God's people were not to let the judgment, in Hell, nor chas- vain customs of heathen people zah was one of substituting God's tise them in this life. That would become a part of them and their plan. God had told David how mean for some of them to even- worship. Christmas celebrations the ark should be transported. is not as severe as to send them tually develop characters most are definitely of vain heathen David found a more beautiful fearfully warped by sin.

Third, there is but one other God could have for those who dren (Gal. 4:7), who sin wilfully; words, curse of law (Gal. 3:13) and them in this life. That is God's adopted as His children (Gal. 4: plan with the redeemed, His own 4,-7), and afterward sin wilful- children; and however severe the chastening, He does it in love. In them in the judgment (Matt. 10: His children, "Having in love predestinated us for the adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to himself." - Eph. 1:5 (1911 Bible), and in love He chastises. "Whom the Lord loveth, he chasteneth and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth." - Heb. 12:6. Reader, the issue is before you: shall you remain under the law (Rom. 3:19) to be punished justly receive redemption through ship. Christ the Saviour from the curse of the law (Gal. 3:13), be adopted as a child of God forever (Gal. 4:4-7), to be forgiven when your sin against your Father in Heaven and confess your sin (I John 1:9); to be chastened when you sin wilfully (Ps. 89:27-34), and to spend eternity in Heaven with Him who loved you and gave Himself for you (John 14:1-3; Gal. 2:20), free forever from sin (Rev. 21: 24-27; Rev. 22:3)?

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You do not intend, reader, to

Heathen Relics

The Christmas tree, Mistletoe, Yule log, Wassel bowl, Holly wreath, Santa Claus, etc., are of in the judgment (Matt. 11:22-23) heathen origin, therefore they are and to continue to sin in Hell not of the Spirit of God and 330 Pages (Rev. 22:11, R. V.), or will you should not become a part of wor-

Scripture Silent

Christmas is not stated, nor implied, in the Scriptures, yet Second Timothy says, "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works" (2 Tim. 3:16-17).

Corrupting Worship

The example of Nadab and of years ago.

Babylonian background of such traditions as "Easter" and "Christmas" are revealed in-

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Examiner Editorials

ARTIST - We need someone especially in the pulpit - prewho is saved and has ability in vails on every hand; the notion drawing pictures to "volunteer" of free-willism and salvation by his services in behalf of our human effort (of some sort) are printed ministry. Especially do prevalent; rejection of free, sovwe desire to have some illustra- erign grace abounds. With such tions for definite articles already spiritual ignorance prevailing, prepared that will be used in our we marvel not that "friendlier new paper, SALVATION. The at- relations" and a "better undertractiveness of a paper to the lost standing" are developing between sinner's eye is improved prob- Rome and apostate Protestants ably 50 to 75 per cent by a pic- and Baptists. "Birds of a feather torial illustration to accompany flock together, and these birds of the title. While this does not have anything to do with a man's ism; salvation by human effort) being saved, it nevertheless are begining to see that they are sometimes creates curiosity and of the same color. The old mother interest more than just the title hen, Rome, is looking gleefully by itself.

audience who would volunteer his or her services in behalf of this printed Gospel ministry? Would you use your talent for the Lord in this manner? If so, doing in the behalf of spreading we would like to hear from you the truth, the Gospel, the Word and have a "sample" picture or two which you have drawn. Or, her gentle, loving overtures to as a starter, why not draw us a Protestants and Baptists? Most picture of Philip telling the of them are sitting by, looking Ethiopian eunuch about Christ. using the Old Testament scroll that the eunuch was reading. You holds. Some indignantly say, needn't add any words; all we want is your creative account of this sciene, as you visualize it from a reading of Acts 8:29-35.

Remember, too, that we don't use any kind of pictures of Christ; so keep that in mind as you prepare your material for our consideration.

ROME IS TRYING TO CONVERT US ALL!

It is obvious to every thinking person that by the recent overtures by the Pope and by other Roman Catholics, particularly in connection with the Ecumenical Council, Rome is seeking to not only consume individuals in Romanism, but even whole churches and denominations. Many Protestants and some Baptists are falling for the overtures. Billy Graham recently spoke favorably of the Ecumenical Council. Methodist Bishop Corson of Philadelphia came back from Rome passing out papal coins blessed by the Pope. A Negro Baptist leader, president of the National Baptist Convention, has highly lauded the Pope. Brook Hays, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, visited the Pope and referred to him as brother in Christ. The Archbishop of Canterbury and the Queen of England ("head" of the Anglican church) have recently paid visits to the Pope. Certainly, we need only watch our daily papers to see how Rome is making her overtures and many religionists of Protestant and Baptist groups are responding. Another effort being put forth by Rome is the "Operation Understanding" edition of the weekly paper Our Sunday Visitor. "Operation Understanding" is an eight-page section wrapped on the "outside" of OSV, containing news items, letters, current events, mingled with Romish propaganda, which would be of interest to the Protestant and Baptist minister. According to a recent article in OSV, 3,000,000 copies of these "OU" editions of the Romanist weekly have gone to ministers of other denominations since the edition began to be printed back six years ago. Has it had any effect on these preach- Prevenient Grace ers? Well, consider this letter Human Inability from a Baptist preacher -from Alabama: "Very definitely, the good in- Free Grace tentions of Operation Understanding have been vindicated The Doctrines of Grace Do Not more than anything time will express. Take me for exampleit has revolutionized my own at- Providence titude toward Catholic-Protestant Providence-As Seen in the Book of relationships."

WE NEED A "VOLUNTEER" tists. Ignorance of the Gospel the religious feather (free-willupon the possibility of not only Is there an artist in our reading getting her Protestant "chicks" hopes to get some Baptist birds,

> too. Now what are sound Baptists of God, while Rome is making goggled-eyed, and doing nothing but wondering what the future "Something ought to be done about it!" They see Romanism and Communism raising their hoary heads and then they hear some "sin-fighter" or "anti-Catholic" or "anti-communist" calling Christians "to arms" and they start sending their money off to this "anti-communist" cause or "anti-Romanist" cause and start doing by way of spreading the passing out "anti" literature and waving a flag at a "rally."

Is this the approach that WINS? When Christ was here, did He set His church up to fight against existing evils by such methods? Certainly not! That would be like the fellow who went for the mop when his bathtub ran over, but left the faucet running

As Christians we have a positive Gospel that is more powerful than all the "sin-fighters" and "anti-communists" on earth. And this true Gospel is not being emphasized! The fellow who bills himself as America's number one anti-communist is a midget beside the Christian who is dedicated to spending himself in behalf of the Gospel. The Gospel, under the blessing of God, changes hearts and lives. It can do in a moment what all the anti-Romanists and anti-communists cannot do in fifty years - namely, change a heart and cause a person to be



We are against Romanism. We are against communism. We inform people about these heresies to the extent that it is within the bounds of what we believe to be a well-rounded emphasis in the interest of the whole truth. But that money you send away to some "anti" preacher or organization ought to be spent in the cause of Christ's Gospel. That time you spent out at an "anti" rally ought to have been spent in spreading the Gospel. That zeal you have against something ought to be burning in your heart for the Gospel. That literature you passed out against something ought to have been literature presenting the Gospel.

Don't misunderstand. We believe there is a place, within the scope of our responsibility to the truth, for standing against heresy. Not just against Rome and communism, but all kinds back under her wing, but she of heresy. But we firmly believe that all the whipped-up concern by many professing Christians and preachers today who are dedicated to oppose something, rather than be dedicated to the cause of Christ's Gospel, is not in accordance with the commission of Christ to His church.

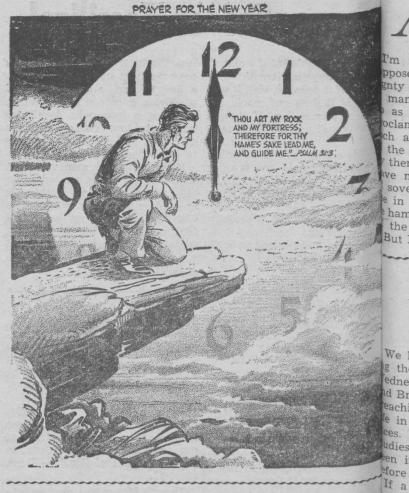
While Rome is seeking to convert us all, while communism is seeking to conquer us all, we have the greatest "weapon" of them all. We have the Sword of the Spirit, the Word of God. We have the Gospel of Power, the message of mercy for the chief of sinners through Jesus Christ's substitutionary work at Calvary. What are we doing to present this unadulterated Gospel message to the lost? What are we

SPURGEON'S PRAYER

"Let me be buried somewhere in a quiet spot, where the leaves fall, and the robbins play and the dewdrops gleam in the sunshine; and if there must be a line about me, let it be: Here lies the body of John Ploughman, waiting for the appearing of his Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ."

Word of God?

We say it is high time Baptists quit sitting around doing nothing for the truth. It is time they quit high time to get behind the presentation of the Gospel and an for that we sought him not after emphasis upon the doctrines of the due order." the Word of God. After all, what is accomplished by the Gospel will be the only enduring accomplishment of life. Even if you religious matters is another les- times, and years. I am afraid destroyed Rome and Moscow; even if you made this nation and all others eternally free; even if had not commanded the church Paul was not speaking of Chris



of them. Christmas

(Continued from page three) God had told the Levites to walk and bear the ark, and others not penalty, where worship is covart to touch it. It seemed right to rupted by (1) going beyond has Pa David and the people to build a nice new cart to move the ark, plan, (3) by wilful disobedienhief o "And when they came unto the threshing floor of Childon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen had stumbled. And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him, because he put his hand to the ark: and there he died before God" (I Chron. 13:9-10).

No doubt but that Uzzah's intentions were good. He only tried to save the cart from overturning and to preserve the ark, but God has said, "To obey is better than to sacrifice."

Scofield says, "The story of David's new cart and its results is a striking illustraiton of the spiritual truth that blessings do not follow the best intentions in the service of God except as that service is rendered in God's way."

Three months after David's blunder, he had the ark moved God's way, (I Chron. 15:1-3). Verse 13 says, "For because ye misdirecting their efforts. It is did it not at the first, the Lord our God made a breach upon us, the lust of the flesh, and the lu

Error of the Heart

The example of Ananias and Sapphira (Acts 5) in regard to son to those who would dare to you, lest I have bestowed upo pollute the house of God. God you labor in vain" (Gal. 4:10-11 had not account the total the total to you reached the goals of the members to sell all of their prop- mas here, for there was "antis", nothing would be en- erty and donate it to the church, Christmas at that time, but

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Paul said to the Galatians, observe days, and months,

Of course, the time is ripe Resurrection With Christ for a Romanist harvest among Protestants and even many Bap-

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during but what is accomplished but since they had promised to, principle would apply to Chris by the Gospel. Let's get back to foundational matters. Let's not clean up the outside when it is the inside that is of greatest importance.

ARMSTRONG HERETIC —Recently I preached for the Katy Baptist Church, located near Barrackville, West Virginia. Brother Scott Richardson; the pastor, was telling me about some one who had been listening to the salvation-by-works heretic. Herbert W. Armstrong. The person said, "Why, he doesn't ask for any offerings at all! He just gives you things free.

Brother Richardson replied, "No, he doesn't want your offerings; what he wants is your tithe!"

And that is exactly right. In fact, he even teaches that if you don't tithe you can't be saved! And of course, since he believes all churches but his own outfit are of the devil, you can only title scripturally when you give to his work!

How gullible people are to fall for such deception! How blind can people be?-B.L.R.

they should not have lied.

Error of Ignorance

Ignorance will not excuse one in religious errors (I Sam. 6:1-19). Because the people of Bethshemesh merely looked (ignorantly) into the ark when the oxen and cart had stalled, God killed 50,070

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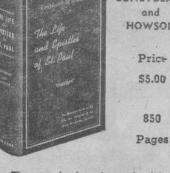
joins in the celebration of Chris mas proves that it is not accor ing to the will of God. The wor does not desire to obey any pre-cept of God. "The natural ma receiveth not the things of Spirit of God.'

England does not celebrate Fourth of July, for it means not ing to them. If Christmas well really a celebration of the birt of Jesus, the world which reje Christ would not have anythin to do with it. The world do enjoy Christmas, therefore it not of God.

Purposely Omitted

It is wrong to try to seek what God has purposely hidde from us. The Bible was truly writen ten by inspiration. Everythin that was omitted from the Scrip tures was purposely omitted. Go knew the birth date of Jesus, th central figure of the Scripture and He omitted any record of Hi (Continued on page 13, column

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God would have no furnaces if there were no gold to separate from the dross.

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Addressing the Gospel to Lost Sinners

the Gospel.

But I don't believe the doctrine are ordained to life.

I'm afraid many people who of sovereignty, when properly When sovereignty affects men the blessing of God. Pposedly believe in the sover- understood, will affect men in the in this manner they have either There are some inty of God and the depravity manner which its professed misunderstood or misapplied the man have set these doctrines friends seem to be affected. There doctrine. Ezekiel did not have to as barriers around the free are those who seem to be unable remind the dry bones that they oclamation of the Gospel to to urge a sinner to come to Christ were dead before he commanded h an extent that very little unless they remind the sinner them to hear the Word of the the Gospel is being preached that he is so depraved that he Lord. Christ did not have to inthem. Frankly, I would rather can't come. They can't believingly form Lazarus that he was unable ve never known the doctrine call on men to believe the Gospel, to comply with the call, "Lazarus, sovereignty if it had affected since they know faith is the gift come forth!" Nowhere does God in such a way that I would of God. They seem unable to extend an invitation to lost sinhampered in a free declaration preach the Gospel to all, since ners and then in the next breath they believe that only a number tell them that it is not possible

that they can comply with that invitation due to their depravity.

I'm not denying depravity; I'm not denying sovereignty; I'm not denying the necessity of renewing grace. What I am denying is the notion that we can't preach freely to lost sinners, urging upon He thought not of health, them all Scriptural invitations,

There are some who seem to If we would just use a little fear that some of the non-elect "horse sense" in our thinking, we will somehow get converted if the would realize that the only ones Gospel is declared in too liberal who will comply with the Gosa manner. They seem to think pel, regardless of how clear, how that it is our responsibility to long, how eloquent, how freely guard against the non-elect's com- it is preached are those to whom plying with the Gospel rather God will bless it (Acts 13:48, John

ed to every creature.

than seeing to it that it is preach- (Continued on page 6, column 1)



PAUL'S BURD

By BOB L. ROSS

We have recently been studyednesday night prayer meeting d Brother Gilpin has also been eaching from Paul's epistles and e in our Sunday evening seres. I have been teaching the udies in Romans and I have en impressed more than ever fore by the burden of Paul. If a man ever had a burden

r God's glory and the souls of His ^{dien}, it was Paul. If a man ever e dealed a heaviness and sorrow of is coeart to do the will of God, it and has Paul. If a man ever made the that I have great heaviness and ting Hospel and God's Word the very continual sor pedientief concern of his life, it was (Romans 9:2). ting Hul. If any man were ever

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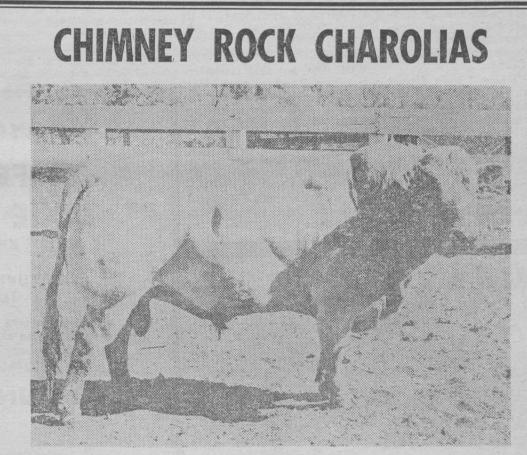
wealth, fame, earthly security, or expecting them to comply, under g the book of Romans in our any of the other things we are so concerned with: He thought of one thing - the work of God. He thought primarily of one person-Jesus Christ. He thought of one message to the needy sinner ---the Gospel of Christ. Paul was willing to spend, be spent, and be misspent in behalf of the cause of Christ. Oh, what a concern he had in his heart! He said:

"I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost, continual sorrow in my heart"

What a faithful witness he was ourned out for God," it was for the Gospel and the Word of (Continued on page 7, column 1)

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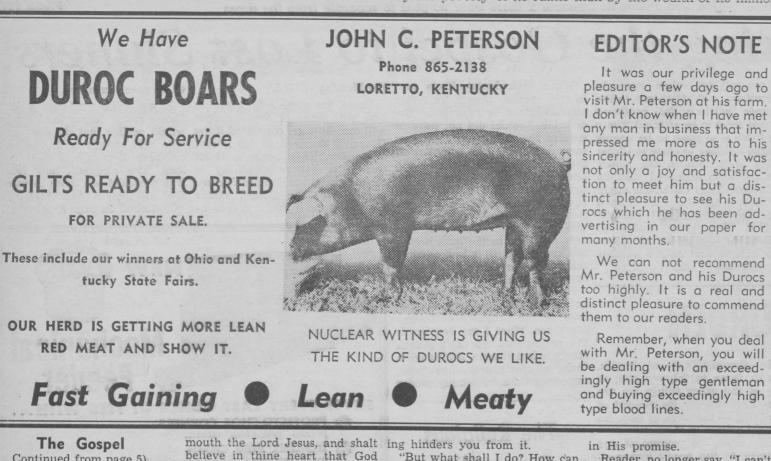
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The world has been enriched more by the poverty of its saints than by the wealth of its millionaires.

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The Gospel

Continued from page 5) 6:63). There's no danger of a sinner complying with it if God has not granted him His grace.

I'm also afraid that there are some people sitting around waiting for what they conceive to be the "quickening" of the Spirit unsaved? Can God's Word be a Son as my Saviour. I will quit and are thereby disgracing and lie in your case? denying, by their actions, the grace of God in Christ Jesus. but not in the heart." They are waiting for the "gift of faith" to believe in Christ. For some of these people I have a worthy of your heart's faith, if deep sympathy, for they evident- you have it in your head? If it ly have been misled by some "experience" advocate who exalted all right for your heart? an experience or "feeling" instead of Christ.

You hypocrite! blame not God for Look, Believe, Take the water your unbelief! The word of faith of life freely"? Why do you cast and in thy heart: that is, the throw up your unbelief to these

hath raised Him from the dead, I believe?' thou shall be saved (Romans 10: 8. 9).

Very well, why don't you believe it in your heart? Is it not is all right for the head, is it not

"Oh, but I want it in my heart."

But for others, I have disgust you to have it in your heart? Has mixed with sympathy. They have He set up a barrier so that it made a pillow out of the doctrine cannot be in your heart? Has He of sovereign grace and blame not invited, yea, urged you to their condition on the notion that take hold of the Gospel in your "God just hasn't given me faith." heart? Has He not said, "Come, is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, off these invitations? Why do you word of faith which we preach; welcome words? Does your heart that if thou shalt confess with thy want faith in Christ? Then noth-

"But what shall I do? How can

You can say, "Lord, I take you B.L.R. Nonsense. You believe that, yet at your word. I will rely on your "Oh, I believe it in my head, when my heart needs Christ."

real?" you ask.

in His promise.

Reader, no longer say, "I can't." Say, "I will! Lord, I will! I will the lost man to Christ and Him You can do this: you can say trust Christ as my Saviour! Be in your heart right now, "Lord, I gone doubting, confusing head; itself with Masonry and we You say, "I believe that, but believe; help thou mine unbelief." my heart will trust Christ!" -

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Religious Papers

(Continued from page five) there is not one which is dedi- are not good papers in their own Do you not believe God's Word cated to nothing but the presen- field, but we are trying to get you is real, that it is true? If you do, tation of the Gospel and its re- to realize how great a need there then it is real when it says, "He lated subjects. In fact, very few is for such a paper as SALVAthat believeth on the Son hath of these papers and magazines are TION, our new monthly. If you everlasting life." If you rely on evangelistic at all. The sinner wanted to send a religious paper Christ as Saviour, you can rest would sooner find the "needle to some lost person, where would

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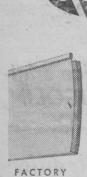
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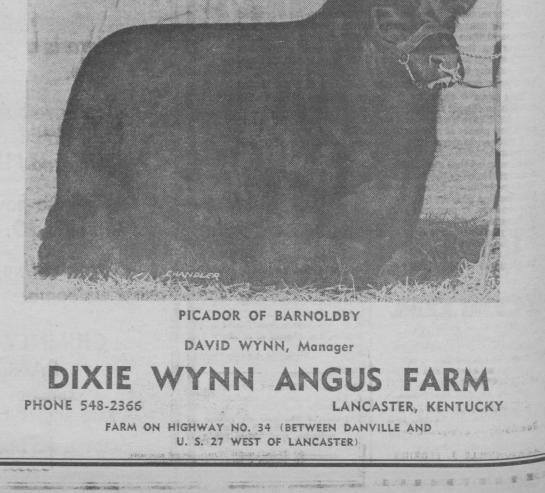
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Scre distress is a blessing in disguise if it drives us to the power of faith and prayer.

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was trying to unwind from the strain of the morning service, my

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fifth chapter of the Gospel ac-

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stranger, and ye took me in."



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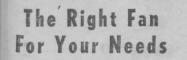
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Paul's Burden

(Continued from page five) God! He said:

hight and day with tears" (Acts 20:31).

"I am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise" (Romans 1:14).



"Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they Reader, please get behind this may also obtain the salvation it! We can pray that our lives which is in Christ Jesus with might be "burned out" for God eternal glory" (II Tim 2:10).

What unselfish action Paul's burden moved him unto! Not only all of our spiritual ills, as Christwas he willing to go, to suffer, to endure hardship, but he had a life of prayer during all his outward and inner afflictions! He commanded. Such a concern can said:

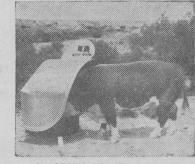
"Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved" (Romans 10:1).

Paul's heaviness and sorrow of heart moved him to fervent prayer. Oh, for a heart like that! To be filled with compassion instead of carnal passion; to possess unselfish love, instead of thinking of self; to have compassion instead of complacency; to realize "I ceased not to warn every one the urgency of the hour, instead of having unconcern.

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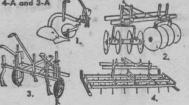
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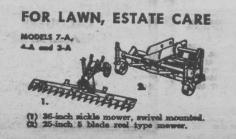


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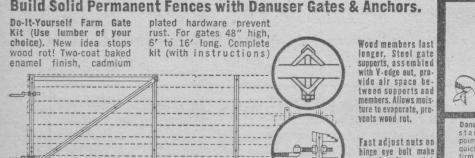
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once happened to me along this a plea for a \$25 "loan." line. I was sitting alone in a parsonage living room in Spokane, Wash., where I was the guest of Wash., where I was the guest of a fellow minister while attending of my business cards, handed it to him, and said, "The pastor of a convention in that city. A man came to the door and with salesman-like quickness announced ever get over my way maybe I that he was a member of a particular church in Montana. I lis-

claimed to have membership in around nowadays. was the one I pastored. After sup-

remarks about his "good friend" the pastor and then launched into an emotional harangue about A somewhat amusing incident his desperate plight, ending with

> To prove what I was going to shock him with, I pulled out one this parish is not in, but if you can be of some assistance."

He stared comprehendingly at tened with interest and "baited" the small, white card, smiled,

him on, because the church he and said, "You preachers sure get

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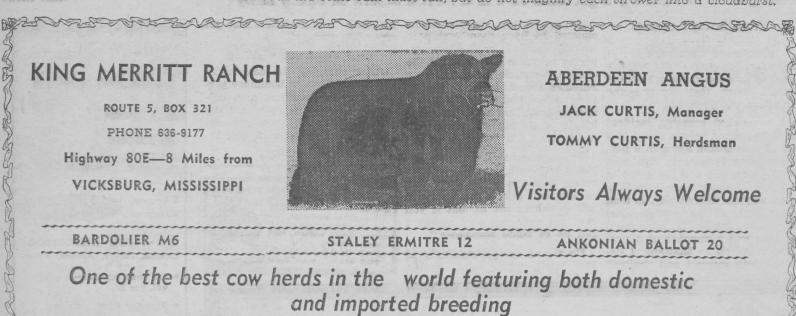
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Preachers, Beware

(Continued from page 9) ods of swindling the men of the cloth.

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The second method can be classified as the local business swindle. In this method, payments are made in advance on supposedly bona fide contracts, magazine and book subscriptions, and worthless correspondence courses.

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ing of worthless bargain-rate in-surance. All types are offered, but health and hospitalization are most common.

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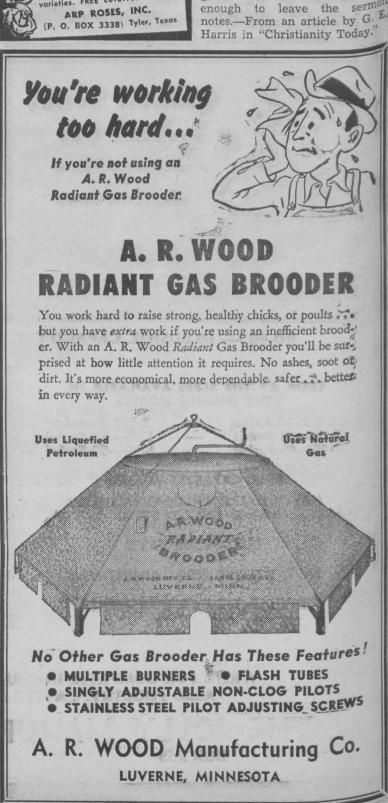
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(Continued from page 4) Jesus' birth date.

Songs and Literature concerning the birth of Jesus. Christmas music constantly pic- or carnal mind. ture three wise men of the East lehem

The Scriptures do not say how Christ" (Col. 2:8). many wise men there were. There may have been three, but could have been more. According to the Scriptures Jesus was born in Bethlehem (Matt. 2:6). The shep-TIME herds went immediately to the infant Jesus and found Him in a manger (Luke 2:8-16). When Jesus Was born, evidently the "star" appeared to the wise men of the East announcing His birth (Matt. 2:2), but the star did not lead the wise men, they knew that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem, and they knew how to get to Jerusalem without the leadership of a star. There is nothing in ink in Scripture to indicate that the time. wise men went immediately, or sizes. Boon, to seek the infant Jesus.

When Jesus was 41 days old, inute. Joseph and Mary carried Him from into the Temple in Jerusalem clsion (Luke 2:22-38; Lev. 12:2-6). Then store they immediately returned to their home in Nazareth of Galilee n and (Luke 2:39), not to Egypt, as most you Mary with Jesus fled to Egypt immediately after the wise men buy left (Matt. 2:13), the wise men could not possibly have visited for Jesus before He was 41 days old, and at this age Jesus was taken to Nazareth. So the wise men must have visited the child in the "house" in Nazareth, (Matt. 2:11). of low spirituality and high carn-The wise men came to Jeru-Salem possibly more than a year and a half after Jesus was born, 3, Ill. inquiring for the "young child," not the infant babe. Herod naturally thought that the child was

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Bethlehem (Matt. 2:16), but. He was in Nazareth (Luke 2:39). No one in Jerusalem knew where

A Chinese preacher, speaking trines the commandments of child Jesus.

went to market with a string of the Lord uttered it in Isaish's ship, the best of their substance, en coins. Seeing a beggar who time (Isa. 29:13); true when Jesus given to Jesus, not to one anwished for alms, he gave the poor repeated it during His ministry, other. he for himself. The beggar, in- today concerning Christmas prostead of being thankful, followed grams. Proof: People will sing in snow — does not harmonize with the good man and stole the Christmas and Easter programs the shepherds being in the fields enth coin also. "What an abom- who cannot be depended upon at with their flocks. hable wretch" you say. Yes, and any other time, and many who do would you, to whom God has not attend church regularly, will miniature implements of war can Siven all you have, steal the tithe go to swell the crowds at these have no connection with the programs. The largest crowds in birth of the "King of Peace." If you belong to a New Testa- the church for the year will be at ment church, you should bring in these two programs. Be not dethe tithe. If you don't belong, ceived; the class of people who Merry Christmas". The word You ought to join one somewhere go to make up this supplementary crowd are not usually attracted by things of a spiritual nature.

to reflect upon true Christians, ural man. The natural man does but merely to identify the true type of program it is that will attract the carnally minded; and Christmas literature and songs Christmas programs do attract Books, plays, pageants, and spirit" (I Cor. 6:17), not one flesh,

Paul said, "Beware lest any visiting the infant Jesus on the man spoil you through philosophy of the world, and not after years ago?

Commandment Rejected

The commandment of God is rejected in Christmas celebrations. Jesus said to the Pharisees, "Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradiiton" (Mark 7:9).

7:13).

"And many such like things" ditions of Christmas. Proof:

Hebrews 10:25, is made of "none ment against us. effect" by Christmas, according to the almost universal low at- tions of so limited supply of raw fections for heathen customs, bury tendance on the Lord's day near- materials finance the great war? them, and arise to walk after the est Christmas day (except for the By exports of the fruits of their Spirit, thus finding Jesus on the program). Some say that the low cheap labor. Among these exports, "third day." the business holidays when peo- role. England and the United commercial world [controlled were folk who were purely fleshple friends. This is no worthy ex- lions of dollars into these nations the greatest money-making sea- eat heavily, the choicest, the fin-

record of low finance nearest evil" (Eccl. 8:11). Christmas. Christmas is a time ality.

Inconsistency

ial-the Lord's day. The Lord's think of getting drunk, will com- gances.-B.L.R.] day is desecrated by secular work, mit the sin of gluttony (which is open business houses, worldly the co-sin of drunkenness) in amusements, and sports. The Lord their Christmas feasts, and call it the sight of the Lord. "And He flesh. Some said, "What will this did not want His birth memorial- God - honoring. The term, "eat, places of business, or refrain from (Isa. 22:12-13, Luke 12:19). working on Chirstmas day.

their lips; but their heart is far man Catholic monk) is the central from me. But in vain do they character of Christmas, and has worship me, teaching for doc- no Scriptural connection with the

(2) The gifts of the wise men This statement was true when were gifts of gratitude and wor-

(3) The traditional winter scene -evergreen trees and artificial

(4) All manner of fireworks and

(5) Most all Christmas cards are centered around wishing one "A "merry" occurs more than twentyfive times in the Scriptures, and almost, if not every time it is These statements are not made used, it has reference to the natnot rejoice in the Saviour.

The Motive

Christmas time is a time of soalmost unanimously teach falsely such. Remember that, "He that is cial enjoyment and merrymaking, joined unto the Lord is one rather than that of spiritual grati- flesh," yet much provision is made assure them, not of grocery or tude and joy in the Saviour. Can for the flesh in the Christmas sea- doctor bills, but to assure them one really and truthfully say that son his actual motive for observing "And they that are Christ's Christmas. Christmas celebration is to honor have crucified the flesh with the Christma day of His birth along with the and vain deceit, after the tradi- the Saviour who was born in affections and lusts." (Gal. 5:24). among men that, according to the shepherds, in the stable in Beth- tion of men, after the rudiments Bethlehem nearly two thousand

ly lusts." (I Peter 2:11). (How could this be one's motive if the Saviour commands no such evil." (I Thess. 5:22). observance?—B.L.R.)

Unholy Bargain

ment will condemn the tradition. gotten in the celebrations, and Up to the time of the second SANTA CLAUS is pre-eminent. It World War, most Christmas goods is significant to note that when "Making the Word of God of bore the stamp, "Made in Ger- Jesus was twelve years of age none effect through your tradi- many." "Made in Japan." or and about His Father's business, tions, which ye have delivered: "Made In Italy." It is significant He attended the Passover, where and many such like things" (Mark to note that the very nations from many thousands of Jews were whom the United States and Eng- gathered for the feast which land purchased most of their spoke of Him (Jesus), while He, certainly would include the tra- Christmas goods, which have been the Passover Lamb, was lost amid used in revelling and polluting the celebrations, and was not along with this heathen holiday. (1) "Not forsaking the assem- the name of Christ, have been the found for three days. Three days bling of of ourselves together," instruments of providential judg- in the Scriptures speak of death,

How did these congested na- life. Let Christians crucify af-Christmas attendance is due to Christmas goods played a major "none effect" in the point of work is not executed speedily, of financial gain. financial support at this season. therefore the heart of the sons of

Drunkenness and Gluttony

Christmas time is a time of throughout the nation reveal. drunkenness and gluttony. The Storekeepers the land over are Holy Scriptures place gluttony in looking forward to the greatest Those who make the most of the same class with drunkenness, Yuletide business they ever had." Christmas celebrations, pretend- and several times in the same [And professing Christians are a ing to honor the birthday of Jesus, verse of Scripture (Deut. 21:20; part of all this wasteful, carnal, usually are those who make the Prov. 23:30, 21, I Cor. 11:21), wild spending on decorations, the flesh, the Stoicks would jump least of His Resurrection Memor- Many people who would never toys, "eats," and such extrava-lique that Lord's days and the store that and if he said he said if he said if he said if he said if he said he said

DURING 1963, DO THIS:

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"Abstain from all appearance of

The Central Figure

burial, and resurrection to a new

Jesus Christ, the supposed cen-

Quoting from the press: "Amerbuying spree in history season, surveys of the Epicureans. Christmas

of spending money for the next

Christmas is so highly esteemed. Peter said, "Abstain from flesh- press, "Last December retail sales reached a staggering total."

Since Christmas is so highly esteemed among men, it is definitely included in the abomina-tion spoken of by Christ.

"Therefore to him that knoweth The source of Christmas equip- tral figure of Christmas, is for- to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin."-James 4:17.

> Taken from the Orthodox Baptist, December 2, 1948.

> Note: Some of you may still say, "I don't see any harm in the way that I observe Christmas." Just remember, if you are saved, you'll have to tell that to the Christ you dishonor by going

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"Life and Ministry of Paul"

(Continued from page 1) I might say that the Epicureans

gave rise to the word that we use Christmas is boosted by the today concerning eating. They visit their families and States have literally poured bil- chiefly by Christ-rejecters]. It is ly. Their idea was pretty well to cuse, for this visiting is reciprocal in the past fifty years for Christ- son of the year. Professed Chris- est, and the very best. In other between the cities, and their are mas goods. In time, a nation will tian businessmen look forward to words, the Epicureans were folk churches at both ends of the line. reap whatsoever she sows. "Be- the Christmas season, not for the who just lived with the idea of (2) The Word of God is made cause sentence against an evil sake of Christ, but for the sake eating and drinking and pampering the flesh. The Stoicks were a little different. Their idea was Churches as a whole will show a men is fully set in them to do icans are going on the biggest more or less that of repression of this self. They were just the opposite

The Epicureans pampered the flesh, and the Stoicks aimed to repress the flesh. So Paul had both sides present. They thought they would take him either way he turned. If Paul said to pamper lieve that, and if he said to repress the flesh, the Epicureans would jump on him because they Christmas is an abomination in don't believe in represison of the people in that day knew very little about the Lord Jesus Christ. Athens wasn't the only place (Continued on page 14, column 1)

the child was, so the "star" reappeared (Matt. 2:9) to the wise men as they were leaving Herod's Palace, to lead them where the child Jesus was in Nazareth (Luke 2:39). God, through the wise men, ^{Supplied} Joseph and Mary with Bifts sufficient to care for them On their trip into Egypt, which they made immediately after the Wise men presented their gifts and left (Matt. 2:13).

Matthew 2:16 indicates the age of Jesus when the wise men visited Him, for Herod "slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from harmony with the Scriptures two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men" (verse 7).

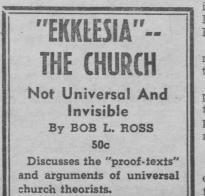
The wise men gave their gifts to Jesus; not to one another, and even this did not happen on the birthday of Jesus. So there is no connection between Christmas and the birthday of Jesus in this respect.

Vain Worship

Vain worship is promoted by Christmas programs, which are doctrines of men. Jesus said to the Pharisees, "This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoreth me with

is a combination pool hall - beer any time your heart be overjoint - gambling dive that closes charged with surfeiting, and one once, either by day or night, drunkenness." Luke 21:34. throughout the whole year, that is on Christmas. -B.L.R.)

Traditions vs. Scripture



Jesus said to His disciples,

The overeating and extravathis verse. Gluttonous feasts are almost anything else. (1) Old man Santa Claus (a Ro- inconsistent with saints, accord-Prov. 2:32, 3; Num. 11:33, 34; the nation. Psalms 78:29-21.

> ness and even death as a postlude for Christmas. to Christmas feasts and activities.

posite to feasting and drunken- will give employees a bonus. ness.

Flesh Gratifying

Christmas is a time of great rev- tomers.

elling and the gratifying of the Immediately after Christmas, book. No better work on the subject flesh. We are told in Romans customers begin depositing money can be had. It's one of the great books 13:14, "Make not provision for the into these savings accounts, to of the oges.

Abomination

ized, yet people who don't observe drink and be merry," is associat- sees); Ye are they which justify seemeth to be a setter forth of the Lord's day, will close their ed with evil in the Scriptures yourselves before men; God strange gods." As I have said, the knoweth your hearts: for that (Note: In my hometown, there "Take heed to yourselves, lest at men is abomination in the sight which is highly esteemed among of God" (Luke 16:15).

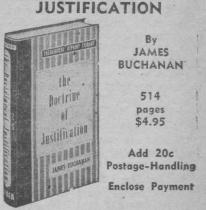
This latter statement is true regardless of who is being addressed. Just what did Christ name in gance at Christmas feasts is defi- this verse as being "abominanitely included in the word "sur- tion"? Anything which men highfeiting," and it is therefore con- ly esteem is abomination. Men es-Christmas traditions are not in trary to the teaching of Jesus in teem Christmas more highly than

> It is the only thing requiring a ing to I Peter 4:1-4. Also read two-week holiday in schools over

Business houses that never close There is always a wave of ill- any other time of the year, close

It is the only time of the year Remember that fasting and that some people will give a gift; prayer are associated together the only time some people get throughout the Bible, and are op- drunk; the only time many firms

Many large stores have a "Christmas Saving Fund" for cus- work of Christ in His fulfilling the Low



Justification by grace, through the of God, is the theme of this wonderful

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THE HARVEST IS NEAR

Go forth, go forth ye workers-Ye heralds of the Lord! And spread through all creation God's mighty saving Word; With lavish hand cast forth the seed, The time is short, and great the need! Go forth ye glad proclaimers Of God's eternal Son! And labor in His vineyard

- Until the day is done. Beside all waters sow the seed,
- And He will bless your work indeed.

Go forth, go forth ambassadors, Your worthy Lord, make known! You represent a lofty cause-

God's grace at Calvary shown. Bright angels fain would sweep through time And do your work - 'tis so sublime.

Soon will your toiling season Come to a happy close-The Lord shall call His workers To share His sweet repose-

His glad "Well done" will then repay What's done for Him on life's rough way.

-C. C. Crowston

"Life And Ministry of Paul"

(Continued from page 13) where this was true. I am satisfied it is just as true in the majority of pulpits today. Wherever the Lord Jesus Christ of the Bible is preached, it is a strange god that is set forth in that pulpit.

The same was true when the Apostle Paul went to Thessalonica, for as he visited the city of Thessalonica, as was true everywhere he went, opposition arose against him. Listen:

"Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is ANOTHER KING, ONE JESUS." - Acts 17:7.

His enemies didn't know enough about spiritual things and Scriptural things to realize that when Jesus was referred to as a king, He was not in competition with Caesar.

This calls to my mind many years ago, a Jewish Christian friend, Jacob Rosenthal, who was called up before the judge at the request of his wife and his mother, who said that he was crazy. When the Jewish judge before whom he was brought asked him of his experience, Jacob began to tell him about the new birth — the fact that he had been born again. The old judge looked at him and said, "When did this take place?" Jakie said, "About six months ago." Jakie, I might add, weighed about 200 to 225 pounds. The old judge looked down at him and said, "Couldn't take place. Too fat; too fat to have been born six months ago."

Now, beloved, we would smile

say, "I just can't conceive of anybody being that blasphemous.' Beloved, go back to the days before you were saved. In all probability you can remember some blasphemy on your part before you were saved.

I remember once upon a time when I was just a boy about fifteen years og age that I was visiting in a home. The man there who was unsaved, knew that I was unsaved, yet he turned to me and said, "John, you 'talk to your plate' before we eat." I looked down, and (remembering having heard someone say something like this once) I said: "If the Lord will make us able, we'll eat all that is on this table. We can do it, if we'll only stick to it. Amen."

Now can you imagine anybody being that blasphemous —daring to sit in the presence of God and actually blasphemously praying? Well, that is the story of these vagabond Jews of whom we read in the book of Acts. They dared in a blasphemous manner to say, "We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth." They didn't know anything about the Jesus that Paul preached. They didn't know a thing about the Jesus that the Apostle Paul represented. They were totally in ignorance of Him.

When we come to Acts 25 we find more ignorance on the part of these individuals with whom Paul dealt, for we read:

"But had certain questions against him of their own superstition, and of ONE JESUS, which was dead, whom Paul affirmed to be alive." - Acts 25:19. If you will read this closely, you will find that these were the words of Festus as he sends the Apostle Paul to Caesar to be tried. He said in substance, "Now I haven't anything against him. The Jews have sent him up here because of their own superstition ed. that he is accused of being in opposition to; and the fact that he then is certainly true today, for talked about one Jesus which was dead, but Paul says He is alive." Now notice, beloved, the ignorance of Festus. He was so ignorant that he failed to understand that the way in which Jesus was alive, though He had been dead, was by the resurrection. Jews who tried to imitate the that I have read to you from the enters into the realm whereby book of Acts and what do you man has something to do with his have? You have ignorance, stupidity, and absolute blindness he is saved by Jesus and Him concerning the Word of God, yet I crucified, and only by the crucichallenge you, when this service fixion of Jesus Christ - to the is over, to go out and talk to each average individual that is just so individual that you meet and see much foolishness. In fact, if the ed. You say, "Could a man be how many, know anything at all Holy Spirit of God hasn't begun about the Jesus who is preached to work within a man's heart, he try to imitate the Apostle Paul in the Bible - the Jesus that we will walk away and say that it and try to cast out demons in represent here from Sunday to was a foolish message. Sunday. Go to the various pulpits making fun of his ministry?" in this town and hear the Jesus how many individuals, especially That is what it amounted to. You that is represented. If you would those who have had some of the

Your prospects are as bright as the promises of God.

in Jesus he would tell you that have been taught so far as acahe does. Well, it is a different demic studies and scholastic Jesus to the Jesus that Paul standing is concerned-I couldn't preached. It is a different Jesus begin to tell you how many inyou here. The Jesus of the Mod- spurned the message of Jesus and ernists that some men preach cer- Him crucified, because it seemed tainly isn't the Jesus that we rep- to them just so much foolishness. resent. The Jesus that is repreas much ignorance, and stupidity, foolishness. and spiritual blindness today on the part of the religious world, and the religious leaders thereof, as there was in the days of the Apostle Paul. Therefore, I come to the words of my text whereby Paul says, "For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord," and I say to you that it is my desire tonight, next Sunday, and every Sunday to hold up the Jesus of the Bible — the Jesus that Paul preached, and the Christ that was crucified, and I would like to turn through several Scriptures and show you the Jesus that Paul preached.

"For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of dent. Where is the wise? where is to be sin for us." the scribe? where is the disputer foolish the wisdom of this world? referring to Him, said: For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew them that believe. For the Jews ens." - Heb. 7:26. require a sign, and the Greeks

have liked to have heard about. been treated, and just like the for us." They were looking for a Christ liar ought to have been treated, that would work miracles, a and just like the murderer ought ter, there is just one way that a Christ that was noted for his to have been treated. God treated man can be saved. There is only signs, a Christ that was noted for Jesus just exactly like every in- one way that any man can come the miraculous. To be sure, He dividual should have been treat- to Heaven. It is not by the keepdid all that, but the Christ of the ed. For what purpose? That He ing of the law, and not by what Bible, the Christ of Paul, the could treat us like Jesus Christ. Christ who saves us today, is more than that. The Greeks were praise Him for this fact, now that seeking for wisdom. No man Jesus has died for my sins and deemed us from the curse of the amounted to anything with the God puts the righteousness of law. Greeks unless when he preached Jesus Christ over on me, God he would sprinkle stardust over treats me today just exactly like message like that in Ashland? all of his audience. He had to go Jesus Christ ought to have been higher than missles have ever treated. He got my sins; I get street corner with a voice sufgone with his oratory. He had His righteousness. Beloved, that ficent that all the people of this to ascend for beyond where the is the Christ of the Bible. astronauts have ever been. He In Paul's day they said, "He able to hear every word that you had to go into the skies and is a setter forth of strange gods." would say? When you had finknock stardust all over his audi- You go out tomorrow and tell ished beloved, they would say ence for them to think of him as people how that you are going to that you are a setter forth of any preacher at all. Paul said, "We are not dealing with you as with Jews or as with Greeks; we are preaching Christ crucified." It was the simplest message that was possible to have been preach-Beloved, what Paul preached the majority of people think of Christ and Him crucified as just so much foolishness. You tell men to reform. That enters into the realm of something the individual can do. You tell men to turn over a new leaf. That enters into the same realm of fleshly expression. You tell men to join the Now look at these four verses church or to be baptized. That salvation. But to tell a man that I couldn't begin to tell you

ask every preacher if he believes learning of this world - who to the Jesus that we preach to dividuals of like nature have

I say, beloved, you can tell a sented in the Campbellite church man that there is something he whereby they say you must be can do, or you can tell an inbaptized to be saved surely isn't dividual that there is something the Jesus that we preach. The he should do, and he will prick Jesus that you find in the various up his ears, and think that you churches which preach falling are surely preaching, but preach the Son of God was clothed in from grace isn't the Jesus that we the Jesus of the Bible, the Jesus your sins at the cross, and they represent, nor the Jesus that we that was crucified for the sins of will say that you, too, are a setter preach to you from Sunday to men, and the world at large looks forth of strange gods. Sunday. I say to you, there is just upon such preaching as so much

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A GREAT VERSE ON GIVING

"There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty.' -Proverbs 11:24

Read it again.

III

"Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made "For he hath made him who a curse for us: for it is written, knew no sin: to be sin for us, Cursed is every one that hangeth

Ask the man of the world if he expects to go to Heaven, and if What man is there of the world he is an intelligent man he will who can understand such a mes- say that he expects sometime to sage, yet it is the message that has go to Heaven. Ask him a second thrilled my heart and blessed my question: "On what basis are you soul thousands of times through expecting to go to Heaven," and the years that have gone by. I he will say, "Well, I am not a thank God for this fact that Jesus very bad man. Oh, once in a Christ was made sin for us. Be- while I do something that is loved, God took Jesus Christ to wrong, but I am not a very bad Calvary and there crucified Him man." What is he depending upfor my sins and your sins. God on? He is depending upon himtook Jesus Christ to Calvary and self - what he does or what he treated Jesus Christ there exactly doesn't do. What is he depend-like you and I ought to have ing upon? The fact that he himbeen treated. Beloved, the Son of self is living to the best of his God went through the same suf- ability. Go further and ask him fering at Calvary that you and if he has ever violated the law the wise, and will bring to noth- I should have gone through. Yes, one single time, and every man ing the understanding of the pru- as Paul says, "He hath made him in his right mind will admit that there has been sometime or other The Lord Jesus Christ never in his life when he has violated of this world? hath not God made did commit a single sin. Paul, in God's law. Then, beloved, bring to him this Scripture in Galat-"For such an high priest be- ians 3:10 which says, "For as came us, who is holy, harmless, many as are of the works of the not God, it pleased God by the undefiled, separate from sinners, law are under the curse: for it is foolishness of preaching to save and made higher than the heav- written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which There wasn't any sins in the are written in the book of the seek after wisdom: But we preach life of Jesus. He never committed law to do them." If he has vio-Christ crucified, unto the Jews a one single sin in His life, yet God lated the law one time, the curse stumbling block, and unto the took Jesus to the cross and treat- of the law is resting upon him. Greeks foolishness."-I Cor. 1: ed Jesus just exactly like every How is he going to get rid of that sinner ought to have been treat- curse? As Paul has said, "Christ What Christ did Paul preach? ed. God treated Jesus just exactly hath redeemed us from the curse Not the Christ the Jews would like the drunkard ought to have of the law, being made a curse

I tell you, my brother, my sishe does, but it is on the basis of Oh, how I thank God and the redemption that we have in Christ Jesus, for Christ hath re-

Can you imagine preaching a Can you imagine standing on the town, 35,000 in number, might be strange gods when you talk about ness of the Son of God, because Christ redeeming us. They would say, "We have to quit our meannes, and we have to turn over a new leaf, and we have to live it if we are going to get to Heaven. No, no, beloved. If you are saved, there will be a turning over a new leaf, there will be a reformation, there will be a change in the way in which you have been living, but those things come because you have been saved. They come because you have been redeemed from the curse of the law. They don't help to save you, but they are the fruits that come as a result of your salvation that was wrought by Jesus Christ.

at the ignorance and the stupidity of that Jewish judge, yet his stupidity is on a par with the rulers of the city of Thessalonica, for they associated the kingship of Jesus with the kingship of Caesar. They thought Jesus was trying to take the place of Caesar.

In Paul's day they were not only ignorant of the Lord Jesus Christ in Athens and in Thessalonica, but they had plenty of ignorance elsewhere. When the Apostle Paul went to the city of Ephesus, he met with many adversaries and had many difficulties. Among all those adversaries that rose up that he had to overcome, was a crowd of vagabond Apostle Paul. They saw some people who had some evil spirits and the vagabonds said:

"We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth." — Acts 19:13.

They didn't know anything about the Jesus that Paul preachso blasphemous that he would mockery of the Apostle Paul -

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"Blessed be the God and Fathdd 15c - Postage er of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." - Eph. 1:3,

Notice, beloved, all the blessings that we have, we get by being in Christ. God has put all His (Continued on page 15, column 1)

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family; redemption (verse 7), when he tells how we have been body about his peace with God How much sin do you have? I redeemed from our sins because we have forgiveness of sins. Then try to tell you how he made his nounce to this world that he is as we go further in the 11th verse peace with God. Rather, God the vilest man within the world. we find that we have an inheritance, in the 13th verse we find ners. that we are sealed and can't lose our salvation, and in the 14th verse we find that God gives us an earnest, or a pledge, or a a surety of a better testament." around him and say, "Brother, sample of what we are going to have after while, right here in this world while we are still liv- surety. He signed your note. He Christ is able to save to the uting here. All of these blessings were given of God to Christ knew you would never be able Jesus, and we get them by being to hold out faithful to the end. bad for Jesus Christ to save him. in Christ Jesus.

live like that. First of all, the "Lord, help me to hold out faith-World doesn't believe anything ful to the end." I tell you, beabout election. The world would loved, if it depends on us to hold spurn the doctrine of election and out faithful to the end, we would the doctrine of redemption and never go to Heaven. We would ¹⁰rgiveness. The world would never be saved. But how are we purn these spiritual blessings to going to get there? Well, this hat we have are all blessings much was Jesus made a surety that we get in Christ Jesus. God of a better testament." has given those to Jesus Christ, and we get them by being in Jesus as our Saviour.

Paul preached. No wonder that surety or a guarantor for our they said of the Apostle Paul, "Let's see what this babbler has to say. He seems to be a setter forth of strange gods." It is no wonder that they said concern-ing the Apostle Paul that the able also to save them to the ut-did, but you couldn't save me." Jesus he preached was a strange Jesus. I tell you, beloved, the him, seeing he ever liveth to not enough. world would still say the same thing concerning the Jesus that Heb. 7:24, 25. we preach, which was the same Jesus that Paul preached.

V "In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the for-Siveness of sins. And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things

It trial makes us impatient, then the devil laughs and is glad.

loved. You furnish the sinner and ual to another. God will do the saving; that is us by the blood of His cross.

"Have you made your peace with over to Peter, Simon Peter to Jesus who died for his sins. I tell any other gospel unto you than God?" Well, beloved, you haven't. someone else, and someone else you, He is able to save to the that which we have preached I'll tell you frankly, you never to someone else, down to the uttermost. Not a man will be able unto you, let him be accursed." have made your peace with God. present day when Pope John to look up in His face and say, -Gal. 1:7, 8. You are saved. I grant you that. XXIII is the 267th successor to "You tried to save me, but you You have been redeemed, I'll Simon Peter. Beloved, listen to couldn't." blood of his cross."

4), when he talks about how we say. Beloved, the world today intercession for them." doesn't understand what Paul challenge you to speak to some- the uttermost. How vile are you? saved you. and see if that individual does not can see a man who would anmade peace at the cross for sin- If I could find such a man that

"By so much was Jesus made Heb. 7:22.

Yes, beloved, He was made a am amused quite often when I Oh, but the world doesn't be- hear somebody pray and say, egin with, but these blessings text tells us, for it says, "By so

The word for "surety" is the word for "co-signer." Figuratively, He went on our note. He signed with us. He guarantees Beloved, that is the Jesus of signed with us. He guarantees the Bible. That is the Jesus that our salvation. He was made a salvation.

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make intercession for them." ---

priesthood. It doesn't change. The but you couldn't save me." priesthood of Jesus Christ can't to the uttermost." be transferred from one individ- Go find the man who is a

through His blood, we have for- present holding an Ecumenical know what it is to tell the truth, the churches of Galatia: giveness of sins in Jesus Christ, Conference who say that Pope and who doesn't know what it and we have had peace made for John XXIII is the 267th succes- is to speak unless he blasphemes you, and would pervert the gossor to Simon Peter. They say the name of God. Put your arm pel of Christ. But though we, or Haven't you heard people say, that Jesus handed his priesthood around him and tell him about an angel from heaven. preach

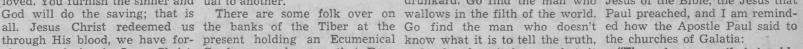
God would point to and say that he is the vilest man within the world, I would still put my arm there may be hope for you in Jesus Christ. The only hope that any man can have is that Jesus knew you couldn't hold out. He termost them that come unto God. by Him." A man can't be too

The great English preacher, Philip Doddridge, was interested in a man who had been accused of stealing a sheep. English laws, as you may know, are much more severe and stricter than American laws. This man was proven guilty of stealing a sheep. I think, perhaps, he even confessed to it himself. Philip Doddridge did everything within his power to save the man from the gallows, but they hung him for the crime of stealing. As they took him from the prison and started to the gallows with him, he asked that he might be taken by the home of Philip Doddridge. He said to Mr. Doddridge, "I want to thank you for what you "But this man, because he con- did and for all the efforts you tinueth ever, hath an unchange- have made in my behalf. I just able priesthood. Wherefore he is want to thank you for what you termost that come unto God by What Philip Doddridge did was

Brother, sister, listen to me, no man will be able to look up in Thank God, the priesthood of the face of Jesus Christ and say, Jesus Christ is an unchangeable "I thank you for what you did, No word "unchangeable" is literally man will be able to say, "You "unalterable," and it actually couldn't save me because I was means that it doesn't pass to an- too vile." Since this Scripture says other. It actually means that this that "he is able also to save them

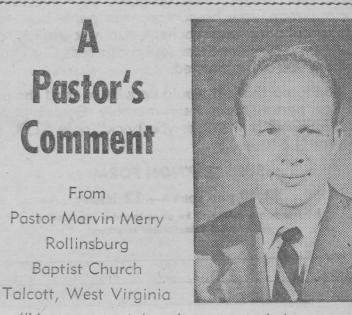
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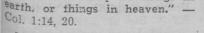
"There be some that trouble

Like the Apostle Paul, I point to that man who says you can grant you that is true. You have me, that is just 267 lies. The I don't tell men to turn over a be saved by going down into the forgiveness of sins, I'll grant you priesthood of Jesus Christ is an new leaf. I don't tell men that if water, or that man who says you that that is true. But you have unchangeable, unalterable priest- they will try hard that God per- can be saved by slipping up to never made your peace with God hood. It is one that isn't abro- haps will meet them halfway. I a little peephole and confessing because you can't make peace gated. It is one that isn't handed don't tell men to take the first your sins to a man on the other with God. Rather, it was God who over to somebody else. Rather, it step and the Lord Jesus will take side of a partition who has just made peace for you. Paul says, remains in the hands of Jesus the second. Rather I tell them as many sins as you have, or to "Having made peace through the Christ forever, and because of that there is only one way of that individual who says that that, we can say that "he is able salvation and that is the way of Christ saves you from your sins When Paul was at Thessalonica also to save them to the utter- the Bible. That is the Jesus that to start with and you have to he was preaching Jesus. They just most that come unto God by him, Paul preached. When you preach keep yourself saved thereafterdidn't understand what he had to seeing he ever liveth to make Him the world at large thinks you I come to that man and I say to are a setter forth of a strange him, "You are preaching another How I thank and praise Him god, but the God that you set gospel. You are not preaching the (verse 5), when he tells how we had to say when he says that that there isn't any case too hard forth is the same God that saved gospel that the Apostle Paul have been adopted into God's Christ has made peace for us. I for Him. He is able to save to Paul and He is the same God that preached, and the Word of God says, 'Go to Hell.'" That is ex-actly where that preacher is In closing, I think about the (Continued on page 16, column 4)



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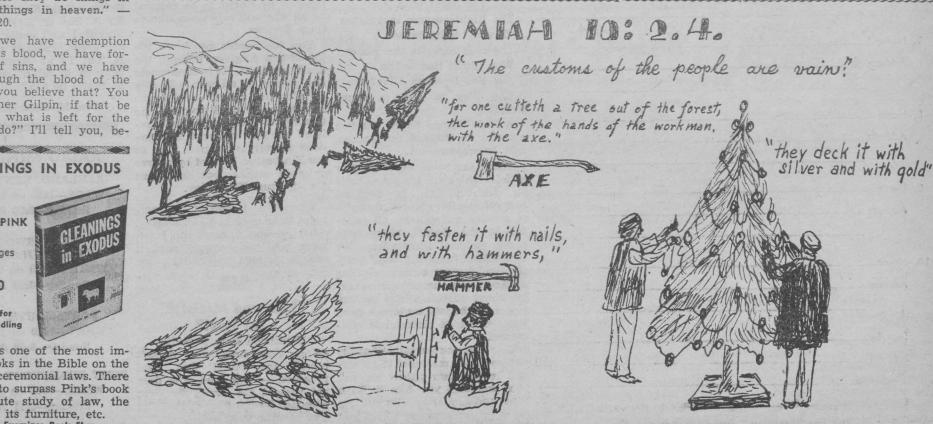
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(Continued from page one) pangs of hell were taking hold upon me in my fear.

and I were riding down the highway. I asked, "If you were to die tonight, where would you go?"

The friend did not seem a bit disturbed about the thought of death and eternity, even though fit for hell! I knew the person was also lost. The answer was, "I think I would go to Heaven.'

I said, "I wouldn't; I know for sure I would be damned in hell."

my life, I heard a preacher bring a message on the rich man and Lazarus, as recorded in Luke 16:19-31. While I don't remember not because I was baptized; al-

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The Lord has already supplied us with a vast amount of material to hell becausefor use in our new monthly paper, SALVATION. We would like to let you know what is coming in future issues in order that you may realize further just how valuable this paper can be as a medium of witnessing to the lost. Here are some of the major articles already available:

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I'm Not Afraid Anymore much that the preacher said, I remember the story very well. It and without God as any black- told about a man who died and ened sinner that ever lived. The went to hell, also about a man who died and went to Heaven. The part of the story about the One night a teen-age friend man going to Heaven did not interest me very much; all I could think about was the poor wretch who went to hell. I knew that he was just as I would be, if I were to die. Why should I think about Heaven, when I knew I was only

I'm Not Afraid Anymore

But as I write these lines, going to hell is no concern whatsoever to me anymore. It's not because I don't believe there is a hell; Somewhere about this time in I do. It's not because I don't think hell is a horrible place; I do. It's not because I did something that removed all my fear; I didn't. It's though I was. It's not because I joined the church; although I did. It's not because I try to live as God would have me live; although I do and make a feeble effort of it.

The reason I no longer fear hell is that all the sins of my whole life are no longer on my record and God cannot send me to hell! I can't go to hell; it's simply not possible. All my sins have

been paid for in full. There is no penalty for the man who doesn't have any sin on his record, so there is no penalty for me. If you think I am just a bit over-confident, let me show you that I have this confidence that I will not go

God Says So!

God's Word, the Bible, says, "Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins whom the Lord WILL NOT IMPUTE SIN," (Romans 4:7-8). If God won't charge sins to me, sum has trubble with Cain fer then how could I be punished for marry'n a sister er maybe a

You may ask, "Why won't God charge sins to you?"

For the simple reason that He

punished Jesus Christ for my sins. Christ took my penalty; He suffered in my place; He bore my ow Does God Forgive Sins? curse; He endured my wrath; He put away all the sins of my whole life, from beginning to end. That's never seed a bunch uf carnal why I won't go to hell; that's why he Book that Changed My Life I can't fear hell any longer. My ow Good Is "The Best You prayers, my morals, my works, my church membership, my deeds - nothing I have done or could do has one thing to do with the putting away of my sins. They had a feetball game over the b Christ did that, "Christ died for h'ar clos' by t'uther day what been our sins" (I Corinthians 15:3).

> Christ. I have relied on Him. I it an' I sez, "Well, this snow have my whole confidence in ain't gonna bother church ser Bapt Him for my salvation from sin's vices nun, cause ain't nobody assoc penalty. And He has said, "Him paying it no mind." But come that cometh to me I will in no Sunday morning, mos' fokes sed wise cost out" (Labert out) wise cast out" (John 6:37). He has th' wether wuz jest too bad to wom delivered me from "the wrath to risk git'n out in. come" (I Thessalonians 1:10).

If salvation depended upon me,

DECEMBER 15, 1962

MOUNTAIN MUSINGS

By SIMON MUSE



Ye know, th' Christ-rejectin' ten Jewish fokes shore do luve Christ-He sa mas. I ain't never seed airy one roub what didn't believe in Christmany durin' th' pagunistic seezun. An believ that's jest one more reezun why me." I knows for shore that it's alende devil's helly-day. n th when

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I afeerd mos' fokes today is we k jest livin' to git all they can an'swere then to can all they gits.

Sum modurnists sez they caint Bible see how Christ could uf binniure bornd without a father. I aintFathe never had no trubble with that sin, a If'n I wuz gonna have trubble hitely 'bout such thangs, I wood have plant are covered. Blessed is the man more with Adam than Christ. Yeaway know, Adam didn't have naryhand father er mother eithur. Likewize, niece. That aint bother'd me eithur, fer Adam dun marry'd up with his own rib.

> Ye never seed a bunch uf hogs yet that woodn't come'a runnin' whin ye fill'd th' troff with a beeg bukket uf slop. An' I aint church mimburs what woodn't them come'a runnin' whin thar wur the sum kind uf'a sloppin' goin' on let in th' kitchin uf th' church beat house. Veril

They had a feetball game over be b they played with snow on th shall I have rested my soul on ground. Lots uf fokes went to Mt. In certa

Some fokes shore do abuse th' Test: know I would still fear hell, for grace uf God. Take I. B. Apain abus I would know I could not save inthenek, fer 'xample. He run fallin myself. But salvation has been th' only stop sign that is in Coon doct finished by Christ to be enjoyed Holler an' th' Sheriff 'rest'd him been fer it. But ol' I. B. sed, "Why, a K Sheriff, I ain't under law, I's un t ch der grace." Sheriff sed, "yes, I had joy of sins forgiven through the B., but I's an Arminian and I lime death of Christ He is formin believes in fallin' out uf grace. Figh So that'll be \$25.' chur

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nature of the messages to be car- preach the Christ that Paul ried in the new paper, we ask preached - any man who does you: wouldn't you like to have not present the Christ that was these and similar articles put into preached by the Apostle Paul, let the hands of someone whom you that man be accursed. know who needs Christ?

by all who will rely upon Him as their Saviour.

You, too, reader, can know the death of Christ. He is forgiveness and pardon to all who will rely The Way to Have a Sound on Him. God doesn't forgive sins except in, by and through the atoning work of Christ. God punished our sins in Christ and pardons us only as we trust Him as our Sin-bearer. It's not by prayer or good works, but by Jesus Christ. Trust Him today.

Note: This is one of the meser articles and poems, all relat- sages to be used in SALVATION. ing to the Gospel, along with After reading it, don't you know many pictorial illustrations. We some soul who should read it

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