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## "IT IS FINISHEI

aries of it to live holy lives on ed into thinking that, so far for them. reaching Heaven is concerned ate all righteousness of their and have faith in Christ, imagine they are "eternally

around us are people who worldly-minded, money-lovpleasure - seekers, Sabbathkers, yet who think all is with them because they have pted Christ as their person-

"It is finished." How solemn to deceived them! matters not how they walk realize that these words of Christ rided they are "resting on the must have been used to lull ed words signify that Christ so shed work of Christ." They thousands into a false peace. Yet satisfied the requirement of God's bedient, yet (though they into close contact with many who has any real and pressing claims crown) so long and the contact with many who has any real and pressing claims crown) so long and the contact with many who has any real and pressing claims crown) so long and the contact with many who has any real and pressing claims crown) so long and the contact with many who has any real and pressing claims crown) so long and the contact with many who has any real and pressing claims crown) so long and the contact with many who has any real and pressing claims crown) so long and the contact with many who has any real and pressing claims. crown) so long as they re- are selfish, covetous, dishonest,

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conversation, and recreation, but who suppose that a merciful there is practically nothing to God will overlook all such things there is practically nothing to God will overteen their trust differentiate them from those who provided they once put their trust make no profession at all. Neither in the Lord Jesus. What a horin their home-life nor social-life rible perversion of the truth! lied! How many seem to think is there anything save empty pre- What a turning of God's grace ton the Cross the Lord Jesus tensions to distinguish them from "into lasciviousness"! (Jude 4). omplished a work which rend-it unnecessary for the bene-upon them, the commands of God self-seeking and flesh-pleasing have no authority over them, the lives, talk about their faith in the So many have been de- holiness of God has no attraction blood of the Lamb, and suppose they are safe. How the devil has

> "It is finished." Do those bless-Even to the redeemed God says, "Be ye holy, for I am holy" (I Peter 1:16). Did Christ "magnify the law and make it honorable" (Isa. 42:21) that we might be lawless? Did He "fulfill all righteous-In this issue you'll see many books ness" (Matt. 3:15) to purchase for Him with all our faculties? Did



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Brother Fiveash's immediate Saviour." In their aspiration, are available at these low, low prices. (Continued on page 4, column 5) going as missionaries to the West (Continued on page 8, column 2)

## NOT HAVE FELLOWSHIP

By F. D. Whitesell Chicago, Illinois

y time, energy, and abilities scharge my Christian duties, be done through a lodge can done through my church, te it ought to be done and up to all my church obliga-

Lodges are man-made insti- John 2:15-17; Rom. 12:1,2. hs and will perish with the endure forever, Matt. 15:13. ary program.

## **Brief Letter From** Bro. Hallima

Friends:

ce I have been back from ong patrol I have been unbusy and this letter will be Many of you have written hal letters to me and I deeppreciate hearing from each u. It always makes me feel and it encourages me when a letter from some of you back there. I always try to each letter and in due always do, but this time it be a while before I get all answered, so take this in TBE as a letter to YOU 20:4. I can get around to answerou personally.

am a Christian, and it takes most of their membership is of His name and His Word, but at repentance, faith, baptism, church Matt. 26:53.

It imports the worldly element. For the heart it is selfish, carnal, and membership, etc. They substitute 11. A Christian and the control of their membership is of His name and His Word, but at repentance, faith, baptism, church Matt. 26:53. Christian to unnecessarily link concerned about the things of the the lodge for Christ and the any dual or triple allegiance; all

4. Lodges almost without exception encourage worldly prace it is my business to help tices, such as dances, card parties, be done. I have never yet carnivals, raffles, etc.; and a Christian is forbidden by the Biand until I do I will not ble to indulge in such things, Sate myself to any other in- neither should he favor an institution that supports them, I

5. The money spent for initiathings of this world, I John tions, dues, special assessments, 17; while the church and degrees, etc., in the lodge could kingdom of God, to which be put to more profitable and ong and owe all my allegi- Godly use by supporting Christ's are divinely founded and churches and His great mission-

> 6. The Christian will have no reward in Heaven for his good works done through a lodge or in the name of a lodge. Heavenly rewards are bestowed only for in the name of the aone I Cor. 3:11-15; Rev. 22:12.

3. Lodges are composed of 7. No lodge is really out-and- to the lodge vows will get them the prestige, influence or aid of is against Him, Matt. 12:30. When Christ and His churches. lodges use the Bible in their ritthe important passages on reof Christ, the insufficiency of good works for salvation, etc., thus handling the Word of God deceitfully, II Cor. 4:2.

> 8. Many people make the mistake of thinking that living up



Christ and for His glory alone, eight-thirty o'clock Thursday exposed all lodge secrets. Luke morning November 25, 1965.

ual and services, they leave out and a high moral code is not 4:10; Matt. 6:24. equivalent to Christianity. These pentance, new birth, the blood things do not necessarily make the standing, prestige, acquainpeople any better in the sight of tanceship, nor "pull" given him God, and many good people are by a lodge. If God is for him, lost and going to hell because who can be against him? Rom. led to trust in such insufficient 8:31,32. Imagine Paul trying to get standards, John 3:1-16. The lodge out of difficulties and tight places really has all the elements of a by showing his lodge pin or card! religion—a deity, worship, pray- Paul denounced all such things. ers, ritual, Bible, altars, temples, Eph. 5:11,12. etc., but it is a false religion, not Christianity, because the Son is with God and the Holy Spirit

10. Jesus Christ did not belong to a lodge, and could not have belonged. He did not nave money The Calvary Baptist Church of enough, Matt. 8:20. He spoke Ashland, Kentucky gives you a nothing in secret, John 18:20. He most cordial invitation to attend hates the hidden things of dark-Inanksgiving services at ness, I Cor. 4:5. He would have 12:2,3. He did not desire nor need

both saved and unsaved, and out for Jesus Christ. It may use to Heaven, and thus they neglect lodge membership. John 5:20-23;

11. A Christian is not to have himself up with the worldly and world. Anything not positively the church, and thus the lodge his allegiance is to be for Jesus definitions and vows. I have no unregenerate is an unholy and and altogether for Jesus Christ for them becomes the enemy of Christ, Rom. 12:1,2; Gal. 6:14. To divide his allegiance with a lodge 9. Belief in a Supreme Being, is to weaken it for Christ, II Tim.

12. A Christian does not need

13. A man who has lost out not given preeminent honor, John may need the help of a lodge (Continued on page 4, column 4)



# Crutches You Can

A crippled boy with braces on his legs hobbled down the long aisle of a great cathedral. He knelt to pray, asking God to make his legs strong and well. Then he limped slowly out of the church and down the street.

"You're still wearing your braces!" someone said. "I guess God didn't hear your prayers after all."

"Oh yes He did," replied the crippled lad. "It's true He didn't remove the braces from my legs. But He did take the braces off of my mind."

It is only normal to pity the essential. It doesn't make any dif- on their minds - braces of fear,

This is the meaning of Pro-

## TO THE STATE OF TH the Baptist Examiner A Sermon by Pastor John R. Gilpin

## "IS YOUR BAPTISM OF GOD OR MAN?"

I would remind you at the very has been mentioned in sev- of church truth and baptism as that I am ready to start as to what they thought relative ing some of them. On the to church truth and baptism, the

"The baptism of John, was it too, would perhaps tell you the went on to say that baptism from heaven, or of men?" - Luke same. In fact, the majority of and the Lord's Supper and all that it is not important, that you and that it would be a blessing if outset that lots of people think could even take your choice as the preachers would leave off handicapped person, whether he to whether you want sprinkling, these things that were non-essen- is lame, blind, or deaf. But what of my previous letters I have being unimportant. I am satis- pouring, or immersion. I say, be- tial and just preach the essentials. my previous letters I have being unimportant. I am satis- pouring, of initial say, all that have been waiting fied that if you were to go out on loved, the majority of people I might say that my impression that many who outwardly appear as I listened to him, was that any- strong and well are inwardly of them have progressed meet by way of conducting a poll, and baptism are really unimportant. I am satis- pouring, of initial say, and in the street and ask the people you would tell you that church truth as I listened to him, was that any- strong and well are inwardly of them have progressed meet by way of conducting a poll, and baptism are really unimportant. tant and non-essential.

unued on page 8, column 1) ious people of the world, they, preach only the essentials. He (Continued on page 2, column 2) (Continued on page 8, column 5)

preachers would even tell you church truth are non-essentials

Sometime ago, I heard a lay- ference what the Word of God suspicion, self-pity. They of September I baptized 59 majority would say that such man speaking to preachers, and says, it is essential. You can be never fully alive, because they he Tanggi Baptist Church, amounts to very little. If you he made the statement that certain of one thing, that every- are crippled and limited by these was the second largest group were to ask the majority of the preachers should leave off the thing this Bible teaches on church mental and spiritual hindrances. have baptized since being preachers and the so-called relig- non-essentials of the Bible and truth, baptism, the Lord's Supper,

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## Our Heartiest

# Thanksgiving Greetings!



Dearly Beloved Christian Friends:

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

From the depths of my heart I thank Him, "from whom all blessings flow," knowing that "every good and perfect gift cometh from above." Will you join us in thanking God for the following benefits?

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Thank God for the privilege of sending forth The Baptist Examiner, with its weekly message of evangelism, missions and Baptist doctrine. Many are the letters from God's saints telling of blessings received from reading it. Thank God for the many precious souls that have been saved thereby.

As we have for many years, we are asking our friends for a liberal Thanksgiving offering. We look for ward to this offering each year that we might clear up all indebtedness resting against our written ministry. We thus ask our friends whom the Lord has prospered to give as the Spirit of God definitely directs. May personally urge you to be extraordinarily generous now as we greatly need your gift to carry on.

A further word as to our offering. We are especially expecting the Lord to impress His people to whom we have been a blessing to send just what He would have this paper to receive. He knows our needs and can impress each of our readers to give exactly what He sees fit for us to have. I pray that you will listen to the indwelling Spirit this Thanksgiving, and that you will send your offering for the on-going of The Baptist Examiner.

In Jesus name, we pray you may have a most thankful Thanksgiving, and that through your gifts you'll enable us to do likewise.

Yours, Forever For The Truth

JOHN R. GILPIN, Editor

P.S. As we "Trust the Lord and Tell His People," we would offer this closing reminder — we urgently need your faithful and generous support now and in the future, as we always have in the past.

#### "God or Man?"

(Continued from page 1)

When I say that the majority of people think of baptism and church truth as being unimportant, I am speaking primarily of the teachings of Billy Graham. I guess most of you know that I have a very, very low regard for • Graham's doctrinal position, and if you don't know it, I will Handfuls on Purpose take just a moment's time to say that each day he sinks just a little lower in my opinion in regard to the things that he fails to stand for. Billy Graham says that church truth is not important, that you can go to the church of your choice.

> I say, beloved, we have no choice in the matter of spiritual things. You can't say, "I choose the fact that many think baptism er." Rather, it is for you to accept tant - in spite of these facts, I what God says within His Word.

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choice in any wise at all. I say to to accept whatever the Word of Spurgeon. It is also a joy to you, in spite of Billy Graham, God teaches. and in spite of many others that To that person who says that I have been a Baptist for lived before his day, and in spite baptism and church truth are unnine years but did not quite of many others that shall come important, I say that God must why. Since reading THE after he is gone and in spite of house thought the same and in spite of house thought the same and in spite of house thouse the same and in spite of house the same and the sa



Our expenses have been greater and our income has not kept pace this year. I am thankful though paper. You can show your thank- (Continued on page 3, column 1) fulness for it, by your offering.

this doctrine and I reject anoth- and church truth are unimporsay that everything there is with- Dear Brother Gilpin: You have no right to make a in this Bible is important. I inright in any wise at all to ac- pass them on. cept what you wish and to reject what you wish. Your business is well as the writings of C. H.

after he is gone, and in spite of have thought them to be TIST EXAMINER I am important; otherwise, He would say that I know, and I extend the same of not have spoken about it as often be a Baptist the rest of my as He did. We find that Baptist baptism was spoken of many times in the New Testament. Lis-

"The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why did ye not then believe him?" — Mt. 21:25.

"The baptism of John, was it to have been able to edit this from heaven or men? answer

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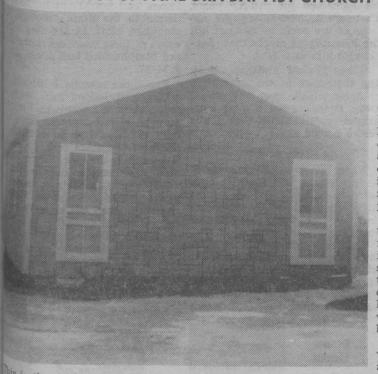
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die Casanova, Irene Hernen- helping to build them up in the

foundation doctrine. Therefore leaving the prin-

ciples of the doctrine of Christ, THY FAITH hath saved thee; go let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the FOUNDATION of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God. Of the ing on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment" — Heb 6:1, 2.

Now, beloved, whether you think baptism is important or not, whether preachers think it is important, whether Billy Graham the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou says that church truth amounts shalt be saved, and thy house."to nothing and you can take the Acts 16:31. church of your choice - regardless of what people may say, I

tist Church of which Brother in the world would be condemn- take the Lord's Supper. Instead, Baptist Church but the Pandora man habitation.

Beloved, I say to you, it is all It was a joy to us of Calvary important as to the foundation Baptist Church to send a ship- that goes into a house, and in ment of Bibles to these folk of view of the fact that baptism is recent date. We surely urge our referred to as a foundation docreaders to remember this church trine, I say it is all important that in prayer. It is doubtlessly inter- you pause, consider, and face the testing to all of our readers to question: is your baptism all know THE BAPTIST EXAMI- right? Is your baptism of God NER is read by these folk, and or man?

IF YOUR BAPTISM WAS AD-MINISTERED TO WASH AWAY SINS, THEN YOUR BAPTISM IS OF MAN.

There are lots of folk who believe that one's sins are washed away in the waters of the baptistry. I don't know whether the

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Devil believes this or not, but he gets a lot of preaching done in this manner, and there are a lot of preachers today who preach his doctrine that one's sins are

thus washed away.

That reminds me of the boy who, one afternoon, was playing with his goat, and he got mad heard that Jesus made and bap-at old Billy and decided that he tized disciples, as if to say that suffered him. And Jesus, when was going to change Billy into a the making of disciples was one lamb. He had been going to one thing and the baptizing of them of those Campbellite churches was a separate act, and that diswhere they tell you that all you ciples were not made in the act have to do is to be baptized to of baptism. get your sins washed away. He had heard the preacher say that Himself baptized not, but His dis-We are thankful unto the Lord you go down into the water a goat and come out a lamb. So he took Billy and soused him down in the water, and when he pulled him up he still had horns. He gle person when He was here in soused him a second time and the world, for Jesus Chr when he pulled him up, Billy did baptized any individual. not smell like he was wearing perfume. He soused him a third I say that nobody is saved by the time and when he pulled him up, waters of the baptistry. Through chin whiskers and all, he still was the years people have heard me not changed. He went back to the emphasize baptism and they say church that night and pointed his that I say that a man has to have finger at the preacher and said, Baptist baptism in order to be You lied. You said that you go saved. Beloved, I have never said down to the water a goat and any such thing. I say to you, Bapcome out a lamb." He said, "I tist baptism is important. It is

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Christ and good enough for the Let me tell you, my brother, twelve apostles, then surely it my sister, I don't care how many must have been Christian bap- times a person is baptized, it isn't going to change that person's na-In this connection, I want you ture. It isn't going to save the to notice also that baptism is a individual. Water, beloved, does

not wash away man's sins. Listen: "And he said to the woman,

in peace."—Luke 7:50. Notice, He didn't say, "Your baptism has saved you," or "Your church membership has saved doctrine of baptisms, and of lay- you." He didn't say, "The fact that you have come to me and have submitted unto an ordinance has saved you." Rather, He said, "Thy faith hath saved thee."

Listen again "And they said, BELIEVE on

This was the experience of the Philippian jailer. At the midwant to remind you that Baptist night hour he came out and stood baptism is a foundation doctrine. in the presence of Paul and Silas Do you know what it means, and cried unto them, "What must when building a house, to put in I do to be saved?" Notice, Paul a good foundation? I don't care didn't say to be baptized. He did us have received from the Lord. what you put above it, it is not tell him to submit to an ordi- "What shall we render unto the Pandora Baptist Church is a worthless if you don't have a nance. He didn't tell him to join Baptist Church, Pandora, missionary work of Caddo Bap- good foundation. The best house a church. He didn't tell him to Gene Hensley is pastor. Brother ed if it didn't have a good foun- he said, "Believe on the Lord Gene is not only pastor of Caddo dation. It would be unfit for hu- Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved"

> Notice again: "I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius. Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name. And I baptized also the household of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I baptized any other. For CHRIST SENT ME NOT TO BAPTIZE, but to preach the gospel not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect." — I Cor. 1: 14-17.

Notice that Paul says that he thanked God that he hadn't baptized any of them but Crispus and Gaius and the household of Stephanas. He said that he knew not whether he had baptized any other. Beloved, if baptism is essential to salvation, then the would be washed away — if you Apostle Paul thanked God that were baptized on that basis, then he didn't do the thing that would your baptism is of man and not be the means of people being of God. saved.

Can you imagine the Apostle Paul, great man of God that he was - can you imagine the Apostle Paul, mighty preacher, theologian and exponent of God's Word that he was - can you imagine the Apostle Paul thanking any man saying truthfully that God that he failed to do the thing that would be the means of any man's salvation? I tell you, beloved, man's sins are not washed away in the baptistry, but rather they are washed away by the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We read again:

"When therefore the Lord knew how the Pharisees had heard that lee to Jordan unto John, to be Jesus MADE and BAPTIZED baptized of him. But John formore disciples than John, (Though Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples.) -4:1, 2.

Notice that it says that they

ciples. Jesus didn't baptize anybody. Then, beloved, if baptism were essential to salvation, the Son of God never saved one sinthe world, for Jesus Christ never

Now in the light of these verses soused old Billy three times in the kind that Jesus Christ sub-the water this afternoon and it did mitted to at the hands of John the Baptist. It is the kind that the twelve apostles received at the hands of John the Baptist. It is the kind that they used in order to inaugurate and institute the first church that was ever estab-

lished in this world. I say to you, Baptist baptism is important, but, beloved, Baptist baptism and everybody else's baptism will never save one single soul.

I insist, beloved, if your baptism was for the purpose of washing away your sins, then your baptism was of man and not of God.

I don't know how many times in my ministry that somebody has come to me and said, "Brother Gilpin, I have been baptized and I am a member of the church, but I was never saved until just of recent date. What am I to do?" Do you know what I told those individuals every time? I told them to go before the church and ask the church to withdraw the

Many are the blessings each of Lord for all of His benefits?" Why not show your appreciation to the Lord by sending an offering to help us publish His precious, life giving Word?

hand of fellowship and then to present themselves as candidates for baptism. I say to you, baptism is for saved people. It is not in order to make saved people out of sinners. It is not in order that an unsaved man can become saved. It is not in order that a child of the Devil might become a child of God. It is not for any purpose other than to show forth one's allegiance to the Lord Jesus

I say then, if your baptism was for the purpose of washing away your sins - if you were deluded - if you were deceived - if you were lied to by some preacherif you were told that if you would

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IF YOUR BAPTISM IS THE TYPE WHERE THE MODE HAS BEEN CORRUPTED, THEN YOUR BAPTISM IS OF MAN.

There is not any possibility of you can take your choice as to sprinkling, pouring or immersion. The man who says that is just deliberately lying concerning God's Book. God's Word tells us what kind of baptism was administered in the New Testament. Listen:

Then cometh Jesus from Galibade him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest John thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to was baptized, WENT UP STRAIGHTWAY out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a Furthermore, it says that Jesus lo a voice from heaven saying. (Continued on page 5, column 1)

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Mark 11:30. ad all the people that heard and the publicans, justified being baptized with the bapof John. But the Pharisees awyers rejected the counsel against themselves, being aprized of him."—Luke 7:29,

d John also was baptizing hon near to Salim, because was much water there: and dame, and were baptized."-

ce that all four of the writers — Matthew, Mark, John — recorded incidents ning the baptism of John aptist. I say to you, God lave thought that Baptist was important or else He I't have recorded it in all four Gospels.

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Acts 1:22.

In this first chapter of Acts, Luke tells us that they were electing a successor for Judas Iscariot. Judas had hanged himself and that left eleven of the twelve original apostles. When they began to discuss the matter of electing this successor for Judas, one of the characteristics that he had to have was that he must have Baptist baptism that had been ad-

that this plays a good part in

ministered by John the Baptist. I say, then, beloved, in view of the fact that Baptist baptism is mentioned in all four Gospels, and in view of the fact that they could not elect a successor for Judas unless he had had Baptist baptism that was administered by John the Baptist - in view of these facts, surely God must have thought Baptist baptism important or else He would not have spoken of it so often.

Now I say that there are some individuals who say that John's baptism was not Christian bapsinning from the baptism tism. Sometime ago, I picked up a unto that same day that book written by a Baptist preacher who had gone off on a tangent ordained to be a witness like some other folk through the years. He said that John's baptism wasn't Christian baptism. Well, beloved, all I have to say



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is this, if it wasn't Christian baptism, then Jesus Christ didn't have Christian baptism, because the only baptism that Jesus had was that which was administered by John the Baptist. If John's baptism wasn't Christian baptism the baptism of the 12 apostles wasn't Christian baptism, because the only baptism that they had was that which was administered by John the Baptist. I say to you, if John's baptism

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"In Matthew 24:34, Jesus Christ concluded his discourse regarding some events to precede his second advent. In this particular verse, Christ tells his contemporaries that these events would take place during their lifetime. In Matt. 24:21, he includes a tribulation as one of these events. He describes this tribulation as having never been equaled in the future. How do those who are looking for a great tribulation (such as Premillenialists) explain the words of Christ in Matt. 24:34 and Mark 13:30?"

First, may I say that from Matt. you find this word in your Bible 24:21 we learn (that is, if we are it definitely means a particular teachable) that this awful time group of people. our Lord is talking about is worse than any time that has ever been make the word than any time that will ever be can only mean the seven years of great tribulation that ends with the battle of Armageddon and ushers in the glorious thousand

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the earth. Any other view of this will, as I see it, require a lot of explaining away of some Scriptures, and an outright denial of still others.

awful time at the very end of this time of Jacob's trouble. age, and since it has already been almost two thousand years since our Lord gave this discourse, and furthermore, since John, the last of this group to die, has been dead almost nineteen hundred years, therefore our problem seems to be cut out for us. And it seems that our greatest obstacle to Scriptural problem solving is our proneness to give our own preconceived definition to Bible words rather than go about searching for the Bible definition. For example, many Baptists are ready to rise up in arms if you suggest that the word "world" in Jno. 3:16 does not mean all of mankind. They do this in spite of the fact that almost everywhere

So, here in Matt. 24:34 if we

"generation" before it, and also that it is worse -mean the cycle of an individual's life, that is, if we have Jesus sayafter it. To Bible believers this ing that this terrible time under consideration was to come upon the earth while those particular disciples were still living, we are in hot water, so to speak. But, if year reign of our Lord here on He had meant that those disciples would still be living when that terrible time came He would have NEA. And one meaning of GE-NEA is a race of people, possessed and shineth unto the west, so of similar characteristics, etc. It later came to mean an age. So, Williams translates this verse "I solemnly say to you, the present age will not pass away before all this takes place."

As I see it, Jesus is saying that Jews will still be living upon the earth when that awful time comes. From other Scriptures we are persuaded that the Jews will be the chief sufferers during this Then, since we must place this time. In Jer. 30:7 it is called the



Let me start by saying I do not believe that Jesus predicted something that did not come to pass, therefore this passage deserves careful study. The Greek word used here — translated "generais the word "genea." This word is not only translated "generation" — it is sometimes trans-lated "race." Weymouth in his modern translation says in a footnote, "Or race." Then he mentions that the word is often so translated in classical Greek. If "genea" here means "race," and certainly it would seem a preferable Jewish race would not pass away tory that this race has been preserved despite every persecution, and is even now being regathered to Palestine. Premillenial Bible scholars such as Scofield for instance, hold to the view mentioned above.

In order to understand Matthew 24 we must first of all take up the context to find out why it was that Christ spoke in such a fashion to the disciples. In this Scripture we hear the disciples ask our Lord a question. "And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately saying, Tell us, when shall these things be, and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and the end of the world?" Matt. 24:3.

The disciples had asked the

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tion had three parts (1) when though he has been removed from get churches involved in political shall these things be, (2) what his homeland for many years, issues, and would not hesitate to shall be the sign of the coming. shall be the sign of the coming, Though scattered among the na-dominate the State through the (3) sign of the end of the world, tions of the earth he has not lost churches, Matt. 22:21; they often The remaining part of chapter 24 the indentifying marks that chare exact of their members oaths that and all of chapter 25 is given in activities him and all of chapter 25 is given in activities him to be a second of their members oaths that and all of chapter 25 is given in acterize him as a Jew. answer to this question. Verses 4 through 14 are given in answer and then look at the generation to the first part of the question, of Jews which have not passed "When shall these things be?" Verses 15 thriugh 25 are in answer



to the second part of the question, "What shall be the sign of thy coming (not the coming of the Roman General Titus). Verse 32 through chapter 25 is given in answer to the last part of the question, "When shall the end of the age be." (Not end of Jerusalem).

He told the disciples that His used the word GENESIS. But we coming would be as clear as a find that He used the word GE- flash of lightning. "For as the lightning cometh out of the east,

you to answer it from your heart.

shall the coming of the Son of man be." Matt. 24:27.

He has told them in verse 21 that they were to go through a great tribulation or a great storm of trouble, then He would come to them as a bolt of lightning that flasheth in the east. For lightning to flash in the east, the storm must be past, therefore the tribulation must be past before the Son of man puts in his appearance, back to the earth. Nowhere on the pages of God's word, or on the pages of secular history, is there reference to a certain number of years, or to a lifetime of a certain group of people, for Psa. 22:30 refers to the race of the godly, whereas Prov. 30:11-14 refers to the race of the ungodly.

In the passage under considertranslation, then the words of Je- ation the word generation is resus become a prophecy that the ferring to the nation of Israel, who shall not pass away until all till all these things be fulfilled." until the predictions he had been the prophecies of Matthew 24 be making came to fulfillment. The fulfilled. As we walk down the question arises, "has the Jewish streets of our cities, we can see race passed away?" The answer with our own eyes, that the Lord is no, and it is the miracle of his- has kept his promise, for there 555555555555555555555

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When I read Matthew 24:34, away, it makes me a more confirmed premillenialist than I was may be a saved person and be-before I read it.

When we read a passage of Scripture that seems to be a little hard to understand, we must study the rest of the Bible in order to find what God teaches

Obviously this passage in Matthew is talking about a great tribulation. Of course, these things have not yet come to pass. Now we know that God cannot lie. (". . . which God, that cannot

about that particular thing.

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lie . . ."-Titus 1:2). Since God cannot lie and the things have not come to pass it is perfectly clear that the word "generation" does not mean the lifetime of those people to whom Christ was speaking. Let's not try to prove God wrong. That's what you are doing when you question some passage that would seem to prove something contrary to Bible teaching.

There is coming a time when the Lord will come again and sit on the throne of David. (Rev. 3: 21; Matt. 25:31). This throne will is from the heart. May God help 9). We will reign with Him (Rev. ished?" The need for sinners to 6:2,3). Our reign will be on earth turning to God from idols? No (Rev. 5:9,10). All these, and many indeed. The need for mortifying others, teach that there others, teach that there are yet my members which are upon many things to come to pass including the tribulation period

> What about this word "generation" that our querist calls the row for, hatred of, and striving lifetime of those to whom He was against sin, useless. Christ died speaking? speaking?

of Matt. 24.

are two interpretations for this ship and fellowship of the world, passage in Matthew passage in Matthew.

eration of those who are living when the last days begin. I don't believe that I can accept this in- ished? The sacrificial types were terpretation terpretation.

terpretation. The word "genea" had been perfectly done, a sure means a generation—or the Jew- (Continued on page 8 column ish race. This generation or the that I believe to be the true inish race. This generation, or the Jews, as a nation "will not pass,



(Continued from page one) to get into the confidence and good will of men, but not a bloodwashed, regenerated, Spirit-filled child of God who knows how to trust his Heavenly Father and to pray! Phil. 4:19; Eph. 3:20; Matt. 21:22.

14. Lodges use such terms as "brother," "prophet," "priest," etc., in unscriptural ways. They assign to their offices, in many cases, silly, preposterous, and blasphemous titles.

15. Lodges are anti-Christian in many of their teachings. They take the emphasis off the blood of Christ and put it on good works; they teach the continuation of their lodges in the next life; they often offer false hope and comfort to bereaved relatives of lodge members; they teach the universal Fatherhood of God, John 8:44, and a brotherhood of the unregenerate to approach God in prayer; they do not use the name of Jesus Christ in their prayers, John 14:13,14: 14-6;

Lord one question, but this ques- we see the Jew — still a Jew they dabble in politics and often are blasphemous and cruel, Math 5:34-37.

For these reasons I cannot, as a Christian, belong to a lodge or secret society. I admit that a man long to them, but he cannot be the best Christian and do so. It is an unholy alliance. When lodge members become deeply interested in spiritual things, they invariably lose interest in lodges, and some drop out or withdraw. Only a carnal Christian can take much interest and delight in lodges and their doings. "God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him and walk in dark ness, we lie, and do not the truth." I John 1:5,6.



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## "It Is Finished!"

(Continued from page one) divine indulgence that we migh live to please self? Many seem to think so. No, the Lord Jesus has left His people an example that they should "follow (not ignore) His steps.'

"It is finished." What was "finrepent? No indeed. The need for earth? No indeed. The need for being sanctified wholly, in spirit and soul, and body? No indeed Christ died not to make my sor not to absolve me from the full discharge of my responsibilities many meanings ranging from unto God. Christ died not so that I "this lifetime" to "an age." There might go on retaining the friend are two interpretations for this One interpretation is that the should think that He did. Yet the ration of them after the strength of the should think that He did. Yet this ration of them. generation meant here is the gen- actions of many show that this eration of those who are limited actions of many show that is their idea.

"It is finished." What was "finaccomplished, the prophecies The other interpretation is one His sufferings were fulfilled, at I believe to be the true in work given Him by the Father

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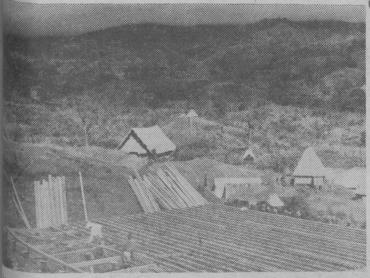
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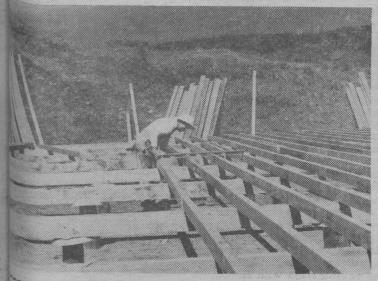
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these two pictures you can see something of the work started on Permanent house. Not too much can be seen in these two pictures you can see the beginning of it. I have more done on the house and expect to progress steadily on it now. I have a portable sawand a planer so now we are able to build the house of sawn and essed timber. I also intend to put inside plumbing in the house with, hot water system and an inside toilet. I have been trying to recruit <sup>the</sup> native carpenters to help me some on the house but as of now lave no one. Three men had promised to help me but for some reason ey decided not to come.



shirt, shoes and all, and he went

he had no other clothes with him.

see what the mode of baptism is:

in Aenon near to Salim, because

and they came, and were bap-

tice this, they were baptizing at

"And he commanded the chariot

to stand still: and they WENT DOWN both into the water, both

Philip and the eunuch; and he

BAPTIZED him. And when they

were COME UP out of the water,

the Spirit of the Lord caught

him no more: and he went on his

Notice that it says that they

went down into the water and

Philip baptized the eunuch and

that they both came up out of

the water. I ask you, what kind

of baptism did Philip administer

so far as the eunuch was con-

It may be that I speak to some-

body who has been sprinkled and

the preacher may have told you

that you had been baptized. When

that took place, I ask you, did

anybody go down into the water?

When you were sprinkled, did

anybody come up out of the water? Ah, my brother, my sister,

you can read all the way through

the Bible but you can't find in

any wise at all that baptism was

ever administered except by the

"Therefore we are BURIED WITH HIM BY BAPTISM into

death: that like as Christ was

raised up from the dead by the

glory of the Father, even so we

also should walk in newness of

act of immersion.

Notice again:

Philip, that the euro

way rejoicing."—Acts 8:28, 39.

tized."-John 3:23.

ter is immersion.

Listen again:

Notice again that you might

#### God or Man?"

Continued from page 3) my beloved Son, in whom Well pleased."—Mt. 3:13-17. emember several years ago was reading this passage ripture just before the end message. A fellow from state was in the audiand when I read this pasof Scripture I asked the what kind of baptism hrist receive at the hands in the Baptist? I can see ellow now as he came down isle before I finished my ge and asked me if I were to baptize that night? I told lat I was and he said, "I the same kind of baptism esus had — immersion — He went straightway up the water." Beloved, I bap-

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life."—Rom 6:4.

Notice that this Scripture refers to baptism as a burial. When you bury a person you put him out of sight. When you bury a person you put him down under the ground. You don't for one moment's time sprinkle a little dirt on top of the casket. Rather, you put the person entirely out of sight. I tell you, beloved, it would be just as logical and just as true to take an individual who has departed this life and sprinkle a handful of dirt upon the casket and say that you have buried him as it would be to take a handful of water and sprinkle upon an individual and say that you have baptized him. There is only one mode whereby baptism was ever administered and that is by immersion, and any baptism where the mode has been corrupted is a baptism of man and not of God.

Do you remember how it was the night that Moses led the

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children of Israel out of Egypt going toward the land of Pales-- how he led them through the Red Sea? The Word of God says that when they came to tized that man that night-pants, the Red Sea the waters stood up on one side and the waters stood home in his wet clothes because up on the other side, and a cloud came down and covered them from above. Paul, in speaking of this, refers to it as a figure of "And John also was baptizing baptism, for he said:

"And were all BAPTIZED unto there was MUCH WATER there: Moses IN THE CLOUD AND IN THE SEA."—I Cor. 10:2.

Now where were they baptiz- they have that day? They were ing? At Aenon near to Salim, be- completely immersed, with water cause there was much water on each side of them and the there. Beloved, sprinkling doesn't cloud over them. It was a type, a require much water. Pouring does figure, of baptism by immersion not require much water. But no- as practiced today.

I say then, beloved, if the mode Aenon because there was much of your baptism was altered and water there. The only mode of you were baptized by sprinkling baptism that requires much wa- or pouring rather than by immer-

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and not of God.

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ANY BAPTISM OF BABIES done to show your interest in IS ENTIRELY A BAPTISM OF

I was holding a revival in another state some years ago and a Methodist preacher in that town decided on the middle Sunday of the revival meeting that he would baptize some babies. He made the announcement during the week that he was going to perform the most beautiful form of baptism that was ever administered, hoping I think, to draw the crowd from our church. This is the way that he did it. He took a rosebud and dipped it into a glass of water and then he would touch that rosebud to the forehead of the baby and then give that rosebud to the mother. Then he said, Now what kind of baptism did "Now this is not like the baptism

Thanksgiving ought to mean

the giving of money as well as

thanks. We covet your gift for

the furtherance of our ministry

that the Baptists administer. A

and when they come up, their

clothes cling to them. It is a vulgar sight."

Beloved, beauty does not enter

into the matter of whether a

thing is right or wrong; it is a question as to what the Word of

God says. There are lots of things

that may be beautiful, but def-

I remember a man years ago

when I was pastor in Cincinnati,

who was a Presbyterian. He was

the only person I ever saw who

wanted to be a Baptist and a

Presbyterian both. In fact, he told

me that he had to go to his

church on Sunday morning be-

cause of the position which he held, but he liked to come to the

Baptist Church on Sunday night

because he enjoyed hearing me

preach. He said, "If you don't

mind, I would like to be a mem-

ber of both churches. I would like

goes down into the water

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initely wrong.

sion, your baptism was of man to retain my membership at the Presbyterian Church and I would like also for you to take me in and baptize me and let me be a member of the Baptist Church." Beloved, you can know about what my reaction was to his pro-(Continued on page 7, column 1)

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## "FIFTY YEARS IN THE CHURCH OF

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when we heard that the drunk- cal way? en priests around us were publishing that the bishop had interdicted me, and they had received orders from him to take Chicago with the following recharge of the colony of St. Anne. I immediately called a meeting of the whole people and told them: "The bishop has not interthreatened to do so, if I do not leave this place for Kahokia, by the 15th of next month. But falsely publish that he has done it. We may expect anything from and sacerdotal functions. the destroyer of the fine congregation of the French Canadians of Chicago. He wants to destroy me and you as he has destroyed them. But before he immolates us, I hope that, with the help of God, we will fight as Christian soldiers, for our life, and we will use all the means which the laws of our church, the Holy Word of less tyrant.



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ed? Is Mr. Chiniquy guilty of terdicted? Have those crimes been This letter was not yet mailed proved against him in a canoni-

> (3) "Why do you take Mr. Chiniquy away from us?"

> Our deputies came back from port and answers which they swore to, some time after, before the Kankakeee court.

(1) "I have suspended Mr. Chidicted me as the neighbouring niquy on the 19th inst. on acpriests published; he has only count of his stubbornness and want of submission to my orders, when I ordered him to Kakokia.

(2) "If Mr. Chiniquy has said though he has not interdicted mass since, as you say, he is irme, it may be that he does today, regular, and the Pope alone can restore him in his ecclesiastical

(3) "I take him away from St. Anne, despite his prayers and yours, because he has not been willing to live in peace and friendship with the Rev. Messrs. Lebel and Carthuval.

(The bishop, being asked for public scandals, was forced to "Yes!")

(4) "My second reason for tak-God, and the glorious Constitu- ing Mr. Chiniquy from St. Anne, tion of the United States allow and sending him to his new misus to employ against our merci- sion, is to stop the law-suit Mr. Spink has instituted against him.

not promise that.").

proved before me.

(6) "Mr. Chiniquy has demanded an inquest to prove his innocence against certain accusations made against him; he asked me the names of his accusers, to confound them; I have refused to grant this request.

(After the bishop had made those declarations, the deputation Pope and tell him, not all, for it so many to witness the last tyrpresented him the letter of Mr. Chiniquy; it evidently made a deep impression upon him. As soon as he read it, he said):

(7) "Tell Mr. Chiniquy to come new mission, and I will give him labour there. Signed: Francis Be-

\* Those gentlemen, with the living, 1885.

After the above had been read and delivered to the people, I showed them the evident falsehood and contradictions of the bishop, when he said in his second answer: "If Mr. Chiniquy said mass since I interdicted him, avaricious bishop: "Come sell our he is irregular, and the Pope parsonage and our church here, alone can restore him in his ecclesiastical functions," and then fore, we have a glorious battle in the seventh. "tell Mr. Chiniquy to fight. It is the battle of freein the seventh, "tell Mr. Chiniquy to come and meet me to prepare for his new mission, and I will give him the letters he wants to go and labour there." The last sentence, I said, proves that he knew he had not interdicted me as he said at first. For, had he done so, he could not give me letters to administer the sacraments and preach at Kahokia before the Pope, who, alone, as he said himself, could give such powers, after he (the bishop) knew that I had said mass since my return from Chicago. Now, my friends, here is the law of our holy church, not saying, or the law of publicly degraded man, as the Bishop of Chicago: "If a man had unjustly condemned, let him pay no attention to the unjust sentence; let him even do nothing to have that unjust sentence removed." \*Canon of the Church, by Pope Gelasius.

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me on the 19th, his sentence bishop dishonours, will bless us. would be unjust, for, from his Our Saviour Jesus Christ, whose nailed this document to the door own lips, we have the confession, Gospel is despised by that adven- of our chapel, had gone away at that no accusation has ever been turer, will be for us, and give full speed, I went to see it, and proved before him; that I am one us a glorious victory. Have you found, what I had expected, then of his best priests; that he does not read in your Bibles that Je- it was not signed by the bishop, not want to be deprived of my sus wanted His disciples to be neither by his grand vicar, nor any crime to deserve to be inservices.' Yes, such a sentence, if free, when He said: 'If the Son any known person, and, conseterdicted? Have those crimes been passed, would have been unjust, therefore shall make you free, quently it was a complete nullity, and our business, today, would ye shall be free indeed.' (John 8: according to the laws of the be to treat it with the contempt 6). Does that mean that the Son church. Fearing I would proseit would deserve. But that unjust of God wants us to be the slaves cute him, as I threatened, he sentence has not been n sentence has not been pronounced, of Bishop O'Regan? 'No!' cried shrank from the responsibility of since, after saying mass every out the whole people. May God his own act, and had not signed day since the 19th, the bishop bless you for your understanding it. He was probably ignorant of himself wants to give me letters of your Christian rights. Let all the fact that he was himself to go to Kahokia and work as those who want to be free, with communicated, IPSO FACTO, for one of his best priests. It strikes me, raise their hands. "Oh! bless- not having signed the document



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

be stopped by the removal of bishop wants to accomplish. It formance will be worth seeing; Mr. Chiniquy, answered: "I can- is my desire to remain in your (5) "Mr. Chiniquy is one of the Catholics. If you are true to me, your life." I was not mistaken. best priests in my diocese, and as I will be to you, in the imof his services, no accusation ing to fear; for our holy Cath- chosen by the bishop to excomthe Gospel of Christ is for us. Even the Pope, to whom we will bishop of St. Louis, to whom I would make too large a volume, wants to devour us. He is, today, selling the bones of the dead and meet me to prepare for his which are resting in the Roman Catholic cemetery of Chicago! the letters he wants, to go and But if you are true to yourselves as Catholics and Americans, that chard, J. B. Lemaine, Leon Mail- mitred tyrant will not sell the bones of our friends and relatives which rest here in our burysonage and the church which our Bishop O'Regan. dear countrymen had built in Chicago. Those properties are, today, in the hands of the Irish; but if you promise to stand by your rights as Christian men and American citizens, I will tell that if you desire!' As I told you bedom against the most cruel tyranny the world has ever seen; it is the battle of truth against falsehood; it is a battle of the old Gospel of Christ against the new gospel of Bishop O'Regan. Let us be true to ourselves to the end,

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"If the bishop had interdicted and our holy church, which that 1856. me, today, for the first time, that ed be the Lord," I said, "there himself, or his known deputies. are more than 3,000 hands raised I learned afterwards, that he gol toward heaven to say that you a boy twelve years old to write want to be free! Now, let those and sign it. In this way, it was who do not want to defend the who do not want to defend their impossible for me to bring that rights as Christians, and as document before any court, on American citizens, raise their account of its want of legal and hands. "Thanks be to God," I necessary forms. That act was again exclaimed, "there is not a also a nullity, for being brought traitor among us! You are all the by three priests who were not true, brave and noble soldiers of COMPOS MENTIS, from their God's people have so much to liberty, truth and righteousness! actual state of drunkenness. And May the Lord bless you all!"

It is impossible to describe the enthusiasm of the people. Before dismissing them, I said: "We will, no doubt, very soon, witness one of the most ludicrous comedies ever played on this continent; that comedy is generally called excommunication. Some drunken priests, sent by the drunkard Bishop of Chicago, will come to (The bishop being asked if he it is more your destruction, as excommunicate us. I expect their would promise that the suit would a people, than mine, which the visit in a few days. That perand I hope that you will see and midst to defend your rights as hear the most amusing thing in The very next day, we heard that I do not want to deprive myself pending struggle, we have noth- the 3rd of September had been against his morality has been olic Church is for us; all her laws municate us. I said to the peoand canons are in our favour; ple: "When you see the flag of the free and the brave floating The God of the Gospel is for us. from the top of our steeple, come and rally around that emblem of tell you a thing, which, till today 3,000 people on our beautiful hill, distance from the chapel, and I kept secret; viz.: The Arch- when the priests made their apbishop of St. Louis, to whom I pearance. A few minutes before, brought my complaint, in April I had said to that immense gathlast, advised me to write to the ering: "I bless God that you are annical act of Bishop O'Regan. but something of the criminal But I have a favour to ask of deeds of the roaring lion who you, it is, that no insult or opposition whatever will be made to the priests who come to play that comedy. Please do not say an angry word; do not move a finger against .the performers They are not responsible for what they will do, for two reasons: They will probably be drunk. They are bound to do that exception of Mr. Allaire, are still ing ground. He has sold the par- work, by their master and lord

> The priests arrived at about two o'clock p.m., and never such shouting and clapping of hands had been heard in our colony as on their appearance. Never had I seen my dear people so cheerful and good-humored, as when But after sitting and smoking one of the priests trembling from one of the priests, trembling from head to foot with terror and read following sham act of excommunication; which he nailed on the door of the chapel: The Reverend Monsiour Chiniquy, heretofore curate of St. Anne, Colonie of Beaver, in the Diocese of Chicago, has formally been interdicted by me for canonical causes. The said Mr. Chiniquy, nothwith-standing that interdict, has maliciously performed the functions of the holy ministry, in administering the holy sacraments and saying mass. This has caused him to be irregular, and in direct opposition to the authority of the church, consequently, he is a schismatic. The said Mr. Chiniquy, thus named by my letters and verbal injunction, has absolutely persisted in violating the laws of the church, and disobeyed her authority, is by this present letter excommunicated. I forbid any Catholic having any communication with him, in spiritual with the wonderful preaching matters, under pain of excommunication. Every Catholic who of God's People at the Bible Con goes against this suspense, is excommunicated. (Signed) ANTH- enabled it to be so. ONY' Bishop of Chicago, and administrator of Quincy. Sept. 3,

As soon as the priests, who had again, it was a nullity from the evident falsehood which was its

It alleged that the bishop had interdicted and suspended me on the 19th of August, for canonical causes. But he had declared to the four deputies we had sent him: "That Mr. Chiniquy was one of my best priests, that nothing ing had been proved against him," consequently, no canonical cause could exist for the allegation. The people understood very well that the whole affair was a miserable farce, designed to separate them from their pastor. It had just, by the good provi-dence of God, the contrary effect. They had never shown me such sincere respect and devot edness as since that never-to-beforgotten day.

The three priests, after leaving entered the house of one of our farmers, called Bellanger, a short asked permission to rest awhile.



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few minutes they all went out to the stables. The farmer thinkthem to see what they would ing this very strange, went in his stables; to his surprise and disgust, he found them drinking the last of their whiskey. He exclaimed, "Is it not a shame to set three priests in a stable drinking spirits?'

They made no answer, went immediately to their car riage and drove away as quickly as possible, singing with all their might, a bacchanalian song! Such was the last act of that excom munication, which has done more than anything else to prepare my people and myself to understand that the church of Rome is a den of thieves, a school of infidelity and the very antipodes of the

Church of Christ. To Be Continued Next Week



We were very much impres God's Word and the fellowship ference. We thank God that He

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Massie Huntington, W. Va.

#### "God or Man?"

(Continued from page 5) Osition without my telling you. Anyhow, he used to come to vices every Sunday night. One unday night he came to me and id, "Brother Gilpin, where do Presbyterians get this idea sprinkling babies?" I said, "I n't believe I know," and I did I said, "Your Presbyterian stor is a much more learned an than I. I am just a boy eacher. You ask him where to d sprinkling in the Bible." The at Sunday night he was in the vices and I asked him if he asked his pastor and he said, es, this morning I got to see just between Sunday School church services and he said at he was busy and didn't have le, but that he would look it The next Sunday night I ed him again if he had asked pastor and he said, "Yes, but said that he had been busy week and hadn't had time to it up." Beloved, I worried at fellow for about six months' for every time I saw him I uld ask him if he had asked pastor yet and he would als say that his pastor had en busy and had not had time find the Scripture.

eloved, do you know why that Sbyterian preacher didn't have e to look it up? It just isn't the Word of God. I'll give any son a hundred dollar bill if he find one passage of Scripture talks about baptizing babies. I often say, there are three ses of Scriptures that teach baptism of babies: one class about babies but doesn't about baptism; another class about baptism but doesn't about babies; a third class In other words, it just isn't the Word of God.

had baptism that was ap- of man and not of God. red of God. Your baptism is of man.

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YOUR BAPTISM WAS HOUT THE AUTHORITY OF CHURCH THAT JESUS T, THEN YOUR BAPTISM OF MAN AND NOT OF

met in my life was a Bapfrom West Virginia. After ng me preach a number of , he asked one day, "Brother n, do you believe that anybesides Baptists have the Ority to baptize?" I said, "No, He said, "Well, that is only thing that I have ever d that I can't go along with on." When I asked him why ouldn't go along with me on said that he had never been

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taught it. I asked, "Brother, are you willing to be taught?" He said, "I want to know everything that the Word of God teaches. I thank God that when I took the Book and studied it with him, he accepted it.

I ask you, beloved, are you as teachable as that man was?

I say that baptism was given by God to John the Baptist to inaugurate. Listen:

"And I knew him not: but HE THAT SENT ME TO BAPTIZE WITH WATER, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Spirit."-John 1:33.



There are friends of THE BAP-TIST EXAMINER who could pay off our entire obligation and never miss it. This would be a fine time to show your gratitude to God for His goodness, by thus relieving us of our burden, or at least a part of it.

Beloved, there was but one individual in this world that ever had a commission from God to baptize, and that was John the Baptist. He baptized a group of individuals and Jesus Christ took that group that John the Baptist had baptized, and instituted His church. Just as David, in the Old Testament, prepared the material for the temple, and later Solomon took that material which David n't talk about babies or bap- had prepared and built the temple, so John the Baptist didn't start the first Baptist church; h, beloved, listen, if that is rather, John the Baptist baptized only kind of baptism that the individuals and Jesus Christ have had - that of sprink- took those individuals which a little water on your inno- John the Baptist had baptized and face when you were a baby started His church. I say to you, that is all you ever had, then any individual who has baptism baptism is of man and not that is without the authority of You have never had the church that Jesus built, that btural baptism. You have individual's baptism is a baptism

When the Lord Jesus Christ was leaving this world, He said:

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

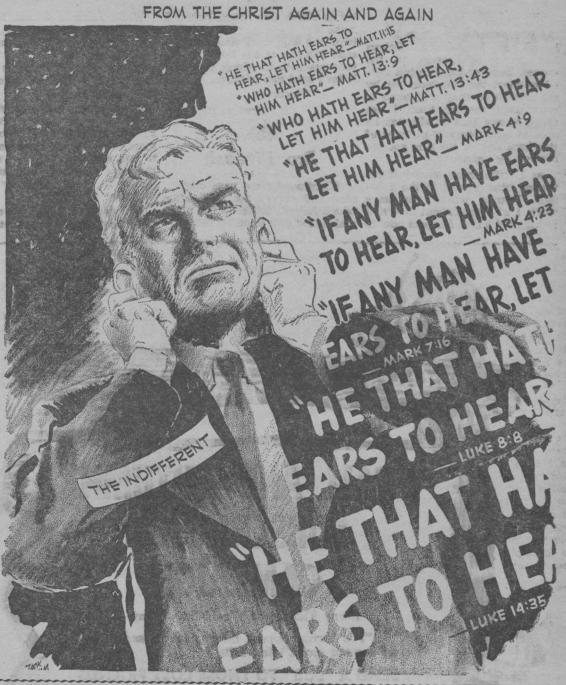
> Jesus, in speaking to His church said they were to go out and make disciples, and after having made them they were to baptize

I say then that God gave the authority to baptize to John the Baptist. Jesus took those individuals which John baptized and organized His church. The church had a commission given to it to be a baptism of God. If your bap- help too? tism was a baptism that was without the authority of the church that Jesus built, then your

#### CONCLUSION

Years ago, a man and his family moved from another state to Eastern Kentucky. He immediateand three children presented themselves to be received into of Almighty God. In view of this, our church. We received them. One day in preaching, I made your baptism is of God and not mention of the fact that a person of man. If I thought there was ought to be baptized under the any doubt about my baptism authority of a local Baptist whether it would be approved by church; otherwise, his baptism is God, I would ask for Baptist worthless. When I made that baptism at the hands of this statement, this man came forward church right now. and said, "Brother Gilpin, I guess I don't have Baptist baptism." He said when he was a youngster that he joined a Campbellite church and later was received in-Summunicummunicammunicammunicum to a Baptist Church without being

FROM THE CHRIST AGAIN AND AGAIN



baptized. He said, "I didn't know any better then, but I do now, and I want Baptist baptism." baptized him. About a year passed by and one morning at the services this man came forward and said, "Brother Gilpin, I never saw the truth that Jesus Christ died for all my sins until this morning. am saved. What do I do now? Beloved, I told the church what he had told me and the church withdrew the hand of fellowship from him and immediately voted to receive him as a candidate for baptism. I baptized him that day.

No man is so tall that he never needs to stretch, nor so small that he never needs to stoop.



has a baptism that can be said to Will you not sacrifice a little to

Beloved, this man had had a baptism is of man and not of "dipping" twice, but he was never by Mr. B. F. Smith, Division of received baptism at the hands of sissippi. In the introduction to a Baptist Church.

I tell you, beloved, this matter ly began coming to church and of baptism is an all - important one Sunday evening, he, his wife, matter. Some of these days you are going to stand in the presence you want to be mighty sure that

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## Another Baptist Pastor Objects To Literature

Mr. Philip B. Harris, Secretary Training Union Department 127 Ninth Avenue, North Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Mr. Harris:

On page six, Baptist Young Peoples quarterly for July-August-September, 1964, was a list of study resource materials which included one book by Martin "Lucifer" King, Jr., and three books by the colored author, James Baldwin. Is it not true that Mr. Baldwin promotes the idea that every white girl should find herself a Colored male? Is it not true that Baldwin brings forth this statement, or question in one of his books: "What a pain in the . . . old Jesus Christ has turned out to be?" Someone was responsible for this type material being recommended to our young people. Will you kindly advise baptize and the individual who has had baptism administered to port and on-going of this paper him under the authority of a that you may have delayed dochurch like the church that Jesus ing? Many are sacrificing to pubbuilt, is the only individual that lish THE BAPTIST EXAMINER.

by name the person or persons who were responsible? Are they still on the payroll of the Southern Baptist Convention in any gapacity? If not, when were they discharged? discharged?

In the current Baptist Young something for man. Peoples quarterly, the topic of the lesson for Oct. 3, is: "The Origin of the Roman Catholics," baptized until he saw that Jesus Religion and Philosophy, William Christ had died for his sins and Carey College, Hattiesburg, Mis-MATERIAL FOR STUDY, he says: "The Roman Catholic Church, which is also a state, is unlike any other institution on earth. As a Christian denomination . . ." In the conclusion to this portion of his writing for Oct. 3, Mr. Smith says in part: "But Baptists should be careful not to deny by their attitudes some teachings which they consider important. They believe that salvation is a personal, individual matter. Therefore, they should not condemn persons as unsaved simply because those persons belong. to the Catholic Church." In other words, he seems to be saying that if a person believes in the Satanic doctrine of the Roman-seconds

Church, we should still consider him a Christian.

How long do you think you at headquarters can feed the young people such venom as described above? Did it ever occur to you that your pay might be cut off. when enough thinking people withdraw support to any part of such a program as this?

Before me is a letter to me from a converted Catholic. He says of this author, Mr. B. F. Smith: "As a former Catholic and having studied their doctrine quite a bit I do not see how he could refer to them as Christian."

Do you plan to continue to engage writers with such unscriptural views as Mr. Smith, and those whose books were mentioned in the first paragraph?

Very truly yours, Julius C. Taylor, Taylors, S. C.



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(Continued from Page 1) here as missionary. Others had made application to the church here for baptism but failed to meet the standards set by the church so they will have to wait until another time. I am sorry to say that I will not be able to send you any pictures of this baptising as the film got destroyed by accident.

As I write this I have just returned from a visit to the Solo-

letter I send two pictures.

Sincerely, Fred T. Halliman



#### Bro. Fiveash

(Continued from page one)

make any more major mission moved from this country, there Church has helped support a trips and will, from time to time, are many places there, that are great number of individuals send pictures of the house as we in desperate need of the Truth, whom we have recommended in progress with it. Along with this and Brother Fiveash plans to lo- the past. We think it is time now cate it in the field wherever God that our readers assist this church may lead him.

> of God, we have known Brother will welcome any help that any Fiveash for many years, and it is other church might wish to conmore than a joy to commend him tribute, and knowing Brother Fito our readers, especially asking veash we are sure that he will that you remember him and his appreciate it. family in prayer, as they make plans for the future.

We would also like to call to the attention of our readers that

try to finish our house before I While Jamacia is not far re- the Woodlawn Terrace Baptist in the support of this new mis-It so happens in the providence sionary. We are sure that they



may we thank and praise God foundation had been laid this year as never before for all which a righteous God could be His benefits, remembering that don the vilest transgressor of the Thansksgiving should mean "sharing." Are you sharing your material substance with those who carry on in the cause of Christ? Today, be thankful and share.

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## "It Is Finished!"

(Continued from page four) law who threw down the weap ons of his warfare against Hin Christ had now performed all the was necessary in order for Holy Crisis Holy Spirit to come and work the hearts of His people; convinc ing them of their rebellion, slay ing their enmity against, and pro ducing in them a loving and ob dient heart.

O, dear reader, make no mitake on this point. The "finishe work of Christ" avails you noth ing if your heart has never been broken through an agonizing con sciousness of your sinfulnes
The "finished work of Christ
avails you avails you nothing unless have been saved from the p and pollution of sin (Matt. 12 It avails you nothing if you love the world (I John 2:15). avails you nothing unless you a "new creature" in Him (II 5:17). If you value your st search the Scriptures to see yourself; take no man's word



Will you make glad and the ful our hearts as you thanksgiving share with us bounty?

Was a great joy to read o blessings the Lord showered on the recent Bible Confert Also wanted to write again what a help the TBE how the messages encourage heart to keep on keeping Jesus's sake. I feel I would st if I didn't receive this help week to week; you get 50 in most churches today.

With prayer, Mrs. Kennedy (Ohio)



## Crutches

(Continued from page verbs 23:7, "For as a man eth in his heart, so is he man thinks he is handicapp is! If he thinks the wol against him, it is! What you? Are you wearing braces you could do better

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