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# HALLIMANS ARRANGING VISIT

subject of the matter is, my wife's physical condition and the possibility of our return to America

for a while.

I first made mention of this in a letter to Brother Gilpin about a month before Conference time, and then again on the 9th of November when I wrote to him. Recently I have received some letters from churches and pastors concerning the matter and it may be that some of you have not the m full picture, hence this word to pryou now.

#### My Wife's Present Physical Condition

It is not such as to cause imnediate exit from New Guinea. leedless to say that few women living today have undergone the mental and physical strain that my wife has in the past 6 years and especially so in the past 4 ual decline in her health. Her two in bed. condition is not such that she is



Eld. Fred Halliman

present location. Over the past drive herself to keep going; some months I have noticed a grad- times she has to spend a day or

In August she was in Mount

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most of the time. Some days she a physical check up with a prac-I think it best that I write to feels perfectly normal and at ticing physician here in the Teryou about a matter of deep con- times she has a stretch of this ritory. The result of that examincern to me and seemingly of mu- for two or three weeks at a time ation revealed that she had no tual interest to all of you. The then she might have several days serious ailments, but rather that she was in a general rundown condition, and as the doctor put it, "bordering on a nervous breakdown." The doctor recommended that she take a break from the Territory and said that without it she would continue to get worse until the breakdown would

During the two months she had off from teaching school she greatly improved at least in appearance. She said she felt good and did not want to go home. She seemed to be so much improved that both she and I decided it would be all right for her to continue on. About two months after this present school term started, I noted her condition declining again and after talking it over we decided that it would be best to start making some sort of plans for her to get Years since we have been at our in a row that she has to literally to Brother Gilpin the 9th of Noaway for a while, hence my letter vember.

I mention again that while her condition is not to be taken with grain of salt nor to be comsick all the time nor even the Hagen and while there she had (Continued on page 8, column 3)

### The Shape We Are In

"There's nothing the matter with me. I'm just as healthy as I can be. I have arthritis in both my knees, And when I talk, I talk with a wheeze; My pulse is weak and my blood is thin, But I'm awfully well for the shape I'm in.

I think my liver is out of whack And a terrible pain is in my back; My hearin's poor, my sight is dim, Most everything seems to be out of trim, But I'm awfully well for the shape I'm in.

My doctor says my days are few, For every week there's something new, The way I stagger is sure a crime, I'm like to drop at any time; I jump like mad at the drop of a pin. But I'm awfully well for the shape I'm in.

My teeth will eventually have to come out And my diet I hate to think about. I'm overweight, but I can't get thin. My appetite's such that its bound to win-But I'm awfully well for the shape I'm in.

Arch supports I have for my feet, Or I wouldn't be able to go on the street; Sleep is denied me night after night, And every morning I am a sight; My memory's failing, my head's in a spin, But I'm awfully well for the shape I'm in.

My moral is, as this tale I unfold, That for me and you. who are growing old, It's better to say: 'I'm fine' - with a grin -That to let others know the shape we're in!"

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# CALVARY BAPTISTS PLANNING TO BUILD

Calvary Baptist Church would like to borrow \$50,000 from God's people for the purpose of erecting a church building in Ashland, Kentucky.

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## ASKS FOR ASSISTANCE

Peter Lisagor, writing in The Nation's Business (9-'65), says, "If you have any fresh ideas for improving the 'quality of our lives' rite them down, address them ONto 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Wash-par ington, D. C. 20501.'" Mr. Lisagor t tosays further, "It looks like the oksplanners of the 'Great Society' have run out of gas . . . Presilent Johnson and his advisers are dead serious in this request." He further says, "What the Administration seems to be driving is how to improve the physical, Continued on page 8, column 3)

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> financial proposition that might ing sites in Ashland, ground on In other words, it is our desire

We have our plans drawn and savings accounts which at the best interest

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being paid each six months.

Write us, and let us know how much money you might have to lend, and over how long a period you would lend it. Do not send any money now - just write us and let us know what you will lend us and over what period of time. We would like to borrow some for 12 months, 24 months, 36 months, 48 months, 60 months, 72 months, 84 months, 96 months, 108 months, and 120 months.

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We do not want the money today but would like to have the assurance from you that you will (Continued on page 8, column 5)

# "GREAT SOCIETY"

# The Baptist Examiner A Sermon by Pastor John R. Gilpin

"LONDON BRIDGE IS FALLING DOWN"

"And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man." As we have played that game in the past, or as we have heard John 1:51.

at sometime or other, either heard children sing, or else you have played the game, "London Bridge is Falling Down." I am sure that there isn't one of us but have either played it, or we have heard children sing:

"London Bridge is falling down, down. falling down, falling down;

my fair lady."

As we have played that game in children sing it many, I am wondering if perhaps all times, to us it has just been a of you who are here have not simple little ditty. However, I want to tell you that what we have sung about, is now a reality - that London Bridge is now actually falling down. That may seem strange that after 134 years whereby children have sung about it, it is actually now becoming a reality and is actually falling

The engineers say that London (Continued on page 2, column 1) (Continued on page 8, column 4)

London Bridge is falling down, Bridge is sinking at the rate of one-eighth of an inch each year into the mud that supports the years' time it will sink one inch pect that its rate of sinkage may even be increased. If it were to is quoted from the article: continue sinking at its present rate, in a hundred years or therethe ground. The engineers say

### "GOD IS DEAD" MOVEMENT TRULY NEEDS GOD

The October 22, '65 "Time" pillars. In other words, in eight magazine reports one of the most blasphemous outbursts of modat its present rate, with the pros- ern radicalism ever to reach the ears of the American people. This

"We must recognize that the death of God is a historical event: about, it would sink a foot into God has died in our times, in our history, in our existence," was that with such sinkage as that, the unbelievable declaration. The it has now become unsafe, that statement was made by the asit is impossible to continue the sociate professor of religion of use of it, and therefore the au- Emory University, a Methodist

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### "London Bridge"

(Continued from page one) to tear down. Furthermore, when they have built it, they say that it will be as safe as they thought London Bridge was when it was first built. This bridge that they plan to build will have to charge toll to cross over it, that they to build in place of the famed might be able to pay for the construction thereof.

Now this is a simple little story that I have taken time to tell you, and I have done it for one purpose - I'd like to suggest to you, as a result of this story about London Bridge, some Scriptural applications that I think you and I can learn therefrom.

#### THE REDEMPTIVE WORK OF CHRIST HAS OFTEN BEEN LIKENED TO A BRIDGE.

Many times in preaching I have referred to the inter-world bridge of the death of His Son, until He - the bridge which connects this world and the world beyond. Other individuals that I have read from have likewise referred to the redemptive work of the Lord Jesus Christ as a bridge which passes over the judgment, the sins of the world. and over death, and over into eternity.

We read in Genesis 28 that in order to save his life. Jacob's father and mother decided to send Jacob away from home. When he started away from home, it wasn't long until, as a homesick lad, he came to the place known as Bethel, where he picked up some rocks and laid them down for a pillow upon which Word of God says that he saw a here within this world.

of God ascending and descending upon that ladder. He first saw Heaven and earth separated. He saw Heaven and earth joined together by a ladder. He saw Heav-Editorial Department, located en and earth thus joined together, in ASHLAND, KENTUCKY, by a ladder, with angels ascending and descending, going up to place; and I knew it not."

My text says, "Hereafter ye angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man." became a reality at the time when that Jesus Christ literally became, in His redemptive work, the bridge which connects this world to the world that is beyond. What Jacob saw in a picture as he dreamed that night, became a reality when the Lord Jesus Christ came to the cross of Calvary and there died for our sins. So the Lord Jesus Christ thus became, through His redemptive work, a bridge to join this world to the world come.

There is no way whereby anybody is ever able to get into the other world, or to get into Heaven, apart from the redemptive work of the Lord Jesus Christ. There is only one bridge that spans the chasm of death and thorities of London are making judgment, and that is the bridge plans and preparations for the of the redemptive work of Jesus, tearing down of London Bridge, which joins this world to the which has been made famous in world that is out yonder, to which song through the years. In turn we wish to go. I want you to they are planning to build a seven notice that the redemptive work million dollar structure in the of the Lord Jesus Christ is thus place of the one that they plan seen as a bridge which joins this world and the world to which we

#### II THE COST OF THIS BRIDGE.

The new bridge that they plan old London Bridge is to cost seven million dollars. Beloved, what did the bridge cost that joins this world to the world to come? What did the bridge of the redemptive work of the Lord Jesus Christ cost so far as you and I are concerned? Beloved, I'll say this, its cost cannot be estimated in dollars and cents, but it was at a tremendous cost—a cost to God the Father, and God the Son.

May I remind you of this truth, that God the Father gave His Son. As God the Father in Heaven looked upon the awful scene could see it no longer, and the Father turned His back so that darkness came over all the earth for three hours' time. I say to you, it was a tremendous cost to the Father to see His Son die for

You say, "It was at no cost to Lord Jesus Christ 33 years of absence from Heaven. It cost the Lord Jesus Christ in that He had to lay aside all of His glory that He had in Heaven itself, and come down to this world, and live here in this world for 33 years to sub- down in London is now 134 years mit to the indignities that were old. They say it will be a year or heaped upon Him. It cost Him, two before they are able to get he laid his head, and he went to the Lord Jesus Christ, to come another one built and this one Father, BUT BY ME."-John 14:6. sleep. In the night's time, the down to this world and thus live torn down, so it will probably

# Please Be A Tract Distributor In The New Year

munications should be sent. Ad- Heaven and coming back down present and others are planned of life of the Lamb slain from the dress: P. O. Box 910, zip code to earth. When he awakened, he as soon as we have time and foundation of the world."-Rev. said, "Surely the Lord is in this money for their production. In 13:8. our sample packet of tracts which we send out for 25c, there is Christ was a lamb slain before shall see heaven open, and the one of each of the 55 tracts which the foundation of the world. are available.

Why not order a sample packet So what Jacob saw in his dream today, acquaint yourself with what we can furnish you, and Jesus Christ was crucified, so then order a supply of those you wish, that you might sow your community down with the truth. It will pay great dividends in eternity. Why not do today what you will wish you had done then?

> bridge that they are going to build over in London is to cost seven million dollars. The Lord Jesus of the world, and that God has a Christ, the bridge between earth and Heaven, cannot be calculated in terms of dollars and cents, but it was at a tremendous cost. in that it cost both the Father and bridge whereby that you and I His Son. It cost the Father great are able to pass from this world grief, and the Son great suffering into the next world, this interthat He went through at the Cross of Calvary.

I remember several years ago a preacher friend of mine was dealing with a coal miner in the hills of West Virginia. He said to this man, "The Lord Jesus Christ died for your sins." The man said, "That is too cheap. I don't want to be saved on that basis. I don't want to be saved as a free gift. That is too cheap entirely." They talked, and talked, and talked, and the man kept coming back to this fact - "I don't want to be saved on that basis. It is entirely too cheap."

Finally, the preacher said, "This shaft that you use to go down into the mine, is it safe?" The miner said, "Of course it is. It is inspected daily." The preacher said, "That shaft that carries you down into the mine, how much did it cost you?" He said, "Not a thing." The preacher said, "Aren't you afraid to get in that shaft because it didn't cost you anything? The miner said, "But it cost the company plenty to sink that shaft down into the ground."

I tell you, beloved friends, it didn't cost me anything for Jesus Christ to die for my sins, and it didn't cost you anything for the Son of God to go to the cross of Calvary and expire and atone for your sins, but I'll tell you what it did cost — it cost God plenty, for it cost Him His Son. It cost the Lord Jesus Christ plenty because it cost Him the sufferings of death whereby He agonized anyone — no cost except to the both in the Garden of Gethsem-Godhead." Beloved, it cost the ane and at Calvary, in order that your sins and mine might be paid for through His death.

#### III THE AGE OF THIS BRIDGE.

This bridge that is to be torn be 135 or more years old by the any man enter in, he shall be (Continued on page 3, column pr ladder that was set up between Yes, I'll say to you, beloved, this time that it is completely dismantled. We would say that that is an old bridge.

Beloved, may I tell you about a bridge — the bridge that joins earth and Heaven—a bridge that is much older than that? You ask, "How old is it? Was it built the day that you and I were saved? A book of twenty Christ-exaltWas it built the day that redemption became a reality with us?" No, no, beloved. So far as we were concerned, that is true, but be a blessing to every reader, the bridge wasn't built then. Was it built the day that the Lord Jesus Christ said, "It is finished." No! Not at all. So far as the Son of God was concerned, His work of redemption was then completed. When was this bridge built that spans earth and Heaven? I say to you, it is not just 134 years old, but rather, this inter-world

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bridge, this bridge that is likened unto the redemptive work of the Lord Jesus Christ, was built in eternity past, for in eternity past God planned our salvation. We read:

"And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose We have 55 tracts in print at names are not written in the book

In the mind of God, Jesus

Notice again:

"The beast that thou sawest, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life FROM THE FOUNDATION of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not. and yet is."-Rev. 17:8.

Notice that these verses would indicate that Jesus Christ was a lamb slain from the foundation book in which the names of all the redeemed of the Lord were written before the foundation of the world. In other words, the world bridge is not just a few years of age, and it is not just a hundred years of age, but rather, this bridge that is likened unto the redemptive work of the Lord Jesus Christ, was built in eternity past, and is older than creation itself.

Listen again:

"According as he hath chosen us in him BEFORE THE FOUN-DATION OF THE WORLD, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." Eph. 1:4.

I would have you notice that so far as the age of this bridge is concerned, it was constructed not the day that you and I were saved, and it was constructed not just the day that Jesus Christ died on the cross, but it was constructed in the mind of God before the foundation of the world.

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#### NO OTHER BRIDGE IS NEC- ed no other bridge is necess ESSARY.

have to build a new bridge. An- world to the next world. other bridge has become neces- only inter-world bridge that sary. One bridge has worn out ever be needed is that which h and another bridge is going to ours in the Lord Jesus Christa have to be built in order to take the place of the one that is worn demptive work of the Lord Je out. I say another bridge has become necessary there.

Beloved, no other bridge is there will never be another necessary in connection with the needed. There is no other redemptive work of the Lord Jes- will ever be necessary. I thank us Christ. May I remind you that my God and I praise Him fre when the Son of God came to the the depths of my heart that that cross and said "It is finished," will never be anything else never everything was done at that time ed or necessary for us to get si that could be done, that needed Heaven except the redemption "H to be done, that ought to have the Lord Jesus Christ that wan been done and that should have been done, It was all completed, redemption that was planly and no other bridge is necessary in the mind of God the Fatine in order for us to get to Heaven, and God the Son before the fold

"Jesus saith unto him, I am THE WAY, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the BRIDGE.

"I am THE DOOR: by me if sure, to come to a toll bride

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saved, and shall go in and and find pasture."—John 10:9. He didn't say, "I am a do

as if there were other doors, He said, "I am THE door," as to indicate there is no other d whereby a man can get to He

Notice again:

"Neither is there salvation any other: for there is NO OTHER NAME under heat given among men, whereby must be saved."—Acts 4:12.

You can therefore see while over in London it is ned sary that they build anot bridge, as far as we are concert We have the only bridge that In London they are going to necessary to get us from

> So I say, beloved, that the Christ, having been likened u a bridge, is such a bridge wrought out at Calvary dation of the world.

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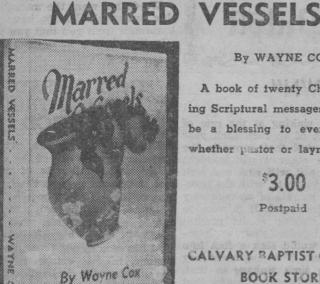
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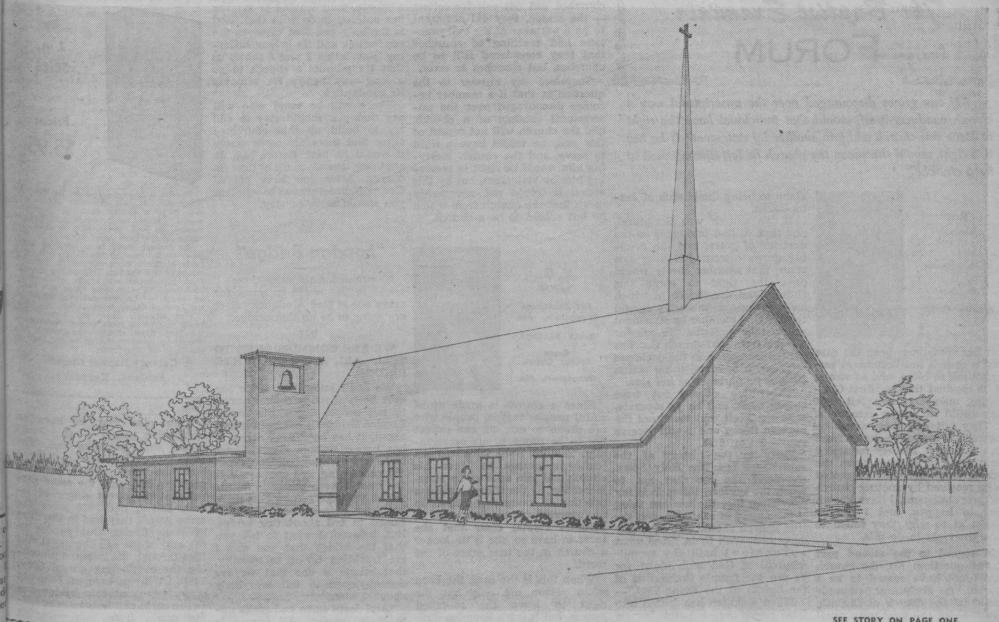
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I can remember a time when t Weky, and Ohio was a toll bridge, ichhen it was first built, we had to risky toll to cross it until it was e aid for. Well, they say that that Je the way that this new bridge to Boing to be paid for in Lon-ton. However, I would remind rou that this bridge of the retemptive work of the Lord Jesus thanrist which joins the two worlds frigether, never was a toll bridge, 9:15.
thad never shall be a toll bridge. Oh

ion"Ho, every one that thirsteth, fold without price."—Isa. 55:1.

Can you get anything any eaper than that? Can you get Ohything any freer than that? price, but my problem today to get people down to the price

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I offer salvation on God's terms 21. "without money and without

ple down to the price whereby I this inter-world bridge.

Notice again:

NAL LIFE through Jesus Christ our Lord."—Rom. 6:23.

"For God so loved the world, that HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEbelieveth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."-

UNSPEAKABLE GIFT."-II Cor.

tyme ye to the waters, and he the two worlds are bridged to-at hath NO MONEY; come ye, gether! What a gift it is, beloved! ratine and milk without money of as unspeakable. That doesn't gether! What a gift it is, beloved! far as a toll is concerned. mean that they couldn't speak about it, but it just means that there were no words found that

Listen again:

which I offer salvation. As a knew no sin to be sin for us; that saving grace of Almighty God. vant of the Lord, as a preach- we might be made the righteous-

er of the gospel of Jesus Christ, ness of God in him."-II Cor. 5: more precious to me. I realize bridge, because the Bible doesn't

price." The average salesman has freely took our sins and put them faith, but I am saved by a Godtrouble getting people up to his over on His Son, and that God given faith. Then when I am Listen: price. My problem is getting peo- takes the righteousness of His Son saved, there comes in my life a takes the righteousness of His Son saved, there comes in my life a "ALL that the Father giveth and puts it over on us. It is just desire that I shall work, because me SHALL COME to me; and offer salvation unto them. It is a simple exchange like that, so those works are foreordained by him that cometh to me I will in without money and without price. that there is nothing to pay - God before the foundation of the no wise cast out." - John 6:37. No tolls are necessary to cross no tolls to be paid between earth world. and Heaven.

The bridge between Ashland, Ken- but the GIFT OF GOD IS ETER- pay. They say you have to do Thank God, it is a free way - a pay. They say you have to do Thank God, it is a free way — a penance in order to get to Heaven. I have seen people fall on their knees, their bare flesh being injured with the rocks and con-GOTTEN SON, that whosoever crete underneath them. I have seen them do that in order that they might do penance, hoping that they would be saved. I have "Thanks be unto God for HIS seen individuals carry heavy crosses - crosses that were entirely too heavy for an individual to carry — just in order that they Him because He has saved me. neverthing about it is free from Jesus Christ! What a gift is the Lord to carry — just in order that they get ginning to end. Listen:

Oh, what a gift is the Lord to carry — just in order that they might be able to work their way redemptive work on the part of into Heaven. They are trying to pay toll. I have seen people who have done many, many things so

hurry home, for I have ten Hail she were able to say those ten to travel over this inter-world (Continued on page 4, column 4) Hail Mary's that she would be "For he hath made him who able to merit the favor of the

> I tell you, beloved, this isn't a toll bridge that we travel over. Thank God, you don't have to do anything. Thank God, there is no penance and there is no work that is necessary. Listen:

> "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: NOT OF WORKS, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them."-Eph. 2:8-10.

> There isn't a day that goes by in my life but that this passage of Scripture becomes more and

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Beloved, this tells us that God am not even saved by my own

Yes, beloved, I say to you, this There are people who will tell isn't a toll bridge that exists beway that is made free through the death of the Lord Jesus Christ, who has paid all the tolls in advance for all my sins. I don't have to do penance. I don't have to join the church. I don't have to be baptized. I don't have to do works in order to be saved. Rather, I do these things out of love for Him who has saved me not to be saved, but out of love to

> VI ALL OF GOD'S ELECT WILL

that I am not saved by works, I leave us in any doubt. It tells us that all of God's elect are going to travel this inter-world bridge.

There is not a one of God's elect that is going to be lost. There is not going to be a one of them that will fail to get there, for God's Word says, "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me."

Notice again:

"But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God HATH FROM THE BEGINNING CHOSEN YOU to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth: Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ."—II Thess. 2:13,14.

Beloved, as I say, I don't know TRAVEL OVER THIS BRIDGE. how many people are traveling I don't know how many people over London Bridge. I don't know I was talking to a woman not are going to travel over this how many people have stood long ago who said, "I have to bridge that they are going to there to admire its beauty. I don't build in London. I don't know know how many people will walk Mary's to say this afternoon." how many people have traveled on the new bridge when it is She told me what she had done, over this bridge that has been built. I don't know how many and the priest had imposed on her switches for the last 124 years people will stand there to admire would describe it. I tell you, be- and the priest had imposed on her existing for the last 134 years, people will stand there to admire loved, you can't find a word that a penance of ten Hail Mary's that which now is falling down. Be- it in its beauty. However, I know I an that is going around the bridget trying to sell his wares has men problem getting people up to solution that is going around the she had to say that very after-noon. Consequently, she was hurrying home thinking that if she were able to say those to the very number, but I can tell many are going to travel over the she were able to say those tone that are going inter-world bridge that joins this hurrying home thinking that if you the exact ones that are going inter-world bridge that joins this

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"If one grows discouraged over the unscriptural way a church conducts itself, would that individual have the right to leave this church and join another by statement? If he has this right, would this mean the church he left discontinued to be a church?'

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It has sometimes been the case that a church has become so unscriptural, so loose, and so wrong in its conduct that spiritual Godfearing members have felt that they could no longer remain in it. They felt that they would be ashamed to present a letter from such a church, so they requested their name be stricken from the membership, and they requested to be received by another church on their statement. I have known such to happen, and I see no reason as to why they failed to have the right to do this.

In regard to the second part of the question: No, the church would not have ceased to be a church. A Scriptural example would be the church at Corinth. It was about the most unspiritual and irregular church mentioned in the epistle's, yet no charge is made that it was not still a church. Some of the churches mentioned in the first part of tle to recommend them, but they place. Read Rev. 2:4-5. hadn't ceased to be churches. However Christ told them to be "zealous and repent" or else he would "remove the candlestick." vior to the point of repudiation.

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claim to being the church of Jes-

If the church was Scriptural, and then drifted into error on the doctrine of grace, and the member grows discouraged over this error, that member surely would have the right to leave this church, and the church in which he is seeking membership should receive that member by statement rather than by letter. To ask for a letter from that church that has drifted into error on the doctrines of grace, is to sanction her action thus be partaker of her sins.

"Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you."-2 Cor. 6:17.

Early in the history of the is false ways of salvation, and the true church should not have any agreement with them. "And what (church) of God with idols? for ye are the temple (habitation of the Spirit) of the living God."-

When a church has drifted into right false preaching or practicing on church, but it is his bounden duty the way of salvation, she would to do so. And since a letter from cease to be a New Testament such a church would be nothing Church. For when any church more than a mere scrap of paper, substitutes the works of men in the only way this person could the place of the finished work of join another church would be by Revelation were filled with ir- Jesus Christ, the Lord has re- statement. If the church has beregularities, and had pitifully lit- moved the candlestick out of his come too unscriptural for this

us in Rev. 1:20 is the church, and would be worth the paper it was if he removes the candlestick, He written on, even if the very then removes the church. The cheapest grade of paper is used. Whatever that expression means candlestick is that which bears it would certainly seem to signi- the light, or holds up the light, fy His repudiation. It is to be and we know that the church as feared that many churches have a candlestick is to hold up the progressed in their wrong beha- true light which is Jesus Christ, and when a church ceases to hold up the light or the finished work of Christ as the only way of salvation, then the candlestick has been removed, and that church is no longer a lightbearer for Jesus Christ.

Therefore those who come from such a church should be received by statement, if the church driftbaptized.

answer that a church must be perfect in every respect, before what the ment Church. There were many separate ourselves from dishonchurch was unscriptural in, be- errors in the churches of the ourable Christians. "Nevertheless fore he could determine whether first century. A Biblical example the foundation of God standeth or not the individual had the right of this can be found in the second sure, having this seal, the Lord to leave this church, whether the and third chapter of the book of knoweth them that are his. And, church he was intending to join Revelation. In these chapters the let anyone that nameth the name would be right in receiving him Lord is speaking to the seven of Christ depart from iniquity. by statement, and whether the churches of Asia, and five of these But in a great house there are church he left was still a church. seven churches, he condemned for not only vessels of gold and sil-If the church of which he is a false practices and beliefs, but ver, but also of wood and of member is in error concerning you will search in vain to find earth; and some to honour, and BRIDGE FALLING DOWN. the way of salvation, then he where He condemned them for some to dishonour. If a man would have every right to leave, false ways of salvation. Therefore therefore purge himself from and in fact he should leave, but a church can be in error on some these, he shall be a vessel unto the church that he is seeking to things and still be considered a

by letter or statement, but he The churches of which I am should be baptized, for such an pastor have received many memorganization has no right to lay bers by statement. These mem-

of unscriptural practices. The

question is, that if a member be- its candlestick. comes discouraged over the unscriptural conduct of a church, say that you should stay in and and the church will not repent of try to build up that church. I this evil, he would have a right agree that there are cases where to leave, and the church receiving him would be right in receiv- anything, spend much time in ing him by statement, but by this prayer. After you have prayed action it would not necessarily God will direct you as to whether mean that the church from which you should leave or stay. he left ceased to be a church.

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Since a church is made up of sinful people, that is, people who are prone to err, we can expect her to be prone to err occasionally. This, as I see it, would not church, we hear the Holy Spirit justify a person to leave his command the churches not to church and join another by statetouch the unclean thing. It is my ment. But, if the church makes a conviction that the unclean thing practice of conducting herself in an unscriptural manner, and it becomes crystal clear that she loves to have so, she is no longer agreement hath the temple a church in the true sense of the word.

When this is the case, the born again person not only has the to leave the so-called person to remain in it, she is too The candlestick the Lord tells unscriptural to grant a letter that

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By all means a person should ed into error after they were leave a church that does not stand for the truth of God's word. No I do not mean to infer by this matter where you look in the Bible' you read that God's people are to live a separated life. (See Nehewe could consider it a New Testa- miah 9:1-3). Especially are we to honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work." (II Tim.

> of two ways. If a church is sound This doesn't seem very much, but and has some members who are eventually it will mean the deperson should purge himself from down. Listen: that group.

> ye not unequally yoked together to him be glory and dominion with unbelievers , . ." II Cor. 6: FOR EVER AND EVER. Amen."

my friend, leave that Yes, church and find one that stands firm on the precious doctrines of God's' word. If you can't find one near your home - travel until you find one and have them

bers became discouraged because start a work where you live.

As far as the church still being churches did not ask for letters a church, your leaving or staying the reason, they did not want has nothing to do with that. God to be a partaker of the evil prac- is the only one that removes the tides and teaching of churches candlestick and He is long sufferthat they considered still to be ing. Revelation 2 and 3 shows us churches, but churches in error. that He permits a church to go Therefore my answer to the a long way before He removes

There will be some who will it would be best. Before you do

### "London Bridge"

(Continued from page three) world to the world to come, for every one of God Almighty's elect are going to be on that bridge.

WE ARE COMMISSIONED TO TELL ALL ABOUT THIS

We don't know that there has ever been anybody commissioned to tell people about the famed London Bridge. It has been talked about. It has been sung about. It has been written about. There have been many postcards put out concerning it. I suppose it is the most famous bridge in all the world, yet I don't know that there has ever been anybody commissioned to tell about this bridge. But, beloved, I want to tell you that the bridge that you and I are traveling over to eternity, that bridge is one that we are commissioned to tell everybody about. Listen:

'And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 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 world. Amen." 28:18-20.

"And he said unto them, GO into all the world, and PREACH THE GOSPEL to every creature."-Mark 16:15.

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you. and YE SHALL BE WITNESSES UNTO ME both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."-Acts 1:8.

Beloved, listen, you and I have a commission, and that commission is to tell everybody we meet about this inter-world bridge. If it is good enough for me to travel over, it ought to be good enough for my loved ones to travel over. It ought to be good enough for my friends to travel over. It ought to be good enough for everybody that I meet to travel over. The fact of the matter is, you and I as the children of God, now that we are on this inter-world bridge traveling from earth to Heaven have a commission to tell everybody about it. That is our business as God's children.

### VIII DON'T WORRY ABOUT THIS

Doesn't that thrill your heart? Doesn't that make you feel happy just to know that there isn't any danger about it - that it is not going to fall down? London Bridge is falling down - not a great distance each year - only We can use this passage in one an eighth of an inch each year. not sound, then the church should struction of the bridge. Thank purge them out. If a man is in a God, you and I don't have to church that grows weak and fails worry about the bridge between to stand for God's truth then the earth and Heaven ever falling

"And hath made us kings and Again, God's Word says: "Be priests unto God and his Father;

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I am glad that we have everlasting gospel - that samel Abraham had, that same gospel that Isaac and Jacob had, the same gospel that the prophets had, and the same gospel that the sweet singer of rael, David, had. We have the same gospel they had in the days of Jesus Christ. Out yonder i the end of the age the angel still flies through the heavens preach ing the everlasting gospel (Rev 14:6). I tell you, beloved, I am no worrying about this bridge be tween earth and heaven ever falling down. I am not worrying about the everlasting gospel that you and I cling to, ever coming to an end.

As the song says:

"Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood Shall never lose its power; Til all the ransomed church of God Be saved to sin no more."

Doesn't that make you rejoic just to know that there isn't anyla danger about this inter-world bridge — the redemptive work of Christ falling down? It will be M standing throughout all ages. has stood from eternity past, and to it will still stand in eternity to come. It will never fail. The ever lasting gospel of Jesus Christ will (Continued on page 5, column 1



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neaven is generally conceded; He does so over this world almost universally denied not directly, then indirectly turned, re and more are men, in their osophising and theorizings, gating God to the background. e the material realm. Not only it denied that God created rything by personal and direct on, but few believe that Heany immediate concern in ulating the works of His own ds. Everything is supposed to ordered according to imper-al and abstract "laws of Na-Thus is the Creator banfrom His own creation. refore we need not be sursed that men, in their degradrealm of human affairs. oughout Christendom, with an ost negligible exception, the ory is held that man deteres his fortunes and decides destiny by his own "free-"That Satan is to be blamed much of the evil which is the world, is freely affirmed those who, though having h to say about "the responlity of man," often deny their responsibility by attributing he devil what, in fact, prois from their own evil hearts. rk 7:21-23).

ut who is regulating affairs this earth today—God, or the l? Attempt to take a serious comprehensive view of the d. What a scene of confusion

### Land Straig "London Bridge"

Continued from page 4) ays have the same results it since the day of the salvation he first man, and it shall have same results down to the man that will ever be saved.

CONCLUSION

y I say in closing, this bridge rldvailable, I imagine, for each of that is here within this buildbe My prayer for you would be Itep on it, walk on it, and beand to travel all the way from to to Glory, to travel along the happy throng that is on Travel along with a 1) d that has the gospel in their and who have the assurin their souls that they are with the Lord. Travel along a crowd like that.

would take these simple shts and help you on your rt toward Heaven — and I ssure you of one thing, that you are on this inter-world you'll never turn back. walk on it to Glory appy throng that are likeen today

and chaos confronts us on every walking by faith, or walking by side! Sin is rampant; lawlessness sight. Are your thoughts, my Who is regulating affairs on abounds; evil men and seducers reader, concerning this world and ril? That God reigns supreme (2 Tim. 3:13). Today, everything what you see? Face this question are creaking and tottering, an- are a Christian, you will, most cient dynasties are being over- probably, have cause to bow your civilization is a demonstrated to acknowledge that it is so. Alas, failure; half of Christendom was in reality, we walk very little but recently locked together in a "by faith." But what does "walkunsafe for the world. Unrest, diseverywhere, and none can say be set in motion. Statesmen are perplexed and staggered. Men's hearts are "failing them for fear, and for looking after those things conceptions, exclude Him from which are coming on the earth." (Luke 21:26). Do these things look as though God had full control?

But let us confine our attention to the religious realm. After nineteen centuries of Gospel preaching, Christ is still "despised and rejected of men." Worse still, He (the Christ of Scripture) is proclaimed and magnified by very few. In the majority of modern pulpits He is dishonored and disowned. Despite frantic efforts to attract the crowds, the majority of the churches are being emptied rather than filled. And what of the great masses of non-churchgoers? In the light of Scripture we are compelled to believe that the "many" are on the broad road that leads to destruction, and that "few" are on the narrow way that leads unto life. Many are declaring that Christianity is a failure, and despair is settling on many faces. Not a few of the Lord's own people are bewildered, and their faith is being severely tried. And what of God? Does He see and hear? Is He impotent or indifferent? A number of those who are regarded as leaders of Christian thought told us that God could not prevent the coming of the late awful War, and that He was unable to I am talking to you about is bring about its termination. It in lable for all God's elect. It was said, and said openly, that tion, but what we have particuconditions were beyond God's control. Do these things look as

Who is regulating affairs on this earth today — God, or the devil? What impression is made upon the minds of those men of the world who, occasionally, attend a Gospel service? What are conceptions formed by those who hear even those preachers who are counted as "orthodox"? Is it how I pray today that even not that a disappointed God is inishis little congregation that the One whom Christians believe in? From what is heard from the to Heaven. May you make any serious hearer obliged to conclude that he professes to represent God who is filled with benevolent intentions, yet unable to carry them out; that He is with earnestly desirous of blessing making their way toward Him? Then, must be the aver- law and the refusal to "render today." age hearer draw the inference God bless you is my that the devil has gained the upper hand, and that God is to

be pitied rather than worshipped.

But does not everything seem to show that the devil has far depends upon whether we are earth today — God, or the are waxing "worse and worse." God's relation to it, based upon appears to be out of joint. Thrones seriously and honestly. And if you nations are in revolt, head with shame and sorrow, and death grapple; and now that the ing by faith" signify? It means titanic conflict is over, instead of that our thoughts are formed, our the world having been made "safe actions regulated, our lives for democracy," we have dis-molded by the Holy Scriptures, lives covered that democracy is very for, "faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." content, and lawlessness are rife (Rom. 10:17). It is from the Word of Truth, and that alone, that how soon another great war will we can learn what is God's relation to this world.

Who is regulating affairs on this earth today - God, or the devil? What saith the Scriptures? Ere we consider the direct reply to this query, let it be said that the Scriptures predicted just what we now see and hear. The prophecy of Jude is in course of fulfilment. It would lead us too far astray from our present in-quiry fully to amplify this asser-

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verse 8 - "Likewise also these" though God were ruling the filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities." Yes, they "speak evil" of the Supreme Dignity, the "Only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords." Ours is peculiarly an age of irreverence, and as a consequence, the spirit of lawlessness, which brooks no restraint and which is desirous of casting off everything which interfere with the free course of self-will, is rapidly engulfing the earth like some gigantic tidal wave. The members of the rising generation are the most flagrant offenders, and in the decay and disappearance of parental authority we have the certain precursor of the break-up of civic authorhonor to whom honor is due," we' need not be surprised that the recognition of the majesty, the authority, the sovereignty of the Almighty law-giver should recede more and more into the background, and that the masses have less and less patience with those who insist upon them.

Who is regulating affairs on this earth today - God, or the devil? What saith the Scriptures? If we believe their plain and positive declarations, no room is left for uncertainty. They affirm, again and again, that God is on the throne of the universe; that the sceptre is in His hands; that He is directing all things "after the counsel of His own will." They affirm, not only that God created all things, but also that God is ruling the reigning over (Continued on page 6, column 5)

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### LIFE BENEATH THE SEA

ald" magazine has an interesting the world away." In the Bible

the "Continental Shelf" experi- 15-17). ments -- some men carried on under the sea (at depths of from our affection on things above' gan, author who reported the experiment, says:

"In the first experiment, after three or four days, the men tend- Him! ed to put the world away. They even lost interest in the telephone ferred to listen to Bach on their phonographs."

interesting are those of Christians. -Selected.

The Brethren Missionary "Her- words, "The men tended to put article, by Doris Harris, entitled, we find exhortations to "love not "Life Beneath the Sea." We quote. the world, neither the things that In two famous experiments — are in the world" (see I John 2:

Our Lord often reminded us their daily routines in specially that "the things" of this world constructed steel buildings placed are not important. We are to "set ten to thirty yards). James Du- (Col. 3:1-3). May we, His bloodbought people, "put the world away," and find our rest and satisfaction - and service - in

Though we cannot go "beneath the sea" to accomplish these ends, and other contacts with the out- let us at all times remember that side world. They shut off enter- though "we are in the world." tainment (TV and radio) and pre- we are "not of the world" (John 17). Worldliness has ruined the lives and testimony of millions

# The Work Christ Is Doing In Behalf Of His Church

doing. He is NOT seated on his senseless heresies that was ever own throne, but "at the Father's coined anywhere, time or place. right hand" on the Father's What Then Is Christ Now Doing throne. (Heb. 8:1; 12:2) Likewise Christ is not a "spiritual King"



Eld. Roy Mason

larly in mind is a sentence in ruling over some kind of a spiritual kingdom, as is widely taught. Neither is He looking on while denominations by means of their ecclesiastical organizations build Priest," exercising a high priest-

Before we deal with what earth. The theory of "bring in Christ is NOW doing, suppose we the Kingdom" before the King briefly consider what he is NOT comes back is one of the most

During This Age?

1-HE IS PREPARING A PLACE FOR US. "I go to prepare a place for you." (John 14: 2) That place, in the light of other Scripture, is evidently the New Jerusalem, the city that John saw descending from God out of heaven. Will that be our headquarters, even during the Millennium? We know it will following the Millennium.

2 — HE IS CARRYING AN INTERCESSORY WORK FOR US. (Heb. 7:25) "He ever liveth to make intercession for us." That is primarily why a saved person will never "fall from grace." Christ does not intercede by presenting our good deeds before the Father, pleading leniency for us upon that basis. No, he pleads his own sacrifical death, coupled with the fact that we have trusted in the merits of that death. For a saved person to lose salvation, would mean that Christ's intercession has proved to be in

Christ is now "our great High him a kingdom down here on this (Continued on page 7, column 3)

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The greatest inventor, or rather the immortal father of electric telegraph, Samuel Morse, found it out when in Rome, and published it in 1834, in his remarkable work, "Conspiracies against the Liberties of the United States." The learned Dr. S. Ireneus Prime, in his life of Professor Morse, says, When Mr. Morse was in Italy, he became acquainted with several ecclesiastics of the Church of Rome, and he was led to believe, from what he learned from them, that a political conspiracy, under the cloak of a religious mission, was formed against the United States. When he came to Paris and enjoyed the confidence and friendship of Lafayette, he stated his convictions to the General, who fully concurred with him in the reality of such a conspiracy."

That great statesman and patriot, the late Richard W. Thompson. Secretary of the Navy, in his admirable work, "The Papacy and the Civil Power," says, "Nothing is plainer than that, if the principles of the Church of Rome prevail here, our constitution would necessarily fall. The two cannot exist together. They are in open and direct antagonism with the fundamental theory of our government and of all popular government everywhere."

The eloquent Spanish orator, Castelar, speaking of his own Church of Rome, said, in 1869: "There is not a single progressive principle that has not been cursed by the Catholic Church. This is true of England and Germany, as well as all Catholic countries. The Church cursed the French Revolution, the Belgian Constitution, and the Italian Independence. Not a constitution has been born, not a step of progress made, not a solitary reform effected, which has not been under the terrific anathemas of the

But why ask the testimony of the American people against that conspiracy, when we have the public testimony of all the bishops and priests to prove it? With the most daring impudence, the Church of Rome, through her leading men, is boasting of her stern determinations to destroy all rights and privileges which have cost so much blood to the American people. Let the Americans, who have eyes to see and intelligence to understand, read the following unimpeachable documents, and judge for themselves of what will become of this country, if Rome is allowed to grow strong enough to execute her threats. "The church is of necessity intolerant. Heresy, she Hecke endures when and where she 1870.) must, but she hates it, and directs all her energies to destroy it."

an end. So our enemies say, so we believe."

(The Shepherd of the Valley, official journal Bishop of St. Louis, Nov. 23, 51). "No man has Church of Rome throughout the censure, to swear that they will Catholicism is the most intolerant of creeds. It is intolerance itself. We might as rationally maintain that two and two does not make four as the theory of Religious Liberty. Its impiety is only equalled by its absurdity." (New Bishop Hughes, Jan. 26, 1852).

times, in all places. She, therefore, does not, and cannot accept, or in any degree favour, liberty

median and channel through which the will of God is express-While the State has rights, she has them only in virtue and by permission of the Superior Authority, and that authority can be expressed only through the Church. (Catholic World, July

"Protestantism has not, never can have, any right where Catholicity has triumphed. Therefore we lose the breath we exspend in declaiming against bigotry and intolerance and in favour of Religious Liberty, or the right of any man to be of any religion as best pleases him." (Catholic Review, June 1865.)

Religious Liberty is merely endured and until the opposite can be carried into effect without peril to the Catholic Church." Rt. Rev. O'Conner, Bishop of Pitts-

"The Catholic Church numbers one-third the American population; and if its membership shall increase for the next thirty years as it has the thirty years past, in 1900 Rome will have a majority, and be bound to take this country and keep it. There is, ere long, to be a state of religion Protestants or Liberals to warn in this country, and that state religion is to be the Roman Cath-

"1st. The Roman Catholic is to wield his vote for the purpose of securing Catholic ascendency in this country.

governed by the will of God, un- questions. erringly indicated by the Pope.

"3rd. Education must be controlled by Catholic authorities, and under education the opinions of the individual and the utterances of the press are included, and many opinions are to be forbidden by the secular arm, under the authority of the Church, even to war and bloodshed." (Father Hecker, Catholic World, July,

country, religious freedom is at article as contrary to the can-

nons and councils of the Catholic power to receive due punishment. Church." (Pope Pius VII., En- If laymen, their goods must be cyclical, 1808.)

the first and most solemn acts tive orders, and their property of the present Pope, Leo XIII, applied to the church in which was to order that the theology of they officiated. Secular powers of St. Thomas Aquinas should be all ranks and degrees are to be taught in all the colleges, semi- warned, induced, and, if necesnaries, and universities of the sary, compelled by eccleasiastical right to choose his religion. whole world, as the most accur- exert themselves to the utmost ate teaching of the doctrines of in the defence of the faith, and his church. Well, on the 30th of extirpate all heretics denounced December, 1880, I forced the Rt. by the church, who shall be found Rev. Foley, Bishop of Chicago, in their territories. And whenever to translate from Latin into English, before the court of Kankakee, and to swear that the follow- temporal, he shall be bound to York Freeman, official journal of ing law was among those prom- abide by this decree. ulgated by St. Thomas as one of "The church is instituted, as the present and unchangeable having been admonished and reevery Catholic who understands laws of the Church of Rome: quired by the church, shall his religion believes, to guard and "Though heretics must not be defend the right of God against tolerated because they deserve it, heretical depravity, the Metroany and every enemy, at all we must bear with them, till, by a second admonition, they may be brought back to the faith of the church. But those who, after a in the Protestant sense of lib- second admonition, remain ob-(Catholic World, April, stinate in their errors, must not preme Pontiff, who will declare 70.)
only be excommunicated, but his vassals released from their "The Catholic Church is the they must be delivered to the allegiance from that time, and secular power to be extermina- will bestow his territory on Cathted." (St. Thomas Aquinas, Sum- olics, to be occupied by them, on ma Theologia, v14p90).

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> The same Bishop Foley was again forced by me, before the same court of Kankakee, to translate from Latin into English, the following decree of the Council of Lateran, and to acknowledge, under oath, that it was as much the law of the Church of Rome to-day as on the day it was passed in the year 1215;

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confiscated. If priests, they shall Every one knows that one of be degraded from their respecany person shall assume government, whether it be spiritual or

"If any temporal lord, after neglect to clear his territory of politan and Bishop of the Province, shall unite in excommunicating him. Should he remain contumacious a whole year, the fact shall be signified to the Sucondition of exterminating the After the Bishop had sworn heretics and preserving the said that this was the true doctrine of territory in the faith. ("Et si neccesse fuerit, per censuram-of Latin, Council, Labb., tom. xi. eign in every realm of all His col. 148; Council. Later. IV. can, vast dominions. And surely iii, De hateretics. Ful. Paris, must be so. Only two alternatives

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(Continued from page 1) all the works of His hands. The affirm that God is the "Almighty," that His will is irrevers ible, that His is absolute sover are possible: God must either rule or be ruled; sway, or be swayed accomplish His own will, or be thwarted by His creatures. Ac cepting the fact that He is the "Most High," the only Potentate and King of Kings, vested with perfect wisdom and illimitable power, the conclusion is irresisti ble that he must be God in fact as well as in name.

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### Sovereignty Of God

(Continued from page six) se will." (Eph. 1:11). Hence, though an word to the believer is, "Fear ca not"! "All things" are subject to an His immediate control: "all mathing." na things" are moving in accord with bullis eternal purpose, and there-"all things" are "working in together for good to them that fuslove God, to them who are the mecalled according to His purpose." sight must be so, for "of Him, and through Him, and to Him are all othings." (Rom. 11:36). Yet how onlittle is this realized today even by the people of God! Many supmea far-distant Spectator, taking no the earth. It is true that man much further than the hichas a will, but so also has God. could possibly go. (See again the that is true that man is endowed promise in Mal. 3:10). ingwith power, but God is all-powowerful. It is true that, speaking we are and have belongs to God, is senerally, the material world is let us begin right now to render tegulate.

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will recompense, said the Lord.' -Mark 12:17 (Heb. 10:30) And we so often try to take matters into our own hands and settle affairs ourselves. Every attempt to "get even" with people is stealing, for we take that which belongs to God.

'The earth is the Lord's and fact: We possess some things of the fullness thereof; the world, this earth, but we do not own and they that dwell therein.' anything. "We brought nothing (Psalm 24:1) "Every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills." (Psalm 50: "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of a short while, and to Him we hosts." (Hag. 2:8) From these must render account for how we plain declarations of the Lord's eternal Word we can easily see that we, and all about us, belongs only to the Lord, and that by the unquestionable right of creation.

In relationships that exist between man and man, in what we call human "ownership," we have signs of ownership, definite portions to be rendered to the "owner" in return for the privilege on money, and rent on property. No honest person questions the rights of property owners, and expects to render the specified amount required for its

God has set up a sign of His absolute ownership to all things upon earth, and that sign, or monument, is the tithe, or a tenth of all increase. This was clearly stated to Israel, "All the tithe of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord. And if a man will at all redeem ought of his tithes, he shall add thereto the fifth part thereof. And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, even of whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord." (Lev. 27:30-32).

sight of the real significance of the principle of the tithe by confusing it with the Mosaic law. But, it is a fundamental principle of honest dealing with God, and He has used it, and still ordains the use of it, in the support of His gospel work and workers on the earth. See (I Cor. 9:13-14).

Since the tithe is the Lord's and it is holy unto the Lord, His part is to be definitely set aside for His own use. We certainly are not honest if we use it for ourselves. He called His beothe world is panic-stricken, the to render unto Him tithes and people robbers when they failed offerings. (See Malachi 3:8-10).

> Would we consider a renter honest if he settled all his grocery, doctor, clothing, educational, entertainment bills, etc., before he paid the rent on our property? Certainly not. Would we consider one honest if he refused to pay interest on borrowed money because he owed somebody else? Assuredly not.

God's tithe come first, ahead of everything else without any ris pose that He is little more than exception. And His blessings up-Himmediate hand in the affairs of Him make the nine-tenths go the earth. It is true that man much further than the whole that has a solid possibly go. (See again the on us when we are honest with

If we really believe that all ly ministry for us in the heavens. churches and Christians to for- world. regulated by law, but behind that honest account unto Him. Such

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for a year, and watch the results 19:12-19) He is to be invested get the eternal purpose of God in So many people entirely lose spiritually and materially. God's with the authority to return to this age, and he succeeds in doing 10 as it is in John 3:16.

When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder, Will You Be There?

#### Christ Is Doing

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3—CHRIST IS NOW SEATED Father says, "Until I make ..." when the enemies of his Son shall be vanguished.

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Scriptures.

EITHER WAY HE NEVER DARKENS THE DOOR

5-CHRIST IS NOW CALL-ING OUT FROM AMONG THE ing eternal life. GENTILES "A PEOPLE FOR HIS NAME," He has an elect people, given him in the covenant of redemption, before the "bringing in of the kingdom"churches and Christians should don't know it! be concerned about missionary done by the Lord himself in his own good time.

Word is just as true in Mal. 3:8- this earth, and to take over a it. He gets churches to build imkingdom. That investiture is de- mense church plants, spending -A. M. Overton scribed by Daniel. (Dan. 7:13-14) tens of thousands of dollars on There is the picture of One recreational equipment. He gets brought before the "Ancient of them to spend great sums on Days," and he is given a king- hospitals and educational instidom. This evidently is a picture tutions — something that has no of what happens in Heaven just authorization in the Scriptures before Jesus returns to this whatsoever. The Lord never comearth. What happens on earth missioned us to give people secujust following this is revealed to lar education, or to go into the us in Rev. 11:15-19. How absurd business of healing the sick. The is the thory of men bringing in mission of Christianity is to the the kingdom, in the light of these soul, and the message of Christianity is a message which when received results in people obtain-

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THAT TO ME!

The faithful, called out, during this age, will rule and reign with Christ over this earth in the Millennial age just ahead. "If we foundation of the world was laid, suffer with him, we shall also and these he is busy calling out reign with him." Do you believe during this age. (See Acts 15:- that, or do you seek to spiritual-14-18). This is not the age of the ize it away? Paul said, "Know ye not that the saints shall judge it is the age of out-calling. Thus (rule) the world?" Most people

This age is not an end in itand evangelistic endeavors — not self — it is preparatory to the about bringing in the kingdom, which is a thing that will be Christ shall sit upon the "throne Christ shall sit upon the "throne of his father David," and shall have his faithful ones associated The devil wants to get with him in the rulership of this

#### Administrator. Man is but the yours. If you don't believe it, try TIME WHEN HIS ENEMIES reature. God is the Creator, and it honestly and conscientiously SHALL BE MADE HIS FOOT-STOOL. (Heb. 10:12-13) This is in according with the prophecy of David, where the Father is rep-MABLE CLEMENT resented as saying, "Sit thou at my right hand until I make thine enemies thy footstool." Note that A thrilling religious novel which deals with the main men shall not do this by "bringerrors of the Campbellites. Campbellism is a religion ing in the kingdom," for the that appeals to the head, rather than to the heart, and is rapidly growing in America. Next to the Bible, this God the Father prepares the time book will come nearer stopping these followers of

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(Continued from page one) pletely ignored, it is not a case of emergency. Believe me when ments, the Grace of God as ex-I say that I would not jepordize the health of my wife just in order to stay on here a few more months, nor do I think the Lord would expect me to. However, I believe we are in a far better position to make the final decisions about the proposed time that we should try to come home, than anyone back there is. I can't emhasize too strongly how much we appreciate the concern of folk over our welfare, but at the same time, I must ask you to trust our judgment regarding this matter, just as you have other matters for the past six years.

We both feel that she can hold out without doing any damage to her present condition until Auat least. Please note, we could not leave here immediately Mark Twain did, "Isn't the re- unveiling of the Man of Sin as some have suggested, even if port of my death slightly exag- the not-too-distant future. we all were getting sick. We gerated?" God, of course, is the would simply have to enter a One Being who will never die, End" is taking shape before we hospital somewhere here. Don't who can never die. Even though very eyes!—Christian Victory ac forget, for one to travel, it takes the Son of God once died on the preparation. I seriously doubt if cross for our sins. He said after we could possibly be ready to His resurrection, "I am He that leave here under three to four liveth, and was dead; and, behold, months even if we tried. There I am alive for evermore. Amen. has to be traveling documents acquired, immunization against certain diseases, plus many other things which take time. We would like to leave this thought with you, that there are good doctors in the Territory and in case my wife needs immediate medical at- eternity. tention she will get it and in case we feel that it is necessary, we will have her out for another check up and if the doctor recommends that she leave immediately we will make every effort to that end, otherwise we would like to remain on here until we have made due preparations and feel that it is God's time for us to

With Christian love, Fred T. Halliman



#### "Great Society"

(Continued from page one) social and psychological environment of the citizens of an abund-

ant society." Yes, Honorable President, we have an idea for you. It is this: In the first place, let us remember that a truly Great Society must be distinguished from a merely Affluent Society. If you want ideas for an Affluent Society, you and your advisors can do a far better job of it than we can. But if you want ideas for a truly Great Society, the Bible tells us that "righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people" (Prov. 14:34). We suggest we start in with plans to bring back faith in God, in the Bible, and in Christ, to our people; second, that we seek to get our people back to common honesty. habits of thrift and industry, and into the habit of living within their income. (We suggest that our government take the first step, set a good example, and balance our national budget). We further suggest that the Bible be put back, with non - sectarian prayers, into our public schools, and that we immediately put a stop to all federal and state programs that directly or indirectly support any sectarian church and that we stoutly maintain the "wall of separation" between church and state.

Let us strive for moral rectitude, and discourage sexual promiscuity, pornography, excessive drinking, and all forms of indecency and dishonesty. Let us wage incessant war on crime and juvenile delinquency, encourage the churches to preach the Gospel and give forth the Word of God, and stop meddling with "race problems" and "one worldism." Let us strive for old-fashioned American patriotism, emphasize individualism and the business initiative (profit motive) that made America great.

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Yes, dear President, we need to get a new start; and in that, modern church, it is beyond we need to go back to the tried lief that the modern Metho and true ideals and beliefs as Church and the consolida expressed in the Ten Commandpressed in Christ, and the early Today, even seminary profes American idealism that made us a truly "Great" nation, not merely an "Affluent," but morally corrupt, and spiritually dead, "Society."—Christian Victory

### "God Is Dead"

(Continued from page one) school at Atlanta, Georgia. The hear the rumblings of Antichr article listed three other contemporary "theologians" who are spearheading this ultra radical the "Roman Prince" and tel trend in extreme liberal seminar-

Without trying to be facetious, we can almost hear God say, as god." (2 Thess. 2:4). Beloved (Rev. 1:18).

These insane theologians will wake up some day to the realiza- ers to write us at once so we for tion that God is very much alive, plan for the immediate erec and they have backed an atheism of our building. May it ple that is powerless to help them in God to direct you to write he

Speaking of atheism in Church of Christ have "65 atheists" in their members are atheists — and so it is inconsistent with their basic lief to speak of God as have "died." Believing there is no it fits their thinking to annou with the folly of one about commit spiritual suicide "God has died." In a world Vo church far removed from Go still comes as a distinct shock God is dead; make me your Soon antichrist will appear the world that God is "dead" himself will "sit in the temple, God showing himself that I blasphemy of the "Time of



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