

A RESUME OF THE WORK, AND ... **Recent Visit To Bougain** 

By F. T. HALLIMAN New Guinea Missionary

Dear Friends:

The purpose of this letter is to fill you in with the details of the last few days that I spent on Bougainville and my return home. As mentioned in a previous article, on the 22 of February, Bro. Doty and myself assisted in the organization of the Jordan Baptist Church in one of the villages where a Baptist Mission has been located for about two and a half years. On Friday morning we left this village and walked the eight miles back to where we had been previously staying. Services were held there Friday night and there was some talk of organizing a church there but nothing definite was settled about it. Then on Sunday morning the folk assembled for services again and this time the Jordan Baptist Church had decided to assemble with them

as this would be my last day meet back in a short time to dis-

ular preaching service about 10 at that place. We dismissed the a.m. and it was suggested that we services and had a short recess cussion was held regarding the

decided to go ahead with the organization and shortly we were ing minutes of this church organization.

service was over and before we fathers have set. had dismissed, one man petitionchurch membership as a candidate for baptism and since the whole church was there she was called into a short business meetceremony and in less than an hour after the church organizaservice.

there for services. We held a reg- cuss the organization of a church (Continued on page 2, column 5)

is, therefore, the oldest upon the American continent. Its territory originally embraced all the Middle States and some churches in Virginia. Her correspondence reached to every association on the continent, and from her, as a mother body, advice was widely sought. It was by missionaries sent out from her and from New England, that the first churches in Virginia and North Carolina were formed. Her doctrinal sentiments and denominational policy, and when we met again the dis- were stamped upon the entire denomination in America. In determining her general policy, with respect to Pedobaptist societies, organizing of a church-the group and the views and practices of her Ancients, we must conclusively decide the truth or falsity of the charge made against us by our liberal brethren - viz., that we are attempting to bring in a heresy, details of that here as I am send- and a new departure, in opposing the reception of alien immersion, and the recognition of Pedobaptist societies as evangelical churches. The reader will see who are laboring to establish, and After the church organization who are trying to "remove, the ancient landmarks which the

It would seem strange indeed to us for the most liberal ed the Jordan Baptist Church for of our would-be "undenominational" brethren, to claim that it could be even probable for the Baptists of 1700, to seek, or to countenance, affiliations and inter-religious communion with Pedobaptist sects, which sought by law to force all men, irrespective ing and voted to receive the can- of regeneration, into their bodies, and united themselves to the didate for baptism. The church state, and used it as an engine of oppression against them, eating also authorized me to perform the up their substance by taxes levied to support a venal ministry, who consigned them to midwinter prisons; who whipped them, withtion service was dismissed we had again assembled for a baptismal stones into the wilderness among the wild beasts of winter, because they refused to accept their doctrines and sprinkle their in-Those of you who have been fants to insure their salvation. The great fact stands out in bold Continued on page 2, column 5) (Continued on page 3, column 1)

### Scriptural Missions . . . The Purpose And A PASTOR'S PROBLEMS Work Of True New Testament Churches ELD. MILBURN COCKRELL with grief" (Isa. 53:3). His whole

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a city in our state committed suicide. He jumped out of a third story window of the city hospital. Christian people find it difficult to understand why any minister of the Word would deliberately kill himself. One person, who read this article, asked me if I was surprised to read of such an event. I told him that I was not surprised at this preacher's actions, but that I was surprised that more did not do the same thing. I fear that my Parishioner did not understand my answer to his question, for no one but another preacher really knows the constant, nerve-breaking, mental distress which a pas-

most frequent and perpetual com- keep at home. The character of um or orthodoxy. Dryness, pes-<sup>out</sup> and there are fightings with- der a Juniper tree: and he re-and fears within (II Cor. 7:5). quested for himself that he might "The pastor, like his Master, is die" (I Kings 19:4). Moses, that ables. It is the beginning and Missions was under considera- logical result. Judaism stood on a mand of the model prover: tion by the Massachusetts legis- the defensive and failed. Christ a man of sorrows and acquainted (Continued on page 16, column 2) the end of the model prayer: tion by the Massachusetts legis- the defensive and failed. Christ

life is a series of "many tears and Recently I read where the pas-tor of the First Baptist Church in saints and sinners to God's pretemptations" (Acts 20:19). When words of David: "Rivers of waters run down mine eyes, because they keep not thy law" (Ps. 119:136). The heart's desire and prayer to God of every preacher is that sinners might be converted. He yearns for the salvation of those who see no beauty in Christ that they should desire Him. Even though he ceases "not to warn every one night and day with tears" (Acts 20:31), he discovers he is a savor of life unto life and death unto death" (II Cor. 2:16).

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moments of despondency is a no- him known to all men. Our or endures each day of his life. vice. There is not one of God's The pastor often finds his soul servants who has not had his modiscouraged because of the way ments of despondency and dis-(Num. 21:4) he sees his hopes couragement. When Jezebel invitation "come" must hear imall to end in realization—"Hope threatened Elijah's life, he "went deferred maketh the heart sick" a day's journey into the wilder-(Prov. 13:12). His flesh has no ness, and came and sat down unrest and there are fightings with- der a Juniper tree: and he re-

### By George W. McDaniel (Now With The Lord)

The purpose of a church exists cepts, he feels like repeating the in missions. Take out of a church the missionary idea and you have a ship without a port, an athlete without a goal, a soldier without an order, a life without an objective. You have a barren tree that cumbers the ground, an empty house over whose door is written "Ichabod." Limit the gospel in its scope and power and you cut its heart out. Charles Wesley was right: "Take back my interest in thy blood unless it flows for all the race." Christ lived and died for all men. The The pastor who has not known business of the church is to make Christian religion revolves a-round two foci: "C o m e" a n d mediately the imperative com-

"Thy kingdom come . . . for thine lature. A member spoke "I am to have made a revaluation of the couplet: the varieties and vitalities of our holy religion: "It would be a calamity if the educational institutions founded by our fathers to foster the Christian faith should come in time to destroy the very faith they were founded to foster."

is the kingdom." It is the driv- opposed to it; we haven't enough ing wheel of the machinery of a religion for home use much less church or denomination. Stop to give it to the world to export that wheel and the machinery is to foreign lands." A wise man motionless and useless. It is the rose and replied, "Sir, I have this authority for Christian education. to say when our religion is of Colleges and seminaries were this character the more we ex-founded to fit men to "go." When port it the more we have left of they cease to function they ought it; and the more we believe in to be revitalized or buried. It this and give it to all the world, was none other than President the more do we believe in it and Harper who said a short time be- receive it as the bread of life at fore his death when he appears home." The same principle is in

> There was a man, They called him mad; The more he gave away The more he had.

Some of our brethren, well meaning, to be sure, have allowed themselves to be thrown on the defensive. They speak most-The church at Ephesus grew ly against error, they write numediately the imperative com-mand "Go." It was our Lord's worth giving away is not fit to they guard zealously the palladibegan an active, aggressive, world-conquering war. He found-(Continued on page 16, column 1)

# (TELES) USE WHAT YOU HAVE!

There are so many people who are like the colored young man Who said to his sweetheart, in a burst of ecstasy, "Honey Chile, You know what I'd do if I was an Octopus?" "No, Sam," she said, I don't know what you'd do if You was an octopus."

"Why Honey, I'd take them dare thousand arms and wraps them all about yo', that's' what l'd do."

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"Sam, you is a liar. Why don't You use the two you got?"

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# Ghe Baptist Examiner Pulpit States A Sermon by Pastor John R. Gilpin eaning On The Arm Of The Flesh"

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"I am not able to bear all this burden of the people with thee, was educated at the king's expeople alone, because it is too that thou bear it not thyself pense, living in the king's palace. heavy for me. And if thou deal alone."-Num. 11: 14-17. thus with me, kill me, I pray For a basis of my message, I spent out in the wilderness, herdthee, out of hand, if I have found take you back to Exodus 18, to ing his father-in-law's sheep, favour in thy sight; and let me the story of Moses depending learning the wilderness. He not see my wretchedness. And upon, and accepting his father- learned from books for the first the Lord said unto Moses, Gather in-law's suggestion.

unto me seventy men of the eld- The Word of God tells us how forty years, he learned from the ers of Israel, whom thou know- God called Moses at the burning wilderness. Then God took Moses It's not what you'd do with a est to be the elders of the people, bush, and how Moses began his back to Egypt to deliver the chiland officers over them; and bring service for God in leading the dren of Israel out of the land of If riches should e'er be your them unto the tabernacle of the children of Israel out of the land Egypt. During this third period

them; and they shall bear the where he grew up, and where he (Continued on page 2, column 2)

Then there were forty years he forty years, but in the second of forty years, Moses learned Containing All and Every Issue But what you are doing at pres- there with thee. And I will come I might say that Moses' life some lessons from God, and I down and talk with thee there: was divided into three periods of rather have in mind in this third With the dollar and a quarter and I will take of the spirit which forty years each. There were period of forty years, Moses is upon thee, and will put it upon forty years in the land of Egypt learned far more from God than

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Their monthly paper, "The Christian Cynosure" has been a blessing to us through the years, and we are glad to have been a reader of it approximately a quarter of a century. There is no doubt that only Heaven alone will reveal the tremendous value of the work of the National Christian Association.

to take a stand against worldly view that Christ was crucified on secret societies today. This we know to be true because we take the same position in the columns of TBE. Our hat is off to the directors of the National Christian Association for their stand for the truth for the past 100 years, and we sincerely trust that when their second anniversary rolls arouno, we will still be living and have an opportunity to salute them again. I might have to be pushed across the floor in a wheel chair have to do the writing in my behalf. Furthermore, I might not be able to shout very loudly as to my approval, but if I live for another 100 years, I will certainly quite sometime. want to commend them for their stand for the truth. If I am not (Continued on page 3, column 5)

who have been influenced have Christ making the journey never again think favorably of through the columns of TBE and from Ephraim to Bethany which speaking in tongues. the "Christian Cynosure," who occurred six days before the Passwill take their stand against these over (John 12:1) on Saturday, Devilish secret societies.

thank God and take courage to the Sabbath was contrary to Jewgo forward.



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Christ made His triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. A careful study of the Biblical narrative reveals that Jesus did not make His triumphal entry on Sunday, but on Saturday, the Jewish Sabbath.

In the year our Lord was crucified, 30 A. D., the Jewish Passover came on Thursday, the 15th sus came to Bethany six days before the Passover from the City of Ephraim (John 11:54); that is, the 9th of Nisan, our Friday. Then John 12:12 reveals tive to the ever-increasing dethat the triumphal entry was made on "the next day," the 10th of Nisan, our Saturday and the the Jewish Sabbath.

Christ did not cleanse the temple the same day He made His were contrary to the tongues triumphal entry as it is com- movement. When he replied, he monly supposed. Mark 11:11 says, "And Jesus entered into Jeruwhen He had looked around about upon all things, and now the of the book itself, which says: eventide was come, He went out Why did He not drive out the money changers who desecrated the temple? Because there was not any present, for it being Saturday, the Jewish Sabbath, there was no buying, selling or money changing going on. Christ cleansed the temple the "next day" after His triumphal entry which was our Monday (Mark 11:11-12, 15).

The crucifixion was on Wednesday instead of Friday. There are There are not many who want those who accept the traditional

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(Continued from page one) he had ever learned from man or from God in the eighty years before.

After Moses had been enabled to deliver the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt, following the ten plagues, they camped by that time. Some one might in the wilderness, and here came visitor. The visitor was Moses' a father-in-law, and he brought with him Moses' wife and two sons, whom he hadn't seen for

You might think this is

The Baptist Examiner around 100 years from now, I Friday and ate the Passover on readers to buy it. Anybody who the Jewish Sabbath. Now Eph-Knowing that the Truth will raim was about ten miles from triumph, the Board of Directors Bethany, and such a journey on

> ish law (Ex. 16:29). Christ could have made His journey from Bethany to Jerusalem on the Sabbath, for the Bible tells us that Bethany was a Sabbath day's journey (one mile) from Jerusalem (Acts 1: 12; Luke 24:50). So the triumphal entry took place on our John's Gospel" by Pink. It is believed and taught that Saturday and thus Palm Sunday is a fraud.

# **Review Of** A "The Modern **Tongues Movement''**

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This is a splendid book relalusion of speaking in tongues.

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(Continued from page one) keeping up with this work the past several years will rec that about seven years ago, G in His providence, caused paths of me and Brother Uming of Bougainville to c At the time I was living at lolo and Bro. Uming, then an saved man, was there working a government contract. He pa our house one day while we having services and being a ligious man, was impressed From that time our friend grew over the years and tually he came to our Mis



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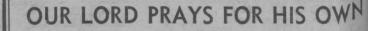
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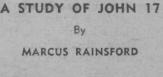
The worst criticism we offer concerning this book is that the author takes the position that it is all right for a woman to speak publicly, provided she does not speak in tongues, which is about the most ridiculous and absurd exegesis as I have known. That women are definitely committed to keep silent in the house of God is definitely seen from I Cor. 14:34 and I Tim. 2:8-15.

Despite this violent and flagrant misinterpretation of Scripture, we would heartily recommend the book, and urge our

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orary phenomena bear little re- hart and Winston and features studied with me here for semblance to the gift of tongues the Civil War years of General time until one of his boys sen (Continued on page 16, column 5) (Continued on page 3, column





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### Old Landmarkism

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telief upon the pages of their history, that they did not regard veloped tuberculosis and he had these sects as churches of Christ, or their ministers as ministers of Christ, and Scripturally authorized to preach and administer the ordinances of the church; and, therefore, they regarded their time to see him and help him get ordinances – even immersion at their hands – as null and void. This fact can not be truthfully denied. From the minutes of this Association, covering the first century of its existence, the question touching the validity of immersions by unbaptized and unauthorized administrators -i.e., by men who had no ordinations; since Pedobaptist sects could not ordain, not being churches came up before the body six times, and was unanimously voted down.

When discussed in 1788, and negatived, these reasons, among others, were given:

"First, because a person-that has not been baptized must be disqualified to administer baptism to others, and especially if he be unordained.

Second, because to admit such baptism as valid, would make Void the ordinances of Christ; throw contempt on His authority, and tend to confusion — for if baptism be not necessary for an administrator of it, neither can it be for church communion, which is an inferior act; and if such baptism be valid, then ordination anchored in the solid Rock of is unnecessary, contrary to Acts 14:23; I Tim. 4:14; Tit. 1:5; and our Christ. Confession of Faith, Chapter 27."

While endorsing these arguments as solid, I would rather emphasize the more conclusive one, that as those human societies are not Scriptural churches, they have no power to authorize a  $m_{an}$  to preach -i.e., ordain a minister - or to administer the ordinances, and consequently all their ecclesiastical acts and ordinances. ordinances, and consequently all their ecclesiastical acts and tot, is suit burned it, majestias valid, or their preachers as gospel ministers, we thereby recog- cally waves it fronds and with hize the nize their societies as true churches of Christ. The Baptists of America from 1707-1807, did not regard Pedobaptist societies as script. scriptural churches, or their ministers as baptized or ordained.

I conclude the discussion of the question of "old" Baptist usage, with a letter from Bro. Spencer Cone, for many years the pastor of the First Baptist Church, New York City. His statements of facts will be received, and his opinion, as a sound Baptist, should certainly be regarded: "DEAR BRETHREN:

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"The question you ask was presented to me in July by Brother J. Tripp, Jr., of your church. I replied that, in my opinion, valid bantise, Jr., of your church. I replied that, authorized minister; baptism could only be administered by a duly authorized minister; and stated my impression also that the 'regular Baptist Churches of England and the United States' had long held the same sentiments. I wrote in the midst of numerous calls, and without dreaming that the hasty line was to appear in print, but make no complaint. My Baptist sentiments are public property, for in things pertaining to faith and practice I have no secrets.

First, then, what has been the sentiment of 'regular Baptist The minist, then, what has been the sentiment of regulation of the sentiment of the sentime The ministers and messengers of more than one hundred baptized tongraministers and messengers of more than one hundred baptized tongraministers and messengers of more than one hundred baptized to the second secon <sup>congregations</sup> of England and Wales (denying Arminianism) met in London, July 3-11, A.D. 1689, and published what they call "The  $C_{Opf_{opf}}$ , July 3-11, A.D. 1689, and published what they call "The Confession of our Faith,' and recommended its perusal not only to the man of our Faith,' and recommended its perusal not only to the members of our Faith,' and recommended its perusar who differ from the members of our churches, but to all other Christians who differ Kiffin, Keach, Collins, Harris, Gifford, Vaux, Price, Finch and a host of others whose praise was in all the regular Baptist Churches Viz, such as was opposed to 'general redemption and open communion.' Under the head of baptism, among other things, they stated a stated that 'it is to be administered by those only who are qualified and thereunto called.'

"The Philadelphia Association was formed in 1708, and adopted, With alteration, the London Confession of 1689; so that in this Pounts (Philadelphia Confession Country it has gone by the name of the 'Philadelphia Confession of Faith. Middle States have been formed upon the same platform. The New York the been formed upon the same platform. New York Association, organized in 1791, has always held the views time that I came to that island, advoc I advocate. In 1821, the particular point before us was discussed and to see how that God had addand settled, in answer to a 'query' from one of the churches similar ed to this group of people, one to that to that contained in your letter. Mr. Parkinson was appointed to here and one there, until now I write a contained in your letter. Write a circular lette baptism, in which he maintained the

(Continued from page two) to return to help care for him. Before he left though he asked time to see him and help him get started preaching to his own people.

I have made several trips from here to the Solomon Islands after that first time, holding meetings, Bible studies, and baptizing those that had professed to be saved. The work has been slow as compared to the expectations of folk who are interested in numbers; however, it is founded upon the only Foundation that will stand the test of time and the Scriptures and let come the tempest and raging storm but her anchor will hold for this work now known as the Jordan Baptist Church and the New Canaan Baptist Church have cast their lot with Jesus and are

The first time I ever went to Bougainville they planted a small coconut tree as a memorial for the first Baptist Missionary that had ever come to their island. The tree, though it has grown a lot, is still small compared to ever zephyr of a breeze seems to be saying to the Baptists there and to all that oppose them, "He shall be like a tree planted by the riv-ers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper," Ps. 1:3. Beloved, we have some Baptists on Bougainville, though few in number, that our fore-fathers would be proud of. They could have, no doubt, been many times their present number if they would have only lowered their standards as they have petitions for "joiners" nearly every week, but they are determined as near as is humanly possible to keep their churches Baptist in practice as well as in policy.

These two young churches have a great responsibility and undertaking as the majority of the responsibility of carrying out the commission in that part of the world has been put upon them. They are several thousand miles in any direction except back toward us from any sound Baptists and therefore need your prayerful support. They are about one thousand miles from our Mission Station. However, they are not afraid of the job that lies before them and have started out with pastor to each church and one full time missionary.

As I left there on Monday part of the Pacific. morning following the Sunday that we organized the last church I could not help but think over have stood by me in financial and upon the faces of those black people as they waved goodbye to me I tried to enjoy enough of their beaming smiles for every one of you that have had a part in this work. If you could have only seen them as I did that day you would have been repaid a hundred fold for every sacrifice you have made and every prayer you have prayed. Therefore, beloved. we have once again met the enemy on his own ground conquered a portion of it and are now "set for the defense of the gospel."

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I left Bougainville on Monday and it was not until Friday that I reached the Mission Station. This trip, as well as all the rest that I have made down there, has been very expensive and trying but if I had the choice I would not want to change any of it. I feel that as result of my going, and if our Lord tarries His coming, in the years to come long after I have at Calvary. That is why every gone on to be with our Lord, Bap- male-every Jewish boy tists will still be thriving in that

Our work here in the Southern day the Son of God would die Highlands is being blessed of the and shed His blood for the sins Lord and as I am preparing to of God's elect. When this was taken care of at leave a week from today on a long patrol, I prefer to wait until the inn, Zipporah, the wife of I get back to give a detailed re- Moses, made a contentious, angry, port of the work as I will be visit- snarling speech when she referred ing many of the old and several to Moses as a bloody husband. of the new places while I am out. Realizing that he had a wife on Testament churches, fully equip- I will just say in closing that his hands who wasn't interested ped to carry on the work of our Brother Roberts is capable of any in spiritual things-a wife that Master. Also I was made to re- task on the mission field and I wasn't concerned as to spiritual joice as I thought back over the am happy to be associated with a truth, Moses immediately sent her years of how that many of you man of his caliber here in New and his two sons back to her fath-Guinea. Pray for us both as we er. That was where she belonged. prayerful support and as I looked work together in this great work. (Continued on page 4, column 4)

# ified for the job and while we "Arm Of The Flesh"

(Continued from page two) strange that Moses didn't have his family with him in the land of Egypt, but it is very easy to understand why he didn't have them there. The Word of God tells us that as Moses was going back to Egypt after having lived in the wilderness with his wife and father-in-law for forty years' time on the backside of the desert, that they came to an inn, and God spoke to Moses and said, "Moses, what is this you are about to do? Here you are about to take upon yourself the task of serving Me, and yet you have never circumcized your own son. You have never set your son aside to the service of God." The Bible tells us how the lad was circumcized and then Moses' wife revealed her true unsaved, heathen, un-Godly, hellish nature when she said, "Surely a bloody husband art thou to me." Of course, as a result of the circumcision of that child there was a flow of blood, and that flow of blood looked forward prophetically unto the flow of blood of Jesus Christ baby. was circumcized. This was to be a reminder to all Israel that one

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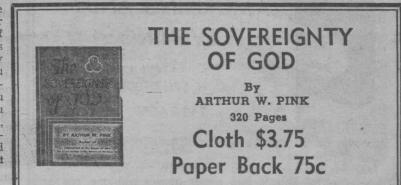
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"Will the Temple be rebuilt before the rapture of the Church?"

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I assume that you are talking about the rapture of God's people when you speak of the rapture of the Church.

Considering it as such, I will attempt to answer your question. No, I do not believe that the temple will be rebuilt before the Lord comes in the first phase of his coming — better known as the rapture.

It will probably be rebuilt during the first part of the tribulation period, and after it is built the man of sin will sit in it.

"Let no man deceive you by any means; for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God." (II Thess. 2:3,4).

When Christ comes to sit on His throne in the temple, He will cast the man of sin into the pit. Isaiah 66:21 tells us there will be priests in this temple.



The querist in referring to the second coming of Christ calls ture. this event the rapture of the church, this is a misnomer. There is no Scripture in the New Testament, nor the Old Testament, that justifies our calling the coming of Christ for His saints, the rapture of the church. The Bible in referring to the second event of our Saviour, makes it clear that requirement for the rapture. all the saints whether dead or Therefore the second coming alive will participate in the rap- should never be referred to as the ture.

descend from heaven with a It is my belief that plans for the

clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord."-I Thess. 4:16-17.

From these verses, it becomes clear that there is only one qualification to be a participant in the rapture, namely, to be in Christ. Membership in the church is definitely not a qualification of the rapture. There will be many of God's saints, who were never members of His church who will be resurrected or translated when the Lord shouts in the air.

"For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God."—Job 19:25-26.

Job was a firm believer in the rapture of the saints. He knew that in the latter day his flesh was to be resurrected, and he was to see God in that flesh. Job was not a member of the church; if we were to contend for the rapture of the church, we would exclude this great man of God.

Furthermore if the rapture is only for the church it would be sparse indeed, especially the translation of the living. As the years roll by it becomes more and more manifest that true churches are decreasing in number. Some of the churches who were at one time sound in the faith, have become worldly giving heed to se-ducing spirits and doctrines of devils. Read I Tim. 4:1.

Many of these churches have been spewed out of the mouth of the Lord, removing them as His representatives in this world. If the term rapture of the church is correct, then these churches and people will not take part in the resurrection or the translation. These and others who are not members of the church would be left behind to suffer in the Tribulation. This would teach us a partial rapture, for which there is no Scriptural foundation. The reference already referred to (I Thess. 4) reveals that all of God's

Church (Baptist) membership should be diligently sought after by every saint. Those who are not members of the true church will see their works go up in smoke at the Judgment Seat of Christ. Church membership is vitally important, but it is not a rapture of the church; rather it "For the Lord Himself shall is called the rapture of the saints.

Tribulation period.

"And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week, and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and oblation to cease."-Dan. 9:27.

From this verse I gather that sacrifices will be offered in the temple. This will continue until the middle of the week, when the Anti-Christ will set up his image in this temple and make himself as God.

"Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God."—II Thess. 2:4.

If the temple is to be used by Israel during the first part of the week, and then used by the man of sin during the last part, it would become necessary for the temple to be rebuilt before the rapture, or plans be drawn for its immediate construction after In 2 Thess. 2:4 we see this same the rapture. To state definitely anti-Christ sitting in the temple that the temple is to be rebuilt of God claiming that he is God. before the rapture, would take away our looking for the return of Christ, until we see the rebuilding of the temple in Jeru-



First let us note that unscriptural expression, "the rapture of the church." Perhaps the quessounds, but has merely given expression to a very current expression. Fundamentalists - and Baptists with fundamental persuasion as well, babble the expression "rapture of the church." They lump all believers into one bunch and call them "Church." There no such church. Organization and locality are inherent in the word translated "Church." A church according to the meaning of the word itself, signifies a "called out assembly."

This is contrary to the idea that all believers everywhere saints (dead or alive) are taken constitute the "Invisible, Univer-to be with the Lord at the rap- sal Church." The Bible in speaking of the Rapture does not say "church." It says (I Thess. 4:16), "The DEAD IN CHRIST shall rise." The writer of Hebrews foresees the time when all members - genuine ones, "whose names are written in heaven,' shall be assembled. These members of New Testament churches shall then constitute the final assembly — the "general assembly" (Heb. 12:23). Will that assembly be composed of all believers? NO! What are the rest called? Heb. 12:23 calls them "the spirits of shout, with the voice of the arch- rebuilding of the temple, or the just (justified) men made per-angel, and with the trump of rebuilding of it, must take place guests at the wedding support of ridicule the blood of the Son of guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb. Now, as to the temple about which the questioner asks, I must say frankly that I don't know whether it will be rebuilt before the rapture or not. Evidently it will be before the great tribulation, for Anti-Christ (2 Thess. 2: 4) is spoken of as seating himself as God in the temple. Some claim that the Jews are already gathering material for a temple. A minister of my acquaintance, had a son that was a pilot of an airplane to Palestine. He rested each trip before returning, and he stayed in a Jewish home. Those Jews told him that money and materials were being gathered for a temple. If that is true, we are hurrying fast down toward the end of this age.

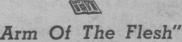
is to be rebuilt. I am convinced blood of Jesus, and her father that Hab. 2:20 is speaking of the was such a heathen priest in the time when our Lord comes back. land of Midian. There we see him in His holy temple. The first part of Mal. 3: Moses' father-in-law; here come in mind, but our Lord's coming his two boys. The Word of God to His temple suddenly in the would indicate that Moses relatter part of the verse seems to ceived them favorably, for he



in Mt. 24:15 we see the false prophet (the anti-Christ) standing in the holy place which must surely mean the rebuilt temple. I believe that all Bible believing Baptists will agree that this will come to pass during the time of the great tribulation.

Yes, I believe the temple is to be rebuilt before our Lord comes down to the earth with His saints. But I know of no Scripture that even hints that it must be rebuilt before He comes in the air for His saints. The rebuilding of the temple has absolutely nothing to do with us in the church age. So let us be looking for the Lord of the temple rather than for the temple. The rebuilding of the temple is none of our business. It was not included in the great commission.

And while I am aware that our Lord was talking to the saints in John 14:3 who comprised His tioner does not mean that as it precious church, I am fully, and completely convinced that the expression "the rapture of the was hatched out and church" nourished in the nest of Protestantism. And the old hen that laid the egg in that nest was the old devil himself. Our Lord's churches are a heavenly institution on the earth, but they will never be worldly institution in heaven. There will be no place for, nor any need for a church in heaven. Our Lord will choose His Bride from His churches, but let us remember, she makes herself ready here on the earth, not in heaven. Thess. 4:16-17 teaches plainly that our Lord will rapture all His saints. So let us be Scriptural and say "the rapture of the saints." Universal churchites may need the expression "rapture of the church," but Bible believers have no need for it.



(Continued from page three) She was a heathen, her father was a heathen priest, and she had no business with Moses. If she wanted to spurn the blood of Jesus Christ and if it is her desire to

But now, here comes Jethro, seems to have the first advent his wife Zipporah, and here comes speak of His second coming. And made a big feast for his father in-law. Listen:

"And Jethro, Moses' father " law, took a burnt-offering and sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel to eat bread with Moses' father in law before God."-Ex. 18:12.

They had a big feast for him and they had a good time of fellowship together. However, Moses had work to do, and the next day he went on about his tasks

I think I can understand a lit tle of this. I have lots of guests in my home-people who come to see us from all over the country I would be happy to sit down an have fellowship with them all <sup>9</sup> the time, but I can't do it. I hav work to do; I have a paper publish; and I have other thing to do, and when we have guest I have to go ahead with my work Moses had to go ahead with hi work. All day long the people would come to Moses and ask him questions, and Moses would as God, and God would give Mose the answer, and Moses would giv it unto the people. Jethro was guest within the camp and wandered aimlessly about here and there, looking the camp over and observing what was taking place. He saw Moses as he wou appear before the people answer their questions, and saw the people standing in line waiting all day long-waiting get a chance to talk to Moses. he came to Moses at the end <sup>o</sup> the day, and said, "The thing that you are doing isn't right. I have this whole thing figured out how you ought to do it. You ought to set up a system with rulers over thousands, with rulers over hundreds, with rulers over fifties, and rulers over tens, and you be at the top.

Therefore when anybody wants to know something, he can bring his matter to the fellow who over his thousand, and if he can answer it, it will be handed up the man over a hundred, and he can't give the answer, it wi be handed up to the man over fifty, and then to the man over ten, and finally, Moses, it will come to you."

That sounded unusually good You cannot see this without see ing a remarkable amount worldly wisdom to have one man over a thousand, and he will re port to the man over a hundre like him, and he will report one like him over fifty, and the to ten, and then to Moses. use that plan every day, for that is very similar to our court sys tem in the United States.

Therefore when Jethro sugges ed this, Moses adopted it, and the Word of God says:

God: and the dead in Christ shall before the rapture. The basis for rise first: Then we which are my belief is, the temple is to be alive and remain shall be caught used by the Jews during the first up together with them in the three and one-half years of the



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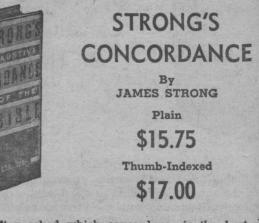
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There are many Scriptures that lead me to believe that the temple

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God, she had no business with Moses in the land of Egypt, as he of all Israel, and made them head tries to do the will of God. Rather, over the people, rulers of thou her place is with the blood spurn- ands, rulers of hundreds, ruler ers. Her place is with the blood of fifties, and rulers of tens. And rejectors. Her place is with the they judged the people at all 50% crowd that had no use for the (Continued on page 13, column

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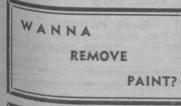
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of cattle have already died. Myr- helplessness seems upon the land. lads more seem likely to die. The Were snatched from us and and cannot be restored.

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ook at the words which form is not a family which will not the title of this booklet, and con- sooner or later suffer. The meat sider them well. They were spok- on the rich man's table, and the en by heathen men more than cheese in the cottage, the milk three thousands years ago. They and butter which form so large fell from the lips of Egyptian a portion of our food, all will be magicians when one of the fa- affected by it. It will reach every

It is a perplexing calamity. No aid unto Pharaoh, This is the medicines, or remedies, or modes finger of God." (Ex. viii. 19). It of treatment, appear to have any would be well if all Englishmen effect on the disease. After all were as wise as these Egyptians! the discoveries of science, after There is an evil among us that all that has been written by demands our serious attention. It learned doctors, the skill of man forces itself on our notice, wheth- is completely baffled. Even our er we like it or not. It has seized statesmen and rulers seem at their FOOT AND MOUTH EPIDEMIC. century, we have found a foe that It is a heavy calamity. Myriads entirely beats us. The curse of

injury of private interests are I wish to draw attention to one or world in the days of Noah? Christian.

plague come?

I answer, unhesitatingly, that it

#### By J. C. RYLE

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comes from God. He who orders things on earth as much now as Lord hath not done it?" (Amos all things in heaven and earth,-He by whose wise providence days. I believe that wars, fam- (Continued on page 6, column 3) everything is directed, and without whom nothing can happen .--He it is who has sent this scourge upon us. It is the finger of God.

I shall not spend time in provthe nation by the throat, and will wits' end. With all the accumu- ing this point. I refer any one have a hearing. That evil is THE lated wisdom of the nineteenth who asks for proof to the whole tenor of God's Word. I ask him to mark how God is always spoken of as the governor and manager of all things here below, Now I wish to speak of the cat- from the very least to the greatloss of national wealth, and the tle plague as a minister of Christ. est. Who sent the flood on the something fearful to contemplate. two things which, amidst the an- was God. (Gen. vi. 17.) Who It is as bad as if gold and silver xieties of the crisis now upon us, sent the famine in the days of appear likely to be forgotten. Let Joseph?. It was God. (Gen. xli. thrown into the sea. A vast members of Parliament view the 25.) Who sent the plague on amount of property is clean gone cattle plague from the political Egypt, and specially the murrain side. Let physicians and men of on the cattle? It was God. (Ex. science propound their theories of vii. 5; ix. 3.) Who sent disease prevention and cure. I find no on the Philistines, when the ark fault with either one or the other. was among them? It was God. I only ask leave to offer a few (1 Sam. v. 7; vi, 3-7). Who sent thoughts on the whole subject as the pestilence in the days of a believer of the Bible, and as a David? It was God. (2 Sam. xxiv. 15.) Who sent the famine in the I. Let us consider, in the first days of Elisha? It was God? (2 place, whence does the cattle Kings viii. 1.) Who sent the stormy wind and tempest in the days of Jonah? It was God. (Jonah i. 4.)

I count it mere waste of time

He was in the Old Testament iii. 9.) It is the finger of God.

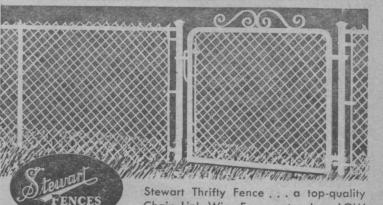
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can be called a believer of the ing on the government of this Bible who denies God's provi-dence over this world. For my a scourge like the cattle plague own part, I believe thoroughly I have no doubt whatever as to that God is not changed. I be- the hand that sends it. "Shall lieve that He is governing all there be evil in a city, and the

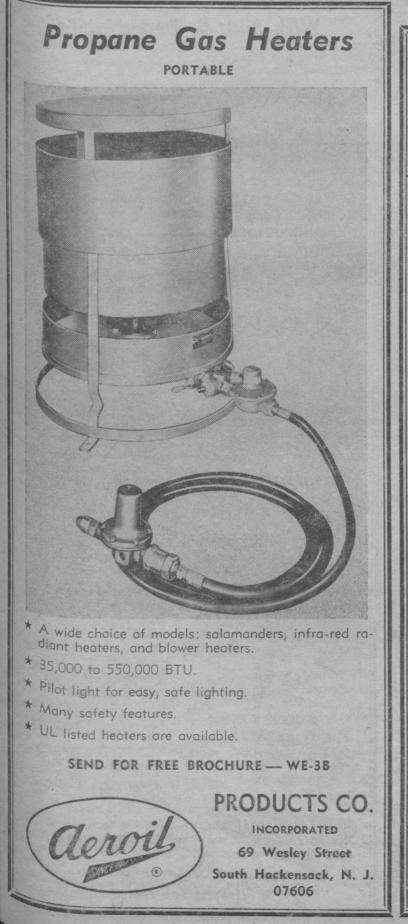


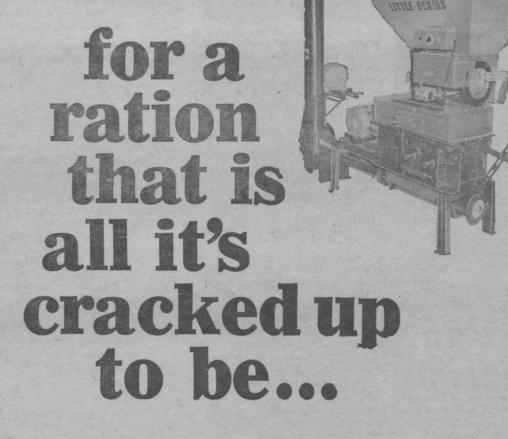
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(Continued from page five) Can any one give a better account of the cattle plague? If he can, let him speak out like a man, and tell us why it has come. To say that it originated in another land, that it is not a new but an old disease, that it has done great harm in days gone by,-all this is evading the question. I ask to be told why it has come upon us now? How and in what way can the outbreak be accounted for at this particular period? What possible causes can be assigned for it that have not existed for hundreds of years? I believe these questions cannot be answered. I believe that the only cause that we must come to at last is the finger of God.

Does any one regard my assertion as absurd and unreasonable? I have no doubt that many do so. Many, I suspect, think that God never interferes with the affairs of this world, and that pestilences and cattle plagues are only the which are always producing cer- while they live; but this is belows that God framed the uni-verse, why not allow that God manages it? Anyway with this modern scepticism! It is offensive and revolting to common sense. They are not to be heard who would shut out the Creator fro mHis own creation. He who made the world at the beginning by the finger of creating wisdom, will never cease to govern the world by the finger of His providence, until Christ comes again. This cattle plague is the finger of God.

Does any one pretend to say that God is too loving to send us such a scourge as this, and that it is wrong to suppose that anything evil can come from Him? I pity the man who can argue in that way.—Has he children? Does he never correct them? If a wise and sensible man, I have no doubt that he does .- But does he have them because he chastises them? Does he not show the highest love by checking them when they do wrong? And shall not our Father in heaven do the same? Yes: indeed! God does not hate us: He is a God of mercy and love, and therefore He keeps up His providential government of mankind. There is love even in this fell scourge which is now upon us. The cattle plague is the finger of a wise and loving God.

II. Let us consider, in the sec-ond place, why has the cattle plague come upon us?

I answer that question without hesitation. It has come upon us because of our national sins. God



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because of many things among us our special national sins. which are displeasing in His sight. He would fain awaken us to a this point is to my mind plain sense of our iniquities. This cat- distinct, and unmistakable. tle plague is a message from heaven.

The sins of individual men and result of certain natural laws women are often not reckoned for tain effects. I pity the man who cause there is a judgment day yet thinks so. Is he an atheist? Does to come. In that day "every one he believe that this wonderfully of us shall give account of him-designed world came together by self to God." (Rom. xiv. 12) For chance, and had no Creator? If nations there can be no future so, he is a very credulous person. judgment day. The sins of na-But if he does believe that God tions are reckoned for in time. made the world, where, I ask, Special sins and corruptions in a is the absurdity of believing that nation call for special chastise-God governs the world? If he al- ments. I believe that this cattle

The teaching of the Bible any one who doubts it read what God says about Babylon, Tyre, Egypt, Damascus, Moab, Edon, Ammon, and Nineveh. (Isaiah xiii. 1; xv. 1; xix. 1; Jerem, xlvl 2; xlviii. 1; xlix. 1, 7; l. 1; Nahum iii. 1.) Let him read such texts as these,-"the eyes of the Lord (Continued on page 7, column

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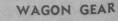
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(Continued from page 6) God are upon the sinful nation, and I will destroy it from off the face of the earth." (Amos, ix. 8.) destroyeth them: He enlargeth the 29.) Let them study, such chapters as Daniel iv. and v. Surely, if a man believe the Bible, these Passages should set him thinking. The God of the Bible is still the same.-He never changes.

Does any one ask what the spe-

to my eyes to stand out prominently in this country at the present time. I may be quite wrong. I only give my judgment as one who looks on attentively, He increaseth the nations, and marks the signs of the times. (1) The first national sin I will ations, and straiteneth them name is covetousness. The excesagain." (Job. xii. 23, and xxxiv. sive love of money, and the desire to be rich in this world, are what I mean. Never, surely, was there such a race for riches as at the persent day. To make money and die rich seems to be thought

I will mention some which appear

the highest virtue, and the greatest wisdom. Yet God has said "Covetousness is idolatry," and

clal national sins of England are? "The love of money is the root



Doubt asks, "Gan God? Faith says, "God can."

of all evil." (Col. iii. 5; 1 Tim. vi.

### 10.) (2) The second national sin I will name is luxury and love of pleasure. Never, surely, was there a time when people ran so greedily after excitement, amusement, and gratification of their senses. The many are "lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God." (2 Tim. iii. 4.)

(3) The third national sin I will name is neglect of the Lord's day. That blessed day is rapidly becoming in many quarters the day for visiting and pleasure, and not the day of God. Yet Sabbathdesecration was specially one of the sins which brought down God's judgment on the Jews: "My sabbaths they greatly polluted." (Ezek. xx. 13: Nehem. xiii. 18.)

(4) The fourth national sin I will name is drunkenness. The quantity of intoxicating drink needlessly consumed every year in England is something frightful. The number of public-houses, ginpalaces, and beer-shops, in our large towns, is a standing proof that we are an intemperate people. There are more people, every Sunday night, in some London parishes, in gin-shops, than there are in churches and chapels. We are worse in this respect than either France or Italy. Yet God has said, "No drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of God." (1 Cor. vi. 10.)

(5) The fifth national sin I will name is contempt of the seventh commandment. In town and in country among rich and among poor, the tone of feeling about lowest ebb. Yet God has said, 'Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God." (Ephes. v. 6.)

(6) The sixth national sin I



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poor, the tone of feeling about to look favourably on the Roman and yet boasts that he thinks purity among the young, is at the Catholic Church. The very Church much of the Bible is not true. which burned our martyrs three Nothing, I am thoroughly perhundred years ago, withheld the suaded, is so offensive to God as Bible from our people, trampled to dishonour His written Word. on our liberties, and to this very day puts the Virgin Mary prac- things are crying to God against tically in the place of Christ, is England. They are an offence favoured and trifled with by against the King of kings, for thousands! A judicial blindness which He is punishing us at this seems coming over us. The line very day. And the rod He is between toleration and favour ap- using is the cattle plague. The pears clean blotted out. The finger of God. I believe, is point-great desire of many is to "go ing at our seven great national back to Egypt."

(7) The last national sin I will To say that we are not so bad scepticism and infidelity. Little I have named are far more abundceasing to honour God. Year after England, is no argument at all. impunged, and its authority im- than other countries, and there-

will name is a growing tendency dares to call himself a Christian,

I believe firmly that these sins.

name is the growing disposition to as some nations, and that the sins by little, men in high places are ant in other countries than in year the Bible is more openly We have had more privileges paired. To believe the Bible was fore God may justly expect more once a mark of a Christian. In the at our hands. "To whomsoever present day an English divine (Continued on page 11, column 1)





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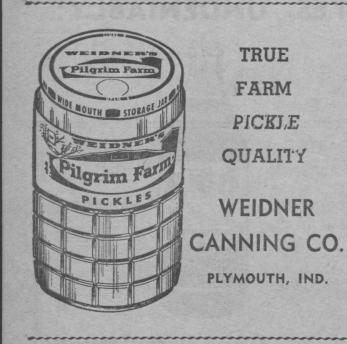
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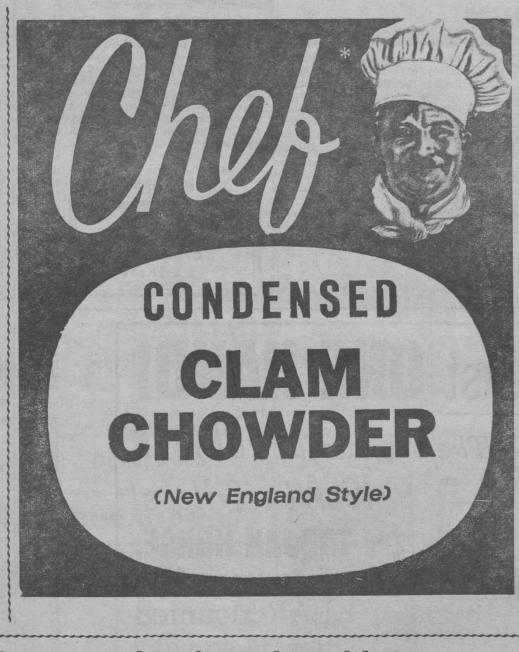
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# An Encouraging Letter From Bro. Hamza Mohammed ---- Missionary In West Indies

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"O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out."-Rom. 11:33.

### Dear Friends in Christ:

Greetings once again in the Name which is above every other name, that of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, via The Baptist Examiner. It is quite a long time since I reported to you of the work here in Trinidad. I would like you to know that this delay was not because of negligence nor laziness, but was caused by severe illness.

I was hospitalized for almost with a severe warning. Oh, what a

was in a coma for four days, was He also visited other fields where given up by the saints here, but Woodlawn Church is supporting life, for this I am grateful to Him, and here. and my desire is to be faithful to Him and His Church, The Wood- are all moving on well. The Lord lawn Terrace Baptist Church, is saving some and adding His whose missionary I am here. I am still under doctor's care, and receiving injections and tablets daily. I do request the prayers of all the Lord's people.

We were blessed with a visit by our beloved Pastor Larry Cox of Memphis, Tenn., from the 27th of October to the 3rd of November last year. I begged the doctor to let me out of the hospital so as to be with him, it was granted

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four months last year, July to Oc- joy it was to have him in our tober, suffering with meningitis, midst and to fellowship with him. the Good Lord was most gracious missionaries, they are: Jamaica, to me in that He has spared my Barbados, Puerto Rico, Guyana,

The church and her missions



### HAMZA MOHAMMED

own unto His church here. We are still having Bible classes in Carapo, San Juan, Tunapuna, and other places, recently there has been an opening in the southern part of the Island for us to preach the truth, this is in Chaguanas, one family has opened their doors to us. We are praying that before long a church will be established here. Do pray with us that God will bless His word here and that many sound Missionary Baptist Churches will be established all to His own honour and glory.

We have been much concerned about the physical condition of our beloved Pastor Gilpin and have been much in prayer that the Lord will undertake for him. TBE is still coming in to us, and we do thank the Lord for this paper and the Truth for which it stands and proclaims weekly, it is a means of keeping us faithful to the Lord and contending for the faith committed to His churches. As I close, I will like to thank each of you for your prayers and support, and do assure you of our constant faithfulness to the Lord and His church in proclaiming nothing but His holy and infallible Word. We shall be remembering you in our prayers and request that you do the same for us. God bless each of you.

### Yours in Christ, HAMZA MOHAMMED,

EDITOR'S NOTE: In view of the statement made by Bro. Mohammed above, we are happy ORIGINAL & ONLY ALL-STEEL



to state that your editor's health is slowly improving, and we have learned that one just doesn't get over a paralysis condition over night. We are grateful to say that we have not missed a service, and have been able to keep going relative to all of our work, and have never missed a day working in the printing shop. To God be all the praise! Remember us much, and often in prayer, that this fiscal paralysis shall be removed, especially in so far as it affects my right eye. -J.R.G.

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friends to bury him with his hands extending outside the casket so that all men could see that they were empty. Not only did his empty hands show that he could not take one fragment of his empire with him, but that it did not belong to him. "The earth is the Lord's.'

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# **Bible Standards** Forgotten Today

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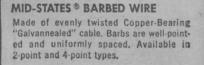
Senator Kenneth B. Keating 15 credited, by the Reader's Digest, with this story. One hot July day, when tourists were lining up to enter the Senate gallery, an elderly gentleman whispered to the person behind him, "Take a look In the Imperial Museum in at the little character in front of

"It's a girl," came the angry an-

"Forgive me, sir!" apologized ed you were her father." "I'm not!" hissed the slacks

ported to have commanded his clad parent. "I'm her mother."

Most people today pay little attention to the Mosaic command. "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a wo man's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the Lord thy God." (Deut. 22:55).



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# The Finger of God

(Continued from page eleven) people in the world. We are sadly blind to our many faults and sins. Surely when God's hand is so plainly stretched out against us, it is high time to give up this It is written,-"Pride do I hate." idleness." abased, and he that humbleth his own door. himself shall be exalted." (Prov. For another thing, let us each Scripture warrant us. The men

xvi. 49; Daniel iv. 37; Matt. xxiii. made known to God."-"Is any 12.)

For another thing, let us each individually endeavour to break off our own besetting sins, and to my name, shall humble themamend our ways. It is easy work to find fault with Government, boastful spirit. If there is any-thing that God hates, it is pride. in trouble. The better course is in trouble. The better course is en, and will forgive their sin, and to look within at ourselves, and -"Pride goeth before destruc- try to do our own part to make James v. 13; 2 Chron. vii. 13, 14.) tion."-"I am against thee, O thou things better. The sins of a namost proud." -- "This was the tion are made up of the sins of a iniquity of Sodom, pride and ful- great number of individuals. Now, ness of bread, and abundance of if every individual tries to amend "Those that walk in his own life, and to do better, pride He is able to abase."-"He the whole nation will soon imthat exalteth himself shall be prove. The city is soon clean with the feeling of our infirmities, when every man sweeps opposite

It is easier to float a rumor than to sink one.

use any influence we have to check sin in others. The power that parents, masters, mistresses, and employers have in this respect is very great. If all such would exert themselves to check Sabbath-breaking, excess of dress, idleness, drunkenness, and breaches of the seventh commandment, it would be an immense gain to the general condition of the nation. Influence over others, we must never forget, is a talent for which we must one day give account. There are thousands of parents and employers, I fear, who completely bury this talent in the ground. They allow those under them to run into sin, and, like Eli, never reprove them. It is written, "His sons made them-selves vile, and he restrained them not." (I Sam. iii. 13.)

For another thing, let us each lay ourselves out more heartily to do some good in the world. It is a melancholy fact, that the increase of alms-giving in England of late bears no proportion whatever to the increase of wealth. The trade and commerce of the country have probably doubled within the last twentyfive years. Yet the incomes of most of our large religious societies are almost at a stand still. If English people will not remember that their gold and silver is only a loan from God, and intended to be used for Him, they cannot be surprised if God reminds them of it, by such visitations as the cattle plague. The hand that gives a nation wealth is the hand that can take it away.

ever else we do, let us pray. The TLE."-(Jonah iv. 11.)-The char- Psalm 1, 15.) Word of God encourages us to it. "In everything by prayer and ciii. 13; xvi. 18; Jer. 1, 31; Ezek. supplication let your requests be

> afflicted, let him pray."-"If I send pestilence among my people; if my people, which are called by selves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heavwill heal their land." (Phil. iv. 6; -The presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in heaven at God's right hand invites us to it. He that died for sinners on the cross is sitting there to be the sinners' Advocate and Friend. He can be touched and knows the trials of our earthly condition.—The examples of

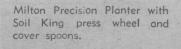


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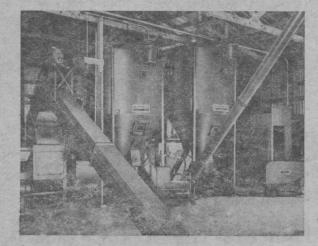
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As most of our traveling was done at night on the way ever here it was difficult for us to obtain any pictures before him, and he would answer it, but we reached New Guinea. In this picture Brother Doty and my other than that, he didn't have family (I was taking the picture) are seen at the place in anything to do. It sounded good, but lat's see what resulted from Mount Hagen where we spent two nights before coming on the suggestion out to the mission station. This is located about 6 miles from the suggestion. the airport and about a mile from the town.



While in Hagen we had to get in supplies to take out to the mission station and this picture was made one afternoon while we were out doing some shopping. The natives around



Once we had our supplies ready we were ready to leave Hagen for our mission station. Early Saturday morning we left and it for our mission station. and it took us all day to get out here. As can be seen in this picture Brother Doty and I had resorted to handkerchiefs to to prevent a sunburn, however, we were too late for both of us, as well as the rest of the family, got sunburns and I got us had since being the worst burn from the sun that I have had since being not expect anything else out of a in the worst burn from the sun that I have had since burns not expect any thing ou expect any the sun the Territory. This picture was made at the Koroba airstrip heathen. Would you expect an about Territory. This picture was made at the plane rides unsaved man to give good scripabout 3:30 p.m. and while it was the end of the plane rides We still had another 17 miles to go by road before we reached tural, sound advice? No! He was home.

### "Arm Of The Flesh"

(Continued from page 4) sons; the hard causes they brought unto Moses, but every small matter they judged themselves."-Ex. 18:25, 26.

say, beloved, it sounded mighty good, and it looked like it would be the very way to solve the problem. It gives Moses a chance to go fishing. It gives Moses a chance to play golf. It gives Moses a chance to go hunting. It gives Moses a chance just to have an easy time, with everybody else doing the work. Once in a while somebody would have

a case that they would hand to

One year passed by, and at the end of that year, the Word of God tells us how God set aside completely this worldly-wise organization that Moses and Jethro had set up. We see how God not only set it aside, but God ignored it. Moses had had enough, and he cries out to God and says:

"I am not able to bear all this people alone, because it is too heavy for me."—Num. 11:14.

Did you ever hear Moses saying anything about the troubles that he had with Israel when he was leading them through the wilderness, just before Jethro came to see him? Not one time did he ever complain. Now he says, "I can't bear them all alone."

God said, "Moses, you are not bearing them alone. The only thing is, you are just answering when the ten judges underneath you have something that they can't handle." Moses said, "Lord, ly, and it was forgotten about, and never heard of again.

God said, "Moses, I'll tell you what this is going to cost you. It is going to cost you 69/70 of the Spirit of God that is resting upon you. Up to this time the Spirit of God has rested upon you, and has directed you, and has led you, but now I am going to take that same spirit and I am going to divide it up among seventy judges, and you will be just one of them. I am going to divide that spirit up so that same spirit that has been resting upon you will now be divided among the seventy, and you are going to lose 69/70 of the power of God."

I think, from this, beloved, it is very easy to see that God ignored, and set aside, and substituted His own plan in place of the plan of Jethro.

### JETHRO'S MISTAKES Jethro overlooked God. That



This picture was made on the mission station on Sunday morning after we had arrived late Saturday afternoon and shows Brother Doty standing among a few of the many natives that had begun to assemble before services. It was a great homecoming for us and we are truly glad to be back.



In this picture can be seen several, but not all, of the young men that help us in the preaching over here. Six of am bearing the whole burden. these are pastors and the other six are missionaries. This piccan't stand it." The result was ture was made on the north side of our house. At least two Hagen are quite a bit larger than they are out where we live. that God ignored, and set aside of these missionaries walk over 50 miles every week getting this worldly-wise organization of around to their various preaching places. All of them desire Jethro. He laid it aside complete- and need your prayers and so does the writer.



After I had been home a little over a week I went on a short patrol and my two oldest boys went with me. In this picture we can be seen as we are just leaving our house. We walked about 8 miles before night and then camped for the night and went on the next morning another two miles, held our first service and then started back towards the mission and held two more services and assisted in another one and had time to rest an hour before preaching at the mission for the late afternoon service.



Brother Doty soon learned to make his way around among natives and is pictured here with several of them at one the churches where we had just finished a service. Brother Doty is not too much unlike King Saul among these people in their not too much unlike King Saul among that stands In that he towers head and shoulders above any that stands next to him.

nothing but a heathen. We read:

"Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters."-Ex. 2:16.

"Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian."-Ex. 3:1.

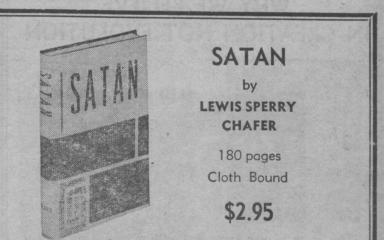
"Now I know that the Lord is greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly he was above them."-Ex. 18:11.

"Hearken now unto MY VOICE, I will give thee counsel, and God shall be with thee."-Ex. 18:19.

I tell you, beloved, whenever I read these verses, I see the first mistake of Jethro-he overlooked Almighty God. As a heathen priest, he ignored God. He said to Moses, "You listen to ME and I'll give you advice, and God will be with you." That is overlooking God.

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### Old Landmarkism

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"After the adoption of this circular, a resolution was passed, stating that although they considered the query sufficiently an- do the same thing. There are a swered in the circular, nevertheless they record the opinion of the Association, that Baptist Churches had better never receive persons, either as members, or even as transient communicants upon such baptism — viz., by unimmersed administrators. Many reasons are embodied in the resolution to sustain the opinion given, as 'the disunion, inconvenience, uneasiness, etc., which have always arisen in churches receiving such members." But the basis of their opinion is thus set down in plain words — 'Pedobaptist administrators, as Churches today come because far as we can see, are unknown in the Holy Scriptures.' And that man overlooks God, just like is just as far as I can see, and no farther.

"The First Baptist Church in this city, of which I am pastor, you and I need to do, it is to stand was founded in 1745, and as the Bible has not changed, she still adheres to her original confession of faith. The article on baptism voice of the Lord. closes thus: 'That nothing is a scriptural administration of baptism, but a total immersion of the subject in water in the name of the Holy Trinity, by a man duly authorized to administer gospel ordinances' (Matt. 28:19, 20; Acts 2:40-42). The action of this church for one hundred years has been to reject as invalid baptism administered by an 'unimmersed administrator.' During my residence in tist preacher, and Baptist Church, Maryland and Virginia, the Baltimore, Columbia, and Ketocton Associations (which I attended for eight or ten years, and was personally acquainted with every minister belonging to them) held the same sentiment. The subject was called up in the Associations while I was pastor of the Alexandria Baptist Church, D.C. - thus: man and not God. Jethro said, a Mr. Plummer, from down East, a Free-will Baptist or 'Christian,' as he called himself, immersed a number of persons in Virginia, and formed a Baptist Church. He baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Spirit, and yet denied the divinity of the Son. In a year or two he departed from our borders - his disciples were scattered. Some of them were really converted, and wished to unite with some Baptist Church in the vicinity. The church and pastor in Alexandria being satisfied with the Christian experience and deportment of two of them, I baptized them into the name of our God, Father, Son, and Spirit - coequal and coeternal - and we no more pect God's blessings. Listen: considered their baptism by Plummer as Christian, than we should if they had been dipped by a Mohammedan into the name of his prophet. These Associations, then, held that valid baptism must be esteemed."-I Sam. 2:30. administered, not only by an immersed minister, but also one in good standing in our denomination.

"In the early part of my ministry I was intimately acquainted with Gano, Baldwin, Holcombe, Staughton, Williams, Richards, Fristoe, Mercer and many others now gone to glory; and I never heard one of them drop a hint, that baptism by a Pedobaptist minister opened the door into a regular Baptist Church. Indispensable the advice that he gave was just engagements compel me to close. That there are now many pastors human wisdom. and churches opposed to my views, I know - painfully know but all this does not convince me that our fathers were wrong in this matter. I must be made over again before I count that to be Bible where it is expressly told 'valid baptism' when neither the administrator nor those who ordained him, believed immersion of believers any part of their commission, and never submitted to it themselves in obedience to the command of the King in Zion. Affectionately, your brother in gospel bonds,

### New YORK, September 30, 1845.

I once more call upon the candid reader to decide if I have made out my case – viz., that "our fathers," as a body, and as a general thing, were not Old Landmarkers in their views and practice; and if the recognition of Pedobaptists, as evangelical and valid, is not a new thing, and a departure from the "old paths?" Reader, will you take the old, or the new way that man and not him for advice. At any rate, God has cast up?

#### CONCLUSIONS.

I claim that I have demonstrated, by the plain teachings of the Scriptures and the history of our denominational ancestors, the following facts-viz.:

1. It is a fact that the churches of the New Testament, covering the entire apostolic age, were instructed to hold the doctrines, and observe the policy now denominated "Old Landmarkism." The Christians of the first century, then, were "Old Landmarkers."

2. It is a fact that all those churches, by whatever name called, (Continued on page 15, column 4)

# "Arm Of The Flesh" How Often You Have Needed Cards Like These -- But Didn't Have Them

(Continued from page thirteen) There are a lot of Baptists who

lot of Baptist Churches who do the same thing. They overlook God and listen to man. They take man's advice and the result is, they get into trouble just exactly like Moses got into trouble. I firmly believe that most of the priate Scripture verse, and are truly attractive. troubles that come in Baptist Jethro overlooked God in this case. If there is anything that still and listen to the still, small

Jethro said, "You listen to me and I'll tell you what to do. I'll give thee counsel, and God shall be with thee." Beloved, they overlooked God.

There's many and many a Bapthat are in the throes of difficulty and suffering heartaches just because they have done exactly as Jethro suggested-they listen to "God will be with you," but God isn't with you, unless God is directing you in the beginning. I tell you, God doesn't go along with a person unless God leads all the way. You cannot have your way, and say, "God, you have to go along with me." Rather, you are going to have to take God's way if you are going to ex-

"For them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly

In order to get God to honor you, you are going to have to honor God. Jethro didn't do it. He overlooked God.

Jethro substituted human wisdom for divine counsel. He said, "I'll give you advice." However,

there was any place in the that Moses was to do as he was doing-that he was to listen to what his people asked, and he was to give them answers as he did. No, there is not any expressed declaration nor command where Moses was told of God to do this thing, but God was directing him in everything else, and think it is only safe for us to infer that Moses had been directed of God to listen to God for the people, and to give the answers to the people when they came to Jethro doesn't inquire as to this. He doesn't ask if this is God's plan. Instead, he offers his plan.

I say to you, in much of our work, human wisdom is substi-tuted for the plans of Almighty God. As Jethro substituted human wisdom for divine plans, a lot of churches are doing the very same thing.

Of recent date, one man was is responsible to God. asking me about the finances of our church. In the conversation I told him that we never passed a collection plate, and he thought that was the strangest thing in all the world. In fact, he had never heard of it. When I told him how much money that the Lord gave us month after month, and that our average monthly offering for 1967 was better than \$38.00 per member, per month, he virtually threw up his hands in horror to think that a little church this size could give, and did give, as we did. Then he said, "I tell you what to do, Brother Gilpin. If you will pass the collection plate, you would get a whole lot more." I said, "My brother, I believe we have God's plan, and I believe God's plan works better than man's plan." His idea was that people forget an offering box, but if you bring a plate around in front of man, and embarrass him until he has to give something, then you are going to get some-

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amount of your offering. I don't give a drop. She didn't-that is, you have served the Lord in your

Human wisdom would say "colpay up. Human wisdom would say thus. I think God's plan is collection plate, is just about like the plan of Calvary Baptist Church. Beloved, I would be so afraid to try anything else, I just couldn't do it.

> Let's look at the idea of women preachers, and of women Associational meeting, one brother made a motion that they unbridle the women, and let them speak before the convention. He said, "Brethren, this is 1961!" My, wasn't he smart! He didn't have to look at the Bible to know that; he could have looked at the calas if to say that it was all right in days gone by for women to keep silent, but now we are living in a modern day, and it is time

In thinking about this, I looked men speaking in public. I found I think we ought to learn from that twenty-two of the leading commentaries on the book of I Corinthians says, without any question, that a woman is to keep silent in the house of God, and I didn't find a single commentary that denied I Corinthians 14:34. sions of the Bible?" I took the I go back to the Old Testament book that is called "The Twenty-

> Then I said, "How about some versions that are not listed in this I couldn't find a commentary nor

I think about the fellow who I don't want to know what you said sometime ago that I might

thing out of him. That reminds me of the days have any record of what each perwhen I lived on a farm. It re- son gives in church. That is beminds me of an old cow that we tween you and God, and God is used to have, that was hard to the best bookkeeper in all the milk. If you would have asked world. He keeps the records, and me how much milk that cow some of these days He is going would give, I would say she didn't to judge you on the basis of how

willingly, but an able-bodied man offerings. with two good strong hands could sit down beside that cow and lection plates," and have the could squeeze about four gallons treasurer keep a record, and at of milk from that cow twice a the end of every three months, day. Now she didn't give any send everybody a bill telling him milk, but you could squeeze it how much he owes, and he should out of her.

Beloved, the idea of passing a getting milk out of that old cow that didn't want to give any.

I see the Lord Jesus Christ as He came into the temple, and sat over against the treasury. Why did He sit there? The Word of speaking out in church. A few God says that He sat there to see years ago, at the Kentucky State how people made their offering. As He sat there, He noticed a poor widow who came by, and dropped two mites into the offering box. Those two mites-how much are they? You go to the Treasury Department and get a silver dollar and cut it into 100 pieces. Then take one of those pieces and endar. He said, "This is 1961," cut it into five pieces. Then drop one of those last five pieces into the box and you have given exactly what this woman gave, pro-A man asked me sometime ago vided you have given everything for us to change. you own. The Lord Jesus sat there and commended her because up many commentaries about woof what she had done.

that. If that was the system they had in the Word of God to raise money, and it worked then; if women brought all they had unto the Lord then, why can't we expect the same thing today, that God will bless and honor the Then I said, "How about the versame system today?

and I find it says they made a Six Versions of the New Testabox and bored a hole in the top ment" and I found that all twenof that box, and when they got ty-six versions agreed that a ready to open it up, the thing was woman's place, is a position of filled and overflowing. Why? Be- silence in the church. cause it was God's plan.

Human wisdom would say to stand in front of a fellow until book?" I looked them up and you embarrass him and he will found twelve more versions that put something in the offering said the same thing-that a womplate in order to get rid of you. an's place is a position of silence. Human wisdom says if you will do that, you will get more money. a version that would say for But God's plan is that every man women to speak in public.

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# "Arm Of The Flesh" never was one heard of until the tized Jesus?" There were plenty

(Continued from page fourteen) just as well give up my idea of women keeping silent in church, because everybody is doing it anyway. He went on to make this statement that I never did publish in the paper the real reason why I was not in favor of women speaking publicly and that was that some of them are so much better speakers than I, I was afraid they would show me up.

You know, beloved, that doesn't enter into it one particle so far as I am concerned. The question is, what does God say? Listen:

"Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not perthey are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law." -I Cor. 14:34.

the women speak. Divine revelation says that they are to be in a position of silence in the house of God.

Let's notice the worldly stand- did. ards that we have in churches today.

a Sunday School Convention held Association at that time. They held up on the wall a Standard churches to go by, if they are going to have a standard Sunday School. They called on each preacher present to show how his Sunday School was getting along in the light of those standards. When it came my turn, I went down the list and I came to one that said each church was to use Baptist literature. I said that we didn't use any literature, that we be an A-1 Sunday School if you use the Bible; you must use Baptist literature.'

Tell me, beloved, when the but Baptist literature. I had an idea that we were using the best Baptist literature there is in the World, but they ruled us out for one reason—we couldn't be an A-1 Sunday School because we were not using Baptist literature. That <sup>1s</sup>, a worldly standard, instead of taking what God said to man.

Let's notice the idea of mission boards. Do you realize that there Was never a mission board in existence until the 17th century? Paul never did have a mission

the English Parliament.

til we came down to modern boards, and it takes so much money to grease the wheels of those boards that there is not get it. enough money to send sufficient missionaries to the fields. By the time it gets to the foreign field, a dollar has shrunk to less than a dime.

I challenge any man to tell me where God ever told anybody to mitted unto them to speak; but do anything except through His church. We don't need a board of men; we just need His church. A church ought to make its own Human wisdom would say, let plans, and carry out its own mission work, and whenever we do otherwise, we are substituting human wisdom for God's commands. We are doing what Jethro

Let us look at it from the standpoint of sprinkling. It is so Several years ago, there was much easier to sprinkle a person than it is to baptize him by imat the Second Baptist Church of mersion. You don't get your Ashland, Ky., and I attended it, clothes wet, and the preacher being a member of the Greenup doesn't get his clothes wet. He can use his handkerchief when he gets through, and everything is all of Excellence — ten points for finished. Human wisdom would say that sprinkling is to be preferred to immersion, but I see when the Lord Jesus Christ was does the Holy Spirit say? baptized, that He went down into the water with John, and John We are coming to that season of baptized Him in the Jordan River; not along side of, or on the banks of, but in the Jordan River. I baptized in the 8th chapter of the sus being buried on Friday and book of Acts, it says they went <sup>used</sup> the Bible. "Oh, you cannot down into the water, both Philip and the eunuch. I say to you, when you substitute sprinkling for immersion, you are substituting human wisdom for divine Bible came to be anything else commands—you are doing exactly what Jethro did.

> Somebody may say, "I don't see ing sticklers for Baptist baptism 40. and close communion. Let's just see what the Bible says about it. When the Lord Jesus Christ was here. He wasn't satisfied with just anybody's baptism. He walked 60 miles across the sands of Pales-Baptist, the only man in the world who had authority to baptize.

You say, "Wasn't there anybody board behind him, because there at Nazareth who could have bap- done.

17th century. The first one that of Jewish rabbis, but they didn't was organized, was organized by have any authority, and He went to the man, the only man in the I have often thought about it. world who had authority to bap-Paul got along without a mission tize, and He was baptized by John board, and all the churches got the Baptist - not by John the along without a mission board un- Catholic, nor John the Methodist, nor John the Campbellite, nor times. Now we have mission John the Holy Roller, but John the Baptist. If I didn't have that kind of baptism, I would run to

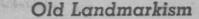
> Human wisdom says we should ought to invite everybody to the ask you one question: did Jesus invite His own mother to eat the Lord's Supper with Him? Did eat the Lord's Supper with Him? Beloved, the Bible says of the Lord's supper that it is to be one body, one cup, and one bread. In other words, one loaf of bread, one cup of wine, and one local church of Jesus Christ.

> We have folk here this morn-Jesus Christ. If we were to observe the Lord's Supper, we couldn't ask them to take the Lord's Supper with us because they are not members of the one

I might also mention Easter. what they call Easter - a season ordinances. that isn't even found in the Word raised up on Saturday morning. Beloved, Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale, and the Lord Jesus objection is: Christ said:

and three nights in the whale's belly; SO SHALL the Son of man be three days and three nights in any reason for Baptists today be- the heart of the earth."-Mt. 12:

Will you tell me how you can crucify Jesus Christ on Friday, hurry Him into the grave, and get Him out on Sunday morning not what man says. in time for a sunrise service (even if you don't go to church tine that He might find John the any other time of the year)? Tell morning. I don't think it happened these false churches may do. The me how you can do that and have on Easter Sunday. Easter varies thing I want us to do, is to be Jesus in the grave three days and from March to May, which in it- mighty sure we stand not for huthree nights. It simply cannot be



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which were the recognized witnesses of the truth and the preservers of the gospel during all the subsequent ages until the Reformation, were strictly "Old Landmark" Baptists, in faith and practice, and were called Anabaptists.

3. It is a fact that the genuine Baptists, from the rise of Protestantism onward, for centuries following, were "Old Landmarkers" in the strictest acceptation of the term, according to the testimony of Bullinger, Mosheim and Owen.

4. It is a fact that the Baptists of England and Wales, from the have open communion, that we time churches were planted in those countries until a late day, were Anabaptists who refused in any way to recognize the Pedo-Lord's Supper. I would like to baptists persecuting sects of that day, as churches of Christ, and were, therefore, "Old Landmarkers."

5. It is a fact that the first Baptist Church planted in America He invite the man in whose house at Newport, Rhode Island, in 1638; and its pastors, Clark and Holmes, it was initiated the first time, to were "Old Landmarkers," and for this were imprisoned, and the latter cruelly whipped upon Boston Common.

> 6. It is a fact that the Baptist Churches of America, from 1707-1807, according to the published minutes of the Philadelphia Association, were "Old Landmarkers."

7. It is a fact, according to the testimony of Bro. Spencer H. Cone, that from the earliest planting of Baptist Church in New York, until 1845, the general sentiment and practice of the churches ing whom I respect highly, and all the leading ministers was strictly Old Landmark; and, that who are not members of this only in the latter part of his ministry did a looser sentiment and church, and who love the Lord practice commence to prevail through the influence of those ministers, who loved the praise of men more than that of God - which pained the heart of Bro. Cone. The voice of that venerable man, though he sleeps in Jesus, should be heard today.

8. It is a fact that the venerable Oncken, and all the churches body. Human wisdom says it he has planted in Germany, and Prussia, and Russia, comprising looks so good to see everybody tens of thousands of Baptists, are Old Landmark to the core, unless come together and take the Lord's Bro. Oncken and his people have radically changed since I con-Supper, but the question is, what versed with him, during his last visit to this country.

9. It is a fact that the oldest churches and Associations in Mississippi were Old Landmark, and never affiliated, and not until the year when people observe this day, with human societies, or their ministers, or accept their

10. It is a fact that the oldest and most successful Baptist minisfind that when the eunuch was of God, when they talk about Je- ters in Tennessee, as the venerable James Whitsett, (The grandfather of Bro. Wm. Whitsett, of the Louisville Theological Seminary) who died at an advanced age, left an able paper with me upon this question, which he prepared the last year of his life. His eighth

> "We object to receive the baptism of Pedobaptists, because we "For as Jonas was three days think it a dangerous innovation. We have no recollection that the (Continued on page 16, column 4)

ought to do, but I say to you, false churches. what we ought to do, is to turn Jesus gave a commission to His back to what God says within His church. I am satisfied that com-Word, and do what the Lord says, mission was given to a Baptist

don't think it occurred on Sunday I am not concerned about what self shows you how foolish it is. man wisdom, but for the divine I don't think the Lord Jesus revelation that God has given us Christ even arose on Sunday in His Word. That was Jethro's morning. The Word of God second mistake -- he substituted would indicate that He arose human wisdom for divine counsel. about 6:00 o'clock on Saturday evening.

Mark my word, whenever you away from the blessings of God.

ism. LBJ has certainly set a good God gives the strength to do the example of ecumenicalism - he task He gives him. In other words, goes to church with everybody. if God imposes a responsibility Everybody else today is ecumen- on an individual, He will be with ically-minded. Everybody says that individual to sustain him in that is the thing to do - to go the responsibility He gives him. along with all the religions of the world. They say we ought to lay I think of the way God has taken aside these denominational tags care of me, and the way God has and all pull together. honorary degree at a school near Charlotte, North Carolina, and he His biggest mistake was that he said, "From now on I ought to forgot that God was able to look be recognized as Father Graham." after God's man, for he said to Maybe that should be true with Moses, "You are going to wear him, but so far as I am concerned, yourself out." I am not an ecumenicalist. God's Word savs: "MARK THEM which cause di- thee."-II Cor. 12:9. visions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and AVOID THEM." - Rom. everlasting arms."-Deut. 33:27. 16:17. I am not ecumenically-minded. I believe that when the Lord Jesus Christ was here in the days of His flesh, He established a Baptist Church, establishing it out of the material that John the Baptist had prepared and provided, in that he had baptized all the original ones that went into that church. Jesus said to His church, "I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." I am satisfied His church is going to be here, when

The world says that is what we all Hell has swallowed up these

Church. I am not concerned about I believe in the resurrection. I the Catholics or the Protestants. Jethro forgot God was able to

look after His servants.

Do you believe God gives a substitute human wisdom for di- man a job to do, and does not vine commands, you are getting give him the strength to do it? I don't. I don't think God ever I might mention ecumenical- gives a man any task but that

go



back across the and provided for me. I tell you, be-Billy Graham recently got an loved, I am thoroughly convinced that Jethro was definitely wrong.

God's Word says:

"My grace IS SUFFICIENT for

"The eternal God is THY REF-UGE, and underneath are the

"Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the Lord Jehovah is MY STRENGTH and my song; he also is become my salvation." - Isa. 12:2

"Now unto him that is ABLE TO KEEP YOU FROM FALLING, (Continued on page 16, column 3)

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### Missions

(Continued from page one) ed the universal religion, not to be displaced by something better, but to last till time ends; the complete religion, to be preserved by propagation until it shall prevail among the nations. He leads his army. "Lo, I go before you into Galilee." Who would have companionship with him must have their hearts there if must march forward as he leads the way into all heathen lands.

The Son of God goes forth to war, A kingly crown to gain;

His blood-red banner streams afar,

Who follows in his train? Who best can drink his cup of

woe Triumphant over pain,

Who patient bears his cross below,

He follows in his train.

1. Name

When the noble Bruce, hero of God's will have never escaped Bannoockburn, died his heart their moments of discouragement.

was extracted and encased in a "Arm Of The Flesh" silver casket by the Black Douglas and carried with the army. Douglas died fighting the Moors. Before he fell he threw the heart of Bruce into the thickest of the fray and urged his soldiers to follow that heart and conquer. Christ's heart is in the densest of heathenism and Christians

and a find

## Problems

(Continued from page one) great leader of the people of God. once cried: "I am not able to bear all this people alone because it is too heavy for me . . . kill me, I pray thee" (Num. 11:14-15). That great foreign missionary, Jonah, exclaim: "O Lord take, I beseech thee, my life from me" (Jonah 4:3). The greatest souls

(Continued from page 15) exceeding joy."-Jude 1:24.

after His servants. I never had I was first stricken with a spinal complaint known as encephalitis, which has come down through the years with me. I spent five days and five nights in the King's Daughters' Hospital, and they couldn't give me enough medicine to put me to sleep. The pain was such that they couldn't knock me out. Finally, on Friday morning when it looked like there was nothing else to do, they put me in an ambulance and took me 200 miles to Louisville. The nurse who went along with me said it was the hardest day's work she ever did in her life - that I fought her all the way to Louisville in the ambulance. I don't remember that, because I was too near gone and I was suffering dreadfully with pain. After they had given me a spinal tap there in the hospital, they said that it would be at least six weeks before I could go home. The next morning I picked up my Bible and read a passage in the Old Testament which said, "I was spared." Beloved, I got a brand new thought from that text that morning. said, "Well, I was spared too. I am feeling so much better today: I have been spared too." I had never seen that text before, but God brought it to me as a particular revelation and a comfort afternoon about 5:00 or 6:00 o'clock, and the next Wednesday I sat up in an automobile and went home, 200 miles, sitting up, in the car. The doctor had said sitting up in a car five days later.

I tell you, beloved, God is able to take care of His man. I don't care what problem comes into your life. You may have a death. You may have lots of burdens on you as a result of death. You may have hospitals to face. Regardless of what the burden is, God never gives you a burden that He does not give you the grace to sustain you.

These were Jethro's mistakes. was able to take care of His servants.

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# Old Landmarkism

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and to present you faultless be- history of the Baptists furnishes an example of the kind, and we fore the presence of his glory with are well assured that the common sense and piety of the Baptists were as strong one hundred years ago as they are now. This ques-I tell you, beloved, we need to tion we have before us must be a new-comer. We hope it will remember that God is able to look not be very obtrusive [in this he mistook the ministers of this age] ... We say again, we think this is a dangerous innovation."-(South that impressed upon me quite as Bapt. Rev., vol. 5, p. 388) and George Young, deceased, and Joseph they would feel His heart throb. much as several years ago when H. Borum, now living, for forty years a pastor in West Tennessee. never affiliated with Pedobaptists or Campbellites, and they testiff that affiliation is a new practice, and the forerunner of open com munion.

> 11. It is a fact that the attempt of the few influential and would-be popular ministers, of the early past and of this present time, to carry the denomination into affiliations and alliances of various kinds with Pedobaptists, and to influence it to recognize their societies as evangelical churches, by accepting their immet sions, and their preachers as evangelical ministers, by ministeria associations with them, has caused all the strife, angry dicussions and alienations that have afflicted us as a people in this and other states. And finally-

> 12. It is a sad fact that in Christ's last revelation through John of what would take place toward the close of the present gospe dispensation, and previous to His second advent, He foretold that laxity of views and practices, general indifferentism and lukeware ness, a state which He denominated as "neither cold nor hot," would characterize a large number in His churches; and these, He declared unless they repented and turned from their loose ways, He would spew out of His mouth: but the faithful and zealous few would be approved and presented as the "Bride," without spot, before the Father.

> It is my deepest conviction that "this day is this Scripture being fulfilled in our ears and before our eyes!" Reader, where do you stand? Where would you stand - among the faithful few or the most popular among the lukewarm many?

> fall back on what God says. It God - to devour it. Help me doesn't pay to do what man says. love the Word of God to such

"Holy Bible, Book divine; Precious treasure, thou art mine."

May you hug it to your bosom this morning, and may you thank God for it more today than ever before in your life. When you go out of this place, may you say, I wouldn't get out of the hospital "God give me grace to stay a lit-for six weeks, but I rode home tle closer to Your Book for the rest of my life than I have ever that we have a promise, and th stayed before."

I say to you, it doesn't make any difference what man says; it doesn't make any difference about what suggestions man may offer; if they are not according to the to listen to what man may Word of God, you don't need them. Jethro's advice amounted to nothing. It just caused a loss to Moses and it caused a year's burden to the children of Israel.

My prayer to God for you is, that God will enable you to see He overlooked God, he substitut- His truth and will make you to ed human wisdom for divine love His Bible more today than counsel, and he forgot that God you have ever loved it before; that God will take this Bible and make it more and more a Book for us, and us a people of the Book, than we have ever been

I stood in Louisville, Kentucky, Moses tried Jethro's plans for a one day many years ago as a boy year. Before that time, Moses preacher, and I looked in the winchallenge you to turn through the company in the business of treatpages of Exodus and find where ing houses for termites. I saw Moses ever complained one time pieces of wood that had been eatabout his problems. He tried Jeth- en by termites. I saw a Bible in ro's plan for a year's time, and the window that had been badly

extent that I just fall back upo it and hold onto it day by day. don't want anything else but the Word of God."

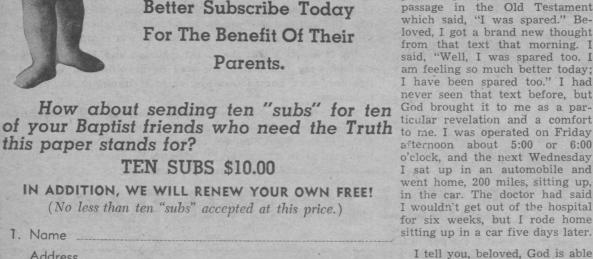
My prayer to God for you that God will help you to be that kind of an individual today. know we are not many in numb and I realize that we have lots problems. I realize all that, I realize something else. I rea promise is: "I'll never leave nor forsake you." God has b mighty good to us in keeping 1 promise in the years gone May God help you and me, at anytime, but always cause to stay close to the Word of G May God bless you!

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Personally, the editor of paper has always had a very h regard for George Armstr Custer. However, it is seldom t he has read any book concert him which, speaks with any gree of favor in behalf of Cus Most usually, books relative Custer are very critical. Howe since we have always felt diff ently concerning him, I found Civil War story of Custer's to be very fascinating.

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him crying out to God saying:

"I am not able to bear all this people alone, because it is too heavy for me."—Num. 11:14.

Prior to this time, Moses had never complained. With Moses depending on God alone, he got along much better than Moses depending upon Jethro and God.

Just remember that whenever you are depending upon God alone, you are going to get along a lot better than to depend upon an arm of the flesh like Jethro. God set Jethro's plan aside, and ignored it. He allowed Moses to use it for a year's time and then God just pushed it aside and God took the spirit that was upon Subs Moses and divided it up among seventy men, so that Moses lost 69/70 of his power.

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at the end of that year, you find abused — badly eaten by the It sells for \$6.95 and may him crying out to God saying: termites. I saw where that Bible ordered from our bookshop had been practically chewed to you like history, and would pieces, as they said, by the term- to read the life of a man whi ites. As I stood there, I said, "Oh, we have always admired, God, help me to be a Bible ter- we would encourage you to ord mite. Help me to eat the Word of this book.

