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Summary Of F.T.H.'s Recent Patrol

By FRED T. HALLIMAN (New Guinea Missionary)

patrol. We trust that it has enin duration or distance that we

lar area that we live in. Many over and visit them. times we would have visitors in One day I sat down with some (Continued on page 7, column 3)

our services from across the of them and talked with them mountains north of the station, and they told me the reason they It has been a pleasure to write began to make inquiries about their area was because there was and tell you of our latest mission the possibility of me coming over a vast difference in the way we lightened you to some degree they live and set up some preach- mission they had been going to. across the mountains to where taught about salvation and the about the work we are trying to ing places. I would tell them I began to be so burdened for carry on over here. While this that since I had no help that I these people that I decided one labout the work we are trying to ing places. I would tell them I began to be so burdened for carry on over here. While this that since I had no help that I these people that I decided one patrol was not the longest either did not feel inclined to leave this day that I would visit them and have made it certainly was one that they would go back but it There were about 150 people at that we considered as being one would not be long before either that first gathering and when of the highlights of our ministry the same ones or a new group asked what they would do if I would be back asking the same decided to go back and not come That you might better appre- questions. I would give the same to preach to them any more, their clate this phase of our mission answer and would sometimes reply was, "We have decided that work let me give you a brief re- add, "but you have a mission in if you will not come and preach we will get some of the me give you a brief re- add, "but you have a mission in it you will get some of the mission Station. For the first there." This sort of thing kept Christian people from around the last your mission to come and teach us byo and a half or three years up for nearly a year and the last your mission to come and teach us after we had settled in this area months there was someone here what they know." I decided then we had settled in this area months there was someone here what they work was of the Lord made many patrols but put at our Mission Station almost that this work was of the Lord special emphasis on this particu- constantly asking me to come and that unless I started services in this area I was going to

BAPTISTIC Some Of The Many Hoaxes Of The Roman Catholics

By BRO. BOB NELSON Edmore, Michigan

1. THE PAPACY IS A HOAX. Peter never claimed to be the pope. He was never in Rome. He knew that Jesus Christ, not WHOLE NUMBER 1587 himself, was the "Rock." word pope means father.) It is written "Call no one on earth your Father; for one is your Father, who is in Heaven." Matt.

2. MARIOLATRY IS A HOAX. It is written of Christ, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved." Acts

3. PURGATORY IS A HOAX. It is a money-making scheme. It is written, "The blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanses us from ALL SIN." John 1:7.

4. THE MASS IS A HOAX. The wafer-god is a blasphemous fraud. It is written, "But Jesus, having offered one sacrifice for sins, has taken his seat forever at the right hand of God." Heb.

5. THE CONFESSIONAL IS A HOAX. It is un-Christian, in- MEAT IS A HOAX. So is the decent and immoral. It is written, "There is one Mediator be-Christ Jesus." I Tim. 2:5.

ARE A HOAX. So are images, crucifixes, "bleeding hearts," "holy water" and similar heathen inventions. It is written, "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven images." Ex. 20:4.

7. FORBIDDING TO EAT



ELD. BOB NELSON

rule against the marriages of priests. It is written, "Some will tween God and men, the man, depart from the faith, giving Christ Jesus." I Tim. 2:5. heed to doctrines of devils. They 6. MIRACULOUS MEDALS (Continued on page 8, column 3)

A SCRIPTURAL STUDY IN ...

By C. D. COLE (Now With The Lord)



C. D. COLE

(Mart. 3:1-2). And our Lord be-His ministry by saying, Repent ye, and believe the gos-(Mk. 1:15). When Christ and the apostles preached rebentance, the meaning of the word was fixed in the minds of the people, so that definition of word was not necessary. But this is not true today. There is so much confusion over the doctrine; there are so many conflicting ideas; the word is used with such a variety of meanings, that the preacher needs to take the pains to know and to teach true meaning of the word. If a meaning of the what repeat man does not know what repentance is, he cannot know whether or not he has repented. hasaved person is confused over the matter and is anxiously ask-ing 1. remented? himself, Have I repented?

his faith in Christ, he may also be sure that he has repented.

Repentance and faith are mu-It is the opinion of the writer tually inclusive, like the two sides that the word "repentance" was of a coin; they are inseparable better understood in the days graces, so that you cannot have of Christ and the apostles than one without the other. The two was my this today. The first message of doctrines are mutually helpful, John the Baptist was on repent- so that to understand the one although he did not de- will help to understand the othtine the term: "In those days er. The New Testament somecame John the Baptist, preach- times uses both terms to express ing in the wilderness of Judea, a saving experience, while at kingdom of heaven is at hand" other term is employed. When we other term is employed. When we me, as I am privileged to visit anywhere near Bristol in need of message, although few churches saving faith is implied; and when we read that the believer has everlasting life, repentance is pentance and faith are also dis-Paul testified, "Repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 20:21). Some of the finest Christian

Etymologically, repentance means a change of mind. The this church. English word comes from a com-

Precious Blessings Received In The Glorious Service Of A Sovereign God

By JOE WILSON Winston-Salem, N. C.

was my wonderful privilege to call him my friend. early in the month of April, to There are several a week's meeting. This church is one of the soundest churches that I know of in this country. I conpreach for them most of the time these men. I am there.

tinct exercises of the human soul. go, and preach the same truths that I preach at Grace Baptist Church and have them received. friends I have are members of

mind. The Greek verb noeo tells the very dearest friends that I us what the mind does: it thinks have in the ministry. Many years or considers. Then the Greek ago, Dan spent 50 cents to send

Dan Phillips is one of the sound- standing and appreciation of this est men that I have ever met. I closing book of the Bible, know of no one who loves the How good it is to serve the truths of sovereign grace and pastor was present at two of the

be with the New Testament Bappreachers in this great church. tist Church of Bristol, Tenn. in Bill Jackson, David O'Neal, Mack Bill Jackson, David O'Neal, Mack Hall, and Wiley Murray are sound preachers, able to fill in when Dan is away, and to help him out, sider it sort of a second home to even when he is there. Churches read that repentance is unto life, with them quite often and to a preacher would do well to hear

I have held several meetings in Truly, this church is one of the this church, usually a Bible implied. While inseparable, re- great churches of today. It is the teaching meeting. This week was nearest church to us where I can spent on the book of Revelation. I prepared a set of eleven outline studies in the book, gave those present a copy, and we studied together this great and precious Book. I worked long and hard for this meeting, and God re-Brother Dan Phillips is the warded by blessing our hearts in pound Greek word: metanoeo. honored pastor of this church. He this study. The attendance was The Greek noun nous means is my brother-in-law, and one of rather poor, but those present seemed truly interested in learning what they could, and I truly believe that we had a great meetpreposition meta, when connect- me The Baptist Examiner for a ing, and that the church was ed with noeo expresses the idea year. I shall always love and ap- blessed and I had my views of of a change. And so metanoeo preciate him for that, for only Revelation much clarified in my repentance) means to consider God knows how much TBE has own thinking. Nearly all who at-(Continued on page 6, column 1) meant to me and to my ministry. tended testified to a better under-

Brother Lytton, a dear fellow Lord! What wondrous blessings church truth any more than he services, and invited me to have He gives us in His service. It does. I count it a great privilege the same study at the church He pastors in June. I am truly hon-There are several other fine ored by this invitation and would ask the prayers of TBE readers on this meeting.

I preached both Sundays on the Church broadcast. I preached "The Truth About Easter" 01 "easter" Sunday. God blessed this



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Chron. 32:31.

The Writer believes that many minutes to recount this Scriptural 32:22-31, let's just take a few was going to die.

the ambassadors of the princes of with a plague of boils. Knowing system. Babylon, who sent unto him to that the worse kind of boils are inquire of the wonder that was called carbuncles, I would rather done in the land, God left him, imagine in all probability, it was to try him, that he might know thus that Hezekiah was afflicted. all that was in his heart." - II At least it was serious enough that he thought he was going Having read to you from II to die. In fact, God sent word to Kings 20:1-19 and II Chronicles him through the prophet that he

Hezekiah was the king in this through the years that has been and anybody that might be near. We himself, Have I repented? day, and he was a good man. The afflicted with carbuncles, that He wanted to be alone with the Daphers have selected believe the average Christian Word of God would indicate that has died as a result thereof. I Lord and to think in terms of beginning in the earthly ministry as a better that has died as a result thereof, and he turned his face to- of Christ. He is an exceptionally

"Howbeit in the business of and Hezekiah became afflicted buncle that poisoned the entire

Well, Hezekiah was sick unto death. The prophet Isaiah came to him and said, "Hezekiah, you are going to die." Though Hezekiah was prepared to die, he didn't want to die. He wanted to try of Brother Gordon Buchanan be king. God had blessed him to be king over the country, and he didn't want to die, so he turn-I might say this, there has ed his face toward the wall, and been many an individual down shut out the sight of everybody

would express the agreement with this message that this noble church did.

Friends, at our church and everywhere I go, I tell the folk that their church comes first. That they are to be faithful to her, but then I urge them to lift up their eyes and look on like churches wherever they might be, and to become acquainted with true churches and to pray much for one another. Pray for the New Testament Baptist Church of Bristol, Tenn.

Later in April, our church was privileged to sit under the minisof Griffin, Georgia for a week. What a blessed privilege this was! Brother Gordon is one of the finest young preachers in America today. He is very sound on the great doctrines which true has believe the average Christian Word of God would indicate that has died as a result thereof. I Lord and to think in terms of beginning in the cartily than better view of saving faith he was on praying terms, or have conducted funerals at least God, and he turned his face to- of Christ. He is an exceptionally life. He has of "Repentance unto speaking terms, with the Lord twice in life of individuals that ward the wall and wept sore and clean living man. Gordon is an exceptionally heavy of a severe car. (Continued on page 2, column 1) (Continued on page 6, column 4) However, if one is sure of But even good men become sick, died, because of a severe car- (Continued on page 2, column 1) (Continued on page 6, column 4)

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We ended the month of February approximately \$1000.00 in the red. We ended the month of March approximately \$700.00 in the red. We ended the month of April approximately \$300.00 in the red. Pray with us that God will enable us to end the month of May without any obligations to be carried over into the next month.

Truly we thank God for the many friends that He has raised up in our behalf - who have, by their contributions, kept TBE in the mails in spite of all opposition.

"God Left"

(Continued from page one) prayed hard that God would heal raculous." He said, "Hezekiah,

Beloved, it didn't take very long for him to get an answer. Isaiah had just walked out of the room, and before Isaiah got out of the temple, the Lord said, "Turn around, and go back, and see the king, and tell him that he is not going to die, but he is clocks of various types whereby going to live, and I am going to add 15 years to his life." When alarm clock was an unheard of Hezekiah received this message thing, and all they had by which from the mouth of Isaiah, I am to tell time was a sundial. They sure he was rejoicing, yet he was could look at that sundial and wondering and questioning how tell by the way that the shadow

Isaiah said, "We will just have time of day it was. a little miracle—a little evidence

Georgia Baptist Church To Aid Bro. Bill Burket

A FINE LETTER FROM A FINE CHURCH TO A FINE MISSIONARY

Dear Brother Burket:

Just a few lines to inform you that the West Griffin Baptist Church of Griffin, Georgia voted to transfer the offering that we have been giving to brother Ralph Doty to help you.

As you know from The Baptist Examiner, Brother Doty is back in the States now.

We waited until he could get on his feet somewhat, and then agreed to help you. The offering is only fifteen dollars a month, but I am sure this will help.



GORDON BUCHANAN

The church is small and we have four other missionaries we contribute the same amount to monthly, in addition to fifteen dollars a month for T.B.E. and a weekly radio program. The church voted during the last conference to give half of our fifth Sunday offering to our mission work. Dividing this between five missionaries and T.B.E. may not amount to much but every bit

May God bless you dear brother. Give your wife our sincere regards. I promise you that we will pray for you often.

Yours In Christ,

of the supernatural - the miwhen the sun casts the shadow on the sundial, would you like to see the shadow go down 10 degrees or would you like to see it go back 10 degrees? Which way would you like to see it go?"

Of course we are not familiar with sundials today, for we have we keep time. In that day the it was going to come to pass. was being cast on the stone what

Isaiah said to Hezekiah, "Do

shadow to go back suddenly 10 degrees?" Hezekiah said, "It would be a very simple matter for the shadow to fall. Let's turn it back. Let's set the dial back 10 degrees or 40 minutes. This will be a sign to me that God has heard my prayer and that He will grant this request that I shall live and not die." The Word of God tells us that this came to

In the meantime, the news spread around that Hezekiah was sick. You understand that Hekekiah was a great king, and in his day he was recognized in all the then known world as an outstanding king. The king of Babylon heard about him being

What do you do when you hear that some of your friends or associates have become ill? Don't you go down to the drug store, or dime store, and buy a "get well" card, and send it to that individual? This king of Babylon didn't exactly do that, but he hurried some messengers off from Babylon to go all the way from Babylon to the land of Palestine, that they might bear a little gift to King Hezekiah, and that they might take a message to King Hezekiah saying, "The king of Babylon is concerned about your illness and he is sending us as "get-well" ambassadors. That is why we have come to give you a message to encourage you, that you might

At this time evidently Hezekiah was healed of his boils. When the messengers arrived he gave them personal guidance through all his kingdom. He showed them his gold and he showed them his silver. He showed them all the spices which he had, for spices in his day had an extreme value. He showed them all the armor had with which Israel defended themselves. He showed the servants of the king of Babylon all the wealth that the country had. He led them personally on a guided tour and he showed them everything that his country

When they left in came the prophet Isaiah who said "Who were these men? From whence have they come, and what have they seen in thy house?" Hezekiah said, "They are ambassadors from a faraway country, and they have seen everything in my Elder Gordon Buchanan house of any value."

That statement wasn't exactly true, as we will see presently. The most important things they hadn't seen. But materially, at least, they had seen all the material wealth, and they had seen all the armor that the Jews had with which to defend themselves. They had seen all the material assets of the country over which Hezekiah was king.

Isaiah said, "You have played the fool. They have seen all that you have, and they will go home, and tell their king all that you have, and there will be an army come here, to take all that you unto then will take your sons to Babylon eventually and make servants out of them." Hezekiah bowed his head in submission and said, "Good is the word of the Lord which thou hast spoken. If that is God's will, then I bow to it."

There is one other thing to this story that doesn't come out in the book of II Kings, but in II Chronicles we have the rest of the story summed up in the words of my text when it says that those ambassadors of Babylon came, and "God left him, to try him, that He might know all that was in his heart." In other words, Hezekiah was on his own. God just left him. God forsook him. God turned him loose so to speak, to see what Hezekiah would do.

Now from this simple Scriptural story, let me give you some lessons that I trust God will burn into your soul.

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you want the shadow to go down suddenly 10 degrees or the Why I Want To Attend The 1969 Bible Conference



ELDER AUSTIN FIELDS

There are many reasons why I want to attend the Bible Conference of Calvary Baptist Church, but I particularly like to lie down in the green pastures of God's Word, and to pu my feet under the table of the Lord, which has been prepared by the Lord through His ministers.

Brethren, I have had the wonderful privilege of attending every Conference held by this church. When I tell you the truly green pastures so pleasant to our spiritual eyes, evel before we lie down, and the tables loaded with goodies from Heaven, I am speaking not as a novice, but one with auth

Some of the goodies set on the table are: absolute predestination, the five points of sovereign grace, the true church of Jesus Christ, and the second coming. These are but a fel of the dishes from which we eat. Surely, it is a place flowing with milk, meat, and honey.

With these green pastures, and God's table to look for ward to, perhaps you can understand my anxiety for Lab Day weekend to roll around with nothing to do but lounge God's pasture, and eat at His table.

I can assure you if you come with us it will do you good

I hope to see you at the Conference.

ELD. AUSTIN FIELDS, Coal Grove, Ohio

GOD WARNS ALL TO PRE-PARE FOR DEATH.

Hezekiah had a carbuncle, and God sent a preacher to tell him, "thou shall die and not live." God was warning him of death, and God was telling him to prepare for death. God said, "Set thine house in order for thou shalt die, and not live."

I think you and I can see from this that God deals with us in exactly the same way, for God warns us of our approaching death. Listen:

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."-Rom. 6:23.

Isn't that a warning? You know you are a sinner. You know that everybody all about you are sinners. Isn't it enough of a warning when God says that "the definite picture of the last judge wages of sin is death"? I say He warns us to prepare to get ready

Notice again:

"And to you who are trouble rest with us, when the Lord Je sus shall be revealed from heav en with his mighty angels, flaming fire taking vengeance them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of ou Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall PUNISHED WITH EVERLAST ING DESTRUCTION from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power." -Thess. 1:7-9.

Isn't that a warning from Good to get ready to die? There going to be a Hell after while There is going to be a time whe we are going to be punished W everlasting destruction from the Lord. God tells us that through the Apostle Paul, and it is warning of the Lord to prepare for death.

The Apostle John gives a vel ment, and he sums it up by say

"And I saw a great whit (Continued on page 3, column



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"God Left"

(Continued from page two) throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God and the books Were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the SECOND DEATH. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."—Rev. 20:11-15.

You and I have seen lakes that Were filled with water. None of us have seen lakes that were filled with fire, yet God talks about Hell as a lake that is filled with fire. God says that every man whose name was not found written in the book of life was east into the lake of fire.

Mark it down, that is a warnng That is warning, sinner triend, that there is a lake of fire, just like Paul warns that everybody that doesn't obey the gosbel (which means to believe the gospel) shall be punished with everlasting destruction. The Warning of the Lord is that there is a Hell coming, a punishment approaching, and a time of debruction is on the way. Just like God spoke through Isaiah to Rezekiah and said, "Set thine house in order; for thou shalt die, and not live"—as God warned Hezekiah, through Isaiah, of is coming death, and told him prepare for it, so God warns answered prayer. to prepare for death, for death is on the way.

GOD HEARS HIS CHILDREN WHEN THEY PRAY. We read:

taith the Lord, the God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: chold, I will heal thee: on the third day thou shalt go up unto

whether God moved, and how Don't let Isaiah tell you to de-God moved, in the realm of prayer, but I say unto you that God hears His children when they pray. I urge every one of you to leave off the theological aspects of it, as to whether God knew in advance what He was going to do, and just accept what it says literally, when God said, "I have heard thy prayer," and learn from that that God hears His children when they pray. I am afraid sometimes we get so caught up with the theological aspects as to how God does His work, and why God does what He does, that we forget about the part which is ours to play in the drama of human experience. I say to you, you and I need to do a lot of praying, and we have something to encourage us, because this says, "I have heard thy prayer."

We find that, that is true all the way through the Book. For example, the Psalmist says:

"If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me."-Psa. 66:18.

In other words, he is saying that if we regard iniquity, or if there is unconfessed sin in our lives, God will not hear us. If God promises not to hear us if there is unconfessed sin in our lives, then wouldn't the reverse be just as true—that if the believer confesses his sin, that God will hear him? That certainly was true in the case of Hezekiah, for God said, "I have heard thy

Let's look at this man called Hezekiah. He was a man that had two outstanding prayers answered. In the first instance, his prayer was answered as far as his own life was concerned, in that God restored him to his life and health, and God extended his life fifteen years. Now that is

The second instance was when Hezekiah's city was besieged by the army of the Assyrians and they did everything they could to make life miserable for Hezekiah, and Isaiah, and all the children of Israel. They would Turn again, and tell Hezekiah walk around the city and would the captain of my people. Thus shout to them, and would say, "Don't let that prophet Isaiah lead you to think that there is any hope for you, because where ere the gods of these other counthe house of the Lord."—II Kings Every country we have fought against we have destroyed, and We are not entering into any we will be able to destroy you cal discussion as to in exactly the same manner.

pend on God, because your God the sea, and all that in them is." is worth no more than the gods of the countries roundabout.

You know, beloved, Hezekiah had a hard time, for his people were discouraged. The bigger the lie that you tell, the easier it is to get people to believe it, and they told a big lie when they said, "Your God is no greater than the gods of the nations roundabout."

As a result, the people of Israel began to believe it, and they began to get scared. They said, "What are we going to do?" What did Isaiah and Hezekiah do? The

> IF YOU ADMIRE, OR IF YOU DESPISE-

BILLY GRAHAM

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Word of God says that Hezekiah went before the Lord, and spread the matter before Him. That is, Hezekiah went up into the house of the Lord and prayed. He just prayed, and prayed, and prayed. And what is the result? The next morning he looked out toward the camp of the Assyrians and the flags were flying. The tents were all standing, but there wasn't a sign of life about that camp. When they ventured out to the camp, they found that the horses were dead, and the people were dead. One hundred eighty-five thousand soldiers of the camp of the Assyrians had died in one night's time as a result of an angel that went through the camp, and smote

I tell you, beloved, God hears prayer. Here are two instances in the life of Hezekiah: first, when he was sick and God added fifteen years to his life, and secondly, when his city was about to be destroyed, and he pra and God said, "I have heard thy

Let's go to the New Testament to get an instance of prayer, where it is definitely shown that God hears prayer. The Word of God tells us something of the hard times they were having when they were forbidden to preach in the name of Jesus. And what did they do? Did they hide? Did they go underground? Did they find a cave they could crawl into? Did they quit? The easiest thing in life for us to do is to face our difficulties, and just quit. One of the easiest things in life for any of us to do is to say, "There is no way out," and give up. But what did they do? Lis-

"And when they heard that, they LIFTED UP THEIR VOICE TO GOD with one accord, and said, Lord, thou art God, which

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hast made heaven, and earth, and times we get too concerned in -Acts 4:24.

Beloved, they took the matter to God. They said, "Lord, we are depending upon the one that made the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and all that in them is. Lord, we just have to fall back upon you." Beloved, that is the way a child

of God ought to face his problems. As I have come down through life, I have had a few problems and I'll say to you, there isn't any use to give up. You and I ought to depend upon a sovereign God, for that God in His sovereignty will work out all things, according to His own will, in your life and mine.

That is what this church did. They prayed, and what happen-

"And WHEN THEY HAD PRAYED, the place was shaken where they were assembled to-gether; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and they spake the word of God with boldness."—Acts 4:31.

Beloved the place was shaken where they were assembled. As you read the balance of that chapter you will find that a lot of things happened. God heard them when they prayed.

I am a firm believer in prayer, and I urge every saved person to spend much time in prayer, and to spend more time in prayer God of the supernatural when

the theological aspects, as to whether or not God had planned on doing it that way, anyway. We get concerned about the theological aspects of prayer, as to how God is going to work, or why God did this, and we forget that our part of this whole scene is that we are to call on God in prayer.

I say to you, we have a mar-velous example here that God hears His children when they pray, and I am urging you to pray. As the poet has said:

"There are more things wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

I urge you to pray.

III

THE GOD OF THE BIBLE IS A GOD OF THE SUPERNAT-URAL.

We read:

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To be sure, God's ways are past finding out, Rom. 11:33. This Scripture means to me that both body and soul will perish, unless they repent. This looks as if the lost person must take the initiative. There are other Scriptures that, on the surface, seem to teach the same thing. In Jno. 3:18 we are told that "he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." Here we are told that those who do not believe are condemned, and they are condemned because they do not believe. Still, only those who are ordained to eternal life do believe, Acts 13:48. And the reason for that is the fact that the faith by which they believe must be given to them by God Himself. (Eph. 2:8).

So here in Lk. 13:3 we learn that those who do not repent must perish. Still in Acts 11:18 we find that God must grant, or give this repentance to those who do repent. In Jno. 6:44 our Lord says, "No man can come to me, except the Father which sent me draw him." And this coming to Him includes repenting and believing. So, in essence, Jesus is saying that no man can repent and believe unless the Father draws him.

Therefore, those whom our Lord has chosen to give repentance and faith to are the recipients of His mercy, while those to whom He does not give repentance and faith receive justice. And who can say he has been mistreated when he gets justice? Just remember, had you and I not been the recipients of God's mercy, we too would perish_at the hands of justice.





there is to the soul.

are quite ready to interpret events. They learn that a certain person has been guilty of such and such a thing, and he is stricken shortly afterwards with sickness or some kind of loss. Very readily they interpret this as the judgment of God. Maybe it is, and maybe not. God does not always strike down those who deserve it. Some undeserving sinners live to old age and enjoy good health. Job's friends were quite sure that his calamities had been sent upon him as a judgment for some secret sin or sins in his life, whereas such was not true at all. We have all known pious, good people to have hard trials to bear, while wicked and undeserving persons got along fine. David said, "I saw the wicked in great prosperity, spreading himself like a green bay tree. We just don't know in most instances the why and the wherefore of happenings in people's

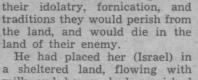
But now in this case we have some persons who were sure that the violent fate of those Galileans resulted from their sins, and they had it figured out that they were awful sinners—maybe worse than any one really knew. In contrast, they probably thought of themselves as very exemplary. Jesus corrected them and told them they need not think that those Galileans were the worst people in the country. He reminded them that they too were sinners, and pointedly said "Except ye repent ye shall all like-wise perish." Since repentance is a spiritual exercise, he must have been referring to the spiritual part of them — the soul.

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It is my belief that Jesus was referring to physical life. One of the reasons for my belief is: There is no Scriptural evidence that the Galileans, to whom he was referring, perished spiritually; therefore, I cannot contend that He was referring to spirit-

"I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Luke 13:1.

The people to whom this verse was addressed were Jews. Thus, these verses were not spoken to should think that reference all the world without exception; rather they were meant only for Let us consider the background Israel — God's chosen nation. of Christ's statement as given Oft times God had spoken to them here. Some people of this day through His prophets, warning



milk and honey, had nourished and protected her, but she played the part of a harlot.

"But thou didst trust in thine own beauty, and playedst the harlot because of thy renown, and pouredst out thy fornications

on every one that passed by; his it was."—Ezk. 16:15.

"And ye shall perish among the heathen, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up."-Lev.

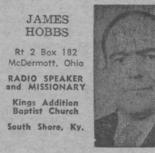
When God speaks, He doesn't mean "maybe." So, a few years later historians tell us that there was a tremendous slaughter of the Jews by the Romans under the leadership of Titus. Many thousands of the Jews were taken captive into Egypt. I do not believe this was just an accident; rather it was the fulfillment of this prophesy spoken by Jesus concerning the removal of the Jews from their homeland. Many thousands were buried under ruins in Jerusalem.

"I tell you, nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."-Luke 13:5.

Therefore, it is my belief that Jesus was speaking prophetically; revealing the destruction of the Jews, because of sin.

Further proof that He was having reference to physical life, is the word "likewise." "Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish." That is, they shall perish physically, as did the Galileans. The Galileans were slain among their sacrifices and so were the

Additional proof is found in the word repent. The doctrine of repentance is only for those who are favored of God. This doctrine was preached to Israel, God's chosen nation, on numerous occasions, yet she did not heed. This doctrine was not preached to any other as Israel was the one that God spoke through; not repenting, she perished from off her land, but God has promised to restore the land to this repenting nation. Full restoration will be made when Jesus Christ, who was born king of the Jews, is crowned as their king, and sets up His own kingdom.



Most generally, when I read passage such as this, I take it literally. Many passages have spiritual meaning as well as a physical

The Bible tells us that the result of sin is death.

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Rom. 6:23).

"Behold ail souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth it shall die." (Ezekiel 18:4).

"For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them." (Gal. 3:10).

As we can see, the Bible tells us very clearly that if a person continues in sin he will die. We are also told that everyone must

"In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, and saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." (Matt. 3:1, 2).

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Truly Great Experiences In Serving A Great God

On March 23rd, past, I was Do we Christians have any called to Casey County, Kentucky hopeless cases? Do you know of to talk to a dying man about some one for whom the his soul. Dave Miller had come to say, "There is no hope?" my house when I lived in Casey 30th of April, I visited an old County and cried and told me man like that. He is 80 years old that some one had told him that When I began talking to him he couldn't be saved because he about his soul, he began to weep had been in combat during World and said to me, "I have received War II. Dave said to me, "Preacher Baker, I don't want to die like this." Did you ever have anything like this happen to you?

We began a series of meetings, with the Chestnut Grove Baptist Church, April 6th, near where Dave lived. On the 7th we brought Dave home from the VA Hospital at Louisville, Kentucky. The 13th we baptized Dave in a large watering trough, that the men had brought to the church. They brought warm water in milk cans, to fill it.

We closed the meetings, one of the best I have ever been in, April 15th, and my wife and I came home the 17th. Dave's folk called me the night of the 25th, and ask me to come back and preach Dave's funeral. He had lived 34 days after he had received Christ as his Savior. I told the folk (the church house was full) that brother Dave had lived more for his Savior, in the few days that he had been privileged to live, after he was saved than most people had lived, for Christ, in an entire lifetime. There were least three times as many people on the outside of the building, as could find a place to sit down on the inside at Dave's funeral.



ELD. EDWARD D. BAKER

Christ as my Savior." I told him how he needed to be baptized and become a member of the Savior's Church. On May 18th, baptized him into the fellowship of the First Baptist Church, Booneville, Kentucky, in Owsley County.

Yours because of Calvary Elder Edward D. Baker

in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel." (Mark 1:14,

"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord." (Acts 3:19).

Now we have seen that the result of sin is death and that we are required to repent of our sins. The person that does not repent will perish. He is already dead spiritually.

"And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and way should we make the sundia sins." (Eph. 2:1).

He will also meet the second death.

"And death and hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death." (Rev. 20:14).

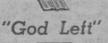
The passages that we have examined show us that death is the result of sin. When we speak of death and perishing we do not mean annihilation. The word "death" means separation. When a person mee's the judgment and is guilty of the sins that bring the second death, he will be cast from the presence of the Lord. Let me remind you that death

"Now after that John was put does not end all. The result of sin is eternal punishment.

"And in hell he lifted up

eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazareth in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame." (Luke 16:23, 24).

To answer the question, Luk 13:3 refers to body and soul.



(Continued from page three) go? Shall we let it fall 10 de grees or shall we set it back degrees?" Hezekiah said, would be very simple for it fall 10 degrees; let's run the clock back." So they set the clock back 10 degrees. In other words God said through Isaiah the prophet, "We will set the clock back for 40 minutes." That the supernatural.

This isn't the only instance wherein God ever changed time Go back to the time when Joshus was fighting with the Gibeonites The Word of God says they were (Continued on page 5, column 4)



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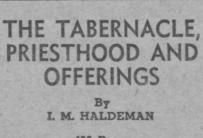
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A GREAT FAMILY WHOM WE LOVE IN THE LORD



have been hearing from Bro. Fenison for a number of years. He and his family attended great deal of our Conference (Labor Day week-end) at Morehead in 1968. I was tremendously ressed with the sterling Christian quality of this family. I was blessed in meeting them and I an our readers to pray for the work of our Bro. Fenison and his family.

by al, devoted friend, for whom Alfred Gormley is pastor. are most thankful. We are plad to share this report of his work with our readers.

Dear Brother Gilpin:

When we talked with you last year at your conference, I never thought you would ask me to give you would as you work you a report on the work the Bath County area. We hank you for this opportunity.

you, as we are just fifty miles west of Ashland, Ky. We are ten miles from Morehead, While your work there is the city, ours is in the hills. ere is much bootlegging here and this makes our work rough ome times. Just last month an cident happened while witsing to one of the men that luent such places. While I one of these joints and asked who I was. I told him, and he asked the other man if knew me. He said, "Yes," that I was alright. This did satisfy him and he began urse me and said, "If you enna broken off, and was tryto do more damage. There been other incidents also. ere is a "joint" just down the road from our building.

following, has been a supporter Station Baptist Church in Lex- pressed at the number that turnof TBE for many years, and is ington, Ky., of which Brother ed out to hear the Word. Paul

> Since we have been here the Lord has blessed us with 14 new members: 10 adults, 3 young people, and one younger one. We thank the Lord for these and our prayer is that they will grow in the Lord to the fulness and stature of Christ in doctrine and practice.

During the June revival (or Actually we are neighbors to protracted meeting), we had six of the above number to unite with us. Later in the summer we acquired a tent and held a week and a half meeting. The Lord blessed again with five more. In November another came trusting is worth it all. the Lord from our first contact

Since coming in the tent meeting.

the Lord withheld the showers of rain, but sent showers of speaking to him about his blessings instead. We had a conanother fellow came out ference type meeting. Those preachers were: Ed Kettle, Independent missionary to Brazil; Rex Hensley, pastor of the Addiston Baptist Church in Addiston, Ohio; Malchom Lily, radio preacher in Louisville, Ky.; Louis Carver, pastor of Bentley Meget out of here, I'm gonna morial Baptist Church in Lex-your head off." I told him ington, Ky.; Berlin Hisel, pastor tas on my way, but before of First Baptist in Harrison, Ohio, ot started, he had my radio and Alfred Gormley, pastor of Bryan Station Baptist Church in and some other information con-Lexington, Ky.

Since this time Brother Jimmy Thacker of Morehead, Ky., one have been pastoring the Salt tent and Bryan Station Baptist have seen the Lord top. We plan to have at least

Fenison, the author of the sion is authorized by the Bryan mer. We were very much imwas a tent maker and I would not be surprised to know that he probably used tents a great deal in the same manner. We had one hundred and fifty in attendance at our tent meeting. The areas that we hope to have them in are Saltlick, Morehead, Olympia, and perhaps the Owingsville area.

Bryan Station Baptist Church has supplied us with a VW bus that we use as a church bus as a means of transportation for those who need such. Two souls that have come to church thru this means have trusted the Lord and been saved this year. That

Since coming here our brethren have done much to the build-The tent was quite "holey," and ing. Concrete steps, a new ceiling, a new paint job outside, gravel for parking lot, and other

> The Lord has given us Sister Ruby Moore, a retired school teacher who is sound in the Lord, to teach a class of our children. This is in answer to prayer.

We have a paper entitled "ABOUNDING GRACE" that the pastor of the mother church prints for us. This paper has a message of Salvation, a picture of my family, time of services cerning our work on it. We use this as a tract for visitation.

Now about my past. I was of our new members, bought this saved in an old packing shed mission for a little over a Church has offered to repair the month of November 1955. This was after the power of the Holy us in many ways. The mis- three tent meetings this sum- Spirit and the Word had come upon me and wrought a Godly fear in my soul. I testify that God is the one who wrought salvation in my soul. He is the one who granted me repentance toward God, and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Truly in my experience of salvation it was of the Lord. I became a Baptist in 1962 after the Lord's hand had showed me the fallacies of the Free Methodist denomination. The Lord called me to preach at the same time. In this call came a burning in my soul which could not be quenched. I believe I know a little how Jeremiah felt. I compare it with the way that Elijah responded when he said, "I have been very jealous for the Lord of Hosts." I was baptized by the Missionary Baptist Church in Brewster, Wash. I was sent out and ordained by the South Park

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Missionary Baptist Church of Se- kiah. Hezekiah set the sundial attle, Washington. Brother Glen back by 40 minutes, and that Tweet, Brother Doty, and Broth- is the rest of the day. If you will er Blair were on the ordination put this Scripture about Joshua counsel.

For three years after this I preached over the radio KOMW of my home town area, pastored kiah, you will have the whole a mission and church there, and day. held down a full time job. Then I felt the Lord leading me to universe running. You and I school. After surrendering to go worry sometime about what is to school, the Lord has so graciously provided for our needs. I am without doubt that the Lord out. We'll wonder how things are sent me to the area. There are going to come to pass. Beloved, many things that could be related to you concerning this confidence that perhaps we could review at a later date.

this month if the Lord is willing. I plan to study more and obtain might run into each other. I a better knowledge of Greek and Hebrew and earn a Bachelor of theology next year.

We can only stand amazed at our Saviour's providence for us. My soul doth magnify the Lord and rejoice in all his manifold benefits.

paper which we enjoy in the mon on the "Bride." We would like to have you come preach it to us the Friday evening before the conference if possible. (Ed. the miraculous and the supernat-Note: Sorry! Can't do it. Our ural, as far as your life and mine Conference begins on Friday is concerned. night.)

Your prayers are appreciated and desired that the Lord may establish a sound New Testament Baptist Church in Saltlick, Ky. My aim and prayer is an organization in the middle or late

> A new creature in Christ, J. B. Fenison

> > (Ballan)

"God Lett"

(Continued from page 4) about to run out of sun-light. They didn't have any way to fight when nighttime came. They had to stop fighting then. Joshua was about to run out of daylight. He hadn't won the battle. He hadn't won the victory. He hadn't done everything he wanted to do, and Joshua turned to the sun and said:

"Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon: and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon."-Josh. 10:12.

The Word of God says that the sun didn't go down for about a whole day.

History talks about a long day. The Chinese are one of the oldest civilizations in the world. Actually, the Egyptians were the oldest nation in the world. The Chinese and Egyptians have records of one long day - longer it was, in Joshua's day.

Joshua said, "Sun, stand still; people from Babylon. moon, stand still, and the sun

who got the sun to stand still for about a whole day together with the Scripture about Heze-

God, beloved, kept the whole going to happen. We'll wonder how things are going to work we have a God that can stop the world for 24 hours and still it doesn't crash. I actually know people who have wondered about After two and a half years I these astronauts getting out in will be graduating with a BA space, for fear that these satellites might get so thick, they don't know a thing that is going to happen out there, but I know one thing-we have a God that is big enough that He can stop a world for 24 hours and that world still goes on just the same.

I like to read the story of the supernatural here - the miracu-We again thank you, Brother lous, when the sun went back, Gilpin, for your kindness, for your when they gained 40 minutes in paper which we enjoy in the the day of Isaiah and Hezekiah. Lord, and for the blessing of the I like to read about the Red Sea Word at Calvary Baptist Con- being crossed miraculously and ference (Labor Day weekend). the Egyptians being destroyed. We are looking forward for the I like to read about all the miranext one. I have heard your ser- culous of the Bible. I tell you, that is the kind of God that I am preaching to you - a God of power - the God that can do

WHAT THE HEATHEN SAW. When these ambassadors came from Babylon, what did they see? The Word of God says that Hezekiah showed them all the physi-

cal assets, and the material assets that he had. But that is all that he showed them. What was it that they didn't see? Beloved, there isn't a hint that they were shown the house of God.

Can it be possible that man is "let go?" The Bible says that God had done this with this man Hezekiah. In other words, God let him go; God turned him loose. God said, "You have had a great experience. You have prayed twice and I have answered your prayer. You have been a mighty man and you have been recognized as such. Now I am going to turn you loose. I am going to see what you will do, when you are left to yourself."

Can it be possible that a man that has prayed twice, and God has heard him as He has-can it be possible that such a man will forget about the house of God? Hezekiah did. He never showed the house of God to these ambassadors.

Neither did Hezekiah show the ambassadors the Bible. You say, "He didn't have a Bible." Oh, yes, they did. They had the Pentateuch, the first five books of than any other day. Here is where the Bible. The Pentateuch had already been written. He didn't But you notice that it said that show the Penteteuch to these

What else did he fail to hastened not to go down for them? He didn't show them Isaabout a whole day." Where did iah the prophet. How do I know the rest of the day come from? it? Because when Isaiah came Right here in the day of Heze- (Continued on page 7, column 1)

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Repentance

(Continued from page one) the past, to think back and change the mind. It is afterthought as opposed to forethought. In repentance the sinner is occupied with his past record before God.

If one should feel that it is minimizing a great truth to de- sin" in the Bible, or where we fine repentance as a mere change of mind, it is enough to say that in the Bible the mind includes what we mean by the heart; it includes the affections as well as the intellect. And remember also that gospel repentance is a mind toward God change of about sin. The carnal mind is enmity against God, and to change the mind from enmity to love for God is no small change. It is as difficult as to raise the dead or create a world. This may cause one to ask, How can a sinner repent since a stream cannot rise higher than its source? The answer is obvious: we cannot repent except by Divine grace. The New Hampshire Confession says, "Repentance and Faith are sacred duties, and also inseparable graces, wrought in our souls by the regenerating Spirit of God." This plain statement finds ample support in Scripture. Paul writes that "In meekness" we should instruct "those that oppose themselves: if God peradventure will give them repentance to the ack-nowledging of the truth" (2 Tim. 2:24). We should preach the duty of repentance, and at the same time pray for God to give repentance.

The Divine order, when repentance and faith are used together, is repentance and faith; not faith and repentance. In repentance the sinner takes the place of a sinner; in faith he takes Christ as Saviour. In repentance one sees himself as a sinner before God; in faith he sees Christ Saviour from the wrath of God. In repentance one is sick of sin; in faith Christ is precious. In repentance there is sorrow for sin; in faith there is joy for salvation. In repentance the sinner is helpless; in faith Christ is mighty to save. In repentance the sinner distrusts himself; in faith he trusts the Lord Jesus Christ. A man who reversed the Divine order, and put faith before repentance, once asked the writer to explain how one could repent toward God who did not first believe there is a God. This question revealed the man's idea of faith. To him faith was simply the belief in the existence of God, something the devils also believe, "Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble" (James 2:19). Of course, one must first believe there is a God before he can repent towards God, but this is not the faith that saves. In saving faith there is an element of trust—trust in Christ Who put away sin by the sacrifice of

Our Lord said "Repent ye, and believe the gospel," thus putting repentance before faith. To urge an impenitent sinner to trust Christ is like urging a well man to take medicine, or like begging a rich man to beg for alms. Repentance is the effect of seeing oneself as he really is: ruined, guilty, undone, and in danger of hell. Repentance is the effect of seeing sin in its true colors. The natural man, morally speaking, is color blind; sin appears attraclive and entrancing. The natural man has a ruined taste; he calls weet bitter and bitter sweet; he confounds good and evil; he is all mixed up on the question of right and wrong. Repentance is caused by the withering work of the Holy Spirit, Who takes the sword-the word of truth-and slays man's natural self-esteem and self-righteousness, causing him to cry, "What must I do to be saved?"

Repentance involves two facts: the fact of sin and the fact of

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grace. If a man is not a sinner he mourns over his lost condition— for salvation. The believer will very first service started off once found himself in a Bible conference with certain brethren who insisted that repentance has nothing to do with sin. One of them challenged anybody to find the expression "repentance for are commanded to "repent OF sin." It is the contention of this school of thought that repentance has only to do with one's attitude toward Christ, and that one repents by trusting Christ as Saviour. It is true that the exact words "repent of sin" are not in the Bible, but we do have the equivalent of the expression in several places. In Jer. 8:6 we read that no man repented him of his wickedness. In Rev. 2:21, Jezebel is said to have been given time to repent of her fornication. In Rev. 9:20, 21 we are told that certain men who had been visited with plagues repented not of the works of their hands. So repentance implies sin, sorrow for it, and a changed attitude towards God about it. Nobody but a sinner can repent, and there is nothing to repent of but sin. It is absurd to talk about repentance for doing what is good.

Repentance is not internal grief and sorrow as the price of salvation. There is nothing meritorious but rather the conscious lack of merit. In repentance the sinner says in effect: "Nothing in my hands I bring, Simply to Thy Cross I cling." Repentance is emptying oneself of all self-confidence, and when it is "repentance unto life" includes confidence in Christ as the one and only ground of salvation. There is no specific length of time one has to mourn nor any certain degree of sorrow one must feel. This is because mourning is not

would not need to repent, and if mourns because he is not saved, never in this life be able to quit a tremendous spirit. God God is not gracious it would do not in order to be saved. The sinning, but in his heart no good to repent. The writer sinner cannot be saved by his wants to. Someone has called remourning. Mourning may reveal his interest in salvation, In true repentance there is not but will not merit salvation. You only the desire to escape the go to your physician for a checkup just as a precautionary measure. He gives you a thorough examination and tells you that ance is illustrated in the little you have cancer. This will naturally cause grief and anxiety. But all the mourning you might do would not contribute to any cure. Worry and grief would not cause you to get well. Now suppose your doctor, after a brief pause, assures you that he can cure you without surgery. If you believe him there will be wonderful peace of mind, but if you keep on in your grief that will be evidence you do not trust him. From the standpoint of the sinner's duty there is no need to mourn any length of time over sin. As soon as he feels concern over his lost condition and hears about Christ as Saviour, he ought to put His trust in Him and cease his mourning. The preacher should never tell the griefstricken sinner to keep on mourning, but should tell him to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and be saved. However, from the standpoint of God's sovereign dealings, He often allows the sinner to grieve and struggle with sin for a long time before He shows him the sufficiency of stands for the truth, and preach-Christ as Saviour.

faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. It has respect to Christ as Saviour, as well as to God as Lawgiver. It does not end in despair but in hope. Judas repented and hanged himself, but this was not gospel repentance, and a differwe have sins perceived, sins abhorred, and sins abandoned in the price of salvation. One the heart, as one turns to Christ

he pentance the repudiation of sin. consequences of sin, but to be rid of sin itself as a thing displeasing to God. Much so-called repentgirl's prayer: "O God, make me good - not too good - not real good, but just good enough to keep me from being whipped." True repentance is a permanent and abiding grace in the soul. It is an attitude that belongs to the whole Christian life in regard to sin and the Saviour. As one grows in grace, sin becomes increasingly hateful and Christ becomes more and more precious.

The necessity of repentance was emphasized by Christ, by John the Baptist, and by the apostles. Our Lord preached, 'Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Paul preached that God had commanded "all men everywhere to repent." May writer and reader bow in admiring wonder at the wisdom of God in human salvation.

Precious Blessings (Continued from page one)

excellent preacher. He packs his message full of God's Word. He es with much zeal for the lost Repentance unto life includes and the saved. I heartily recommend him as a preacher to anyone that might have the opportunity to hear him or use him.

Gordon is pastor of the West Griffin Baptist Church. Like most sound churches, this church is very small. However, they are ent word in the Greek is used to a wonderful group of God's saints describe it. In gospel repentance and I urge you to pray for this church and its pastor.

> We had a very good meeting under Gordon's ministry. The

with Gordon in great power, he preached to us with free and power from the Lord. 1 lieve all the church present greatly touched in this first

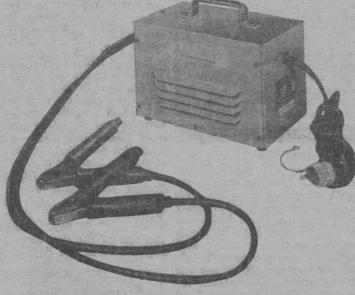
The preaching was very sight through the closing St day night. All the members our church with one excel were present every service they did not have good re for missing. I truly thank for this, and for the great cl He permits me to pastor. We many unsaved at the service believe that we will yet se sults from this week of sp meetings. I think I can truthi say that nearly the whole " bership of our church was ly revived during this wee have talked with many who they were closer to the Lord they had ever been befor thought surely souls would saved and added to our ch but God in His sovereignty not see fit to do this for this time.

On the closing Saturday 1 I played the tape of Brother liman's farewell address a 1967 Bible Conference Gordon's message. I tell you we listened to that there few dry eyes in the place. I co have hugged that tape rec Then Gordon preached and had a great service.

Brother Dan Phillips and Bill Jackson and families to be with us Friday night Sunday morning at this mee Since Gordon returned to be his church Sunday morni asked Bill and Dan to speal us Sunday morning. Surely will never forget that service was one of the greatest 1 ever attended. Even now, most weep as I remember God met with us that more (Continued on page 8, columb

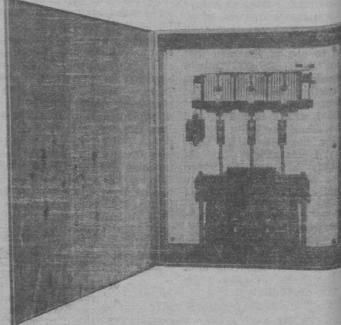


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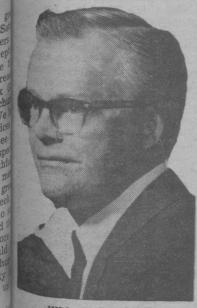
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"God Left"

(Continued from page 5) ound, he said, "Who are these en? He hadn't met them. So have a hint there that Heze-When he was left to himforgot about the house of he forgot about the Pentaey had written in those days, and he forgot about his preacher. Let me tell you, beloved, if God left you to yourself, you ould do as badly, if not worse, dan this man Hezekiah. The only sason that you are in church morning is because God has deld on to you.

You say, "Brother Gilpin, it ems so hard for me to think bout a man completely forgetway from the Bible, and to run from the truths of God's he same thing.

Oh, tell me that you are not indebted to God! Tell me that ligation to God! As long as God held on to Hezekiah he walked with the Lord, and he prayed, and he prayed, and he prayed, and he got answers, but just as soon as God turned him loose to see what he would do, Hezekiah forgot about the house of God, and about the written Word of God. and forgot about the preacher; yet the only things in the land of Palestine that really counted were the things that Hezekiah forgot about.

We read: "RIGHTEOUSNESS EXALT-ETH A NATION: but sin is a reproach to any people."-Prov.

I tell you, the very things that Hezekiah should have shown to those individuals he failed to show. The spiritual assets the spiritual elements of the land ten:

the spiritual elements of the land ten:

"For this cause many are AMONG." I would liked to have seen Isaiah, as he said, "What have they seen in thy house."

By way of digression, I would like to ask you, suppose somebody were to come to your house, what would they see? Let's just be honest, what if somebody were to come to visit you today, what would they see in your house? Furniture? Your clothing? Your wealth? That is about what the majority of folk would show. Do you know what they ought to see? They ought to see the very things that the visitors from Babylon didn't see in the house pect to suffer. of Hezekiah. You and I ought to be very careful that we show people that we go to the house of God, that we believe in the written Word of God, and that we In the event you have used stands for the Word of God.

> V CHASTISEMENT. We read:

"Behold, the days come that all that is in thine house, and that which thy fathers have laid up in store unto this day, shall be carried into Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the Lord. And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away; and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon."-II Kings 21:17,

Isaiah said, "These people are which was all the Bible going to come back. They have seen all your house. They have seen all the material things. You didn't show them the spiritual. You just showed them the material, and they think that is all there is over here, and they are coming back for it. If you had shown them the spiritual, maybe they would come back for that, and maybe they wouldn't but at least they have seen the material, and they are coming back for it. he about the Bible, and to run and they are going to be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Baby-Beloved, I can under- lon. You will be chastened for Beloved, I can under- lon. You will be character have it. If God didn't hold us, what you have done. You have the beautiful the long the l Pery last one of us would do done wrong in not showing the spiritual elements of your house

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and kingdom and you will have to suffer for it."

I tell you, beloved, we can't do wrong without having to suffer for it. Listen:

eth every son whom he receiveth."-Heb. 12:6.

We find that the church at Corinth failed to observe the Lord's Supper in the right manner and that church had to suffer for it. They were punished as the Lord's Supper wrongly. Lis-

WEAK AND SICKLY AMONG YOU, and many sleep." - I Cor.

God said, "I have chastened you with weakness and sickness, and some I have taken in death ing in the local language when because you have abused the Lord's Supper."

Listen, beloved, if the church doesn't show forth spiritual things, they will suffer. If a home doesn't show forth the same thing, it will suffer. If an individual fails to show forth the spiritual side of his life, and just shows the material things, he can ex-

SUBMISSION. We read:

"Then said Hezekiah unto Isaiah, Good is the word of the Lord which thou hast spoken. And he said, Is it not good, if peace and truth be in my days?"-II Kings 20:19.

Hezekiah didn't complain about his suffering. He knew that what he had done was displeasing to God. He knew that his kingdom was going to be carried into captivity and that his children were going to become servants in the palace of the king of Babylon, but he said, "Good is the word of the Lord which thou hast spoken." He submitted to it, and put himself in God's hands, knowing that whatever God did, it would be well done.

That is the way that you and I should live every day before the Lord. Listen:

"And we know that all things work together for good to them church. A result of the persecuthat love God, to them who are tion with the early church was, the called according to his purpose."-Rom. 8:28.

for this is the will of God in to die at the hands of sinners Christ Jesus concerning you." I Thess. 5:18.

same attitude that Hezekiah took and submit to the Lord, knowing that whatever God does is for the best. As Hezekiah said. "Good is the word of the Lord which thou hast spoken."

May God help you realize the danger of your position, and may God help you realize that if God got the result He was after so attractive to God's elect? It God help you realize that if God didn't hold on to us, that we would all do the same thing that Hezekiah did, and worse. God saves us, and God holds us, and God keeps us, and if God didn't hold on to us, we would be in a worse condition than Hezekiah. You are here because God has brought you here. May God help you to praise Him as you leave here this morning.

May God bless you!

Fred T. Halliman

(Continued from page one) be held accountable to the Lord so I camped with them for a few days and preached to them. Since then the work has steadily grown in that area in spite of the fact that I have been able to get over only occasionally. We have had missionaries there almost constantly and they have been most

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faithful.

We now have five established the range north of our Mission Station. There are, now, some-Sympathy (16 cards)\$1.00 thing like one thousand people attending our services in that area and there is every indication that there are going to be more. From the very first time that I visited these folk I told them that we had no schools, medical benefits, or any other thing from a material point of view to offer them-we only had the gospel of "For whom the Lord loveth Christ to offer them and nothing HE CHASTENETH, and scourg- more. They said then and continue to prove by their actions, after about three years of having us minister to them, that they have come seeking eternal life.

Between some of our churches the other mission in the area has some preaching places and one in a result of their sin in observing particular is a large building. It will accommodate at least people. On this last patrol I was told that three years ago this building would be filled to capacity every Sunday and now there were less than 10 people going there. The missionary that started out in that area was preach-I returned from home over a year ago. About the first of this year he left not to come back any more. I asked several of the natives as to his reasons for leaving and they said he told them he could not stay and see all the people go to the Baptist Mission. I do not tell you these things to sound as though I am bragging for really most of the work in that area has been done by the missionaries and pastors of the Baptist churches, but I tell you these things that you might see how the Lord is calling out His elect among these people.

Preaching The Word

When these people began leaving the other mission they were coaxed, bribed, harassed, and brow beaten in an attempt to get them back. Some of them could not stand the persecution so they moved to other areas.

"Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the Word."—Acts 8:4. I know this passage is often quoted among Baptist ranks, but this literally happened in the case of these people north of our Mission Station, just as it did in New Testament days when Stephen was killed for preaching the truth to those Jews and when Saul was making havoc of the in order to get His people stirred up enough to preach. Sometimes the sea and swallowed by a fish. but in the final analysis He gets

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". . . the hand of the Lord was with them and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord."-Acts 11:21.

Soon there was another Baptist Church at Antioch and so it has been down to our present day. Beloved, the things that are happening north of our Mission Station are no new thing, no indeed, for it is as old as the Baptist Church and that dates back to the time of Jesus Christ here upon this earth. When God kindled "they went every where preach- the fires of persecution under ing the Word." Sometimes God some of these people they began "In every thing give thanks: allows some of His choicest saints to scatter and as they went they told that old, old story of God's redeeming love, how that Christ had come to take the place of Our business is to take the He lets a fellow be thrown into the guilty and has already paid their sin debt leaving nothing for them to pay. It was not long be-His Word preached. I do not fore this news got back across mean to tell you or to imply that another mountain range still farthese people have had this ther north from our Mission Stakind of persecution or this sort tion. Beloved, what is it about of thing happened to them, but a simple Baptist message that is

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Precious Blessings

(Continued from page six) Dan arose to preach, but God had broken him completely. He could only weep and stammer a few words for some time. He then preached a great message on "The Grace of God." I could hardly close the service that morning. I hated to go home. God was truly with us that day. Oh, please pray that God might be pleased to bless us like that a few more

On Wednesday, April 23rd (my birthday), our church was privileged to hear Brother Richard Farnham. He and his good wife were on a needed vacation, and spent part of it visiting some churches and preachers they have met through TBE and the Bible Conference. What a noble way to spend a part of one's vacation! Oh, beloved, I do thank God for the host of friends He has given quainted with this good pastor. me throughout the country. I am a hated and despised man in Winston-Salem, but God has given me many precious friends. I would not trade my friends for worlds of silver and gold. I was God brought him into touch with so honored and happy, that the this church and its pastor, and is Farnhams would go out of their using Don to bless them, and way to visit me for a night, and to be in a service with us at Grace nington is one of my very best Baptist Church. They were a friends in the ministry. God blessing to our home, and he was seemed to knit our hearts togetha blessing to our church.

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my heart and the hearts of those love for one another. Don was men." Matt. 15:8, 9. Farnham and for the Fall Creek Baptist Church of Noblesville, Indiana which he pastors. Let me pause here to say to readers of TBE, that if you are sound, and love the truths TBE stands for, you have a welcome at the Wilson home in Winston-Salem, N.C. We will be delighted to have you visit with us. We will feed you and bed you down. Not the best accommodations in the world, but from a heart full of love for the truths of God's Word and for those who love those truths.

The first week-end in May, it was my wonderful privilege to of Covington, Ky. for a week-end of special meetings. This church is pastored by Brother Henry Barker. This was my first meeting with this dear old soldier, but it blessed my heart to get ac-

My very dear friend, Don Pennington arranged this meeting. Don has had to move recently from Ashland, Kentucky, to Fort Thomas, Ky. because of his job. them to bless Don. Brother Pen-Brother Farnham brought a years ago, and each subsequent fine message on Acts 4. It blessed meeting has strengthened our

present that night. Pray for Bro. called to preach a short time back, and it is simply amazing how God has blessed him in the knowledge of God's Word, and in preaching ability, in such a short time. Few men will put more meat in a message than Don Pennington.

It was truly a delight—a spiritual treat — to spend the weekend with Don, his good wife, and five girls. I call Don, "Zelophehad." The only harsh note of my stay with Don was that he and I entered into "The Battle Of The Bulge." We are going to see who can lose the most weight by the Labor Day Conference. Be sure to be there and see the rebe with the Main Baptist Church sults of this battle and congratulate the winner. (Joe Wilson, of course).

> What a joy it was to preach to this fine church up there in the wicked north-land. Boy, what a wicked place they are in. The church stands on one corner. Across one street is an open bar, and across the other way is a package store. Never have I seen what looked like a more wicked place than Newport, and Covington, Ky. But God has His jewels in the dark places of the earth, and it was my joy to behold some of them there.

I was highly impressed by this church. The women nearly all wore head - coverings which er at our first meeting a few speaks well for them, and for the church. I preached a series on Prophecy, but was able to bring in much strong doctrine along with prophetic teaching. (What subject can we speak on, that does not give some room for strong doctrine?) I was impressed that the church was very sound How about sending ten "subs" for ten doctrinally; especially in prophof your Baptist friends who need the Truth ecy, truth ecy, sovereign grace, and church

> Oh, how they listened! Never have I preached a series of meeting where the people listened any better. They seemed to soak the messages like a sponge, and cry for more. I tell you that it was hard to stop preaching to such an interested audience. A group like that are just asking for long sermons. Surely, it was a great blessing to me to get acquainted with this sound church and its fine pastor. I enjoyed the services greatly, and hope they were a blessing to the church. I do hope, that if our Lord tarries, I might have another opportunity to speak to this church. I hope to see some of them at the Conference this year, God willing. Add this church to your praying. May God greatly bless them and use them to His glory. May other sound preachers have the privilege of preaching to this wonderful congregation.

> Well, God is good to us and His service furnishes the very best to be had in spiritual blessings. These are some of the blessings that have recently been mine. Do pray much for me that God will be pleased to use me to His glory and to the good of His churches. I go to be with Brother Lytton in Surgoinsville, Tenn. in June; to be with Brother Elvis Gregory in Columbus, Miss. in July; and with Brother Tex Cobb in Stockdale, Tex. in August. Oh, I beg you to pray for me and for these meetings. God bless you

> > langer !

Catholicism

(Continued from page one) will forbid marriage and enjoin abstinence from foods." I Tim.

8. THE ROSARY IS A HOAX. It is written, "But in praying, do not multiply words as the heathen do; for they think that by saying a great deal, they will be heard." Matt. 6:7.

9. I AM A CHRISTIAN. It is impossible to be a true Christian and a true Romanist. It is written, "This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of

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10. I AM AN AMERICAN CITIZEN, and refuse to be the subject of any deluded Italian tain range where our last patr prince. It is written, "no man got prolonged due to many cu can serve two masters." Matt. ious folk wanting to know mo

If you are a Roman Catholic, I challenge you for the sake of TRUTH, look up the above recorded Scriptures in YOUR BI-BLE if you have one. You will find that your religion is not based on the Bible but a corrupted political organization.

believe that you are not quali- ing out His people from amo fied to read the Bible, and God did not give you a mind to read it and understand it then let's look at history itself. Do you this stage that the work acr remember reading that on August 24, 1572, on St. Bartholomew's Day, how 30,000 Protestants if not surpass that which lies (Huguenots) were killed on one hind the first mountain ran day? Have you read about the that was started about great INQUISITIONS? If you lived between 1378 and 1417 whom would you have called pope when two or three popes tively, walking distance from reigned at the same time? Please Mission Station, has alrea check any encyclopedia concerning this.

Dear friend, Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Only by trusting in this Person and His work on Calvary's Cross can you be sure of Heaven. If you can get to Heaven by your good works or the work of the Roman church, then it was foolish for Christ to have suffered and died as our substitute.

Lean Harried Fred T. Halliman

(Continued from page 7) is the fact that there is nothing to pay, Christ has done it all. Nothing in my hand I bring, only to thy cross I cling. In some of these areas I am going into now, they are not without missions but they are without the truth and in fact in most cases they are completely void of the truth. They are told to pray, reform, get baptized, go to church every Sunday (or Saturday depending on the flavor of the sect that is trying to teach them) and a host of other things that the Lord does not mention except that if one follows that teaching he is sure to go to hell, therefore, when our Christian people go into these other areas telling how Christ has already done everything required of God for the salvation of His elect, is it any wonder that these simple minded primitive people would

want to trust anything but wh Christ has already done for them

Back across this second mour about God's Word is a Luther stronghold and while we of have native missionaries in this area and an occasional visit from me, with nothing to look forwa to by way of material benefi from us and in the face of nul erous promises by way of su things from the Lutherans, scol of them have started attendi If you are simple enough to our services, God has started cal them. While we do not kno the mind of the Lord in this ma ter there is every indication this second mountain range not of our Mission Station, will equ years ago.

The work in those areas, whi is one day and two days respe equaled if not surpassed the w in this immediate area where

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Beloved, God has given us great responsibility in trying reach His elec't with the gos of Christ in this part of Guinea. We are not complain about the task or the size of but realizing our weaknesses & likelihood of making hum errors we earnestly covet yo prayers that we might be foul faithful at the task of tryll to glorify our Lord, if imperior in our endeavors.

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