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THE BIBLE AND WOMEN

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"And the Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him." (Genesis 2:18).

I believe to rightly and Scripturally understand any subject, you must go back to the beginning of that subject. I know when I was in the service in World War II, my dear mother would write me a letter, and I did not ever dare to go over to the last page in that letter and try to read, or start in the middle of it. I always began at the beginning, and then understood what she was writing to me even though I never did completely heed what she had written to me.

I think too many times in the study of God's Word, we jump in the middle of it and run to the deep end, and that is why there is so much confusion in the church today. So it is with election and predestination. We start with these when actually, to be Scriptural, we ought to start with total depravity. No man can Scripturally understand election nor predestination until he first of all understands his total depravity.

So tonight, dear ladies, let me say to you, there is a purpose for your being here. I want you to know, that regardless of what you think of me after the message tonight, I love every one of

you in the Lord. I have a saintly mother, I have a precious wife, and I would not dare in any sense to bring a reproach upon one of God's creatures. May the God of all grace be pleased to smile upon us and to teach us these truths.

I

If I understand the Bible, as to the purpose of creating woman, it was that a woman would be a helper to her husband. I believe with all the fervor of my soul that this is God's intent for every woman, that she be a helper to her husband. She is not to be a slave but a helper.

"And the Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him." (Genesis 2:18,20).

I think as I read these verses of Scripture, there are the creeping things of the earth, the cattle of the field, the fowls of the air, all of which have their helpers, but unto Adam there was not found a help meet for him. Then God caused a deep sleep to come upon Adam, and God took from Adam a rib and made for him a woman which was to be his helper.

I tell you that there is nothing

that so pleases God as to see a woman in her rightful place, being a helper to her husband. It has been well said that behind every great man there is a great woman and I believe it. She is to be a helper.

In I Corinthians 11:8-9 Paul said in teaching a woman's place and her purpose: "For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man. Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man."

I am reminded when Bro. R. G. Lee preached his sermon upon God's Plan for All Ages, he said: "For every possum God had made a persimmon tree; for every man He made woman, for every woman He had made a man." After his sermon an old maid in the service walked up to Bro. Lee, so pious, and said, "Doctor, I'm not completely in agreement with all you preached." He said, "What is it you disagree with?" She said, "I don't understand about the part, a man for every woman." Bro. Lee said, "That is right, I believe that, and you cannot improve upon God's plan." The lady answered, "I don't desire to improve upon it. I just want to get in on it."

A woman is to bring honor unto her husband. "A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband; but she that maketh ashamed is as rottenness in his bones." Prov. 12:4.

Also in I Cor. 11:3 we read: "But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God."

Again in verse 7 of the same chapter we read that the woman is to bring glory or honor unto her head.

"For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, forasmuch as he is the image and glory of God; but the woman is the glory of the man." She is to bring honor unto her husband.

A woman is to bear children unto her husband. Now brethren, I am not a doctor, but I know one (Continued on page 4, column 4)

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"WONDERFUL"

"Who is he that hideth counsel without knowledge? therefore have I uttered that I understood not; things too wonderful for me, which I knew not."—Job 42:3.

I want to take this text which speaks about Job uttering things that were too wonderful for him, and show you some things which the Bible presents to us as being wonderful.

This word "wonderful" is a word that is used by all of us daily, yet very poorly understood by the majority of us. I am sure

that most of us think that the word "wonderful" always has to do with the good things, the enjoyable things and the exceedingly great blessings that we receive. But that is only a part of this word "wonderful." If you go to your ordinary English dictionary, you will find that "wonderful" means "something strange," something that will excite admiration. It can be that which is evil, or it can be that which is good. If it is something that is strange, or something that excites admiration,

it is wonderful.

As a sample as to how it is used when it does not refer to the positive side of our lives, but rather that which is definitely evil, listen:

"A WONDERFUL and horrible thing is committed in the land: the prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means: and my people love to have it so: and what will ye do in the end thereof?"—5:30, 31.

Jeremiah says that this is a (Continued on page 2, column 1)

out a way where the folk there could get along without him. We finally decided to let the idea of his coming to the Southern Highlands wait for a few days until I could look further into the work there. Insofar as I could tell right then it looked as though he might as well give up the church there, but I felt it best



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to wait for a while before any decision was made.

The work on Bougainville has had a tremendous setback as we would look at it from the human point of view. The school that was started in early 1968 started off with three preachers. Two were doing pastoral work with the two main groups, and the third was doing missionary work, and I had several small groups (Continued on page 7, column 1)

Modern Cults Produce An Abundance Of Bad Fruits

Our Lord warned His disciples before He left the earth that there would come perilous times in which false cults and false Christs would arise. They are all with us today. A multitude of pagan beliefs masquerading under pious exteriors are deluding people and leading them into darkness and eternal death. The followers of these faiths are incessantly busy seeking to win others to their deadly beliefs.

Be informed regarding them so that you can expose their evil fallacies and falsehoods.

The Lord's words to His disciples were: "And they shall say unto you, see here; or, see there; go not after them nor follow them." (Luke 17:23).

And again, "Take heed that ye be not deceived; for many shall come in My name, saying, I am Christ, and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them (Luke 21:8).

Luther said that it was the duty of a shepherd, not only to feed his sheep, but to defend them. The Bible, as we might expect, is full of warnings against False Prophets.

Christ said, "Beware of False Prophets which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves." And again, "There shall arise False

Christs and False Prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders, insomuch that if it were possible they shall deceive the very elect" (Matt. 7: 15-20; 24:24-25).

John said, "Beloved, believe not every spirit but try the spirits whether they are of God, because many False Prophets are gone out into the world" (I John 4:1; 2 John 7, 11).

Paul said, "The Spirit speaketh expressly that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils" (I Tim. 4:1).

There are three special marks of false faiths by which these Isms and Schisms can readily be recognized, namely:

1. Bad Founders;
2. Bad Foundations; and
3. Bad Fruits.

God's Founders of Churches are always Good men.

From the Patriarchs He chose Enoch (Gen. 5:24); Noah (Gen. 6:9); the Sons of Seth (Gen. 4:26, margin).

From the Jews He chose Abraham, Moses and the Prophets.

To found Christianity He chose Christ and the Apostles.

The Reformation was established by good men, who risked or gave their lives for the Gospel, such as Wycliffe, Tyndale, Cranmer, Luther. (See chart overleaf).

The dates of origination of those errors which are prominent, prevalent and popular today, demonstrate that they are comparatively modern. There are far more "Modernisms" in errors in Christendom's latter days, than the one religious rationalism usually so named. The Christian era is 1966 years old, and with few exceptions, the abominations hereafter listed are less than three centuries old! Not a few began in the nineteenth, and even this century!

The Papacy, it may seem, is older, but, as at present constituted, it only formulated its dogmas as late as the Council of Trent in 1563, and made official claim to Infallibility in 1870!!!

We are not unmindful that many modern heresies have their (Continued on page 5, column 3)

WHY I AM NOT . . .

A METHODIST

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Lincoln Park, Michigan

Methodists were founded by John Wesley, and not Jesus Christ. Methodists fully acknowledge their unscriptural beginning. Wesley was an organizer of "clubs" and "societies." Accord-

Methodists are unscriptural in their views on baptism. They baptize babies in opposition to the N.T. teaching of believer's baptism (Mark 16:16). They sprinkle and pour as modes of baptism which contradict the Greek word baptized (which is translated baptism) and means "to immerse."

IV

Methodists are among the worst modernists and liberals in the world. They affiliate with the world council of churches, and will affiliate more with them in Hell. Methodists are social gospelers. They are in no way concerned about men's souls. They view Jesus Christ historically as a social reformer, and not a Saviour.

I have given but little space to Methodists, since they deserve little.



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ing to his own testimony, any organization beginning this side of Jesus Christ cannot be Scriptural.

II

Methodists believe in a watered down doctrine of salvation. They do not believe in election as taught in Eph. 1:4. They do not believe in the security of the believer as taught in John 10:28-29. Many modern-day Methodists believe that a child can be brought up, in such a way that he has no need of salvation. Again most of all this teaching comes from John Wesley who was completely Arminian.

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wonderful and horrible thing. It is something strange. It is something that certainly will excite you. What is it? That the prophets are prophesying falsely, and the preachers are working falsely, and more than that, the people love to have it so.

That was in the days of Jeremiah, but I am sure there are lots of people today that like a preacher who scratches their itching ears. They like a preacher that will prophesy falsely. They like a preacher that will be exactly like those preachers that we read about in Jeremiah 5.

We read about such preachers again. Listen:

"Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophesy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits."—Isa. 30:10.

In Isaiah's day it was the same as it was in Jeremiah's day. The people were saying, "Give us smooth things. Don't give us the right things. Don't tell us the truth, but prophesy deceit."

As I say, I am satisfied that there's many an individual today who is a member of some so-called church in the land, and some who are even members of true Baptist Churches, who would say to the preacher, "Don't preach the truth. Scratch our itching ears. Prophesy deceits. Speak smooth things. Don't give us that which irritates us, or wakes us up."

Jeremiah said that was a horrible thing, but a wonderful thing. It was something strange.

This word "wonderful" is used throughout the length and breadth of the Word of God, and I want to show you some things that God says are true and wonderful.

I

GOD'S OMNIPRESENCE AND OMNISCIENCE IS WONDERFUL.

God's omnipresence is some-

thing that surely excites admiration — the fact that God is everywhere at the same time, and sees us all the time.

We read:

"O Lord, thou hast searched me, and known me. Thou knowest my down-sitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.

Thou compassedst my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O Lord thou knowest it altogether.

Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too WONDERFUL for me: it is high, I cannot attain unto it."—Psa. 139:1-6.

David says, "Lord, you have searched me. You know something about me. You know my down-sitting and my uprising."

You came into this building this morning and sat down for an hour of worship. God saw you. When you get up presently and leave this service, God will see you. He knows your down-sitting and your uprising.

David says, "You understand my thoughts afar off."

We think of this earth as a much smaller place than it used to be. Certainly, this universe, as a result of the astronauts, has shrunk in size considerably. But, beloved, even yet, God, in Heaven, is afar off.

David said, "Furthermore, Lord, you compass my path and my lying down. When I turn into my driveway, you see my path. And when I go to bed, you compass my lying down. Lord, you are acquainted with all my ways."

Beloved, there isn't anything that you and I do but what God is acquainted with it. He sees it.

David goes further and says, "Not a word ever formed on my tongue but you know it altogether."

Not a single word that ever forms on your tongue, whether you speak it out that others might hear it or not, makes no difference. God knows every word.

Then David, seemingly, throws up his hands in admiration and worship to God, and he says, "Such knowledge is too wonderful for me." The omnipresence and the omniscience of Almighty God is just too wonderful for him.

I have a hard time understanding God's omnipresence and God's omniscience — how God can be everywhere at the same time, and how God can see us and know all about us. It is just too wonderful. It is a strange thing that God is omnipresent and God is omniscient, but He is.

Jeremiah tells us:

"Am I a God at hand, saith the Lord, and not a God afar off? Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the Lord. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the Lord."—Jer. 23:23,24.

Why is He omniscient? Because He is omnipresent. He fills Heaven and earth.

Ah, the immensity, the mag-

We Thank God For The Way He Provides For Hallimans

Brother Fred T. Halliman, while temporarily separated from his wife and family, is carrying on gloriously his work in New Guinea.

I do not know, nor have ever known of any individual who labors more tirelessly and under more adverse circumstances than Brother Halliman. We thank God for the privilege of supporting him, and we pray God's blessings on him and his ministry.

Mrs. Halliman and the children are living in Paducah, Kentucky where the children are able to benefit from the public schools and at the same time the children are getting needed dental work that they have been denied while living in New Guinea. We are happy under the providence of God, that He has enabled Brother Halliman to secure from his uncle the house in which his family is living. We are glad that He has enabled them to thus secure this property.

I am sure that the majority of

namity, the largeness, the bigness of Almighty God — so big that He fills Heaven, and He fills the earth, to the extent that Jeremiah says that no man can hide himself in secret places but what the Lord shall see him.

Beloved, I say to you, in the light of these verses, God's omnipresence and God's omniscience is wonderful.

II

GOD'S HOUSE IS WONDERFUL.

We read that Solomon was getting ready to build a house, or a temple, for the Lord. In doing so, he turned to the King of Tyre for assistance, both as to men and material. He said, "I want you to send servants who will work with my servants."

We read:

"Even to prepare me timber in abundance; for the house which I am about to build shall be WONDERFUL great."—II Chron. 2:9.

To be sure, the house that is spoken of in the case of Solomon is the temple that Solomon was getting ready to build. I have a feeling that I do this passage of Scripture no harm when I transfer it from the Old to the New Testament and say that God's house today, His church, is wonderful. If the temple that Solomon built was to be wonderful, then the church — not the church building — is wonderful.

I think of the church that Jesus built. All over this world, wherever there is an independent body meeting in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ as a Baptist church that has come down by delegated authority from the days of Jesus till this present time — wherever you find such, you will find the house of the Lord. Beloved, it is wonderful! I can't think of anything more wonderful than a true New Testament church. You talk about something that is strange and excites admiration, a true church does.

There are plenty of organizations, so-called churches, in this world, but the majority of those so-called churches have no more authority to carry on the work of the Lord Jesus Christ than does the PTA or the Public Works Administration of the Government.

The only organization that has the authority to send out missionaries, the only organization that has the authority to send a man to a foreign field as a missionary, is a New Testament Baptist church.

The only organization that has the authority to baptize here in America or anyplace else, is a New Testament Baptist church. (Continued on page 3, column 1)

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the readers of this paper and the supporters of New Guinea Missions would agree with us. Many have been the letters that we have received from brethren whereby they express their joy over the way that God has led in providing a home for the Halliman family.

I am appending, herewith, a letter from Brother Frank McCrum which just about sums up the situation. I would concur with Brother McCrum in all that he says.

My dear brother Halliman:

This letter may come as a shock to you as I haven't written before. I must admit that I have written letters in a much calmer state of mind that I am this one, but I was so stirred at the gross abandonment of Christian ethics manifested by those who demanded of you an accounting for the money spent on a house in Paducah for your family.

Another missionary told me that he got chewed out because he bought a new typewriter. He was asked, "What use could a missionary have for typewriters?" The missionary said this same party ended his letter with, "I'm having a TV room built to my house and have just put in my order for a new Buick car."

These are "gutter" experiences for missionaries. This is just another tool Satan has in his kit. By implication they have sown seeds that questions the honesty of Fred Halliman and his work, and whether intentional or not, the net results are the same. This same method was applied to the birth, crucifixion and resurrection of Christ.

Another missionary had the same experience and his reply was about the way I feel. Weymouth's translation of I Cor. 4:1-4 reads, "This is how men should think of us — we are Christ's servants and stewards of God's secret truths. In this connection, further, what is required in stewards is to prove faithful. I, HOWEVER, AM VERY LITTLE CONCERNED AT UNDERGOING YOUR SCRUTINY, therefore form no premature judgment."

Paul told this church how much weight their scrutiny of him car-

ried as far as he was concerned. This does not mean developing a hostile attitude towards these people but only letting them know that you were FIRST CALLED BY GOD to the work in New Guinea, and your responsibility is to Him. Some folk think that when they support a missionary they own his soul.

I firmly believe that missionaries, if they can, ought along their years of service provide for themselves and family a home wherever it seems most advantageous. I will go further and say that the Scripture places this responsibility on him:

"But if any provide not for his own and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel," I Tim. 5:8.

Weymouth puts it this way:

"If a man makes no provision for his own relations and especially for his own household, he has disowned the faith and is behaving worse than an unbeliever." If this is true, and of course it is, then what is to be said concerning those who are persuading a missionary to violate this passage — especially those who wallow around in their abundance of materialism?

I have always had it in the back of my mind how nice it would be if supporters of missionaries would, above their regular offerings, place in a bank, money for the purpose of purchasing a home for the missionary when his service is ended for good reasons.

Let it be known that this church goes on record as approving your purchase of this home. Not that we have any power to make this decision, but just to let others know, WHO THINK THEY DO, that we trust your judgments and believe that Fred Halliman is one of the greatest missionaries of our time. We pray in all services for you and your family.

Hoping this letter finds you in a very happy frame of mind by not letting the ill mannerisms of others get you down. Lots more I could say, but to borrow a modern phrase, "I'll cool my cool." Translated, "Calm down."

Yours in Christ,

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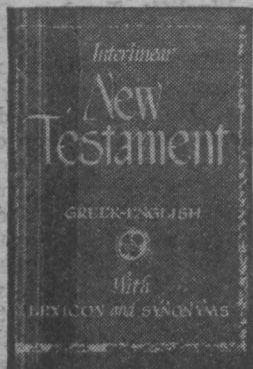
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The only organization that has the authority to set the Lord's Table and observe the Lord's Supper, is a New Testament Baptist church.

Beloved, I say to you, I consider the church that Jesus built as something wonderful.

I know there are lots of organizations within this world that are not the church that Jesus built, and there are lots of Baptist churches, so named, that are not the church that Jesus built. You drive along the highway and see a sign over a great big palatial church edifice that says "Baptist Church." Beloved, it may not be a Baptist church. It is not the name over the door that makes it a Baptist church. It is what that organization believes in, preaches on Sunday, and conforms for, and lives for, through the week, that makes it a Baptist church.

When I think of it, I say to you, there is something truly wonderful about a Baptist church.

III

GOD'S BOOK IS WONDERFUL.

We read:

"Thy testimonies are WONDERFUL."—Psa. 119:129.

Turn through the Bible, from Genesis 1:1 to Revelation 22:21, and you have in it the testimonies of the Lord. This text says that those testimonies are wonderful. Beloved, they are.

You have testimonies as to how men are saved. You don't find anything else, in any language, nor do you find any book that was ever printed in any language, that can tell you how to be saved, other than the Word of God. The testimony as to salvation is wonderful.

The testimonies as to how a Christian is to live after he is saved are wonderful. We read:

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."—I Cor. 10:31.

The Word of God gives us a testimony as to baptism—how it is to be performed, who is to perform it, on whom it is to be performed, and for what purpose it is to be performed. When you read it, I say that testimony is wonderful.

When you come to partake of the Lord's Supper and you read the story as laid down in the Gospel and by the Apostle Paul concerning the supper of our Lord, it is a wonderful supper. The testimonies that you read by the Lord Jesus Christ and by the

Apostle Paul are wonderful.

I could go all the way through the Bible and enumerate all the teachings, and I would say to you that they are wonderful, because there is nothing else like them any place else in the whole world.

IV

GOD'S LEADINGS ARE WONDERFUL.

I am so glad for the fact that God leads. As the song says:

"In shady, green pastures, so rich and so sweet,
God leads His dear children along;
Where the water's cold flow
bathes the weary one's feet,
God leads His dear children along.

Sometimes on the mount where the sun shines so bright,
God leads His dear children along;
Sometimes in the valley in the darkest of night,
God leads His dear children along.

Tho' sorrows befall us, and Satan oppose,
God leads His dear children along;
Through grace we can conquer,
defeat all our foes,
God leads His dear children along.

Away from the mire, and away from the clay,
God leads His dear children along;
Away up in glory, eternity's day,
God leads His dear children along.

Some thro' the waters, some thro' the flood,
Some thro' the fire, but all thro' the Blood;
Some thro' great sorrow, but God gives a song,
In the night season and all the day long."

"In shady green pastures"—yes. Sometimes rich and sweet—yes. Sometimes the cold waters cool the feet. He leads us.

Then, again, sometimes sorrows befall us, and sometimes Satan opposes us, but He leads us.

Sometimes God puts us up on the mountain top. He leads us there, and then sometimes, He puts us down in the valley, in the darkest of night, but God leads us there.

Some of these days, away from the mire, and away from the clay, away out yonder in eternity's day, God leads His dear children along.

I tell you, beloved, it thrills my soul to know that always, God leads us. Listen:

"Many, O Lord my God, are thy WONDERFUL works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered."—Psa. 40:5.

"We will not hide them from their children, shewing to the generation to come the praises of the Lord, and his strength, and

his WONDERFUL works that he hath done."—Psa. 78:4.

"Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his WONDERFUL works to the children of men!"—Psa. 107:8.

If that isn't enough, you'll find in verse 15, verse 21, and verse 31, that he repeats these same words, whereby he says:

"Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his WONDERFUL works to the children of men!"

I tell you, beloved, God's leadings—His works, and the way He leads us and directs us every day is wonderful.

I had a rather interesting experience of recent date. For sometime, we have been hearing from a family who lived in Las Vegas, Nevada. I remember the first time that I got a letter from them which I saw the postmark, "Las Vegas." The first thought you usually have when you think of Las Vegas is of the gambling there, and I jokingly thought to myself, some gambler is writing me. When I opened the letter,

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On Friday night of this week, the telephone rang, and a lady said, "This is Mrs. Olmstead from Las Vegas, Nevada." When I found out that she was in Ashland and had already checked in to a motel, I made an appointment to meet her and her husband at the printing shop the next morning. They were there to keep their appointment.

He is from West Virginia and she is from Mississippi. They were fine, high-type, highly educated folk. He has just finished a degree in college and was going to Germany to teach.

In the course of the conversation, I said to them, "How in the world did you folk ever get acquainted—a West Virginia snake and a Mississippian?"

How do you suppose this ever could have happened? That is why I am telling you this. He was attending a Billy Graham campaign in New York City. She was there. Eighteen thousand other people were there. She was seated at one end of the building. He was seated at the other end of the building. There was no thought of meeting. He didn't know she existed; she didn't know he existed.

A little old woman came in, looking for a place to sit, and there was no seat available. She paused close to where Brother Olmstead was sitting. He looked around and saw her. He realized she was too old to stand, and he got up and gave her his seat. He began wandering around to see if he could find a place to sit, and he went to the other end of the auditorium and sat down in a seat just in front of the woman who is now his wife, and they got acquainted.

Isn't it marvelous how God

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PAGE THREE

MODERN RELIGION

In the good old days of long ago,
Churches used to flourish and grow;
And preachers preached what was so,
This, all the old-timers know.

But now a modern age has come along,
And true religion has become a swan song;
The Churches have become immoral in the land,
Controlled by a little hypocritical clan.

The poor and saintly are not sought,
The rich and famous the church have bought;
Now you see them serving cakes and pies,
To raise money which should come through tithes.

Most churches have become a deaconocracy,
Instead of a Scriptural democracy;
Still others have even less sense—
And with a petticoat government are really dense.

Most congregations in our nation,
Have become collecting agencies for the denominations;
In most Sunday Schools the Bible has been cast asunder,
The class members now hear denominational propaganda.

On Sunday and Wednesday nights what a sight!
To see church members before the television light;
This makes the preachers preach to empty pews,
Since those who attend the services are so few.

The church socials have now been started,
But amidst it all the Spirit has departed;
The convictions of most would not offend a fly,
Since their religion extends only to what meets the eye.

The majority of preachers have been to school,
But in the main each is only an educated fool;
The devil has most of them up the money tree,
That's why their preaching would not scare a flea.

The doctrines of election and predestination,
Are seldom heard preached without reservation;
Man has a choice to make Arminians cry,
Ignoring the choice made by Him on High.

Freewill they say is man's hope of salvation,
Yet it only brought the devil damnation;
A man can be saved, if he wills, they declare,
But if this is true, poor unwilling sinners must despair.

They do not sing of a living Saviour,
The modern songs have lost their flavor;
God is dead the religious infidels say,
But I believe it is His people who are this way.

Scientists say for earth's problems, they have the solution,
They say man is a product of evolution;
They too say that there are no real absolutes in the world,
Revealing that they have no more sense than a squirrel.

What will be the end of this religious aggravation?
The second coming of Christ without sin unto salvation;
Oh, His precious saints! He is soon coming for them,
If He were to come today I would be glad to see Him.

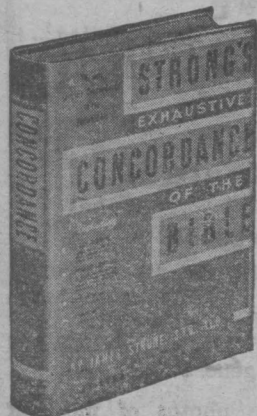
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leads? I told them when they are here because of the leading were in my office, "The most of the Lord. God leads His dear remarkable thing in this world is children along. how God leads His people along."

I don't think you are here this morning by blind chance. I don't think you just stumbled in here ward to the birth of the Lord for a service. I think that you (Continued on page 8, column 1)

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"Should a Baptist church support the Boy Scout movement with God's money, when an atheist (James Clark of Foster, Rhode Island) gets scouting's highest (Eagle Scout) award though he is an atheist? I understand that the scout oath demands an allegiance to God and country, and pledges reverence to God."

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No, I do not believe that God's money should be used by a church for the support of any of the organizations that are of this world. I don't think that it should be based on the unworthiness of a certain member, for there are unworthy church members and plenty of them.

There are organizations of the world that carry on some good benevolent projects. Let the world care for her own. Let churches confine themselves to those things that relate to the Great Commission. Churches, and indeed whole denominations, are involving themselves today with all sorts of things that are of the world. Some indeed are plainly of the devil. For instance, Presbyterians recently contributed ten thousand dollars to help Angela Davis, Negro Communist, who is charged with being in a conspiracy that blew up a court room and killed a judge. Many Presbyterians are in rebellion against this, be it said to their credit.

There are plenty of missionaries and missionary causes to employ all of the church funds available, without going afield and helping to support the world's organizations that churches have no control over.

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I believe the Boy Scout movement has been, and possibly still is a wonderful thing. It has, no doubt, helped to build character in many boys who maybe did not have the right training at home. The fact that James Clark, an atheist became an Eagle Scout reminds us of the fact that Bible denying infidels become professors of religion in Baptist Seminaries. Those who deny God have no scruples about taking an oath in which they declare they do be-

lieve in God.

I not only believe the Boy Scout movement to be a good thing, I believe Christian men who have the time to do so would do well to work with the boys in this movement. Some thirty-six years ago I served as Scout Master in the community where I was school principal. I had wonderful opportunities to help the boys who made up that troop.

But as good as this movement is, it, like banquets, athletic programs and other worldly things that have found their way into the church budget. Anything that does not help in carrying out the commission our Lord gave to His churches either directly or indirectly has no claim upon the Lord's money. These things are not the Lord's work, so why should He be expected to pay their expenses?



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Personally, I think that the Boy Scout, Girl Scout, 4-H and other organizations of this type have done a lot of good. Many youngsters have been helped to live in society as a result of being in these organizations.

You ask if a Baptist Church should support a Boy Scout Club. No, a Baptist church has no business working with any organization apart from and outside of the church itself.

Too many people think that the church is a social organization. It is not, nor is the work of the church to build a better society in the world. A person who follows the morals and ethics of a true Christian will make a better citizen in society, but that is a fringe benefit of the work of the church. A church has no business including a gymnasium or kitchen in the plans for the church house.

The commission of the church includes a threefold mission. "Go ye therefore, and teach (make disciples of) all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." (Matt. 28:

19,20).

The mission of the church is to preach the gospel to the lost. After one is saved, he is to be baptized into the church and then taught the great things of God. There is no other work for the church to do. (This, by the way, is a full time work). Let the social workers take care of society, we must preach the message that God uses to save men from eternal damnation. This is more important than Boy Scouts or anything else.

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Absolutely not. A true Baptist Church does not have the God-given authority to use the Lord's money to support the Boy Scouts, ball teams, golf leagues or bowling leagues. God's money (tithes and offerings) is to be used solely for the furtherance of the truth as revealed in the Scriptures. Any other use of the Lord's money would be a flagrant violation of the Scriptures, which guide the church into all truth.

I am aware that there is a movement among religious leaders to win the young people for Christ. The methods used by these religious leaders do not meet with the approval of the Scriptures. They use every device known to man to entice our young people into the church, with the exception of preaching to them the whole counsel of God. It is my firm conviction that if the preaching of the Word will not entice our young people to follow the Lord, then no amount of support to Boy Scouts, ball teams or any other organization will change their minds as to the things of God.

"But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."—I Cor. 2:14.

The natural mind cannot receive the teachings of the Scriptures; therefore, unless one has been quickened by the Holy Spirit (resurrected) planting within them the very nature of God, they cannot under any physical circumstances comprehend the things of the Lord. The Holy Spirit also tells us, "So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God." Rom. 8:8. The Boy Scouts is a fleshly organization and regardless of how sincere a church may be in supporting them, it would not be pleasing to God.

"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you. And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."—II Cor. 6:14, 17, 18.

If there were no other verse of Scripture in the Bible on this particular subject, these are sufficient to show us that a true Baptist Church could not Scripturally support the Boy Scouts, whether an atheist be a member of it, or not. The church is not to be unequally yoked together with anything that does not honor and magnify the name of Jesus Christ. In fact, God has promised to be our (church) Father if we are separate, and He will own us as His sons and daughters (church) verse 18. If we lose our

separated position by using the Lord's money to support Boy Scouts or some other worldly organization, he would not be a father to us, and we would not be His sons and daughters, or in other words, the Lord would move the candlestick out of its place, and we would be a church only in name, not in power. I do not believe in apostasy (falling from grace); therefore, I believe that II Cor. 6 is speaking only to His church, commanding her and reasoning with her to show forth the advantages of being separated from everything that does not magnify God.

May I speak to your hearts once more, as I have in the past relative to the Lord's money. The tithe and offerings belong to the Saviour. They are not to be given to support the works of Satan. Yet, there are many of God's dear saints who cheerfully give their tithe each week to support false doctrine, hoping that at the judgment seat of Christ to receive a reward for their giving. People, you surely would not expect God to bless you physically or spiritually if your tithes were given to support the work of Satan. Children, it is our God-given responsibility to make sure the Lord's money is given, and used only to support the truth. God will not bless His people if they join themselves to a Harlot (Protestantism), and support her rather than the true woman (Baptist Church). I would that you ponder in your own heart the question asked by the Holy Spirit in the following verse:

"Know you not that your bodies are the members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ (Baptist Church) and make them the members of a harlot? (Protestantism) God forbid." I added the parentheses. If you are guilty of using the Lord's money to support that which God has forbidden, may you repent and by faith determine to give your tithes only for the Lord's work.

Bible And Women

(Continued from page one)
thing. I have never seen so much rebellion in my life toward this one thing. As pastor of a church, there is seldom a week goes by that I'm not counseling with someone about this very thing. I say it is God's plan for women to bear children. God didn't create you to make a Hollywood star. He intended for you to bear children for your husband.

Listen to Genesis 1:28:
"And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth."

Now I tell you, you can't do that taking the birth control pill.

I believe that God intended for a woman to bear children. Regardless of what you think of me, it is what God's Word says, and that is what we will answer for on judgment morning.

In I Timothy 5:15 Paul said:
"I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully."

No wonder the devil can so criticize the home today. It is because we are in rebellion to the Word of God.

II
If I know anything at all, from what I see today, women do not understand their place in the home and in the community. There are three simple thoughts I share with you tonight about a woman's place in the home and in the community.

First of all, she is to dress decently. There should not be an enticement in the way she dresses. Paul said in I Thessalonians 5:22:

"Abstain from all appearance of evil."

I'm telling you today, you can't walk down the streets in this ungodly world in which we live with women dressed as they are today, without having the appearance of evil.

Paul said this ought not to be. He wrote unto the ladies about this in I Timothy 2:9,10:

"In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with braided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array: But (Which becometh women professing godliness) with good works."

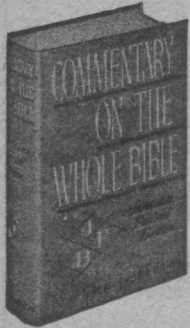
If this is godliness that I am seeing today, I don't know what godliness is. I can well remember when I was a boy, when there was such a thing as a man that was sissy and prissy and a coward, and wouldn't stand up for his rights, wouldn't defend his home, they would say that he was hiding behind his wife's skirts and they would call him a coward. But today you couldn't call him a coward, you would have to call him a magician. I tell you it is very much in the wrong, this ungodly, damnable thing that the prostitutes of Paris, France and London have palmed off on the saintly ladies of God, this disgrace called "mini." I thought they were talking about Minnie Pearl for a long time. But I just figured out this past week, in preparing my message, what "mini" really is. M-I-N-I: MUCH IMPROVEMENT NEEDED IMMEDIATELY, and the sooner the better with God.

A woman's place in the home and community is to dress decently. I remember when I was a boy, there was no question about it. When a woman undressed it meant one of two things, she was either fixing to take her Saturday bath or retire to bed. (Continued on page 6, column 2)

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"BLASPHEMING THE WORD OF GOD"

"The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things: That they may teach the younger women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the Word of God be not blasphemed."—Titus 2:3-5.

Sisters, are we guilty of causing someone to blaspheme the Word of God? We quickly answer, "Oh, no, not me!" An icy chill seems to run down our spine at the thought of such a dreadful thing. And yet — what saith the Word? There are several definite things mentioned here that we need to be mindful of, lest we fall into the snare of causing some one to blaspheme the Word of God. Let's look at them carefully.

The older women are to behave themselves in a manner that shows that they have been set apart for God. Others need to be able to tell that "they have been with Jesus." They need to have sanctified tongues. Being careful not to accuse falsely. The same

word for "false accuser" is translated in other places "devil." Truly this is devilish business. James tells us that the tongue is just a little member of our body. But oh, how it loves to boast of great things. It is a fire and full of iniquity. Let us use our tongue to build up, encourage, and bless one another. Not bringing false charges against members of churches and causing differences and divisions among them.

The older women are not to be given to much wine. This simply means not to be the slave of wine. Not to be a drunkard. The Jews have an old proverb that says that it is practically impossible to reclaim a woman drunkard.

They are to be teachers of good things. By instruction and example. Not wasting time on "old wives tales," superstitions and foolishness. But teaching things that are wholesome, pure, and useful. Instructing others not to be frivolous, concerning spiritual matters. This is serious business.

Teaching also, to love our husband and children. Does it seem strange to you that we have to be TAUGHT to love our husband and children? Perhaps this is to remind us again how selfish and depraved we are by nature. There are several ways we can love our husband. Let us recognize and submit to his headship. Many times we wear a head-covering and mouth words of submission, when it is apparent to every one else that it is just a farce. We shame our husband before other men and the church. (Oh, Father, grant us grace to be submissive, and love it too). We sometimes take the lead and make the decisions and then excuse ourselves by saying, "If I don't do it, it won't get done." Is that really true? Is not our God able to work in and thru our husbands if He wants a thing done? Maybe it's not all that important to the Lord. We shame our husband and dishonor our God.

Also, we can love our husband by cultivating peace in the home. We need to stop fussing about all the petty things that cause divisions in the home, being obedient to our husband. The Lord will bless us when we learn the grace of yielding to our husband. We act sometimes like we are on different teams — in competition with each other. We can love our husbands by encouraging them to serve the Lord. Encourage them to read the Word, to pray, to serve in the church, to give. And then, NEVER, NEVER criticize them to anyone. Why that would be like the church being critical of the Lord Jesus Christ. What a shameful thing.

We need to love our children. Take time to listen to them. Recognizing that they are individuals and have problems and joys to be shared. We are to be consistent in our discipline. Proverbs 13:24, "He that spareth his rod, hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him be times." Above all else, teach him the Holy Scriptures. Timothy's mother and grandmother taught him the Scriptures from his youth up. And this was the Old Testament. Our children need to learn respect for the Word of God when it is read and preached. They need to respect the church. These are ways we can love our children.

The younger women are to be taught to be discreet. This means to be cautious, not rash. Youth is prone to be in a hurry. Slow down. Let's be a little cautious in our speech and actions. It will give us time to think things out more clearly. We are to be chaste women. This means to keep our body pure for our husband. It would also include keeping our mind chaste for him too. We are to be keepers at home. Making our homes pleasant for our husbands and children. Idleness is not conducive to holiness! We are not to run around the neighborhood, busyng ourselves with other people's business. We are to be good or "kind." Being careful to be kind in our actions TOWARDS others. Kind in our

These Isms and Schisms on the contrary are noted for having **bad founders, bad foundations and bad fruit.** The diagram below gives a birds-eye view of their false Founders and principal Leaders.

Name of Sect	BELIEF IN						Founder or Leader	Year of Death
	The Trinity	Deity of Jesus	Sin	Atonement	Salvation	Hell		
1. Christian Science	No	No	No	No	Auto Salvation	No	Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy	1910
2. Theosophy	No	No	Yes	No	By Good Works	No	Madame Blavatsky	1891
3. Jehovah's Witnesses (Millennial Dawn)	No	No	Yes	No	No Necessity of Salvation	Not Eternal	Pastor Russell	1916
4. Spiritualism	No	No	No	No	Auto Salvation	No	Mrs. Woodhull	1848
5. Mormonism	No	No	Yes	No	Only for Mormons	Yes	Brigham Young	1877
6. Seventh Day Adventism	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Only for S.D. Adventists	Not Eternal	Mrs. White	1866
7. Christadelphianism	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Dr. John Thomas, U.S.A.	1871
8. Modernism, Evolution, Humanism, Ecumenism, and the World Council of Churches	No	No	No	No	Auto Salvation		Professor Darwin Archbishop Wm. Temple and others	Darwin 1882

speech ABOUT others. Kindness is a rare virtue, today.

These things are written for our learning, that the Word of God be not blasphemed. Blaspheme means "to speak evil of." When we fall into the snare of any of those things mentioned, we give occasion to the enemies of God to laugh and ridicule the Word of God. Let us not brush this aside lightly. Pause and meditate on these things. Take them one by one and see if we can see ourselves in any of these situations. If so, then let us pray to the God of all grace, to help us to live and speak in a manner worthy of Him. God forbid that we should cause anyone to blaspheme the Word of God.

Modern Cults

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roots in ancient errors, or are some Early-church heresies revived under a new guise. In fact, much of Christendom's falsehood is borrowed from ancient Babylon and Egypt, and this likewise is traceable back to the Tower of Babel, yea, even to the primal fall—witness the first error, the root error.

Granting the age of the root, only emphasizes the fact that the tree of heresy has more branches, is more diverse, rampant and widespread, and harbours more "fowls of the air" today than ever before.

Satan is mustering all his forces, and will soon reconcentrate them on Babylon. He is working up to the coming of the hydra-headed monster—the Beast of Revelation 13. We are assured, however, that **when** he comes to power, **then** his doom will not be delayed more than seven years! And with his doom, the Truth and its Followers will be vindicated in the Second Advent Victory of HIM who said, "I AM THE TRUTH."

BAD FRUITS OF MODERN CULTS GATHERED MOSTLY FROM THEIR OWN WRITINGS.

1. Seven out of eight deny the Trinity.

2. Seven out of eight deny the Deity of Jesus, and the eighth ignores it.

3. All eight deny the Atonement.

4. Five reject Hell, and two others reject eternal punishment.

5. All eight either add to, or take away from, Bible teaching on fundamentals.

6. Three, while professing to be Modern, are directly connected with ancient Occultism and Paganism.

7. Two of the principal Founders, Darwin and Buddha, were AGNOSTICS.

8. CHRISTIAN SCIENCE was founded by Mrs. MARY BAKER EDDY, who tried to set fire to the house of one of her own fol-

lowers, who had entertained her. Fortunately she failed, as she did not know enough Science to understand that the fire which she lit and locked up in a cupboard would go out for lack of draught. The theory of "illusion", which she pretended to have discovered, was an old Eastern Pagan philosophy, dating back more than 3,000 years, which she borrowed from the papers of a doctor, whom she was serving as nurse. She was the worst type of a Deceiver.

9. The founder of THEOSOPHY was Madame BLAVATSKY, a Russian adventuress, who went to India, and pretended to have revelations from the "Mahatmas", or spirits, who were supposed to be a common fraud. Mrs. Besant, who was regarded as the advocate and Leader of Theosophy, as a form of Buddhism, was a friend and disciple of the notorious infidel Bradlaugh, before becoming a disciple of Blavatsky. Buddha, whom she claims to be the equal of Christ, was an AGNOSTIC, who placed his two fingers on his lips when God was mentioned as a sign that he did not know whether God exists.

10. RUSSELLISM, alias MILLENNIAL DAWN, alias Watch Tower and Tract Society, alias Peoples' Pulpit Association, alias INTERNATIONAL BIBLE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION, alias Jehovah's Witnesses, was founded by an American who called himself "Pastor" Russell, whose wife divorced him for improper relations with the other sex, the Court ordering him to find alimony for her. He perjured himself in open Court by first swearing that he knew Greek and Hebrew, and afterwards being compelled to admit that he did not so much as know their alphabets. His miserable and hopeless illness and death in a railway carriage are described by one of his own followers.

11. SPIRITISM, or SPIRITUALISM, is founded on Demons or Evil Spirits, often pretending to be good, and passing themselves

off falsely as the departed spirits of dead relatives and friends. Mrs. Woodhull, their President in America, openly advocated Free Love in her Presidential Addresses.

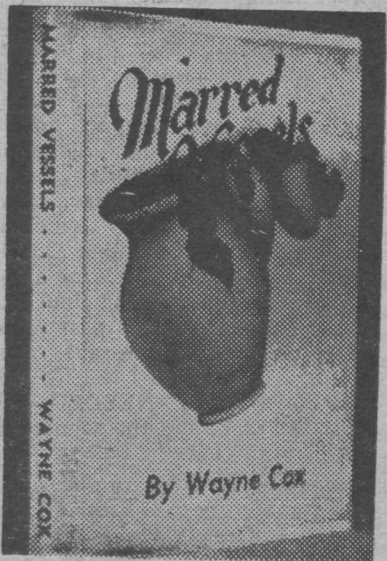
That they can do miracles, or perform actions which are beyond human power, may be freely admitted, but this is no proof of their truth or goodness. It is an ancient Eastern Pagan religion, dating back to the days of Moses in Egypt, when the powerful Mediums, Jannes and Jambres were able to perform some of the same miracles as Moses in the presence of Pharaoh. Moses knew all about this pagan system, and Israel was forbidden to have anything to do with it under pain of death. Moses gives a list of the aliases by which its advocates were known—"enchanter, witch, charmer, conjurer with familiar spirits, wizard, necromancer" (Deut. 18:9-14).

12. MORMONS blasphemously assert that their founder, Joseph Smith, was a direct descendant of Jesus Christ by Mary or Martha, and declare that Adam is the Man-God of this world. They advocate and practise Polygamy.

13. SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISM was founded by a young woman, afterwards, Mrs. White, who pretended that she had a revelation that Jesus Christ really came in 1844, not to earth, but to the Sanctuary, somewhere in Heaven, where He has been engaged ever since in examining the sins of His people! She falsely asserts that the Christian Sabbath, which Sunday is sometimes called, is "the Mark of the Beast", and was instituted by one of the Popes. As a matter of fact, Christ Himself, chose "the first day of the week" to commemorate His Resurrection: John calls it "the Lord's Day", and it was on this day that the Apostles and early Christians met to worship. She also falsely asserts that the sins of the world will be laid on Satan as the Scapegoat, and he and they will be finally annihilated. (Continued on page 6, column 1)

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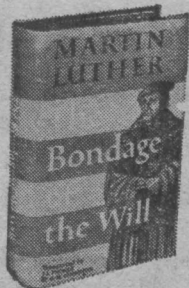
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Modern Cults

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14. THE CHRISTADELPHIANS, or Thomasites, deny all the main fundamental teachings of the Gospel (see Diagram).

15. The MODERNISTS, or Evolutionists, similarly deny nearly all the main teachings of the Bible, especially the story of Creation, the Deity of Christ, the Atonement by the Blood of Christ and Hell. They describe Christ as a Super-man and Model and proclaim a Gospel of Auto-Salvation by good works. Darwin whose theory of Evolution they adopt, declared that it was only a guess, which in forty years he and others were unable to prove. He called himself an Agnostic, and said that he did not know whether God existed but could not prove that He did not. Modernists declare that Darwin was right, but the best Scientists now agree that he was wrong.

It will be seen, therefore, clearly how these Isms and Schisms contradict the most fundamental teaching of the Bible, and are all the works of Founders who are totally unworthy of our trust and confidence.

What does the Bible plainly teach us in regard to these Isms and Schisms?

- Don't read their Books and Papers. If you have any, do the same as the disciples did at Ephesus (Acts 19:19). BURN THEM!
- Don't attend their meetings (Prov. 19:27).
- Don't receive them, entertain them, or bid them God speed, "for he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds" (2 John 10, 11).

Regarding such teachers, Christ has said, "I testify unto every man that heareth the words of

the prophecy of this book, if any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: and if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take his part out of the book of life, and out of the Holy City, and from the things that are written in this book" (Rev. 22:18-19).

Has any one who reads these lines become entangled already in any of these Isms? Don't be surprised if you find it difficult to cut loose from them. Ask God, here and now, not to cast you away from His presence, and not to take His Holy Spirit from you, but to create in you a clean heart, and to renew a right spirit within you, in order that, after being saved yourself from these terrible delusions of Satan, you may teach transgressors His ways, and sinners may be converted unto Him (Psalms 51:10-13).

—Watching and Waiting

Bible And Women

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Today, it can mean about anything.

In Deuteronomy 22:5 Moses said:

"The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment; for all that do so are abomination unto the Lord thy God."

Some people say, "Well, Moses said that." I want you to know that what Moses said is just as true as what Paul said. He said it under inspiration just as Paul or any other writer of the Bible.

I see these prissy, sissy long-haired things today. Some of them dress like women; some of them want to become women. This is definitely of the devil. Moses admonishes a woman not to wear

the apparel of a man, but I hear some say, "Brother Langford, it is the fad, it's the style." Well, I'll tell you something you ought to learn. It is what God said to His chosen people in Jeremiah 10:2:

"Thus saith the Lord, learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them."

A woman needs to learn that she is to dress decently that she might not entice men.

Second, she dares not to be given to gossip and idleness. Idleness is the devil's workshop. The thing that is the ruin of the home and the heart of the church is idleness, that brings about gos-

siping by the sisters. I know some women, and I don't say it disgracefully — I say it in fear before God — but I know some that when they die, it will take the undertaker three days to get their tongues still.

You are not to be a gossip, nor idle before God. We count the things that you must do. There are some things that you must do. You must not be given to gossip and idleness.

"And withal they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not." (1 Tim. 5:13).

You see, as a born again blood-washed saint, you didn't know idleness at the beginning, but after you're saved, the devil comes along and beguiles you and withal you learned to be idle. Not only idle, but wandering about from house to house, as tattlers, and back-biters, saying things that ye ought not to.

Solomon speaks of a virtuous woman in Proverbs 31:27-28:

"She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her."

I tell you sister, if you want some praise, take care of your house.

A woman is to dress decently, so as not to be an enticement, she dares not give herself unto gossip and idleness. This we are taught in the Word of God not to do.

I find that there is one other thing that you must not do. You must not be independent, but dependent upon your husbands. Do you understand what I am talking about? One of the most damnable things in our land today, is the independence of women. Just a few weeks ago they had their demonstration of their rights of independence. "We're all made equal" they cry. All races cry, "We're made equal." I challenge any man to find me that verse of Scripture. We are not made equal. God never said that. We are not going to be equal in heaven either. Don't you be deceived by that. A woman is not to be independent from her husband, but dependent on him.

"Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord." (Eph. 5:22).

Every time you rebel against your husband, in the strictest Scriptural sense, you are rebelling against the Lord your Maker, for He said you are to submit yourself unto your own husband as unto the Lord.

"Wives, submit yourselves unto your husbands, as it is fit in the Lord." (Colossians 3:18).

I say to you without hesitation, you are to be dependent upon your husband and not independent. And this cruel, vicious world hasn't helped the matter one bit. They come along and they make "His" and "Her" towels; they make "His" and "Her" pillows; they make "His" and "Her" beds; they make "His" and "Her" TV lunches (and "His" fixes "Hers" more than "Hers" fixes "His" nowadays). If husbands, working husbands, had a warm welcome and a warm meal to come home to instead of a cold shoulder and a cold sandwich, we'd have better homes and churches today.

III

The Bible and women as to their position in the church. Now if any of you here want to know how I preach this, I have four of the lady members here from the Bethel Baptist Church and you ask them. They will tell you that I preach it there just like I am preaching it here. I believe

that we ought to preach as to the woman's place in church. I know some men are so henpecked that if they would do what their nature teaches them, they would crow every morning before they get up. Someone said to me, "Brother, I am not henpecked. I just have henhouse ways." I want you to know, God doesn't expect it of men. He made man in His image and for His glory, and the woman for the glory of man. Man ought to rightly assume that place of responsibility.

I believe God's position is that they (women) be a member in the church. That is what I Corinthians 12:18 tells me.

"But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him."

A woman's position is not to preach. Some say, "Bro. Langford, why preach that in a Baptist meeting? We don't believe in women preaching." You don't? I have been informed that you have one down here somewhere nearby pastoring a Baptist church. Evidently some kind of Baptists believe in women preachers. I know some independent Baptist churches that have women preachers. You know what I mean? They get up to sing a special (they won't be so presumptuous as to say, "Pastor, I want to preach this morning:"). But they get up and they say, "I'm going to sing this morning 'Oh, How I Love Jesus,' I tell you, everyone ought to love Jesus. He died for us, and He wants to save us, and we ought to love Jesus." They preach about 15 minutes and sing about two. That is preaching, I don't care what you call it. In our church when they come to sing, they don't even say what they are going to sing.

"This is a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work. A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife . . ." (1 Tim. 3:1,2).

This is a true saying, it is not a hatched up, instigated thing. That tells me that a woman cannot preach. I can think of a woman being the wife of one husband. (Continued on page 8, column 3)

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meeting at various places where he was conducting services. Insofar as bringing in new potentials for building up the work numerically, he was the live wire of the three preachers.

Somewhere, perhaps about half way through the school years, due to a number of factors this missionary was lost to the group, and when he went, all the small groups and the majority of Jordan Baptist Church went with him. While this affected the other two preachers very little, if any, at the time, due to the fact that they were already quite strong and were getting strong meat every day to keep them built up, it did affect the weaker lambs that were left.

Not only did this affect the weaker ones at the time, but without someone there to keep them encouraged, it has taken its toll on the other two preachers in the past two and a half years, and also has affected the potential adult congregation to the extent that there has not been a single addition to either church since I was there two and a half years ago. It has affected the two pastors in that they are not the aggressive missionary type preachers that the other fellow was, and therefore there has not been the new material coming

in for them to preach to as was the case before.

I spent several days with the New Canaan Baptist Church before I went to visit and preach to the group of the Jordan Baptist Church. I must admit that in those first few days of observation the surface of the work there looked as though it might as well close up and let those preachers locate in another field or fields where they could have a more fruitful ministry.

After I spent some time with the Jordan Baptist Church, living in the village with the people and talking to them and their pastor, then I went back to the Nukui Village and called the two pastors in for a conference. I had noted several things in the last three or four days that had given me encouragement concerning the work and I wanted to see if the pastors had the same feeling about it as I did.

I had noted that while there were very few actual members in either church, seemingly all services were quite well attended at both places. At the New Canaan Baptist Church there would be about 20 in attendance during the week and up to 30 on Sunday. At Jordan Baptist Church there would be about the same number. At both of these places approximately two-thirds of the folk attending are children ranging from quite young to several that are in high school. At one of the other groups where they are holding services there are about 16 folk with several of these young people and another group of five or six where services are being held.

As I began to look at the overall situation a different picture began to unfold. I am normally used to preaching to fairly large crowds myself and when I arrived there and only saw 12 to 15 for the first couple of services and seemingly the two preachers were quite discouraged, I likewise was discouraged but now that I have had time to look into the situation more thoroughly and have time to see the possibilities, I took new courage.

With all of those children of all ages attending the two churches, there would probably be about 40 or more, and I felt that surely God must have some of His elect among them and to abandon them to the Catholics and the Methodists there in that area would be equivalent to high treason.

While this setback has had its adverse effects on the weaker ones as well as some of the stronger ones, it has also had its points of advantage. Never was there a pearl produced except at the expense of great suffering on the part of the oyster. Peter told the soldiers in I Peter 5:10 that after they had suffered awhile, the God of all grace, would make them perfect, stablish, strengthen and settle them. Not only have they been strengthened, but there are outsiders who have watched them persevere with astonishment and admiration until they have begun to become interested in the God of all grace who has kept them bound together even in what appeared to be certain

defeat a couple of years ago. Some of these folk have begun to attend a few of the services and ask numerous questions at various times and places.

During the conference that I held with the two preachers on the day before I left to come back, I could detect this spirit of hope deep within them, and a love for their work unexcelled by few. I think perhaps unrealized even by themselves, they are laying the groundwork on a long term basis for a sound and thriving Baptist community for future generations. If ever there were two pastors that are carrying a heavy load, and uphill all the way, it is these two brethren on Bougainville. However, both of the preachers are sound men and good pastors, therefore I have no fear but what God will continue to strengthen them and bless their efforts.

The work as I see it on Bougainville at present is that it is small insofar as actual membership is concerned, but that it is well grounded and has a promising future. We cannot measure the success of God by the standards of man. I think there may be a few adults that God will bring into the fold as yet. However, I believe that the bulk of the Baptist people on Bougainville will come from the young people that are growing up in those churches. Looking at it from the prospective point of view, I am well pleased with the outcome of my visit to Bougainville.

From the time I arrived until I left I spent exactly two weeks

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on Bougainville. By the time I was ready to leave Nukui Village on Wednesday, August 25, the two pastors had seemingly been strengthened no end. There had been a couple of matters set straight and seemingly all the folk were revived and rejoicing. I was certainly glad that God had made it possible for me to go and spend this time with them. While there I had lived in their villages and eaten their food. Some supplies I had taken with me but only the bare necessities. I ate coconut both new and mature from the time I got there until the day I left. I explored new recipes in cooking tropical foods especially with the use of coconut in the various stages of its growth and while I do not claim to have reached the stage of a gastronome I consider myself to be somewhat of a connoisseur in matters of taste.

While with the folk there I was treated royally. I sometimes wonder if there is not some connection in these folk and the folk of the South in the United States. The southern folk in America have a reputation of feeding the preacher on chicken when he comes to eat with them, which is always greatly appreciated by this particular preacher, and it seems that each time I go visit the folk on Bougainville and with each village that I visit I always manage to have chicken to eat. This visit was no different.

The Jordan Baptist Church has moved to a different village from what it was the last time I was

there and this was the first time I had visited the folk in this village. I arrived there on Saturday just about noon. The house that I was to stay in had a family of nine. No one was at home when I arrived with the husband and father of the household and another man who had come with us. He said his wife was shy and had said that she was ashamed for me to visit with them, because they were so poor and the house had little to no furniture in it, and they had so many kids. Also I had never met her before and she did not know what to expect. Her husband had told her that I was just 'plain old folk' and no need to get upset.

He had held positions as "cook boy" for various Australian and Englishmen and had learned quite a bit about preparing and serving a meal. Shortly after I arrived he served me with bread and butter and some coffee. For a late afternoon snack he served me some scrambled eggs and bread. Then we had church services. About 7:30 that night he served me with chicken boiled in new coconut milk with mashed sweet potatoes seasoned in butter, onions and bread. About 9:30 he said I should go to sleep. I had already been introduced to my bedroom which had a bed made of boards with no covering on them and while I was not looking forward to my night's sleep, I had a surprisingly good rest that night. The next morning I was served fried eggs, toast and fried canned meat. Shortly after breakfast my bath water was brought to me, heated just to the right temperature, and I had a bath. After two more services I was served the noon meal which consisted of chopped chicken in scrambled eggs with tomatoes and onions chopped up fine and cooked with the eggs. Before I was ready to leave at about half past one, I had made friends with the whole family, and the wife was at ease and relaxed.

On Tuesday night before I left on Wednesday morning Brother Uming prepared a big meal with the help of several other folk in the village, and we all gathered at his house for a final meal and fellowship together. Wednesday morning a man came to the village to pick me up to take me into Buin where I was scheduled to leave the following morning. As I left Nukui Village it took me several minutes to shake hands with all the folk. The village has grown considerably since I was there last.

We arrived in Buin before noon only to find that due to so much heavy rain the airstrip had been closed to all aircraft. I had no idea when I would get out of there. I found a place to stay for the night and waited until the next morning, hoping for the best. It rained at various times all during the night and at 6:00 a.m. there seemed to be no hope of getting out that day. Someone said there was a Government trawler anchored off the beach that would be going into Kieta and we might get on that. There were four of us that wanted to

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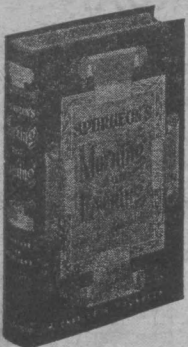
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get out, so we go a way down to the trawler and boarded the work boat with our gear and went out to the small vessel. Upon arrival we learned that there was lots of cargo to be loaded, and that it would be at least midday before she sailed for Kieta. This would mean that we would get there sometime in the night with no place to stay. Two of us decided to try to go back to Buin and see if the airstrip could be opened. We were happy to learn that it would be opened to Cessna aircraft by about noon.

By 12:30 we were in Kieta and by 2:00 p.m. on our way to Rabaul. I spent the night there and was fortunate enough to get on

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a special flight into Lae the following morning. I got to Lae just in time to make another special flight to Mount Hagen, but there my success slowed down a bit. Due to the Mount Hagen Show being on for that weekend I was unable to get a plane out of there until Monday morning. I arrived back at the Mission Station on Monday, August 30, 23 days from the time I had left. I am well satisfied with my trip to Bougainville and feel that the work there is growing as God would have it to do. Pray for those brethren, and myself.



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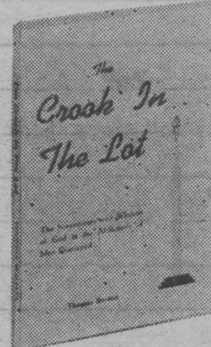
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"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called **WONDERFUL**, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." — Isa. 9:6.

Notice, Isaiah said, "His name shall be called Wonderful." Certainly, beloved, God's Son is wonderful.

What a wonderful birth! Born of a virgin by way of a mother, and without a human father. That in itself is wonderful, miraculous, supernatural, startling, amazing, something strange. Never did it happen before, and never has it happened since. Born of a virgin, without a father, without anyone to cohabit with her, she gave birth to a child. His birth was wonderful.

Look at that star hung within the heavens in honor of His birth, with the wise men and the shepherds that came, recognizing His birth. Look, if you will, at the angels as they sang:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." — Luke 2:14.

I tell you, beloved, it was a wonderful birth that the Lord Jesus Christ experienced.

It was a wonderful life that He lived. He led a sinless life. No sin ever tainted the life of the Lord Jesus Christ. Unlike you and me, the Lord Jesus Christ of the cross, and I can hear it as was perfect. It was a wonderful life that He lived!

Certainly, the miracles that He performed were wonderful. When He took a man, whose ear had been chopped off by a hot-headed follower of the Lord Jesus Christ, and put that ear back in place, Jesus wrought a miracle.

Look at those loved ones that have died, that Jesus raised to life.

Look at that man that had the withered arm, that Jesus restored whole.

Look at the man who had been lying by the pool at Bethesda for thirty-eight years, and when Jesus came by, with the eye of a practiced physician, He said:

"Wilt thou be made whole?" — John 5:6.

The Lord Jesus Christ took this man that had been lying there for thirty-eight years and made him walk. I tell you, the miracles that Jesus wrought were wonderful.

I think about His teachings. They were wonderful.

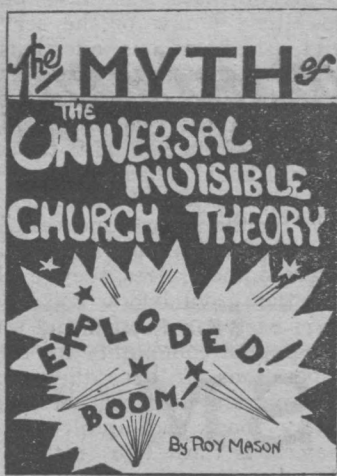
In Matthew 5, we have the Beatitudes. How wonderful they are!

When you turn to the story of the Good Samaritan and read of Jesus as the only Good Samaritan that this world ever saw, certainly the teaching that is given to us there is wonderful.

When you hear Jesus say to us that we are like a city set on a hill, that cannot be hid, His teachings are wonderful.

Most of all, when you come to Calvary and see Jesus Christ as He dies on the cross for our sins; as He was nailed to the tree, and as His blood poured out from that wounded body; when I see that blood as it falls down to the foot of the cross, and I can hear it as it splatters, splatters, splatters, I say to you, His death was wonderful.

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derful.

He went into the grave, but He came out alive. The grave couldn't hold Him. The Lord Jesus Christ came forth from that grave. His body arose.

So many people today deny the bodily resurrection. They talk about Jesus coming out of the grave as a vapor — sort of a ghostly affair. Not at all, beloved! The body of Jesus Christ literally arose from that grave. His resurrection was wonderful.

Some of these days, He is going to split the skies asunder, and He is coming back. He is going to catch away you and me and all the redeemed of this world. I tell you, it is going to be wonderful.

Then there is a day coming when we are going to stand in His presence to be rewarded for what little we have done here in this world. He has kept records concerning us. It is going to be wonderful at the judgment seat of Christ.

Then, some of these days, He is going to take His church (Baptist, if you please; not all Baptists, but faithful Baptists) and He is going to make that church to be His bride throughout a never-ending eternity. Talk about something wonderful! How marvelous it is to think about being the bride of the Lord Jesus Christ!

CONCLUSION

I say to you that this Bible presents to us a number of wonderful things. God's omnipresence and God's omniscience surely is wonderful. It is startling. It is amazing. It is something that excites admiration. It is something that is strange.

God's house, God's Book, God's leadings, and God's Son — wonderful!

I stand in His presence this morning, and as the words of the old song that says:

"I stand amazed in the presence Of Jesus the Nazarene,
And wonder how He could love me,
A sinner, condemned, unclean."

Might you stand in His presence this morning the same way, and may you bow before this wonderful Jesus and be saved today, is my prayer.

May God bless you!



Bible And Women

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band, but by no stretch of the imagination can I think of a woman being the husband of one wife.

I Timothy 3:5 says:

"For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?"

When the Bible speaks of a pastor, it is a man every time. When I was pastoring in Arkansas there was a woman who preached on the radio. I preach-

ed one time on the qualifications of a preacher, and she jumped me the next Sunday morning. She said, "Don't you know that that's mankind there?" I said, "You don't look like any kind of a man to me."

Second, they are not to teach in a mixed assembly. I know the general consensus of some of you who do not believe that women should teach at all, in any place, at any time. I can't find the Scripture bearing that out. I believe a woman can teach, but I do not believe she can teach in a mixed assembly.

Paul said in I Timothy 2:12.

"But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence."

She is not to teach men but she can teach children and young women. In fact, the Bible says she can.

Listen to Paul as he speaks in II Timothy 1:5:

"When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also."

Then in II Timothy 3:15, saying to the same young man:

"And that from a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

I believe that Timothy's grandmother taught him the Scriptures and I believe that mothers ought to do that very thing this day.

In Titus 2:3-5 Paul said:

"The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things; that they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children. To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed."

Paul didn't leave it to the imagination; he told them what to teach.

Ladies, let me tell you something. If there is ever one thing that you need to teach today, it is that a woman is to love her husband, love her children, to be chaste, discreet, keepers at the home, not of the home, but at the home, obedient unto their husbands, good, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

They are not to teach in a mixed assembly, but they can teach certain things and in certain places. They are not to preach and they are not to teach.

They are not to speak in the church. I do not believe for a single, solitary moment, that a woman has any privilege or right to speak in a local visible body, whatsoever. I believe the Bible teaches that she is to be silent completely.

"Let your women keep silence in the churches; for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but

they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law. And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church." I Cor. 14:34,35.

She is to ask at home and not in the church. No sir. At home. I get so aggravated — in church when you preach something, you can see a woman almost knock the ribs out of her husband: "What did he mean by that? What is that? What are we about to do?" Sisters, you are not to speak in church, not even to your husband. That's right. You are to be in silence. And if you want to learn anything, wait until you get home.

Paul said in I Timothy 2:11:

"Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection."

I tell you, if you are going to learn, do it in silence.

So a woman is not to preach; she is not to teach; she is not to speak. Some say, "Well, what are women to do?" Exactly what the Bible says to.

I close with this point:

"Oh how skillful grows the hand that obeys God's command.

It is the heart and not the brain that to the highest doth attain.

For she that follows love's request

Far exceeds all the rest."

May we heed the sign that is put up at railroad crossings: Stop, Look, Listen! Sisters, may you stop, may you look unto Jesus, may you listen, and may you learn.



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We polished windows so we'd see The newly greening shrub and tree.

The menfolk, too, raked up the yard —

They laughed and said it wasn't hard,

And, oh, it felt so good To have the place look as it should.

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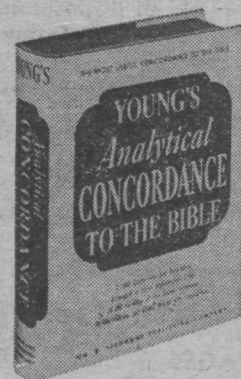
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