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THE JEW IN GOD'S PURPOSE

By ROY MASON
Aripeka, Florida

Text: Romans 11:25-27.

"For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.

And so all Israel shall be saved; as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins."

The most remarkable people who have ever lived on the face of the earth are the Jewish people. People can rail on the Jews, persecute the Jews, drive the Jews from nation to nation, but the truth of this statement remains. It is a good thing for us to make a re-study of this most remarkable race of people. I have said that the Jewish race is the most remarkable of all

racess, and I want to submit some reasons for making such a statement.

1. The Jew is remarkable in his origin. And when I say "Jew" I mean to include all that is in-



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cluded under the term "Israelite" and "Hebrew." For I take it that the present term "Jew" is inclusive, for let me say most emphatically that I do not take any stock whatsoever in that foolish and absurd "Anglo-Israel" theory which holds that the Anglo-Saxon people are to be identified with the so-called ten

"lost tribes." Brother Jacob Garthenhaus, a Christian Jew, has recently written a book entitled "The Ten Lost Tribes" in which he knocks the Anglo-Israel theory into a cocked hat.

The origin of the Jewish people is described in the first three verses of the 12th chapter of Genesis. This is one race of people deliberately started by the God in Heaven. He called Abraham out of Ur of the Chaldees for the specific purpose of starting a new race of people. And this leads me to say in the second place that

2. The Jew is remarkable in the purpose of his existence. That purpose is stated in the passage read a moment ago—that God might bless all the nations of the earth through them. How could this be? There is only one answer. God from the (Continued on page 6, column 1)

Literal Water Vs. Spiritual Water

I wonder if we really appreciate all the material abundance which we enjoy in this country—such as turning on a faucet to obtain all the water we desire. That luxury is not experienced everywhere!

In Bangladesh it is estimated that 50,000 persons die each year from cholera because of impure water! We read recently how the UNICEF working with the Bangladesh health department expects to sink 35,000 new wells by the end of this year, and 65,000 next year at the cost of \$6 million. What a benefit that will be and how appreciative will the people be for an abundance of pure water!

Many parts of India have suffered severely from lack of water. We just learned of a girls' school in southern India with 200 orphans and other dependants. From lack of rain their water supply dried up. The weather was hot and water had to be carted from about a mile away and even then it was strictly rationed and sometimes muddy. It could only be used for drinking and cooking—no washing of clothes and no bathing! The children prayed for rain, but the Lord did not seem to answer. However, He had an (Continued on page 8, column 3)

Do You Know "This Man," As Your Lord And Saviour?

By RUPERT POWELL
West Point, Mississippi

It is a wonderful experience to become acquainted with new Christian friends, and it is a most wonderful blessing to become acquainted with the Lord Jesus Christ.

We read in Heb. 10:12, "But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God."

"This Man" is the One whom we wish to introduce to you in this brief message. He is the Christ of God. He has a message about sin and about salvation from the eternal consequences of sin. He has a message about the sinner's condition without Christ as his own personal Saviour. He said, "And this is the condemnation (judgment), that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil." (John 3:19). Lost men abide under the judgment of God, "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Rom. 6:23). In Acts 13:38-39 we read, "Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins: and by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses." It is a message of good news when we learn that through "this Man"—the man Christ Jesus—there is forgiveness of sins.

"This Man" makes it very clear

as to the matter of eternal life. May we read John 5:24-25, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that heareth my word and believeth on him that sent me hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live." May we ask, have you heard the word of truth, "How that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures?" Has God by His grace made you able to hear the voice of the Lord Jesus Christ? Has He given you, by His grace, the ability to look upon Him as your own personal Saviour? "I will give them an heart to know me, that I am the Lord; and they shall be my people, and I will be their God." (Jeremiah 24:7). Do you, in the power of the Holy Spirit, believe His word? The Lord Jesus Christ says, in the above Scriptures, that the believer has passed from death unto life. There is forgiveness of sins in Christ Jesus and there is eternal life for every believer in Him. "In whom we have redemption through his blood, even forgiveness of sins." (Col. 1:14).

In our opening passage we read, "This man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God." He must have known, indeed, that God was fully satisfied— (Continued on page 4, column 5)

Labor Day Bible Conference To Be Held In Tulsa, Okla.

By JOE WILSON
Tulsa, Oklahoma

The Grace Missionary Baptist Church of Tulsa, Okla., pastored by Joe Wilson, will have a Bible Conference Sept. 1st thru 3rd, God willing. The meetings will be held in the National Association of Letter Carriers Union Building located at 2nd and Denver Sts., in downtown Tulsa.



JOSEPH WILSON

There will be services at 7:00 p.m. Friday, 9:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Meals will be served to all who attend at 5:30 p.m. Friday, and 12:00 noon, and 5:30 p.m. Sat. and Sun. Lodging will be furnished for all invited speakers, singers, and their families. Lodging will be furnished for others wherever possible.

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share with us in the blessings of this conference. We would like to know if you are coming, but if you fail to let us know, just come on anyway.

This is the program for our Bible conference. Speakers will be limited to 30 minutes each. It is hoped that each speaker will comply with this and not be embarrassed by being asked to stop.

FRIDAY EVENING

"Daniel In The Lion's Den," W. W. Wilkerson, Tampa, Fla.
"What I Believe About Election," R. E. Pound, Gladwin, Mich.
"The Separated Prophet And The Power Of God," Elvis Gregory, Columbus, Miss.

SATURDAY MORNING

"Who Will Be In The Bride Of Christ," Charles Souder, Memphis, Tenn.
"The Place Of Prayer In The Life, Knowledge, And Service Of The Believer," Don Chance, Kountze, Tex.
"Jesus Christ: The Miracle Worker," Richard Farnham, Noblesville, Ind.

"Jesus Christ: Our Great High (Continued on page 8, column 3)

Study Of Chastisements As They Come To Us From God

By ARTHUR W. PINK

The Hebrew Christians to whom this Epistle was first addressed were passing through a great fight of afflictions, and miserably were they quitting themselves. They were the little remnant out of the Jewish nation who had believed on their Messiah during the days of His public ministry, plus those Jews who had been converted under the preaching of the apostles. It is highly probable that they had expected the Messianic Kingdom would at once be set up on earth, and that they would be allotted the chief places of honour in it. But the Millennium had not begun, and their own lot became increasingly bitter. They were not only hated by the Gentiles, but ostracised by their unbelieving brethren, and it became a hard matter for them to make even a bare living. Providence held a frowning face. Many who had made a profession of Christianity had gone back to Judaism and were prospering temporally. As the afflictions of the believing Jews increased they too were sorely tempted to turn their back upon the new Faith. Had they

been wrong in embracing Christianity? Was high Heaven displeased because they had identified themselves with Jesus of Nazareth? Did not their long suffering go to show that God no longer regarded them with favour?

Now it is most instructive and blessed to see how the Apostle met the unbelieving reasoning of their hearts. He appealed to their own Scriptures! He reminded them of an exhortation found in Proverbs 3:11-12, and applied it



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to their case. Notice, first, the words we place in italics: "Ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you." This shows that the exhortations of the Old Testament were not restricted to those who lived under the old covenant: they apply with equal force and directness to those of us living under the new covenant. Let us not forget that "all Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable" (II Tim. 3:16). The Old Testament equally as much as the New Testament was written for our learning and admonition.

Second, mark the tense of the verb in our opening text: "Ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh." The Apostle quoted a sentence of the Word written one thousand years previously, yet he does not say (Continued on page 5, column 3)

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A Sermon by Pastor John R. Gilpin

"OPENED EYES"

(PART II)

"Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law."—Psa. 119:18.

"Consider and hear me, O Lord my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death."—Psa. 13:3.

This morning, I preached to you from II Kings 6:17, when Elisha prayed and said, "Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see." I tried to show that man's eyes are blinded to heavenly

things and only God can open natural eyes, and that God does so. In the main, my message was preached directly to the unsaved.

This evening, I would like to go a step further, in the light of these few texts, and speak primarily to the saints of God. I say to you, you'll never understand one thing about the Bible, unless the Lord opens your eyes. Even a child of God will never understand except as the Lord opens his eyes.

I
IT IS MY PRAYER THAT GOD WOULD OPEN THE EYES OF THE SAVED THAT THEY MAY BEHOLD THE WONDROUS THINGS THAT GOD HAS TAUGHT RELATIVE TO THE PLACE AND WORK OF HIS CHURCH.

I believe when the Lord Jesus Christ was here in the days of His flesh that He established His church. He said:

"I will build my church; and (Continued on page 2, column 1)

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Since this set of books is now out of print, I imagine that many of the brethren would be happy to have them. If so, please write us.

"Opened Eyes"

(Continued from Page One)
the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."—Mt. 16:18.

I am sure the church was already in existence at that time. Irrespective of when it came into existence, I am sure that it was already an existing thing, and when Jesus spoke of it, He referred to it as "my church."

There are many so-called churches in the world. I am sure if you would check closely, you would find that there is on record in Washington, D.C. better than 2,000 separate church and religious organizations in America alone. All of them claim to be churches of the Lord Jesus Christ, yet the majority of them do not go back more than three or four hundred years.

I insist that the Lord Jesus Christ established His church when He was here in the days of His flesh; that He did not establish it on the day of Pentecost; that He did not establish it on any subsequent day this side of Pentecost; but that in the days of His flesh, Jesus established His church when He walked here within this world.

To that church, the Lord Jesus Christ gave a commission. We read:

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

I am sure that this commission was given to Jesus' church. If it had been given to the disciples as individuals, it would have died when they died. Rather, it was given to an organization that was going to last till the end of the age. If it were given to the disciples as individuals, then they had to last until the end of the age. Since that was an impossibility, then it was given to them not as individuals, but to them as a church, and He said that that church would last unto the end of the age. Therefore, the Lord Jesus Christ gave to His church this commission — a commission to go, to make disciples, to baptize those who were made into disciples, and a commission to teach them all things that He had taught within His Word. Beloved, these are the orders that Jesus gave to His church.

When I tell you of this commission, that it is the world-wide commission of Baptists, I would pray the words of the Psalmist, "Open thou mine eyes." I pray that God will open your eyes to see this blessed truth — we have a commission.

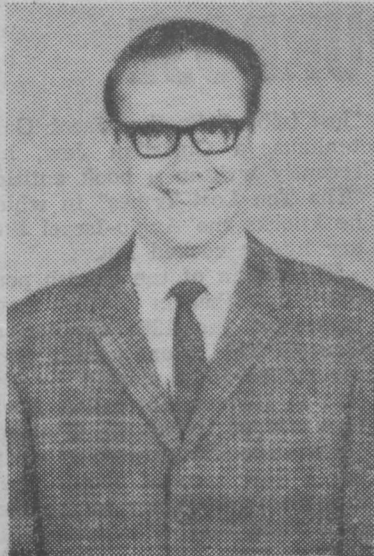
Hardshells say that a man is not supposed to go; that he is not supposed to conduct mission work; that he is not supposed to hold evangelistic meetings; that he is not supposed to have Sunday School; that he is not supposed to teach the lost the Word of God. They say that whenever God gets ready to save a man He'll knock him down and save him, whether he has ever heard the Word of God or not. That is not true. The commission is a going commission, and I insist that the church that doesn't go will soon go out the window.

That church was given a commission not only to go, but to teach the disciples. We are not to drag people in and get a corkscrew confession out of them. We are not to buttonhole them and drag them to the front. We are not to ask the unsaved to join the church. Beloved, we are to disciple or to see saved those to whom we go, and those to whom we witness.

There is a large, prominent church here in Ashland. Several years ago, it was the largest church in Ashland. At that time, I talked to one of the deacons of this church and asked him why they had changed their policy, and their plans, and their mission work. He said, "Brother Gilpin, we are the largest church in Ashland and it is expected of us that we have converts. It is expected of us that we lead the Association in joiners; therefore we have changed our message. We have changed our methods. We have changed our program to be sure that we reach out and bring many people into our church so that we can have the

Plans To Do Mission Work In Pacific Northwest

We are happy to present Bro. Richard R. Crowley who has, until recent date, been pastor of the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church of Oblong, Illinois, but who is now expecting to establish a mission work in the northwestern corner of the U.S., probably in



RICHARD R. CROWLEY

Oregon or Washington. We certainly wish him well as he makes his plans for the future.

The church that he has been pastor of has given him one hundred per cent backing for the new work after he has served them for two years as pastor. Brother Crowley was born and reared in the state of Oregon and he states that his desire to do this work in this section of the United States is very strongly from the Lord.

He calls upon our readers to help him share the burden for his work. Brother Crowley doubtlessly would be glad to visit any true churches to tell about the work which he is planning to do. His address is:

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right kind of reports to present to our Association."

Beloved, I say to you, our commission is not a commission whereby we should run to get everybody to join the church so that we might have a big report to make to the Association. Our commission is a commission to get people saved and then to baptize them.

Billy Graham says to join the church of your choice. You have no choice. Our Lord gave a commission to His church. He said, "You go, you make disciples, and you baptize those who are made." The idea of turning saved people over into the hands of other church organizations is foreign to the Word of God. Nobody but a 20th century heretic would have said anything of that type. The Lord Jesus Christ didn't say, "Join the church of your choice." He said, "Make disciples and baptize them." Then He said, "Teach them all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

It makes no difference what is in the Bible, it is to be taught unto the people of the Lord. Some people don't know and understand the doctrine of election. Some don't know and understand about baptism. Some don't know and understand about the Lord's Supper (why it is to be close communion). Some people don't know and understand about mission work. Some people don't know and understand why women are to keep silent in a church assembly. Beloved, it is our business to teach them all things that are written in God's Word. Would to God that He might open the eyes of His people that they might see the truth concerning the com-

mission that Jesus gave to His church!

The Word of God goes further and tells us about the church, how He called upon that church to carry out His missionary program. We read:

"Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Nig-er, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them."—Acts 13:1,2.

Beloved, our Lord has a way of doing His work. He didn't say to any group of people such as today constitute a mission board, "You send missionaries out." Rather, He said to His church, "Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them."

I believe in carrying out the commission of His church as laid down in the Great Commission and that He Himself speaks to individuals within the local church. I challenge the world to find any place in the Bible that would remotely hint at, or indicate, a mission board. I insist, beloved, there is not one thing said in the Bible that would indicate a mission board. The Lord said, "Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them."

Notice, He started His church. He gave to that church a commission. He told that church how to do mission work. You will never find any place in the Bible that He ever organized, instituted, constituted, or brought into existence anything other than a church in the carrying out of His work.

There isn't a month that passes but what somebody writes me and says, "Where would you recommend that I go to attend school, to further my education as a minister of the Gospel?" I tell them all the same thing. There is no hint as to a religious school in the Word of God. There is not a word said about you going off to a school to learn the Word of God. The greatest curse in America today so far as religion is concerned is the seminaries that have been established by men. They have not been a blessing. They have been a curse. Without exception, they are the hotbeds of infidelity. Without exception, they are the hotbeds of modernism, evolution, and all kinds of higher criticism concerning the Word of God. Our Lord established a church. He gave to that church a commission. He told that church to carry out His work. He sent that church out into the world on a missionary journey. Not one time did He ever say to that church, or to individuals in that church, or to individuals outside of His church, "You start a school for the training of preachers and religious leaders." Beloved, it is not to be found in the Word of God.

Oh, how I pray for God to open the eyes of His people that they

PULPIT POUNDER POUND TO POUND WEST COAST PULPIT

Brother R. E. Pound of Gladwin, Michigan will be holding a revival meeting for Brother R. Lawrence Crawford and the Missionary Baptist Church of Hay-



R. E. POUND, II

ward, California, August 20 thru August 30.

This brings two good men together and we certainly pray God's blessings upon them and this revival effort. We have many readers on the West coast and we certainly invite these people in a particular way to attend these services. Surely the balance of us should remember the meeting with much prayer.

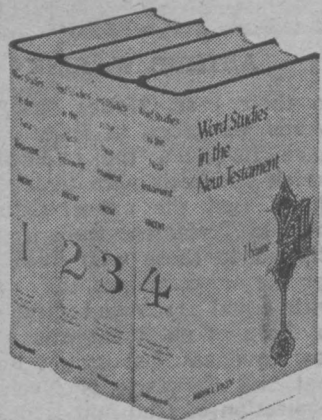
would see the wondrous things of His law! Beloved, if the Lord Jesus Christ never started a school and if He never told His church to start a school, but He told that church to do the teaching, then what right do we have to alter, to change, to abrogate, and to make additions to the plans that God has already given us within His Word?

The Bible tells us that the Lord is to get His glory through His church. Listen:

"Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages."—Eph. 3:21.

How long is our Lord going to get His glory in His church? Throughout all ages. The work that is done by His church will bring honor and glory to Jesus Christ throughout all ages. There isn't a hint that anything done outside His church will bring one bit of glory to the Lord Jesus Christ. I am saying, beloved, He is to get His glory in His church, and there is not a hint that He will get His glory any place else except in His church.

I recognize the fact that there are a lot of people who differ with me when I am preaching. There are certainly a lot of people who wouldn't agree with me on what I am saying tonight. (Continued on page 3, column 1)



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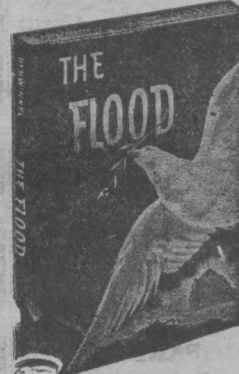
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Like Daddy — wise and strong;
I know you can."

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Confessed my sins,
And prayed with low-bowed head,
"O God, make me a child
Like my child here —
Pure guileless,
Trusting Thee with faith sincere."

—Andrew Gillies

"Opened Eyes"

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But, beloved, as long as I can read this Bible and as long as I can see what these pages say, I am going to continue to say that Jesus started His church, He gave to His church the commission, He told His church to carry it out, and there is not one hint of a mission board or a seminary to be found in the Word of God.

I turn to my text and I read: "Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law." I pray that God will open the eyes of many, many individuals, preachers and laymen all over America to the truth of the plan which God has made for them.

II

IT IS MY PRAYER THAT GOD WOULD OPEN THE EYES OF THE SAVED THAT THEY MAY BEHOLD THE SOLEMN THINGS THAT ARE TAUGHT RELATIVE TO THE DEVIL.

Do you believe there is a Devil in this world? Well, I believe there is a Devil.

Nearly fifty years ago, I baptized three young girls, who were sisters. One Sunday morning, after the service was over, one of them came to me and said, "Bro. Gilpin, I want to ask you a question. Is there really a Devil, or is it somebody that we just blame our meanness on — some fictitious person like Rip Van Winkle or some of the characters in fables?" I took time and explained to that young girl the truth of God's Word, that there is a Devil and that he has a big, big program in this world.

I am not like the little boy who said, "There ain't no Devil. It is just like Santa Claus — it is your Pa." I am not like that little boy at all. Instead, I believe in the Devil. He is just as real to me as Jesus Christ. The only difference to me is, Jesus is real to me for good, whereas the Devil is real to me for evil. One is as real as the other.

I have tried to show you thus far that Jesus has a program for His church; but, beloved, the Devil has a program for Jesus' church too.

He has a program big enough that he has preachers.

You say, "Brother Gilpin, do you think that a man would be a preacher that wasn't called of God?" I do. I think the majority of them have never been called of God. I can't conceive of God calling a man to be a preacher and sending him out to preach something that is contrary to the Bible that God wrote. I believe every word in the Bible, from Genesis 1:1 to Rev. 22:21, was written by God, and I don't believe that God would write the Bible and then call a man to preach contrary to it. That just doesn't make sense.

Why would God write a Bible that teaches salvation by grace and then call a Campbellite to preach salvation by water? Why would God write a Bible that teaches salvation by grace and the security of the saved and then call a Methodist to preach salvation by holding out faithful unto the end? I tell you, beloved, the Devil has his preachers here in this world. Listen:

"For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if HIS MINISTERS also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works." —II Cor. 11:13-15.

Not every man that has stood in a pulpit today, and not every man that has read from the Bible, is God's man. I don't say that a man necessarily has to have his collar buttoned hind part before to be the Devil's preacher, but I will say this, there's many a man who buttons his collar hind part before knows not Jesus Christ as a Saviour. They are ministers of Satan, and they are preaching the Devil's message every time they preach. They preach falling from grace. They preach free will. They preach that a man can resist the Holy Spirit. I tell you, the man that does so is a false preacher. He is a preacher of Satan. He is the Devil's minister.

Not only does the Devil have his preachers, but he has his churches. Not every building

where the spire points up into the ethereal of the blue is a church of Jesus Christ. I wouldn't be a bit surprised but what the biggest churches and nicest looking buildings that you can find anywhere belong to Satan. They are the Devil's churches.

We read: "Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan." — Rev. 3:9.

Notice, he talks about a synagogue of Satan. This was written to the church of Philadelphia. In this city of Philadelphia, there was a true church, and there was also a synagogue of Satan. From that time down to this, I think in every town where there is a true church there is also a synagogue of Satan. In many towns where there is no true church there is a synagogue of Satan. The Devil has his churches here within this world.

If you want to know who those churches are, then read Revelation 17, which talks about the old whore and her harlot daughters. That old whore represents Romanism, and the harlot daughters represent the Protestant churches that have come out of Rome. I insist, beloved, that all the Romanist and all the Protestant churches that have come out of Rome are pre-figured by the old whore and her harlot daughters, and I think they are the churches of Satan — the synagogues of Satan.

Oh, yes, the Devil has his program, but He couldn't destroy the church that Jesus built. He tried to. In those early chapters in the book of Acts, he wrought havoc with that church. He killed men and women and the disciples were scattered everywhere. But everywhere the disciples

he has his churches, he is going to have to have something to have preached in those churches. Therefore, the Devil has his doctrine.

I can name dozens of doctrines that are the doctrines of the Devil. Take for example the doctrine of limited depravity, which the majority of people believe in, whereas the Word of God teaches total depravity.

Free-willism is a doctrine of the Devil.

Election that is based on God's foreknowledge whereby God looked down and saw who was going to believe and therefore God just decided to elect him unto salvation — that is a doctrine of the Devil.

I say to you, any individual who believes in a grace that can be resisted, believes in a doctrine of the Devil.

I insist, beloved, the Devil has lots of doctrines — the doctrine of sprinkling for baptism; the doctrine of the use of crackers and grape juice in the Lord's Supper; even the use of mission boards. There never was a mission board known of, heard of, nor thought of until the early part of the 17th century, and it was started, not by a church, but by the English Parliament, and it was a sort of religious, political organization; but for 1600 years, a mission board was never heard of, and never thought of, and never brought into existence.

Beloved, I am trying to show you that the Devil has his churches, he has his preachers, and he has his doctrine.

He has his imitation Christians.

In Matthew 13, we read about some tares. It says that the Lord sowed His wheat in the field and the Devil over-sowed that field with tares. Who are the tares? They look so much like the genuine article — they looked so much like the wheat that even the Lord said unto His disciples, "You might make a mistake and destroy some of my wheat. Let them alone. Let them both grow together until the harvest."

I ask, who are the tares? Beloved, they are imitation Christians. They are the Devil's Christians. They are those that the Devil has produced, and he has put them in his church so that they look and act like, to a great extent, saved people.

I say, the Devil has his program — and it is a big program. He has his doctrine. He has his preachers. He has his imitation Christians. He has his churches to carry out his doctrine.

This work that the Devil is carrying on is designed to be headed up in what we refer as an Ecumenical Movement, whereby all the churches of all the world, with all the doctrine that is preached therein and all the preachers therein, will be bound together in one great world-wide church.

This is a day of bigness. This is a day when business wants to be the biggest, and the best, and the mostest. This is a day when we look upon business and every-

thing else as being big — big — big, and the Devil wants a big work. He is not content with a little individual church here and there, carrying on the work of the Lord Jesus Christ, or even his work. He wants his work to be colossal. He wants his work to be stupendous. He wants his work to be world-wide. He wants it to be an Ecumenical type, whereby all the churches and all the professing Christians are gathered together in one organization.

CONCLUSION

Beloved, I have tried to show you the contrast. The Lord Jesus Christ has His church and the program that He gave to it. The Devil has his church, and his preachers, and his program that he has given to them. Would to God that God would open your eyes and help you to see these programs as laid down in His Word. I am of the opinion if the Lord opens your eyes to see these things, that he will make a Baptist out of you — He'll make a stronger Baptist out of you. He'll

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make a Bible Baptist out of you, that will stand for the things of the Lord.

As I close this service, I say to you who know not Jesus Christ as your Saviour, my prayer for you is that God will open your eyes and let you see Jesus Christ as your Saviour.

A long time ago, some Greeks came, one day, to Jesus, but apparently they couldn't get in to Him, but they did get close enough to Him that they talked to Philip. They said to Philip, "Sir, we would see Jesus." I never was certain why they couldn't get to Jesus. Maybe it was because it was a feast and there was a great crowd there. It may have been that Philip was from the same town these Greeks were from and they thought that Philip could perhaps introduce them. Anyway, regardless of the reason, they came to Philip and said, "Sir, we would see Jesus."

May God open your eyes, that you might see Jesus as your Saviour. Then when you are saved, may God open your eyes and put you in a New Testament church that will stand for the Word of God, and may you stand with that church for the Word of God. My prayer is that God might open your eyes just now.

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went, they went preaching the Word of God. The Devil did his best to destroy that church, but he couldn't do it.

I am reminded of the story in mythology how every time the gladiator would fight against the monster, he would cut off a head and two others would rise up in its place. He would cut off another head and two more would rise up in its place.

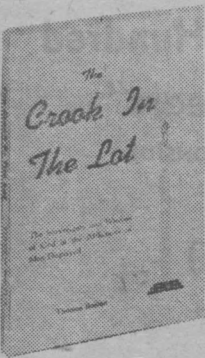
That was the way it was in those early churches. If the Devil could destroy one church, the people would scatter and maybe two or a dozen more churches were established thereby.

I tell you, beloved, the Devil soon saw he couldn't destroy that church, so he decided that he would build his own. He built Romanism. He built the Protestant churches that have come out of Rome. I say, beloved, the Devil has his program. He has his preachers, and he has his churches.

The Devil has his doctrine. Listen:

"Now 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. 1:4.

Certainly, if the Devil has his preachers, they are going to have to have something to preach. If



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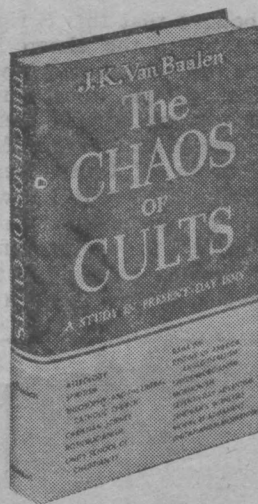
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"We have one final judgment in Rev. 20:14 and the so-called judgment of the nations in Matt. 25:31-46, which appears to be final, vs. 34 and 41?" Please differentiate

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The final judgment is the one described in Rev. 20. The judgment of Matt. 25 relates to the time of Christ's return to this earth to set up His Millennial kingdom. Remember that this earth will be in a horrible mess when Jesus returns. It will have gone through the reign of Anti-Christ, and through the judgments described so vividly in the book of Revelations. The population will have been reduced drastically, and the people of the world will be followers of Anti-Christ, and fearfully wicked. A judgment — a reckoning, will have to take place to straighten things out and to make ready for Christ's Millennial reign. The passage in Matt. 25: mentioned above, gives us the outline of this judgment. If you will read and compare Matt. 25: with Rev. 20: you will find many differences. I mention just a few of these differences:

1. The scene of the judgment of Matt. is on this earth. The judgment of Rev. 20 is before the Great White Throne, "from whose face the earth, and the heaven fled away."
 2. There is no resurrection in connection with the judgment of Matt. 25. There is a resurrection — that of the wicked, in the judgment of Rev. 20.
 3. The judgment of Matt. 25: is at the outset of Christ's earthly reign. The one of Rev. 20 takes place after the Millennium; after Satan's release from his temporary confinement.
- Other differences can be located, and there is at least ten centuries different in point of time between the two judgments.

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As I see it, the judgment found in Rev. 20:11-15 is the final judgment as it pertains to this age. This is the judgment of the wicked who are resurrected one thousand years after the resurrection of the Lord's saints, verse 5. Since the dead in Christ are raised and caught up to ever be with the Lord, I Thess. 4:16-17, and the rest of the dead (the wicked) live not again until the thousand years are finished, how can anyone see a general judgment in the Scriptures? They simply do not see it in the Scriptures. It has to come

from their preconceived idea.

If we believe in the Scriptures, this judgment takes place after Satan is loosed after his thousand year prison term in the bottomless pit, after he deceives the nations and brings an army whose number is as the sand of the sea against our Lord and His people, after fire from Heaven devours this huge army, and after old Satan is cast into the lake of fire. In fact, this judgment will be the last thing to take place before the earth is renovated and made like new, that is, as it was before Adam fell into sin.

If you notice in verse 14, even HADES which has served as a jail house for the wicked during this age is just cast into the lake of fire. After it has served its purpose it has become so contaminated with sin that our Lord just casts it in there with the wicked.

In Mt. 25:31-32 we see that the judgment of the nations takes place when our Lord "comes in His glory, and sits upon the throne of His glory." Poor, benighted, Bible denying a-millennialists say He won't do that, but He says He will. When our Lord sits upon that wonderful throne and reigns for one thousand years it will completely obliterate their theological play house. But He says He will do just that, and I believe Him.

Some say that this judgment here in Mt. 25 is a judgment of individuals, but if I should say that I would be saying that Christ saves some people on the merits of their good works. That I cannot believe. But if you notice that is the only thing under consideration here at this judgment. There is absolutely no grace in sight anywhere in connection with this judgment. It is based wholly and solely upon the good deeds by whatever, or who ever is being judged. So, as I see it, the nations as such are brought before the judge of all the earth to be judged according to the way they have treated our Lord's brethren. And here I am convinced that it is His brethren according to the flesh, that is, the Jews.

In Rom. 9:3 Paul says, "I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh." Paul's kinsmen were Christ haters, but still he loved them. These same people are also our Lord's kinsmen according to the flesh. They, as a whole, are still Christ haters. They are a despicable people in many ways. But still it behooves the nations of the world to refrain from persecuting them.

I fully believe that this Scripture teaches that the sheep in verse 33 are the nations that have been friends to the Jews, and that these nations will be permitted to enjoy that wonderful millennial reign of Christ here on the earth. The goats, however, speak of the nations that have persecuted the Jews. And they will become extinct so to speak. They will have no part

in the glorious reign of Christ. I do not mean by this that all the people in a country that has been guilty of persecuting the Jews will be wiped off the face of the earth. What I do mean is that they will go into the millennium as a nation. I admit that there is a lot about this as well as all other Scriptures that I do not know. And as I say that I am sure we will be able to hear a great chorus of amens in the background. But what little I do know about it I really believe,

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The final judgment will be the judgment of the Great White Throne described in Rev. 20:11-15. The Holy Spirit in describing this judgment tells us that the dead (unregenerate) shall be resurrected, then judged according to the things recorded in the books. After they are judged, all are cast into the Lake of Fire. There are none who are called blessed; there are none who are blessed; there are none who are pardoned or forgiven. Furthermore, as we study this judgment, we notice only one class of people (sinners, small and great). There are no sheep (children of God) gathered before this throne to be judged. It is solely a judgment of sinners, and it is the final judgment.

The judgment of nations as recorded in Matt. 25:31-46 will come to pass approximately 1000 years before the final judgment, and it will be exactly what the Scriptures say it is, "A judgment of nations."

"And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats."—Matt 25:32.

The final judgment (White Throne) will be a judgment of individual sinners; whereas Matt. 25 will be Jesus Christ judging the nations, and it is my belief that the battle of Armageddon will, in reality, be the judgment seat where all nations shall be tried and sentenced.

People, in the final judgment, we know there is to be a resurrection. The Lord plainly tells us, "I saw the dead, small and great stand before God." Thus, a resurrection precedes the actual judgment. The bodies of sinners brought out of the sea, out of graves on earth, and souls brought out of Hell (v. 13) shall be reunited with bodies, and then cast into the Lake of Fire. At the judgment of nations, there is no resurrection; nothing is said about bringing forth the dead. Rather it is a judgment of the living nations gathered around Jerusalem at the time of Christ's appearance on Mount Olivet. This view is substantiated by the Spirit for He tells us the time of this judgment is, "When the son of man shall come in his glory, and all the Holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory." Matt. 25:31. Therefore, the judgment of nations will take place when Christ comes as King of the Jews to sit on David's throne, thus setting up his kingdom or the millennial kingdom.

I would also point out to you the difference in these two judgments as to the subjects being judged. We notice in the final Judgment that only sinners were being judged. After careful consideration of Matt. 25:31-46, we find that there are three different classifications involved in Christ's testing the nations, and they are

called sheep, goats and brethren. Then, there is the revelation on the basis of being called a sheep nation or a goat nation, and that basis was sympathy, love and concern or lack of these for the brethren of the judge (Jesus Christ).

Brethren, this judgment could not be the judgment to determine whether one is saved or lost, for man is not saved or lost because he had sympathy, love or care for his fellow man. Men are definitely not saved because of feeding, giving to drink, visiting or clothing those who are in need.

The nations are judged as to the concern for Christ's brethren who are the Jews. Thus, there are three classifications at the judgment of nations: sheep nations, goat nations and brethren. The judge comes to the aid of His brethren (Israel) in Matt. 25, separating nations as to their treatment of Israel. The final judgment will be the separation of sinners, body, soul and spirit from the presence of God and His saints in the Lake of Fire.

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I'm not sure I understand just what your question is so I hope I answer it as I try to explain the events that take place.

We cannot in the short space we use for the Forum begin to cover the entire series of events that will take place in the last days. Let me just point out that Matt. 24 and 25 are speaking of the last days as one complete act and do not break down the various events. We cannot use such scripture and try to disprove other scripture. The Bible is very emphatic in its teaching of various events or phases that will take place over a period of years.

The coming of the Lord in the air for His people will be included in the series of events that will be included in the 2nd coming. "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." (I Thess. 4:16, 17). This is the event that we cannot know about as far as the time is concerned. HE COULD COME AT ANY MOMENT.

After the rapture of the saints there will be a 7 year tribulation period which is impossible to imagine the extent of sin and depravity. During the time the beast of Rev. 13 will rise and have great power on earth which

will lead up to and include his leading the armies of the world against Jerusalem. This of course is when the Lord brings His army and we have the battle of Armageddon. After this battle we have the judgment of the nations found in Matt. 25:31-46. At this judgment the tares will be gathered and cast out. (I assume that these people will be just the people of today. When a sinner dies today he goes to Hades — a place of torment waiting for the final judgment when both body and soul will be cast into Gehenna or the lake of fire.) After this the Lord will sit on His throne for a thousand years and reign on earth. This is known as the millennium. Let me emphasize here that I very definitely believe in the millennial reign of Christ.

(I recently received a tract from someone who tried to show that there is no such thing. The envelope was postmarked Florida but the person who sent it was ashamed to give his name. I assumed that he was ashamed of what he believed and so I didn't bother reading it. I did glance through it before I threw it away and thought it looked like a rather ignorant argument.)

Following the millennium we have the loosing of Satan for a season, the resurrection of the lost dead, and the final judgment of Rev. 20:14. Please note that the judgment of Matt. 25:31-46 is of the living, while the judgment of Rev. 20:14 is of the dead.

"This Man"

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propitiated — with the offering that was made at Calvary for the sins of His people. A contributing word on this is found in John 6:38 where the Lord Jesus said: "I came down from heaven not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me." A blessed truth is recorded in the preceding verse when Jesus said, "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me: and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." While we are at this sixth chapter of John, let us add verse 40 for our comfort. Notice the words, "And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day." In "This Man" we have the forgiveness of sins, in Him we are justified, we have everlasting life, we have the blessed promise of the resurrection. All of this is ours not because of any merit of good works which we have done but because of what He has done for us. "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and the renewing of the Holy Ghost; which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour." (Titus 3:5-6).

Let us turn to John 5:1-9. Here we read of a multitude of im-

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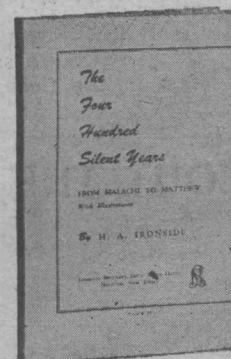
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"GARMENTS SO FAIR"

"He that overcome, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; . . ."—Rev. 3:5.

We spend a lot of time on clothes. We never seem to tire of shopping for clothes or making clothes, or just talking about clothes. We love to see the latest fashions, and no matter how many dresses we have, it seems we never have anything to wear.

Have you ever thought what our clothes will be like in Heaven? Our text says that we will be clothed in white raiment. How many shorts, hot pants, swimming suits, and mini-dresses do you think will be made of this white raiment? If it is alright for us to wear them here, wouldn't it please the Lord for us to wear them there? Perhaps you think this is a little extreme, and maybe you are right. But let's consider these things for a moment. The Lord has called us to be separated from the world. He said we are in the world, but we are not of the world. Why, oh why then, do we want so badly to look like the world? I don't know about you, but I am deeply distressed about the lack of concern Christian women have in their appearance before the Lord.

It is a known fact that everyone dresses to please someone. It is either to please oneself, or the women at work, or at church, or perhaps the women in the woman's club we belong to. Perhaps we dress to please our husband. All too often, we dress to please men other than our husband. How many of us dress to please Jesus? Everything we do is supposed to glorify Him. Wouldn't this include clothes? We have a multitude of excuses why our dress is so short; our neck line so low; why shorts are so comfortable; why swimming suits are modest if worn at private beaches with only Christian people present.

We are admonished in II Tim. 2:9: "In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety." What does it mean, "in like manner, also?" Go back to the previous verse where it is telling the men to pray. It tells them to pray without wrath and doubting. That is the manner they are to pray. In like manner, we women are to dress modestly. Without wrath and doubting. The Lord knows us pretty well, does He not? He knows that we get riled up when someone tries to tell us what to wear. And He knows we are prone to doubt the "interpretation" if it keeps us from dressing as we please. The Lord tells us to dress modestly, and not get mad about it. He says to dress modestly, and not to doubt that this is His will. The Lord tells us in the book of James, "But be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves." We are

not deceiving the Lord. He knows what the Word says and He knows our wilfulness. We aren't deceiving the others in the church for they, too, know what pleases the Lord. We are only deceiving ourselves.

The next time you are dressing to go out, pause and ask who you are trying to please. The outfit you have on, would it be acceptable to wear in the Lord's church? Would you wear it if Jesus, Himself, were your escort? Would it be as "white raiment," blend harmoniously with the golden streets of heaven?

Let us pray that our hearts would break with love for the Master. That this love would overflow into our closets. That we might desire to dress to please the living God.

"This Man"

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potent folk waiting at the pool of Bethesda.

Bethesda means "house of mercy." "A certain man was there which had an infirmity thirty and eight years." Jesus asked him the question, "Wilt thou be made whole?" The impotent man immediately expressed his helpless condition. This impotent man could not take the first step. The lost person is equally that dependent, in his own salvation. Lost people are sometimes admonished to step out and God will then save them. We do not need a confused mind when we come to deal with the Bible doctrine of salvation. Listening to some public discourses we get the picture that God is on HIS knees begging every lost person's permission to save him. There is no trace of God in that system. There is no cleansing blood of Christ in such confusion. Jesus spoke to this impotent man and immediately he was made whole.

There is power in the word of the Lord. Jesus said, "It is the Spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you; they are spirit, and they are life." (John 6:63). Add this word of truth, "Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures." (James 1:18). In the miracle of healing above, Jesus chose one subject of mercy out of the multitude who needed healing. Did He not have the sovereign right to heal the person whom He would at that time? We give thanks to Him for our salvation as well as for our daily benefits and blessings.

Our hearts are humbly grateful because we are able to see "This Man" as our Lord and Saviour with a message of life eternal, with a sacrifice for our sin debt, and with power to bestow blessings according to His own good pleasure, and for the glory of God.

For our closing thought, may we look upon Him as our Saviour and our Great High Priest with a place in Glory. "When he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high." (Heb. 1:3b). "And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justifi-

fied in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory." (I Tim. 3:16). "For Christ is not entered into the holy place made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us." (Heb. 9:24).

A word for us — we who know Him, "When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory." (Col. 3:4). Rejoice with me in this Scripture, "Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is." (I John 3:1-2).

"Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee." (Job 22:21).

Do you know this Man? Do you know Him as your own Saviour? Do you know Him as your Lord and Master?

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"which hath spoken," but "which speaketh." The same principle is illustrated in that sevenfold "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith (not 'said') unto the churches" of Rev. 2 and 3. The Holy Scriptures are a living Word in which God is speaking today!

Consider now the words "Ye have forgotten." It was not that these Hebrew Christians were unacquainted with Prov. 3:11 and 12, but they had let them

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slip. They had forgotten the Fatherhood of God and their relation to Him as His dear children. In consequence they misinterpreted both the manner and design of God's present dealings with them. They viewed his dispensation not in the light of His Love, but regarded them as signs of His displeasure or as proofs of His forgiveness. Consequently, instead of cheerful submission, there was despondency and despair. Here is a most important lesson for us: we must interpret the mysterious providence of God not by reason or observation, but by the Word. How often we "forget" the exhortation which speaketh unto us as unto children — "My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of Him."

Unhappily there is no word in the English language which is capable of doing justice to the Greek term here. "Paideia" which is rendered "chastening" is only another form of "paidion" which signifies "young children," being the tender word that was employed by the Saviour in John 21:5 and Hebrews 2:13. One can see at a glance the direct connection which exists between the words "disciple" and "discipline"; equally close in the Greek is the relation between "children" and "chastening." Son-training would be better. It actually has reference (Continued on page 7, column 1)

Whose Father God Is, And Whose Father He Is Not



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"WHY BE A
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In pulpit, press and platform today you hear much of the "Fatherhood of God."

Horace Bushnell was the first to teach in this country in his book, "Christian Culture," in 1847, that God is the Father of all children — that "to train up a child for future conversion is the very character and mark of all unchristian education."

J. T. McFarland (M.E. Church) — "We have baptized our children, and by that act we have declared them to be children of God."

The 1910 Discipline of Southern Methodists teaches that all children "are born into this world in Christ the Redeemer, heirs of life eternal."

Rishell in his book, "The Child as God's Child" maintains "a religious life beginning with the life of the child and never lost would make conversion unnecessary."

So declare most other psychologists and most religionists of the twentieth century.

It is also a fundamental doctrine of all secret fraternal orders with which we are acquainted.

All men have God for their Father — all are brethren — New Oddfellows Manual, page 109.

Fraternity is the culmination of the "Sermon on the Mount" and the glorification of the sublime doctrine of the "Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man." — M. W. A. National Congress 1897.

Masonry proclaims "an unfeigned belief in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man." — Masonic Voice Review.

These are but samples. Many similar quotations from these and other fraternal societies might be given.

What Saith The Scriptures?

"To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." — Isa. 8:20.

WHOSE FATHER GOD IS NOT:
1. He is not the Father of Angels.

"Unto which of the angels said He at any time, Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten thee?" (Heb. 1:5).

2. He is not the Father of infants.

And were by nature the children of wrath, even as others." (Eph. 2:3).

According to Milligan by nature means, not what we are by custom or by law, but in both classic and Hellenistic Greek "that which is innate or inborn."

Every child born into this world is born a child of wrath.

3. He is not the Father of Abraham's natural seed.

"Neither because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children . . . They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God." (Rom. 9:7-8).

4. He is not the Father of those who deny the Deity of the Lord Jesus.

In John 8:41 the Pharisees said: "We have one Father even God." Jesus answer was: "Ye are of your father the devil." This was the verdict of Him, who is to be Judge of the living and dead, as to the family connection of all religious teachers who claim to be God's sons without a personal faith in the Lord Jesus.

Note John 8:24: "If ye believe not that I AM, ye shall die in your sins."

"I AM" was the Redeemer of Israel from the bondage of Egypt. Jesus was the "I AM."

Note that all deniers of the Deity of the Lord Jesus are the children of the devil and can't go to heaven. (John 8:22).

Incidentally it ought to be remembered too that any man who teaches a Fatherhood of God apart from a personal receiving of the Lord Jesus is a child of the devil.

WHOSE FATHER GOD IS

"But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name." (John 1:12).

God is the Father of Believers only.

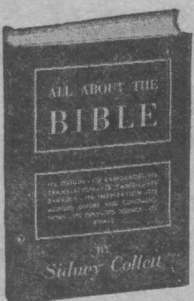
This sonship is based on redemption.

"But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem them that were under law, that we might receive the adoption of sons." (Gal. 4:4-5).

Only redeemed men and women are taught by the Holy Spirit to say "Abba, Father." (Gal. 4:6). All others who call God Father are "bastards and not sons."

"Ye are all the children of God through faith in Christ Jesus." (Gal. 3:26).

No sonship apart from a personal receiving of the Lord Jesus as Saviour and Lord.



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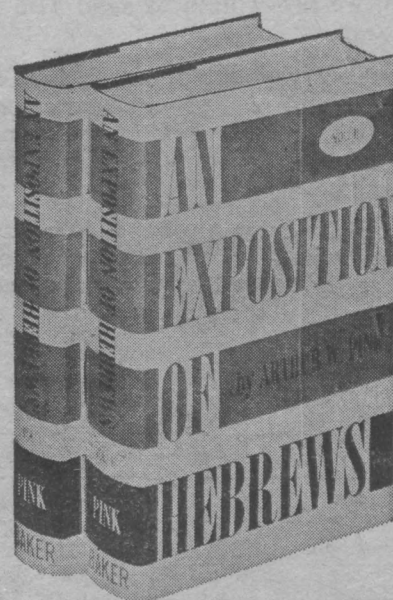
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I John 1:8-9 — "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us . . . if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

When a TRUE CHRISTIAN sins—WHAT HAPPENS?

(1) **His FELLOWSHIP with God is Severed.** David, when backslidden—Psalm 32:4 — "Day and night thy hand was heavy upon me; my moisture was turned into the drought of summer."

As **CLOUDS** hide the sun for days, so SIN comes between the soul and God.

(2) **The JOY of Salvation is Lost.** — One loses all relish for spiritual things: the heart is empty. David, in this condition — Psalm 51:3: "My sin is before me . . . v. 12: Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation, and uphold me with thy free Spirit."

(3) **Power for Service is Lost.** The Holy Spirit's power is ES-

SENTIAL for any real witness for Christ. It cannot be FAKED. David—Psalm 51:6: "Thou desirest truth in the inward parts." V. 10: "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me."

(4) **It is Inviting Divine Chastisement.** Heb. 12:6-7 — "Whom the Lord loveth, he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth . . . What son is he whom the father chasteneth not?" Psalm 89:31-33: "I will visit their transgressions with the rod and their iniquity with stripes. Nevertheless, my loving kindness will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer my faithfulness to fail."

(5) **It means Loss of Reward.** (Read I Cor. 3:11). Out of FELLOWSHIP means out of SERVICE — out of service means that one is failing to lay up treasure in heaven. He is building of "wood, hay and stubble" which cannot endure the test of the Rewarding Day. Many will be chagrined in that day by suffering LOSS OF REWARD.

TAKE THE WAY BACK NOW. Psalm 32:5; I John 1:9.

The Jew

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very beginning designed to bring forth this race of people, and He purposed that people of every race and nationality should share in the benefits of His salvation. This purpose and promise is in process of fulfillment through Jesus Christ, Who was that Messiah, and through Whom millions of this earth have found the way to eternal life. That was the main purpose for which God began the Jewish race with Abraham — that He might bring forth the Messiah from them. But there is still a further purpose that God has and that is to eventually bring the Jews as a race to acceptance of Jesus as their Messiah, and to make them the leaders of this world, when Jesus the Messiah returns to this earth to rule and reign. But I shall speak of this more in detail later.

3. **The Jewish people are remarkable in their preservation.** It is nothing less than a miracle of history, the way in which the Jewish people have been preserved during the centuries of the past. For twenty centuries now they have been a dispersed and

scattered people, without national home, without national government, without anything to unify, and yet they have continued as a people with the same characteristics that they had back twenty centuries ago. What is the explanation of this strange happening? The answer is found in the writings of the prophets, and in the promise of Jesus Christ. Let me cite you two Scriptures in proof of this (Deut. 28:64-66), (Matt. 24:34).

Note that Jesus mentions a number of things that must come to pass, and then He distinctly promises that "this race" — the Jewish race — shall not pass away, until all of the things promised by Him shall find fulfillment. Every attempt imaginable has been made to exterminate the Jewish people. 3200 years ago, Pharaoh Menepthah of Egypt caused an inscription to be written on a granite slab, and this was the inscription: "Israel is crushed; its seed is no more." But Pharaoh and his empire have perished, while the Jewish race remains. And so it has been all down through the centuries. They have been driven out of country after country, and every form of persecution and slaugh-

ter has been tried upon them, and yet they have not perished. Why? Because the Word of God the Father through the prophets, and the Word of Jesus Christ the Messiah is at stake, and those words shall not fail. It seems to me that even the most skeptical ought to pause and consider the remarkable evidence of the inspiration of the Bible in the presentation of the Jewish race. Surely only God in fulfillment of His Word could accomplish this.

But next, I ask the question: *Why this dispersion of the Jewish race that has already lasted for twenty centuries?*

Here again there is only one explanation that even begins to explain. That explanation is their rejection of the Messiah when He came. Jesus the true — the long looked-for Messiah was born in the fulness of time. He was born at the time that the prophet Daniel said that He would be born. He was born in the way that Isaiah said He would be born — of a virgin. He was born of the family, of the tribe, and in the very town foretold

templated the future of the people whom He loved, He burst into tears and cried, "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!" And seeing and foreknowing the tragic centuries, Jesus uttered this prophecy: "And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations; and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled" (Luke 21:24). Let's analyze this:

(a) "They shall fall by the edge of the sword." That happened in about 30 years, when the Roman armies came and surrounded and destroyed Jerusalem.

(b) "They shall be led away captive into all nations." Read Josephus' history of the Jews, and you will read that the slave market was glutted with Jews after the Roman capture of the city.

(c) "Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled." I ask you, hasn't Jerusalem been trodden down by the Gentiles during the whole of the past twenty centuries? In other words, history has exactly followed the words of Jesus as here laid down. But note that a time limit was set: "until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled." That means that God has a time set for Gentile rule of Jerusalem to cease and for the Jews again to possess it. And that is just as certain to come to pass as God lives on His throne.

But let us note some of the promises made concerning the Jews in the Scriptures.

1. **Note God's promise to curse those people who should afflict and persecute them.** In Genesis 12:3 God said to Abraham, "I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee." Has God kept His Word? He certainly has. Listen: Do you remember that woman of Jericho who hid the Jewish spies? What happened? When Jericho was destroyed that woman and her family were preserved. "I will bless them that bless thee." Go yonder in Central Park, New York City, and look on that obelisk that was taken from the ancient city of Memphis, near Cairo. That obelisk is a relic of the past — a reminder that that race of people — the Egyptians who for four hundred years crushed the chosen people beneath their yoke of bondage, — were visited by divine retribution, and their glory as a nation lies buried beneath the sands of

the Nile, while the Jews live on. Go look at the ruins of Babylon — one of the mightiest cities in the world — the capitol of the world empire. They carried the Jews into a 70-year bondage, they destroyed their temple, and Nebuchadnezzar's son Belshazzar used the golden vessels from the house of the Lord as instruments of a heathen debauch. But Babylon lies in ruins today — nothing but heaps of stones to mark the place where the city stood, and the mighty Babylonian empire is no more. "I will curse them that curse thee." And so it is with the other mighty nations of antiquity which persecuted the Jews: Persia, Assyria, Greece and Rome. And I say unto you when nations like Germany, Poland, Russia and others join in persecuting the Jews, they are courting disaster. They show that they are without knowledge of history or benefit of God's Word. For God's ancient promise holds just as good today as it did in the days of Abraham — "I will curse them that curse thee."

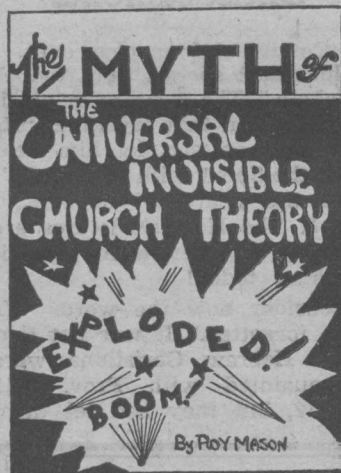
2. **Note God's promise concerning their regathering to the land of Palestine.** I have time to ask you to consider with me just a few of the prophetic promises of their regathering. Read carefully the following: Ezek. 34: 12, 13, 28; Ezek. 36:24-28; Ezek. 36:33-35; Ezek. 37:21-23.

Hitler's Part In The Plan

I want to ask just here, do we find any sign of the fulfillment of these promises? Up until a few years ago, there was little to indicate that these words would ever be fulfilled. The Jews were scattered over the world, Palestine was in the hands of Arabs, and people often suggested that the Jews would never leave their paying businesses in different lands, their lucrative professions, and their good jobs to return to a waste country. Perhaps this would have been true, if it had not been for one fact — and that fact the tremendous fact of God. God has a way of seeing to it that His Word is fulfilled. So how does He go about it? Why He uses such men as Hitler, Stalin and their butchers to drive the Jews out of Europe and He uses persecution in other lands to induce them to want to return to Palestine. The person who can't see the hand of God in these movements against the Jews in different lands must be stone blind! It is nothing in the world but God's plan to drive the Jews back to Palestine. That doesn't excuse the wicked and unjust way the Jews are being treated, but it explains the ultimate reason back behind it.

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by the prophets. Why was He rejected by His people? There are two explanations as follows:

(1) First, He was rejected because it was in the purpose and plan of God, and because foretold by the prophets. In Isaiah 53 we read, "He is despised and rejected of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief, and we hid as it were our faces from him." Only as the Messiah was rejected by the Jews, and they temporarily set aside, would we Gentiles have a chance. Let us note what is said in Romans 11:11. "I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy."

(2) Jesus was rejected because of corrupt Jewish religious leaders. Jesus didn't get their "ok" on His ministry, and that corrupt religious and political machine crushed Him. And let me say that the same identical spirit characterizes every religious machine that exists today. The common people among the Jews "heard Jesus gladly" and it was the corrupt leaders that brought ruin upon the nation by leading that nation into rejection of Him Whom Israel had looked and longed for during the centuries. And Jesus knew that He would be rejected — knew that it was foretold that He would be — knew that the Jewish leaders would bring it about, and He not only foresaw that, but He foresaw the tragic history of His people all down through the centuries. And what did He do? As He stood there in the Mount of Olives and looked down upon the city of Jerusalem and con-

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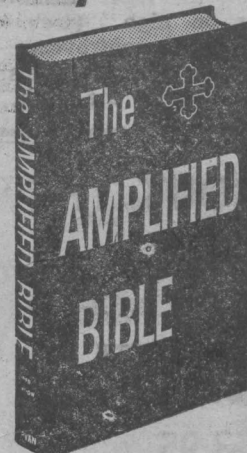
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Chastisements

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ence to God's education, nurture and discipline of His children. It is the Father's wise and loving correction which is in view.

It is true that much chastisement is the rod in the hand of the Father correcting His erring child. But it is a serious mistake to confine our thoughts to this one aspect of the subject. Chastisement is by no means always the scourging of His refractive sons. Some of the saintliest of God's people, some of the most obedient of His children, have been and are the greatest sufferers. Ofttimes God's chastenings instead of being retributive are corrective. They are sent to empty us of self-sufficiency and self-righteousness; they are given to discover to us hidden transgressions, and to teach us the plague of our own hearts. Or again, chastisements are sent to strengthen our faith, to raise us to higher levels of experience, to bring us unto a condition of use-

fulness. Still again, Divine chastisement is sent as a preventative, to keep under pride, to save us from being unduly elated over success in God's service. Let us consider, briefly, four entirely different examples.

David. In his case the rod was laid upon him for grievous sins and open wickedness. His fall was occasioned by self-confidence and self-righteousness. If the reader will diligently compare the two Songs of David recorded in II Samuel 22 and 23, the one written near the beginning of his life, the other near the end, he will be struck by the great difference of spirit manifested by the writer in each case. Read II Samuel 22:22-25 and you will not be surprised that God suffered him to have such a fall. Then turn to chapter 23, and mark the blessed change. At the beginning of v. 5 there is a heart-broken confession of failure. In v. 10-12, there is a God-glorifying confession, attributing victory unto the Lord. The severe scourging of David was not in vain.

Job. Probably he tasted of every kind of suffering which falls to man's lot: family bereavements, loss of property, grievous bodily afflictions came fast, one on top of another. But God's end in it all was that Job should benefit therefrom and be a greater partaker of His holiness. There was not a little of self-righteousness in Job at the beginning. But at the end, when He was brought face to face with the thrice Holy One, he "abhorred himself" (42:6). In David's case the chastisement was retributive, in Job's corrective.

Abraham. In him we see an illustration of an entirely different aspect of chastening. Most of the trials to which he was subjected were neither because of open sins nor for the correction of inward faults. Rather were they sent for the development of spiritual graces. Abraham was sorely tried in various ways, but it was in order that faith might be strengthened and that patience might have its perfect work in him. Abraham was weaned from the things of this world, that he might enjoy closer fellowship with Jehovah and become the "friend" of God.

Paul. "And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure." (II Cor. 12:7). This "thorn" was sent not because of failure and sin, but as a preventative against pride. Note the "lest" both at the beginning and end of the verse. The result of this "thorn" was that the beloved apostle was made more conscious of his weakness. Thus, chastisement has for

one of its main objects the breaking down of self-sufficiency, the bringing us to the end of our selves.

Now in view of these widely different aspects — chastenings which are retributive, corrective, educative, and preventive, how incompetent are we to diagnose, and how great is the folly of pronouncing a judgment concerning others! Let us not conclude when we see a fellow-Christian under the rod of God that he is necessarily being taken to task for his sins. We cannot see "why" chastening comes and should not set ourselves up to judge others in the matter.

The Jew

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The Jewish Future

Now what is going to be the future history of the Jews as they are regathered in Palestine? I haven't the time to go into details and to bring before you the many Scriptures that might be presented. But here in outline is what the Bible teaches will happen. We have many of the countries of the world under dictators today. This is strict-

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ly in accord with prophecy. And the Bible teaches that this dictator business will increase until one great supreme dictator shall arise whom the Bible calls the "Beast" or "Anti-Christ." This great dictator shall at first appear very favorable to the Jews, and shall enter into some kind of a "covenant" with them. Look up this passage from Daniel 9: 26,27. Compare this with the words of Jesus on the same subject. Matt. 24:15,16,21,22.

After about three years and a half this dictator or Anti-Christ, shall break his covenant with the Jews, and shall begin the bitterest and most awful persecution that they have ever known or shall ever know. This is called in the Scriptures "The Great Tribulation." The destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70 is only a type of this future tribulation that the Jewish race shall pass through. And do you know what will put a stop to it? The answer is, **The return of Jesus, the Messiah, from Heaven to**

this earth. And do you know what will happen then? The Jewish race tortured and afflicted and persecuted as never before in human history, shall be prepared to believe in Jesus. They shall come to realize that their ancestors made a terrible mistake when they rejected Him, and they shall turn unto Him as a nation. Can I prove this? I certainly can. Listen to this:

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem."

"And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his first born."

"In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness." (Zech. 12:9,10; 13:1).

Now I am ready to come back to my text in Romans 11:25-27 and to deal with it. Let us analyze this passage for just a moment. What does it say?

(1) That blindness in part has happened unto Israel in this age, such that they don't see and realize that Jesus was in deed and in truth the true Messiah. It says, "in part." Why, "in part?" Because not all Jews reject Christ. Many of them do receive Jesus as the Christ, and I want to tell you that if I were a Jew, I would accept Jesus as my Messiah, and Saviour and would regard the privilege of receiving Him as the greatest privilege of my life.

(2) It says that the nation or race — the Jews, will be blinded to the fact that Jesus is the true Messiah, until "the fulness of the Gentiles be come in." What does that mean? That means until the full number of Gentiles whom God in His elective purpose has determined, has been saved. And when the last Gentile in God's plan has come to salvation, then God will take up His dealings with Israel once more.

(3) It says here that "all Israel shall be saved." That means that as a race of people they shall turn unto Christ and shall receive His salvation. And Paul quotes the prophets to prove this: "As it is written, There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: for this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins." I say, thank God, the time is coming—foretold in the promises of God Who cannot lie—when the Jewish race shall as a whole turn unto the long-rejected Messiah and shall accept Him and be saved through Him. Oh, that many of the Jewish people of this present day might do the same!

But now, I come to one more question:

What about the ultimate future of this people — the Jews?

My friends, the Jewish race, has the greatest and most glorious future of any people. Germany persecuted the Jews and talked about a "place in the sun." Mussolini dreamed of the revival of the Roman Empire, and now Russia dreams of world conquest. But following the return of Jesus Christ, the center of this world's government is going to be converted Israel. Did you get that expression? Converted Israel — not believing Israel. God's ancient and chosen people shall come back into their own place. Let us read just one passage that clearly pictures this:

"And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hill; and all nations shall flow unto it."

"And many people shall go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his path:

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for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

"And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

"O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the Lord." (Isa. 2:2-5).

All Lost Without Christ!

But I stop now to remind you of a solemn and awful truth. It is this: Whether you be Jew or Gentile, without Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, you are lost. If you die without trusting Jesus Christ to save you from your sins, you go out into an eternity that is hopeless and awful beyond human description. Therefore I ask each of you: "Have you taken Jesus, the Son of God, the Messiah into your heart and life as your Saviour?" If not, I want to lay before you the burning question as to what you will do with Him. "What will you do with Jesus, which is called the Christ?" was the question Pilate asked long ago, and it is as live a question this minute as it was back there. Upon how you settle this question, depends the future of your never-dying soul, and I beg you to settle it right. Ah, this is no little matter of which I speak! The mighty God of Heaven sent His Son to this earth. He was born a little babe in a manger; angels hovered over Bethlehem and sang songs of praise on the night of His birth. He grew up and lived and walked among men — healing the sick, curing the deaf and opening the eyes of the blind. "He was despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief." And he was nailed fast to the cross as He bore our sins in His body there. He was buried in a tomb, but three days later He came forth alive again. He ascended into Heaven, and He is coming back again to this earth. Coming — to claim His chosen Bride! Coming to rule the world! Coming to fulfill all promise. (Continued on page 8, column 3)

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"The Good Shepherd Dying For His Sheep," James Hobbs, McDermott, Ohio.

"What My Bible Means To Me," "Little" Joe Wilson, Winston-Salem, N. C.

"The Lord Will Not Forsake His People," John R. Gilpin, Ashland, Ky.

SUNDAY MORNING

"The Good Shepherd And The Satisfied Sheep," Don Pennington, Covington, Ky.

"Is Christianity Relevant To Our Day?" Roy Mason, Aripeka, Fla.

"The Church Member's Obligation To His Church," Wayne Cox, Memphis, Tenn.

"The Pursuit Of Holiness," Joe Wilson, Tulsa, Okla.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

"The Demons Of Hell And The Angels Of God," M. C. Hughes, Houston, Tex.

"Justification," Jim Everman, South Shore, Ky.

"The Effectual Call Illustrated By Bible Examples," Bill Jackson, Appalachia, Va.

SUNDAY NIGHT

"What Is To Be, Will Be," Wayne Gregory, Windsor, Ill.

"The Gates Of Hell And The True Churches Of Christ," Dan Phillips, Bristol, Tenn.

"The Kind Of Baptist God Makes," Fred Halliman, New Guinea.

The Jew

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ises made through the centuries. Meanwhile, He is calling out of the world a people for His name, to rule with Him when He comes. Are you numbered among the people? I'm staking everything on the belief that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. I'm staking everything on His power to save. I'm staking everything on the belief that He is coming again. Will you join with me in staking everything on Christ?

Water

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answer which was better than they had anticipated!

Well drillers were very scarce in those parts; but lo, He sent one their way at the crucial moment and he was enabled to start drilling immediately. He drilled over 200 feet when suddenly a stream of water burst into the air over fifty feet high! The children were ecstatic! People all around were supplied and ever since the school has had more water than ever before.

Just as those children were craving literal water, people all around us today are groaning for the lack of heart satisfaction. Do you remember the Bible story told in John 4? The Lord told the woman of Samaria: "If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith unto thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldst have asked of Him, and He would have given thee living water." What is the living water to which He referred? Just as literal water satisfies bodily thirst, so the living water satisfies the heart —

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Let's See How Our Nation Is Slowly But Surely Dying

"... thy children have forsaken me, and sworn by them that are no gods: when I fed them to the full, they then committed adultery, and assembled themselves by troops in the harlots' houses."—Jeremiah 5:7.

The Communists who are working to make America rotten from within have as their prime target the nation's youth. The first of the Rules For Bringing About Revolution published by the Communists in 1919 says: "Corrupt the young; get them away from religion. Get them interested in sex. Make them superficial. Destroy their ruggedness."

What progress have the Reds made in getting American young people away from religion and corrupting them so they will not resist an eventual Communist takeover? John Lennon, a member of the mop-headed Beatles singing group, says: "Christianity will go. It will vanish and shrink. I needn't argue about that: I'm right, and I will be proved right. We're (the Beatles) more popular than Jesus now..." Shortly thereafter, when the Beatles came to the United States, American young people helped to prove they were more popular than Jesus. In city after city crowds of up to 50,000 screaming teenagers paid \$5, \$10, and \$15 per ticket (and sometimes sat in

and not just temporarily but eternally! Who can give it? Only the Lord Jesus Christ! Have you asked Him for it?

The Lord Jesus gave His life for us on the Cross of Calvary to atone for our sins because He loved us so. What about our response to that love? He is omnipotent and He longs to flood our hearts with His love by His Spirit (John 7:37,38). And He longs to give the satisfaction that comes as we commit our lives and our circumstances to Him and allow Him to accomplish His will in and through us.

As we taste the living water which He gives, our joy exceeds that which the school girls knew when they saw the water shoot up from that well in India!

"I heard the voice of Jesus say 'Behold, I freely give The living water, thirsty one; Stoop down and drink and live.' I came to Jesus and I drank Of that life-giving stream; My thirst was quenched, my soul revived And now I live in Him."

—Now

the rain) to hear the Beatles "sing."

In an editorial entitled "Ships Without Compass," the St. Louis Globe Democrat, said there is a "spiritual vacuum" in America... which has produced a crisis of "personal spiritual hollowness among students." The newspaper quoted the student body president at a large university as saying: At the heart of the living, students have goals, but no purposes, plans but no conviction that they are proceeding in the right direction... They even have a cause, or causes; yet their

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lives are meaningless. In their search for reality, young people are trying revolution and rebellion, suicide, sex and psychiatry, drink, drugs, communism and crime.

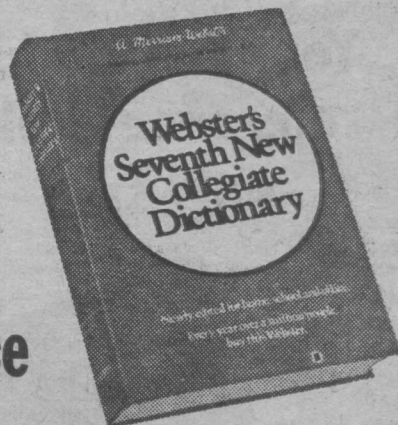
One leading religious magazine reported: "Four thousand University of Colorado students — one-third of the student body — sought psychiatric help last year. Twenty-two students attempted suicide at another big eight campus; four succeeded. More than half of all college women have sexual relations before marriage, and one out of five is pregnant at the altar. (This was taken from John A. Stormer's "The Death of a Nation," pp. 66-67).

"JONAH AND THE WHALE"

You have heard it said that the whale could not have swallowed Jonah. What about that fellow caught down at Miami, described by the secretary of the Miami Chamber of Commerce as follows: Weight, 30,000 pounds; weight of liver, 1,700 pounds; length, 45 feet; circumference, 23 feet; diameter, 8 feet; width of mouth, 50 inches; depth of mouth, 43 inches; length of tongue, 40 inches? A man could stand upright in the fish. When caught, there were in the whale hundreds of pounds of fish, including an octopus, all being alive. The fish was captured by Captain Charles Thompson, after a fight lasting 39 hours. Science had said there was no such fish. The science of a lifetime was knocked in the head by a fact.—(From a 1924 copy of "News And Truths.")

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