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

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## Election Cheering, Thrilling, Missionary

By ROY MASON  
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"That the purpose of God according to election might stand."—Rom. 9:11.

This passage relates to the birth of Jacob and Esau. Usually the first-born inherited the birth-right, and was given the preference, but in this case God elected and fore-ordained that Jacob should have first place, in spite of the fact that Esau was born ahead of him. It was Jacob, in the plan of God who should be the ancestor of Israel—Jacob whose name Israel should wear down through the centuries. And this was not happen-so, for God planned it so before either of the boys were born. I have heard it preached that God foresaw that Jacob would turn out the best and that God upon that foreknowledge elected Jacob to have the pre-eminence. Let me seek to discredit here and now the idea that God's election is based upon, or pre-determined by His foreknowledge. God does foreknow all things, for the Bible says, "known unto God are all his works from the foundation of the world." Things are to take place exactly as foreknown of God, else he would be guilty of foreknowing a lie! But, I repeat,

foreknowledge is not the determining thing. What IS THE DETERMINING THING? Ephesians tells us in these words, "Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will."

As it was in the case of Jacob, so it has happened over and over again, that the natural order has been strangely and mysteriously changed from the human standpoint, but in reality it happened that the purpose of God according to election might stand. God's purpose according to election has always stood — it stands this minute — and it will stand unto all eternity, and I say, Thank God this is true!

From the time I began to read and study the Bible, I have always believed in election, and I mean an absolute, unconditional election. Some profess to believe in election, but theirs is a namby-pamby theory that has no foundation in the Bible. Such persons are like the woman I heard about, who spoke to her dog and said, "Get out." Instead of going out at the door, the dog ran under the couch. She said, "Well, go under the couch then." She ac-

commodated herself to the dog's wishes, in order to have her way. Now I don't believe that God is subject to man's whims and notions like that woman was subject to her dog. The story is told of the evangelist who used every form of invitation and every gimmick he could think of to get professions of faith, and when no response was made, he backed off sadly and exclaimed, "Poor God!" God had tried his best to save some people, but such was man's strength of will that God couldn't do it! I believe that all of this stuff about God wanting and trying to save people, but being unable to handle man's will, is stuff



ROY MASON

## The Church And Kingdom Of God Differentiated

By MILBURN COCKRELL  
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PART TWO

Once again I call attention to I Corinthians 4:8: "Now ye are full, now ye are rich, ye have reigned as kings without us: and I would to God ye did reign, that we also might reign with you."

This great Scripture refutes Post-Millennialism and A-millennialism. It discloses three truths. First, the

to deal with the subjects of the kingdom and the domain.

Saints Share in Kingdom

Christ is to be sovereign over a number of subordinate rulers and officers. Isaiah said: "Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment" (Isa. 32:1). The Bible teaches the translated and resurrected saints will rule with Christ in the government of the nations on earth in the future kingdom.

Every conceivable office in government will be filled with a saint. Each one is to occupy a station and rank according to his work for Christ in this world. Daniel the prophet tells us:

"But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever" (Dan. 7:18).

"Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom" (Dan. 7:22).

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and nonsense! He who knocked arrogant Saul flat to the ground and saved him, can and will save anybody he goes after.

As said a moment ago, I have always believed in election from the time I began to read the Bible, for I have always believed in a mighty, sovereign, and all-powerful God, who is running this universe and running it right on schedule. Do I understand all about election? No. The Bible teaches election, yet it teaches human responsibility. Can I explain how this can be? No. But neither can I explain the Being (Continued on page 6, column 4)

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## Brother Fred Tells Of The Death Of A Native Pastor

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Missionary To New Guinea

"And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; Yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works do follow them" (Rev. 14:13).

A few days ago one of our most beloved pastors here in New Guinea was called home to be with the Lord. This is the first of the preacher brethren, over here, to pass away. His name was Mini, pronounced Me-nee.

Mini has been a Christian for about nine years, had been preaching for about four years and pastored a church the last three years of his earthly life. He was pastor of the second church that we organized here in New Guinea.

Mini was an elderly man and was exceptionally sound in the faith. There were several people saved and added to the church while he was pastor. If he had an enemy among our Baptist ranks I have never heard of it, while his enemies were legion among the Protestant and Catholic groups, because of his strong doctrinal position as to the sovereignty of God and the Lord's Church.

Whether in the pulpit or out, he never minced words, and when he finished with a message, one had the feeling that he had been in the presence of the Lord.

Mini had been suffering from chronic asthma for several years and that coupled with his many years was, from the human point of view, that which finally claimed his life. It was very difficult for him to walk up and down these

hills and rugged trails from where he lived to the Mission Station, which was over four miles round trip. Nevertheless, he was usually here for at least two of our services to hear me preach, each week.

As I think of the above Scripture, there are three things that are outstanding in it that could be applied to this beloved pastor.

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"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." I have no reason to doubt but what this could be applied to all those that have pro-



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fessed faith in Christ over here. However, if there were ever a living example of a genuine child of God, this man's life would rank at the top of the list. Being an elderly man gave him quite an advantage over the younger pastors, in that it is a part of their culture for the young men to sit at the feet of the elders and learn from them.

Mini was often found, over and above his regular preaching services, giving instructions to young Christians in clean wholesome living (Continued on page 4, column 3)

## John Ploughman's Homely Advice For Ordinary Folk

(From John Ploughman's Talk or Plain Advice for Plain People

(Written in the language of an English farmer)

By CHARLES H. SPURGEON

He who boasts of being perfect is perfect in folly. I have been a good deal up and down the world, and I never did see either a perfect horse or a perfect man, and I never shall till two Sundays come together. You cannot get white flour out of a coal sack, nor perfect out of human nature; he who looks for it had better look for sugar in the sea. The old saying is, "Lifeless, faultless" of dead men we should say nothing but good, but as for the living, they are all tarred more or less with the black brush, and half an eye can see it. Every head has a soft place in it, and every heart has its prickles, and every day its night. Even the sun shows spots, and the skies are darkened with clouds.

Nobody is so wise but he has folly enough to stock a stall at

Vanity Fair. Where I could not see the fool's cap, I have nevertheless heard the bells jingle. As there is no sunshine without some shadows, so is all human good mixed up with more or less of evil; even poor law guardians have their little failings, and parish beadies are not wholly of heavenly nature. The best wine has its lees. All men's faults are not written on their foreheads, and it's quite as well they are not, or hats would need very wide brims, yet, as sure as eggs are eggs, faults of some sort nestle in every bosom.

There's no telling when a man's sins may show themselves, for



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hares pop out of the ditch just when you are not looking for them. A horse that is weak in the legs may not stumble for a mile or two, but it is in him, and the rider had better hold him up well. The tabby cat is not lapping milk just now, but leave the dairy door open, and we will see if she is not as bad a thief as the kitten. There's fire in the flint, cool as it looks; wait till the steel gets a knock at it, and you will see. Everybody can read that riddle, but it is not everybody that will remember to keep his gunpowder out of the way of the candle.

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saints are not at present reigning with Christ. Second, the reign of the saints is yet future. Third, the reign of the saints cannot occur until they all reign together which presupposes a resurrection of the righteous dead at Christ's Second Coming.

I pointed out last week that a kingdom must have a king, officers of state, inferior officers and rulers, subjects, and a domain. I proved that Christ would be the king over all the earth. Today I want to show from the Scriptures how the saints are to share the kingdom with Him. Then I want

## The Baptist Examiner Pulpit

A Sermon by Pastor John R. Gilpin

### "UNDER HIS WINGS"

"Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the SHADOW OF THY WINGS"—Ps. 17:8.

"How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the SHADOW OF THY WINGS"—Ps. 36:7.

"Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the SHADOW OF THY WINGS will I make my refuge, until these ca-

lamities be overpast"—Ps. 57:1.

"I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever; I will trust in the COVERT OF THY WINGS. Selah."—Ps. 61:4.

"Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the SHADOW OF THY WINGS will I rejoice"—Ps. 63:7.

"He shall cover thee with his feathers, and UNDER HIS WINGS shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler"—Ps. 91:4.

"And Boaz answered and said unto her, It hath fully been shewed me, all that thou hast done unto thy mother in law since the death of thine husband: and how thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and the land of thy nativity, and art come unto a people which thou knewest not heretofore.

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## "TANGENTS" TO BE REPRINTED

Some few months ago I preached a sermon on the subject of "Tangents," which seemingly has been appreciated as much, or a little more perhaps, than any sermon I have ever carried in The Baptist Examiner. Lots of individuals, and a great number of preachers, have asked for extra copies of this sermon to scatter.

We have sent out all the copies that we had, and still the requests keep coming. Accordingly, I plan very shortly to reprint this sermon in TBE and will print several thousand extra copies for the benefit of our friends who wish to scatter this particular message.

In order to get some idea as to how many copies will be needed, I would appreciate it if you would write today and place your order for the number of copies which you wish—from one to a thousand.

We are making no charge for this special issue containing this message. However, as you well know, it costs us heavily to print TBE each week, and we would appreciate any offering you might make in our behalf.

Remember, this is the same message that was preached a few months ago, whereby, we showed up the fallacy of the Nu-Liters in that all of their positions are a tangent, or an off-shoot, from some particular truth. If you want to help scatter the truth, please send in your request for the number of copies you can use. I would count it a joy to send them to you.

## "Under His Wings"

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WHOSE WINGS thou art come to trust"—Ruth 2:11,12.

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens UNDER HER WINGS, and ye would not!"—Matt. 23:37.

Here are a number of Scriptures which speak either directly or indirectly concerning our position "under His wings." To appreciate properly the message which I wish to bring, it is necessary that you know something concerning Jewish worship.

In the Jewish tabernacle, the house of worship of the Jews, there were two rooms — one known as the "outer holy place," and the other as the "inner holy place," or "holy of holies."

In the second of these rooms—the holy of holies, was placed the

ark of the covenant. This was a box approximately four feet in length and almost thirty inches high, and wide. It was covered on both the inside and the out with gold, so that to look at it, it appeared to be solid gold. Over it, or on top of this box, there was a lid of solid gold. On top of this lid stood two angels which were made of solid gold. These angels or cherubims as they were called, stood facing each other with their wings outstretched the one toward the other. This box was known as the ark of the covenant, while the golden lid with the angels on top of it was recognized as the mercy seat.

All this was symbolic of God's presence. I do not mean that God was in the box, but rather, this ark of the covenant symbolized the presence of God with Israel.

Throughout the Scriptures we find this expression "under His wings." It occurs again and again. On finding this expression so often, one naturally wonders as to the meaning of the wings of God.

Coming back to the ark of the covenant which was symbolic of God's presence, with the angels with outstretched wings upon it, we ask, "What was there under those wings?" Since this symbolized God's presence, then whatever there was under the wings of the cherubim of the mercy seat, we find the same under the wings of God.

### I

INSIDE THAT ARK OF THE COVENANT WERE THE TABLES OF STONE UPON WHICH THE TEN COMMANDMENTS WERE WRITTEN.

In other words, the law was under the wings of the cherubim.

Before going farther, let's recall the law itself:

Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.

Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

Honour thy father and thy mother.

Thou shalt not kill.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Thou shalt not steal.

Thou shalt not bear false witness.

Thou shalt not covet.

All this is the law. Not one of us have ever been able to live up to it. Even the mighty Solomon declared, "For there is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not" (Eccl. 7:20).

Since no one has ever been able to live up to the law, then in failing, each of us is under the curse of God. Listen:

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

Now be honest: Have you lived up to the "all things" pertaining to the law? If there has been the slightest deviation or the least infraction from the law, then the curse of God is resting upon you.

Not only have all failed in their attempts at living under the law and not only is the curse resting upon everyone who thus tries to be saved, but the Word of God even goes so far as to declare to us the utter impossibility for any man to be saved by the law. Listen:

"Knowing that a man is NOT JUSTIFIED BY THE WORKS OF THE LAW, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law SHALL NO FAITH BE JUSTIFIED"—Gal. 2:16.

"But that NO MAN IS JUSTIFIED BY THE LAW in the sight of God, it is evident"—Gal. 3:11.

Yet withal, the law was perfectly fulfilled by Christ. There never was but one person, namely, Jesus, who lived up to the law in every

detail. There never was but one who fulfilled the law in every particular, and that one was Jesus. And all this, that He might redeem us from the law. Listen:

"But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, TO REDEEM THEM THAT WERE UNDER THE LAW, that we might receive the adoption of sons"—Gal. 4:4,5.

While each one who would attempt to save himself by his own observance of the law is under the curse of the law, Christ Himself has redeemed us from the curse of the law. Listen:

"Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us"—Gal. 3:13.

In the Jewish tabernacle of worship, in the holy of holies, down inside the ark, among other things, was the law. It was under the wings of the cherubim, which as we have said, symbolized the presence of God. In other words, it means to us that the law was under his wings. Today, the man who is in Christ, has the assurance that the law was fulfilled by Him, and that the law is "under His wings," and therefore, each believing sinner has no fear of the law in view of the fact that the law was perfectly fulfilled in Jesus.

### II

UNDER THE WINGS OF THE CHERUBIM OF THE ARK OF THE COVENANT, THERE WAS ALSO AARON'S ROD THAT BUDDDED.

We are told of this in the 17th chapter of Numbers. The princes of the various tribes of Israel complained because they thought Aaron assumed too much authority over them. Moses suggested that each of these deliver to him his rod or his shepherd staff, declaring that whichever rod blossomed during the night, that it would be taken for granted that this was God's stamp of approval upon the owner of that particular rod. In

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that night's time, Aaron's rod not only budded, but blossomed and produced almonds. It was thus taken for granted that God had put His stamp of approval upon Aaron, and upon his leadership and authority.

Thus, Aaron's rod became symbolic of leadership and authority. When the Jews would make their ark of the covenant, which symbolized the presence of God, they were commanded to put this rod which belonged to Aaron inside the ark of the covenant. All this, in type, tells us that we have all the authority we need "under His wings." In Jesus Christ we have all the authority and leadership that we desire. Did not He Himself say, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth" (Matt. 28:18)?

In view of these facts, I declare that we have no need for a pope, nor for a hierarchy, nor for councils, nor for boards. Instead, each Christian finds all authority and leadership in the Lord Jesus Himself. How we rejoice that not only was the law fulfilled by Jesus, and it therefore is "under His wings," so that each individual who is in Christ is safely sheltered from the law, but we likewise rejoice in that all our authority is vested in Him, and we are to find that authority in Him.

## My Substitution

By Mary McIntire  
Tulsa, Oklahoma

"For back in the eons past,  
Even now the dye is cast,  
Out beyond the judgment blast,  
My salvation's sure.

Before the world was made,  
In God's counsel halls of jade,  
The redemption plan was laid,  
My salvation's sure.

God's sovereignty does to me reveal,  
A "Book of Life" — an unbroken seal,  
That even Satan can never steal,  
My salvation's sure.

Why hast thou forsaken me?  
Came the cry from Calvary's tree,  
My substitute bled for me,  
My salvation's sure.

Oh, the travail of Deity's soul,  
Paid the cost, and made me whole,  
My name is on God's elective roll,  
My salvation's sure.

My 'Surety' is not in mortal frame,  
But in his BLOOD that bore my blame,  
Thank you Jesus! Praise your name!  
My salvation's sure."

### III INSIDE THE ARK WAS TO BE FOUND A GOLDEN POT OF MANNA.

This manna was a reminder of the desert food which the Jews had, for during the forty years of their wanderings through the wilderness, God provided for them by giving them manna, or angel's food from Heaven. It was that which satisfied, nourished, and sustained them during their wilderness wanderings of forty years. When the ark of the covenant was placed inside the Jewish tabernacle, a pot of manna was also put there as a reminder to them they had all their satisfaction and nourishment "under His wings."

That manna finds its perfect fulfillment in Jesus Himself. Listen: "Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat. And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life. I am the bread of life"—John 6:31, 35,47,48.

Hence, the manna which satisfied the Jews in the wilderness, and which was placed under the wings of the mercy seat, is to tell us in type that we have our satisfaction in the Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

Of the many illustrations concerning this that we might choose from the Bible, two will suffice. Do you remember the woman of Samaria who had five husbands, and was then living with a man in open sin? Do you remember that she had tried every phase of this world to find her satisfaction, and

yet never realized her goal until she came to Jesus? Then you hear her say to the people of the town in which she lived:

"Come, see a man, which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ?"—John 4:29.

Here was one who found complete satisfaction in Jesus.

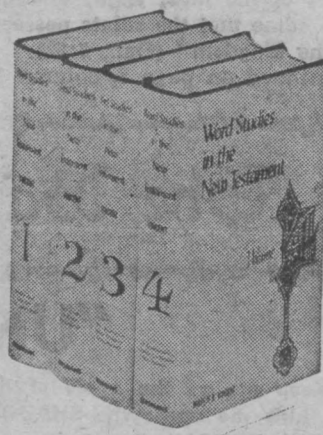
There is another of whom the Word of God speaks, who found that perfect satisfaction in Christ, and who stands as an unusual example. You doubtless recall the Ethiopian eunuch who went to Jerusalem to worship God. As he returned from Jerusalem, sitting in his chariot, he was reading from the book of Isaiah when God had Philip climb up into the chariot, and explain to him the very things which the colored man was reading. Don't forget that he had been to Jerusalem to worship, but he had not found any satisfaction in religion. Now when Philip explained this Scripture and told him that it referred to Jesus, the Ethiopian eunuch received Christ as his Saviour, and the record says, "He went on his way rejoicing" (Acts 8:39).

As the golden pot of manna which spoke of Israel's being nourished and satisfied in the wilderness for forty years, was placed under the wings of the cherubim, so we have our satisfaction "under His wings."

### IV UNDER THOSE SAME WINGS OF THE CHERUBIM WAS THE BLOOD OF ATONEMENT SPRINKLED ON THE DAY OF ATONEMENT.

When Israel's sins were put away each year on the day of

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# Out Of Town Members Of Calvary Baptist Church

Many times I refer to the fact that we have members of our church scattered all over the United States. Our "baby" member is Sister Leecy Anglen of Alma, Arkansas, who was baptized into our fellowship on May 14. I had been having correspondence with Sister Anglen for quite some time as she has been a loyal supporter of our written ministry. A few months ago she expressed a desire to become a member of our church, if it would be possible. In the providence of God, it was arranged for her to be baptized, and she is now a member of our church.

I had asked Brother David O'Neal, who is pastor of the Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma to check the matter for me since he lived not too far from her. Our church had by vote authorized him to act for us, and to baptize this sister into our fellowship, if he found the baptism she already had, unsatisfactory.

But, suppose I let Brother O'Neal tell the story of his trip and his experience with this dear saint of God.

Dear Brother Gilpin:

On Tuesday morning May 14, my wife and I left Tulsa about 9:30 a.m. and drove to Alma, Arkansas. I had written Sister Anglen the week before and had received directions to their home. Arriving about 12:00 noon, we were met by Sister Anglen and her daughter and son-in-law, Bro.

William McCain and Sister Vona McCain.

These fine people had a very nice meal prepared for us and we sat around the table and enjoyed the food and a wonderful time of fellowship. They have a great love for the truth of God's Word.

Sister Anglen explained how they had received their first copy of The Baptist Examiner, and how God had used this paper to enlighten them in the wonderful truth of His grace.

It is always a great blessing to see how God uses The Baptist Examiner to lead His people out of error and into the truth. Surely there must be hundreds of saints today that have seen these great truths through The Baptist Examiner, or from someone whom God has enlightened by using The Baptist Examiner. I pray that God will continue to use and bless you in this great work.

Because of their stand for the Bible doctrine of Predestination and Election, the church which they were members of, has withdrawn fellowship. Sister Anglen showed me the letter from this so-called Missionary Baptist Church, which stated that fellowship had been withdrawn because they were guilty of preaching and teaching Predestination and Election, which were not doctrines of a Missionary Baptist church. Brother, we should pray for peo-

ple who are so ignorant of the Word of God.

Sister Anglen was not satisfied with her baptism and knew of no way to determine if the church that had baptized her was a sound New Testament Church. She was most determined to have Scriptural baptism and to be a member of one of the Lord's churches. Our heart rejoiced greatly for the privilege to assist this dear sister in her wish to obey the Lord.

We drove about two miles down this small country road to where the road crossed a stream. We found there was sufficient water to bury our sister, and baptized her according to the command of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, by the authority of Calvary Baptist Church.

It was a great blessing to us, and we thank the Lord for the privilege to be of assistance to you in this matter.

Brother William McCain, his wife Sister Vona McCain, and their two daughters, Nancy and Donna McCain also wish to become members of Calvary Baptist Church. I have instructed them to write Calvary Baptist Church concerning their request and to send as much information about the church that baptized them as possible.

Brother McCain said that there was another couple that desired membership in Calvary Baptist Church. I instructed him to have

this couple get in touch with you. If I can be of further help to you or the church, please call on me.

Yours in Christ,  
David O'Neal.

It is pathetic to think that a so-called Missionary Baptist church would exclude Sister Anglen because she believed in the doctrine of Predestination and Election. How glad we are that we could receive her into our fellowship, and give her a church home.

It may be that she will never get an opportunity to attend services with us here in Ashland, but what a joy it is to her to know that she is now a member of a true church. She can put her tithes into our church treasury, knowing that the money will not be wasted, but that it will be spent to further Baptist truth the world around.

We truly thank Brother O'Neal for his services in our behalf. What a rich blessing it has been to have fellowship with him over the past fifteen years!

Brother Jim Blair who is pastor in Sumas, Washington, drove over three hundred miles into Idaho, and baptized a lady in our behalf sometime ago. Brother Halliman, when he was here in 1973, visited Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Knowles in Coventry, Connecticut and baptized them for us.

I have made lots of trips myself of this type. Now I am most glad to be able to call upon our friends

and ask them to assist us, working under the authority of Calvary Baptist Church.

The following is a list of absentee members of Calvary Baptist Church — members who don't get to attend often, but whose hearts, spirits, prayers and contributions are with us regularly. We thank God for them all.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Bonin, Dowelltown, Tennessee;  
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Daniel speaks in the chapter of four successive kingdoms on earth. Then he speaks in the two verses I mentioned of a fifth kingdom, and it too is an earthly kingdom just as the other four were.

That Daniel believes in a universal rule of the saints on earth can be seen in Daniel 7:27: "And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all rulers shall serve and obey him."

The dominion of the saints is to be "under the whole heaven," not "in heaven" as A-millennialists teach.

The New Testament discloses this same truth: "If we suffer, we shall also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us" (II Tim. 2:12). The saints suffer with Christ in this life. The reigning with Christ comes hereafter, but they do not come at the same time. Paul puts the reign of Christ and the saints in the future. He

did not subscribe to the modern notion that the saints are in a sense reigning with Christ at present.

### Positions In The Kingdom

The twelve apostles shall rule Israel in the Millennium: "And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

To say the kingdom here is the church, and the eating in the kingdom the Lord's Supper is to stand a pyramid on its apex. It is to ignore the expression, "sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel." When did the apostles ever do this while they lived on earth? It has not, and will not, be until Christ returns and sets up the future kingdom the Father appointed for Him. "And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel" (Matt. 19:28). This is to be in the age to come,

the regeneration of the earth.

Some saints will rule over cities when Christ returns having received the kingdom. His faithful servants shall have "authority over ten cities," and others "over five cities" (Luke 19:12-19). Other saints who have been more faithful will govern whole nations: "But that which ye have already hold fast till I come. And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron" (Rev. 2:25-27). The overcomer is to have power over the nations when Christ returns. It points to a future kingdom since it says: "Shall rule." The saints were not ruling with Christ in a sense when John wrote these words.

### Saints To Be Kings

When the saints share the kingdom with Christ they will be kings: "Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father" (Rev. 1:5-6). Paul told the Corinthians: "Ye have reigned as kings without us" (I Cor. 4:8), clearly showing that he did believe that a time would come when the saints together would reign as kings. Yes, Jesus Christ has made us kings. We should be preparing to be a king!

Kings sit upon thrones and so will the saints: "Ye shall sit upon twelve thrones" (Matt. 19:28). John says concerning the saints in the First Resurrection: "And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them" (Rev. 20:4). Kings wear crowns and so will the saints who share the kingdom with Christ. Paul told the Thessalonians of a "crown of rejoicing" to be given out "in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming" (I Thess. 2:19). He told Timothy of a "crown of righteousness" to be given at the appearing of Christ (II Tim. 4:8). Peter spoke of "a crown of glory" to be given out when the chief Shepherd shall appear (I Pet. 5:4).

As kings we shall have power to rule. Of the overcomer it is said: "He shall rule them with a rod of iron" (Rev. 2:26). Rev. 5:9 says of all the redeemed: "And hast made us unto our God kings

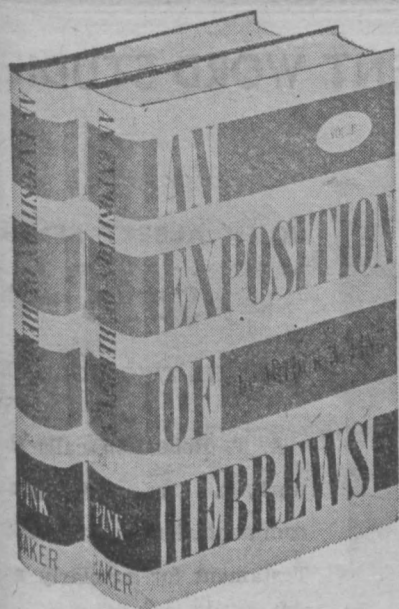
and priests: and we shall reign on the earth." This verse does not say we are reigning with Christ in Heaven in a sense, rather it says we shall reign on the earth!

As kings we shall execute judgment. "And I will restore thy judges as at the first" (Isa. 1:26). "Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds. Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand; To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people; To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron; To execute upon them the judgment written; this honour have all his saints" (Psa. 145:5-9). "And judgment was given to the saints of the Most High" (Dan. 7:22).

This truth is not just an Old Testament doctrine. I Corinthians 6:2-3 reads: "Do ye not know the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters? Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?" John said: "And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them: and judgment was given unto them" (Rev. 20:4).

### Resurrection Necessary

The saints shall one day in the future be kings, sit on thrones, wear crowns, rule and reign, and execute judgment and justice in the earth. This is all to happen after the First Resurrection. Notice verses 4 to 6 of Revelation, chapter 20: "And I saw thrones, (Continued on page 5, column 2)



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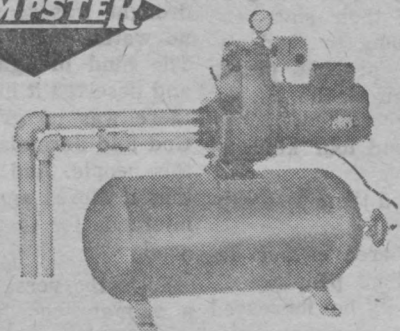
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This passage is a very difficult passage to answer when you just want a comment on one verse. In fact, it is not always advisable to try to do this.

This entire passage (Jeremiah 15:1-9) is dealing with the fact that the people had sinned against God. "Thou hast forsaken me, saith the Lord, thou art gone backward: therefore will I stretch out my hand against thee, and destroy thee; I am weary with repenting." (vs. 6). He then goes on to explain that He will destroy her (Jerusalem) children.

The women are bereaved of their husbands, thus "their widows are increased..." (v. 8). The mothers of several children will be filled with sorrow. One who has borne several children would ordinarily expect them to care for her in her old age. Her children being destroyed would naturally cause her to give up or "... she has given up the ghost; her sun is gone down while it is yet day..."

We see in this passage that the Judge of judges will not hold back His hand of judgment. He will judge in truth and we should learn this and serve Him in fear.

mother who had borne seven children. In her distress and misery she dies. "Her sun goes down." In shame and confusion she dies. Other mothers, who are not so fortunate as to die as this one, will be delivered to the sword of the invading army.

Many are the horrifying passages that tell of the fate of the wicked and apostate nation. They had ignored the blessings of God, and refused to heed His warnings and to turn from their evil ways. Such horrors as we read about in these chapters came upon them, and those who failed to suffer death, were taken to Babylon as slaves. There they remained for the seventy years foretold through the prophets. After this, a remnant returned.

After the worse sin of rejecting the promised Messiah, as Jesus foretold, they suffered another awful period, and were sent into exile, this time among all nations. Their return was promised, and we have lived to see that happen in our day. We seem to be living in the end time of this age, and doubtless we shall see many startling things happen.

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In II Chron. 33:4, we learn that Manasseh built altars for the worship of Baalam in the house of the Lord. In verse 7 he made a carved image and set it up in the house of God. And in verse 9 he made the people worse than the heathen whom the Lord destroyed before them. In Deut. 28:15, God tells these people that if they do not obey His commandments He will bring curses upon them. And in verses 23-24 we read, "And the heaven that is over thy head shall be brass, and the earth that is under thee shall be iron. The Lord shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou be destroyed."

Go back to the previous chapters and you will find that the Lord speaks to His prophet, and tells him what He is going to bring on Israel because of their sins.

14:1-4. He is going to send awful drought. The prophet pleads with God on behalf of the people. (v. 19-22).

15:3. He will send four kinds of affliction.

15:4. He will send them into captivity.

15:7. He will bereave and destroy this disobedient people.

15:9. Widows will be increased because of the widespread destruction of the men folk. In verses 8 and 9, he speaks of the mother of young men, and illustrates with a

So in the verse before us we see a woman who had been able to give birth to seven children. But now, due to the drought, and the accompanying famine, she languisheth, that is, she pines away and

dies. For her sun goes down before its time. This verse, to me, is simply showing some of the results of the awful drought and famine brought upon this people because of what Manasseh had done.

Paul tells us that this happened to them for an example, or type for us in these last days. And how that drought and famine did picture so vividly the awful spiritual drought and famine of the Word of God in our day. In Amos 8:11, we read, "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the Words of the Lord." Beloved, that famine is upon us today. Some of our Lord's sheep would soon pine away for lack of spiritual nourishment in many Baptist churches of our day.

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The 15th chapter of Jeremiah is a statement by God, through the prophet, regarding judgment which would certainly fall upon the nation of Judah because of her continued idolatry and stiff-neckedness.

The verse in question is a brief description of one aspect of that judgment — the slaying of husbands and sons. Verses 8 and 9 tell of more widows being created and mothers losing their young sons in the middle of the day. The essence of verse 9 is that the more sons a mother has, the deeper her anguish, because the greater her loss. With all of her sons killed, she dies of what might be called a broken heart.

Beloved friends, the object lesson, for us to learn, is that rebellion against God bears an awful price. "God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew" (Romans 11:2), but we also need to remember that He will not ignore the sins of His people. "Whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth" Hebrews 1:6.

Fred T. Halliman

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ing and always ready to impart the Word of life to those that were interested. His daily life was a living example of what every professing Christian ought to be.

Just a little while before Mini died, I went to his humble bush house to see him. Upon arrival a large crowd of people were gathered there to wait for him to die — they had already started digging his grave about 30 yards from his house. He was still perfectly conscious and could hear and know what was being said, and going on outside. I crawled through the small door of his house to a smoke-filled room where he lay beside a smoldering log fire. His bed was a few Pandanus leaves with a piece of wood for a pillow. From the dirt floor to the ridge of the roof was a bare four feet.

After we talked for a few minutes, we had prayer together, thanking our Lord, among other things, that He had caused our paths to cross and we had been privileged to know each other and work together in the ministry. Mini told me at that time that he knew that he was a child of God and that in a short time he would be going on to be with his Lord. Calling me by my last name, as most of the natives always do, he said, "Halliman, I am so glad that you came to see me before I died; this makes everything complete now,

and I am now ready to depart from this earthly life and go see Jesus." Truly, beloved, here was a man that, "died in the Lord."

II

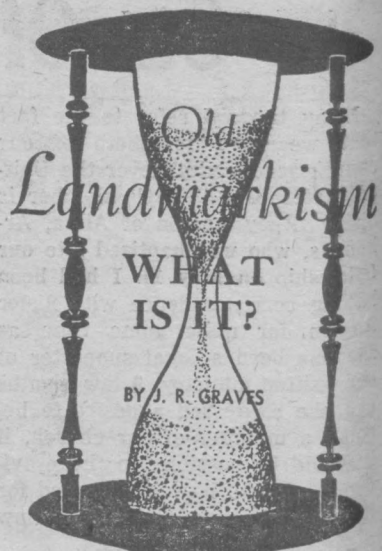
The second thing that is outstanding about this Scripture as compared with this man's life and death is, "... that they may rest from their labors." Mini was truly a pastor, ever laboring at the task the Lord had called him to do. The sun never got too hot, the rain too hard or the trails too slick and muddy for him to go to help some poor wandering sheep that was in need, or to sit down with some lost sheep, and tell him the wonderful story of God's redeeming love.

After our prayer together in that smoke-filled house, he told me that his work here upon this earth had come to a close and now he would soon be at rest with the Lord. Second Timothy 4:7 could very well be applied to this dying pastor's testimony, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

III

The third and final thing is, "... and their works do follow them." After having talked and prayed with Mini in his house for a while, I had to come out for some smoke-free air. I had not been outside too long when he called for his water gourd and after having some water he asked to go outside. He was helped through the small door and then myself and another man helped him to his feet and he walked about 10 yards and sat down, leaning back against some planks that we had carried over from the Mission Station that would be used to make his coffin.

He seemed to enjoy the bright sunshine and once again said that he was just about ready to go to be with the Lord. By now it was hard for him to talk, but he was still clear in his thinking and often mentioned the joy of seeing his Saviour very shortly. I told him I was almost envious of him, but that what was taking place was just as much the work of the Lord as any other part of his life, and that while he had come to the end of his journey, and had finished his work, I still had work to do. I asked him if he would take a personal message to the Lord when he saw him face to face and talked to him and he said he would. Then I told him to tell Jesus a very personal account of our labors here in this area in preaching the gospel that the elect might be called out, and that we too would soon be joining them in that glorious land beyond the skies. Beloved, I am well aware of the fact that Jesus knows all about this work and has, for that matter, from all eternity. But I feel most certain also that long before you have read these few lines that Mini has given a personal account of the mission work that we are carrying on here in New



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Guinea, to our Lord.

Now let me relate to you what happened and make application of the last part of this Scripture, as applied to Mini's final witness for the Lord just before he died.

While sitting there in the sun and his last moments swiftly passing by, he asked his 14-year-old son to go into the house and bring the small fish tin that contained his money. After the contents of the can had been taken out and counted, his life savings had reached \$4.85. He counted out \$2.80 and said this was the Lord's tithe from a pig he had sold to pay off some debts before he died. He gave that to me and asked that I put it into the Lord's treasury for him. Then he counted out another \$1.80 and said that he wanted to give that as an offering on the new church building that we are trying to raise money to build here on the Mission Station. There was \$.20 left, and he gave that to his son.

I left shortly after that, and in a little while, he died. Insofar as I know, this was the last thing he ever did before he went on to be with the Lord. What a dying testimony this man had and surely his works have followed him. I feel most certain that the Lord was honored by this tithe money and I believe that when we have assembled sufficient funds to build our new church building here on the Mission Station, that God will make that \$1.80 worth of material, given by Mini, outshine all the rest of the building.

I believe Mini's dying testimony is also a living testimony to the great Bible truths that we have tried to teach these people, and serves to let you know the kind of mission work that you are supporting.

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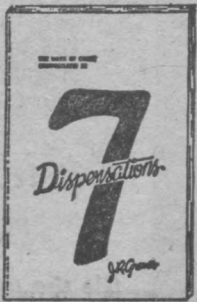
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Why then do we treat it like an unclean thing? Why then do we act as though we despised the Word of the Lord? You may ask, "Wherein have we despised the Word of the Lord?" And the answer is when we are unfaithful to the services of the church. The Lord's church has the **AUTHORITY** to preach the Word. The Word is given for our edification. When we let "other things" interfere with our hearing the Word of God, then those things become more important to us than His Words.

"Wherein have we despised the Word of the Lord?" . . . When we teach our children that the Word is unimportant. We do this in many ways. We permit them to stay away from the services. Or if they come, they sleep through the sermon. Or perhaps they color or write. By permitting these things we are telling our children the Word is unimportant to them. I knew a woman who fed her two youngest children rice crispies all through the service. They snapped, crackled and popped and it is doubtful she heard any of the message, and it's certain the children didn't. I've known several women who have a ruling that if the children are so sleepy they cannot stay awake through services, then they

must take a nap as soon as they get home. It's amazing how they wake up. We not only need to highly esteem God's Word, but we also have a responsibility to teach our children.

Wherein do we despise the Word of the Lord? When we permit our minds to wander and dwell on other things during the preaching. Truly the spirit is willing but our flesh is weak. How often have you realized that you had been thinking of what to fix for dinner and had missed a whole section of the sermon? You know, Satan is the prince and power of the air. And I often wonder if he isn't busy distracting our minds and snatching the Words of the Lord right out of the air. They never reach our ears. No doubt, that portion was the very words we needed that day to build us up spiritually. Yes, it takes a great deal of discipline to concentrate on the Word. But surely one hour is not asking too much. Can we not wait with the Lord one hour?

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). The Word of the Lord is to our spirit life what the blood is to our physical life. Let us not deprive ourselves or our children of this life-giving source. The Word strengthens, encourages, comforts, rebukes, enlightens, and corrects us. Oh, that we might esteem most highly — that it might be our prized possession — that we would honor it and teach others to honor it also!

### Church . . . Kingdom

(Continued from page three) and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them; and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years."

A resurrection is necessary for the dead saints to enter the thousand year reign on earth. Paul told the Corinthians: "Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead

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shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed" (I Cor. 15:50-52).

### Subjects Of The Kingdom

Christ is to reign on earth over literal nations. He is to reign in Jerusalem from David's throne. As David ruled over living nations on earth, so will Christ. Since Christ and the saints are to rule the world, the question would naturally arise as to whom they shall reign over.

The Scriptures teach that the subjects of the Messianic Kingdom will be Jews and Gentiles in living bodies. "Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: and all nations shall serve him" (Psa. 72:11). "And all rulers shall serve and obey him" (Dan. 7:27). In Revelation 2:26 the overcomer is said to have "power over the nations." Paul told the Corinthians

saved people in literal bodies as the subjects of the Millennium. Since according to them the translation of all the living saints has just occurred prior to the judgment of the nations, there cannot possibly be any saints left in literal bodies. They must either say that the sheep in Matthew 25 are all lost, or take the position of a split rapture. Either would be extremely hard to reconcile with the teachings of the Scriptures.

The Old Testament reveals there is to be a judgment of the Jewish nation before the Millennium commences. The unsaved Jew will not inherit the kingdom any more than the unsaved Gentile. Ezekiel relates: "And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant: And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am the Lord" (Ezek. 20:37-38). (See also Isa. 1:19-31; 65:11-16; 66:15-18; Jer. 25:27-33; 30:23-24; Ezek. 11:21; Zech. 13:9; Mal. 3:2-6; 3:18; 4:3).

No unsaved person will inherit the Millennium Kingdom when it is first set up. "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3). "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God" (I Cor. 6:9-10).

The unsaved shall be gathered out of the kingdom: "The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and

them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father" (Matt. 13:41-43).

If no unsaved person enters the Millennium at its beginning, then where does Satan get all the nations to deceive at the end of this time mentioned in Revelation 20:7-9?

The nations whom Satan deceives at the end of the Kingdom Age shall be some of the offsprings of saved people who entered the Millennium in literal bodies. There is to be children born during the thousand year reign. Isaiah 65 speaks of "an infant of days" and "a child." Verse 23 of this same chapter speaks of the "offspring" of the Jews. Zechariah 8:3-5 discloses: "Thus saith the Lord; I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called a city of truth; and the mountain of the Lord of hosts the holy mountain. Thus saith the Lord of hosts; There shall yet old men and old women dwell in the streets of Jerusalem, and every man with his staff in his hand for very age. And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof!"

A-millennialists ridicule the idea of resurrected saints and mortal sinners in the same society. They say such is unthinkable. Zechariah goes on to relate that such a society is a marvellous thing: "Thus saith the Lord of hosts; If it be marvellous in the eyes of the remnant of this people in these days, should it also be marvellous in mine eyes? saith the Lord of hosts" (Zech. 8:6). They seem to forget that Christ in His resurrection body lived among people in mortal bodies.

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that the saints should "judge the world" (I Cor. 6:2).

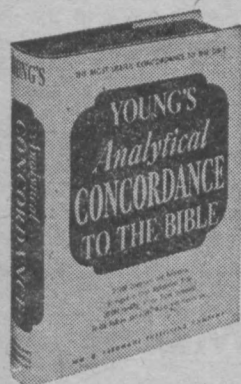
The nations of saved people on the earth after the Judgment of the nations shall enter the kingdom in literal bodies: "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory. And before him shall be gathered all nations; and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world" (Matt. 25:31-34).

The goat nations will be sent to Hell: "Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels" (Matt. 25:41).

The sheep nations and the brethren shall enter the kingdom in literal bodies. No unsaved person can enter the kingdom as it is first set up. Those who enter the kingdom in Matthew 25 are called "sheep," "righteous," and "blessed." Their works prove this and they are said to have eternal life in verse 46.

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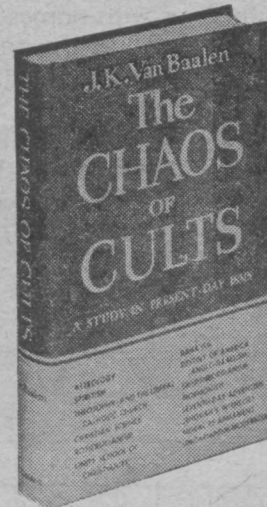
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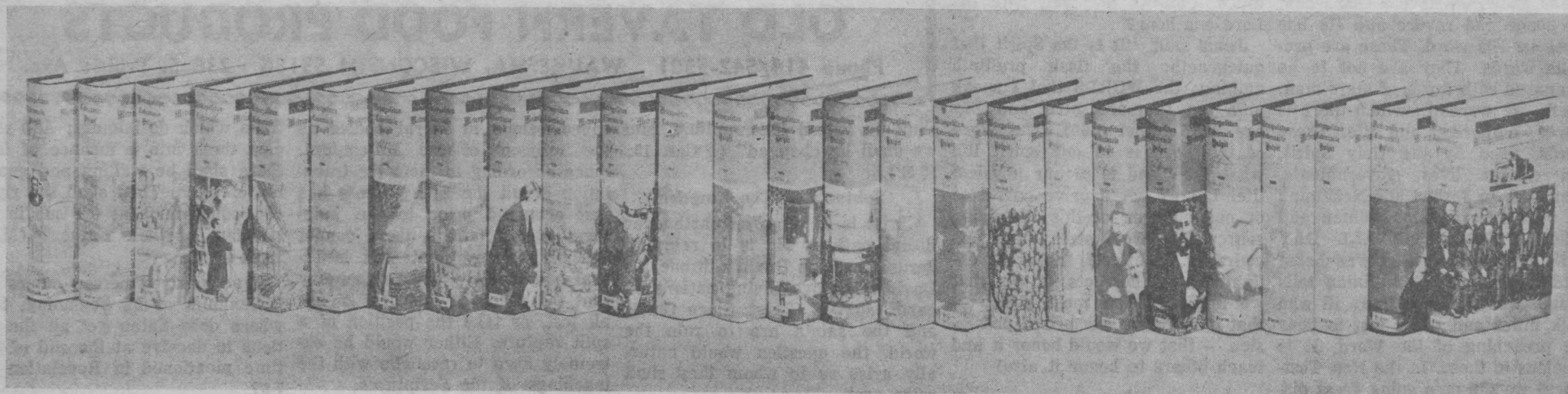


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### John Ploughman

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If we would always recollect that we live among men who are imperfect, we should not be in such a fever when we find out our friends' failings; what's rotten will rend, and cracked pots will leak. Blessed is he who expects nothing of poor flesh and blood, for he shall never be disappointed.

The best of men are men at the best, and the best wax will melt.

It is a good horse that never stumbles.  
And a good wife that never grumbles.

But surely such horses and wives are only found in the fool's paradise, where dumplings grow on trees. In this wicked world the straightest timber has knots in it, and the cleanest field of wheat has

its share of weeds. The most careful driver one day upsets the car, the cleverest cook spills a little broth, and as I know to my sorrow a very decent ploughman will now and then break the plough, and often make a crooked furrow. It is foolish to turn off a tried friend because of a failing or two, for you may get rid of a one-eyed nag and buy a blind one.

Being all of us full of faults, we ought to keep two bears, and learn to bear and forebear with one another; since we all live in glass houses, we should none of us throw stones. Everybody laughs when the saucepan says to the kettle, "How black you are!" Other men's imperfections show us our imperfections, for one sheep is much like another, and if there's an apple in my neighbor's eye, there is no doubt one in mine. We ought to use our neighbors as looking glasses to see our own faults in, and mend in our selves what we see in them.

I have no patience with those who poke their noses into every man's house to smell out his faults, and put on magnifying glasses to discover their neighbor's flaws; such folk had better look at home, they might see the Devil where they little expected. What we wish to see we shall see, or think we see. Faults are always thick where love is thin. A white cow is all black if your eye chooses to make it so. If we sniff long enough at rose water, we shall find out that it has a bad smell. It would be a far more pleasant business — at least for other people — if fault hunters would turn their dogs to hunt out the good points in other folk; the game would pay better, and nobody would stand with a pitchfork

to keep the huntsmen off his farm.

As for our own faults, it would take a large slate to hold the account of them, but, thank God we know where to take them, and how to get the better of them. With all our faults, God loves us still if we are trusting in His Son, therefore let us not be downhearted, but hope to live and learn, and do some good service before we die. Though the cart creaks it will get home with its load, and the old horse, broken kneed as he is, will do a sight of work yet. There's no use in lying down and doing nothing, because we cannot do everything as we should like. Faults or no faults, ploughing must be done, and imperfect people must do it too, or there will be no harvest next year; bad ploughman as John may be, the angels won't do his work for him, and so he is off to do it himself. Go along, Violet! Gee woa! Depper!



### Election

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and existence of God. Neither can I explain the Trinity, yet I believe in the Trinity. I can't explain how geese and chickens and

hogs and cows can feed on corn and how the food makes feathers on geese, bristles on hogs and hairs on cows, but I know this happens.

Just remember — the Arminian and the Hardshell are both rationalists, and they belong in the same class as the Modernists. Modernists reject part of the Bible because it is not in accord with their puny reasoning. Arminians and the Hardshells do the same identical thing with reference to election. One group goes off at a tangent on free-will; the other group goes off at a tangent in the opposite direction. The Arminian virtually makes man sovereign, while the Hardshell has a spell of the "can't help its!" The right attitude is to accept the truth that God is sovereign, that election is true, yet that man is a responsible being who will be judged for his deeds. I can't reason out just exactly how this can be, but I accept it as a matter of divine revelation, with the willingness that God shall explain and reconcile in his own good time.

I believe that there are several mistakes made concerning the doctrine of election: (Continued on page 7, column 3)

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### "Under His Wings"

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atonement, it was by sprinkling blood upon the mercy seat under the wings of the cherubim.

Of course, the blood of goats and calves did not actually blot out the sins of Israel. Instead, this merely looked forward to the time when Christ would come to die for the sins of the elect. Listen:

"Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained ETERNAL REDEMPTION FOR US. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And without shedding of blood is no remission."—Heb. 9:12-14, 22.

Thus, the Jews were saved in precisely the same manner that Gentiles are saved today. The blood of the animals slain looked forward to the time when Jesus would die. The Jews looked forward to Christ's death just as we look backward to His death.

Thus, when the blood was sprinkled beneath the wings of the Cherubim, it would tell us that the place of sprinkled blood is in Christ, since the ark and the mercy seat was symbolic of His presence.

How we rejoice that this is our only way of escape, and we have this hope in His blood.

"What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Oh! precious is the flow  
That makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my pardon this I see—  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
For my cleansing, this my plea—  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
Naught of good that I have done,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace—  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness —  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus."

Thus, under the wings of the

cherubim there was the law, Aaron's rod that budded, the golden pot of manna, and the sprinkled blood. Since those wings of the cherubim were symbolic of the presence of God, then today we rejoice that the law which was fulfilled in Christ, is "under His wings," all of our authority is gathered through Him; our satisfaction comes through Him; and our salvation in the blood comes through Him.

Whenever we speak of wings, immediately we think of implied danger. Eaglets, chicks, and birds run under their mother's wings whenever danger threatens. Whether he realizes it or not, the sinner is daily and hourly in danger.

Sinner friend, as you look out in front of you, you can see today that there are many pitfalls of sin before you. As you look about you, you can see that there are many storms of temptation brewing. As you look ahead, you can see that the broad road leads ultimately to destruction. If you will look above, you can see that the wrath of God is abiding on you. Even when you look within, you can see that there is a depraved, deceitful, and dissatisfied heart. All this means that you are in danger. In your present state, there is no escape, there is no hope. You are in danger. As eaglets, birds, and chicks run under their mother's wings when danger threatens, may God grant that you, in the presence of danger about you, before you, ahead of you, above you, and within you — may you thus flee to Him and "under His wings" find the law fulfilled; learn that there you have all the authority which you need for life; find in Him your perfect source of satisfaction; and there find yourself sheltered by the blood.

May I ask you a simple question: Are you "under His wings"? If not, then heed this Scripture:

"I am THE DOOR: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture"—John 10:9.

And when you come to Him and rest "under His wings," you will find the most complete satisfaction that has ever swept over you.

"Under His wings I am safely abiding;  
Though the night deepens and tempests are wild,  
Still I can trust Him; I know He will keep me;

He has redeemed me, and I am His child.

Under His wings, under His wings,  
Who from His love can sever:  
Under His wings my soul shall abide,  
Safely abide forever.

Under His wings, what a refuge in sorrow!  
How the heart yearningly turns to His rest!  
Often when earth has no balm for my healing,  
There I find comfort, and there I am blest.

Under His wings, O what precious enjoyment!  
There will I hide till life's trials are o'er;  
Sheltered, protected, no evil can harm me;  
Resting in Jesus I'm safe evermore.

Under His wings, under His wings,  
Who from His love can sever?  
Under His wings my soul shall abide,  
Safely abide forever."



### Election

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1—The first mistake is to HARP ON THAT SUBJECT ALL THE TIME, AND TO PREACH ON IT EVERY TIME ONE GOES INTO THE PULPIT. I know a preacher who drifts into predestination no matter what subject he is supposed to be discussing. He has carried it to such an extreme that he has been given the nickname of "Old Predestination." Of course, it is also a mistake to deal with this question so seldom that people remain in complete ignorance of it — and this is the mistake most often made.

2—The second mistake is to REFUSE TO MAKE A BIBLE STUDY OF ELECTION. I know two independent Baptist Colleges that ban the subject of election entirely. No discussions of it are allowed in class rooms. I had a family that moved into our community. They had belonged to a church whose pastor ridiculed the Bible view of election. I mentioned election in a sermon one Sunday, and that family took it out on me. I learned that they had said that the first time I mentioned election, they would be "long gone," and they kept their word. No matter about the Bible — their minds were absolutely closed on the subject.

3—Another tremendous mistake is THE EFFORT TO HANDLE GOD'S PART IN ELECTION. I have known men who feared to give a fervent gospel invitation, lest some non-elect person might be led to make a profession of faith. Sometimes I have had the feeling that they were "sorta" afraid that someone might get into the Kingdom in spite of election. Listen: I remember that Jesus "on the last great day of the feast," stood and cried out, "If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink." Following that pattern, why shouldn't I get wrought up enough to cry aloud, "If any man thirst, let him come to Christ and drink!" If I had a preacher helping me in a meeting, he couldn't be too much in earnest. If he walked the aisles, with the tears flowing down his face, and pleaded with the lost, that would be alright with me. God used that sort of thing when I was lost. A young man was preaching in a revival and he really got in earnest. He walked down the aisle and stopped right in front of me. He poked his finger down close to my nose and said, "Young man, are you a Christian?" If he had thrown a fire cracker under my feet, I wouldn't have been more startled. That was the first time I had ever really faced that question. Next

day I labored under miserable conviction, until finally just before church time I trusted the Lord to save me. When I went to church that night, as I entered the building they were singing,

"Sunlight, sunlight in my soul today,  
Sunlight, sunlight, all along the way,  
Since the Saviour found me,  
took away my sin,  
I have had the sunlight of his love within."

That was just how I felt exactly, and that sunlight has never gone out of my soul until this day. Before I went to bed, I prayed for the first time, and the next morning I got up and went to Sunday School for the first time in my life. I say thank the Lord for preachers who love God and human souls enough to plead even through their tears for men to be reconciled unto God. But listen—the minute a preacher starts some tricky proposition, or pulls some evangelistic stunt in an attempt to rustle in converts, I'm off of him right there.

My subject is worded, "Election — cheering, thrilling, missionary," so I must move along.

1—Let me deal with the Cheering Part. Hardshells and extremists make a doleful doctrine out of election. I used to have an old Hardshell who came to hear me preach nearly every Sunday night. Often as he left the church he would say to me, "I have a hope — I have a hope." He didn't believe that anyone could be sure he was one of the elect. The best he could do was just to hope that he might be. "I have a certainty, I know I am of the elect, for I am trusting in Christ and his shed blood for my salvation, and non-elect people don't do this."

I lived right close to a Hardshell church once, and they had a series of meetings. I attended a meeting one night, and the preacher seemed scared for fear some non-elect person might get into the Kingdom. He made it clear over and over that he wasn't speaking to the lost — he was only trying to "feed the sheep." I might make the remark that the food he offered the sheep was mighty cold stuff. During my lifetime in the ministry I have never been afraid that the non-elect would get into the Kingdom in spite of God. It was my business to preach Christ the Saviour — not my business to know who might be elect. I have always left that with God. The Gospel of Christ is the very dynamite of God unto salvation. "My Word," says God, "shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish the purpose whereunto I have sent it." Turn the Word loose! Fervently preach the gospel, and rest assured that God will energize and bless it. I have preached over from one to fifteen radio stations each week for upwards of 30 years now, and few times I ever failed to preach to the lost. God has used the preaching in an astonishing way. For years our church has preached down through the West Indies, and there are men preach-

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I have often thought of Paul. He carried on a missionary ministry down through the heathen world, and in place after place he had to move on to save his life. Finally he went to Corinth. Here again he met opposition. It looked as if he would have to clear out again. But the Lord appeared to him in the night and told him to stay right where he was, and what did he use to encourage him? He used ELECTION. (Acts 18:9-11). Paul was promised immunity from personal violence. God predestinated that Paul should not be harmed. Wasn't that cheering? Not only that, he promised him success in reaching a lot of people in this city. Who were these people? Not people already saved, for at that time the Lord didn't have any people to speak of in Corinth. Who were they? They were people whom God had elected to eternal life, and Paul's preaching would call them out. Now you can study that passage all you want to, and that's all it can be made to mean. So, in one of the darkest periods of Paul's life, God cheered him with the doctrine of election. Election has never discouraged me — it has always brought cheer and gladness to my heart. As I have faced congregations, I have thought, (Continued on page 8, column 2)



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We have many friends all over America, and some in other parts of the world, that will soon be joining Mini that will leave behind vast amounts of money to be squandered among relatives, many of them ungrateful for what will be given them. What a blessing it would be to this work if you would follow the example of this native pastor here in New Guinea and invest the most of your life's savings in eternity also! Truly this would be one way that your works would follow you.

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## Election

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Maybe the Lord has some elect people here—and maybe he has ordained that my preaching should call them out." I preached in that hope, and hundreds of times it turned out that way. "As many as were ordained unto eternal life believed."

The same apostle Paul spent fourteen days and nights in a Mediterranean storm. All human hope was gone, but the angel ap-

peared to Paul in the night and said to him, "Be of good cheer . . . thou shalt stand before Caesar, and I, God hath given thee the lives of all that sail with thee." He cheered him in that dark hour with the knowledge that he was elected to live and to reach Rome. And Paul spoke to his fellow voyagers and cheered them up. With what? With good old predestination. He told them that God had foreordained all of them should be saved. Yes, election and predestination and foreordination are all cheering things.

2—But not only is election cheering — ELECTION IS THRILLING. I feel sorry for people who don't believe in Bible election, for they are in a world of uncertainty. They are in a world where the devil may finally win out. Such persons think of God as being surprised at the things he sees take place in the world. They are like the man who preached on the fall of man, and he pictured God as creating man in such high hopes. Then to His sad amazement He looked down into Eden one day and He saw Eve nibbling on the forbidden fruits, and saw Adam eating the same thing out of Eve's hand. The preacher pictured God as getting desperate busy trying in some way to salvage the situation. Is this the picture drawn here in the Bible? Not by a million miles. What about that passage that says that "Christ stood as a Lamb slain from the foundation of the world?" God had the remedy for man's sin prepared even before the first man was created.

Scientists are saying that in all probability mankind will blow up the earth with atomic weapons. Some Russian or somebody else will get trigger happy — and boom! Up will go everything! I don't put that past human beings at all, but human beings are not running the universe. God has given us a picture of the future, and the thrilling thing about it is the fact that in His picture I see the Lord Jesus Christ on the throne running the whole world, and His word says, "They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy kingdom saith the Lord, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

There is another thrilling thing about election, and that relates to Russia. The devil is using Russia today to keep the whole world in turmoil. They are Hell raisers all over this world. 90 miles off the coast of Florida, there is the lovely island of Cuba. It has gotten into the awful clutches of communism, and people's lives have been made so awful that they have left everything and risked life itself in order to escape. Florida has thousands and thousands of Cuban refugees. Some people shudder as they foresee Russia and Communism taking over the world. God ruined the Russian hope of world empire centuries ago, when He revealed to Daniel that after the Roman Empire there would never be another world empire, with the exception of the brief rule of the anti-christ. God has the fate of godless, atheistic Russia already predestinated, elected and foreordained, and the story is told in Ezekiel, chapters 38 and 39. I read those chapters over and over again. It thrills my very soul to read of how God will utterly smash the military power of that awful nation.

We are living today in dangerous times. It is a time of great change when the devil is really having his inning. Crime is on the increase, churches are jammed with unregenerates, Christianity is being perverted, the seminaries are filling young preachers with infidelity, and so-called theologians are moaning that "God is dead." From the human standpoint we could take a seat with Elijah under the juniper tree, and could give up in despair. Do you know why we don't have to mourn under the juniper tree? The

answer is ELECTION! The Bible foretells these times, and says that such things as we are seeing will characterize the last days. But the growing and overspreading evil — the darkness of sin's night, is but the harbinger of the dawn and the sunrise. As I view the devil's work about me, my heart thrills and my soul sings, "Jesus is coming! Jesus is coming!"

The poor old Arminian doesn't have anything to cheer him. So far as he knows the devil may win out after all. Do you know — if the Arminian is consistent — he doesn't have any prophecy. What is prophecy anyhow? It is not a thing in the world but events that are elected to come to pass. As a boy I was a great reader of stories. Sometimes at night I would get away along in a book, and things were really in a mess. The villain had shut the hero up in an old house, and he had tied the heroine across the railroad track, and I could hear the toot of the fast train in the distance. About that time mother would call from the other room and say, "Son, it's time you were asleep. Turn out that light, and I mean right now!" What was I to do—leave my favorite characters of the story to die — leave the pretty heroine to be ground to sausage meat beneath that train? You can guess what I did — I hurriedly turned to the back of the book to see how things turned out. Yes, there they were, my hero and heroine, living in a beautiful cottage, and their children were playing all over the front yard. So, the villain didn't get them after all! Oh, listen — I've turned over to the back of God's great story too, and my soul has been stirred and my heart thrilled as I have learned how it all comes out in the end. The devil has been jailed, and God's people are living in peace and there is the New Jerusalem, and happiness—and out beyond that an eternity of gladness in prospect, glorious enough to make us jump up and down and holler "Hallelujah!" Say, some of you folks please remind me of what I am saying tonight, when one day we shall stroll down the streets of gold, or sit under the shade of the tree of life beside the River of Life over yonder! That's all predicted and elected to come to pass. I'm telling you that the devil, and Russia, and the dirty politicians and the whole devil's gang are not going to win out. Election simply ruins the whole outfit.

But now last of all, my subject requires me to speak on ELECTION — MISSIONARY. I wouldn't give much for anybody's election if it doesn't name him missionary. "But why be concerned about missions if everybody in God's elect plan is going to be saved anyhow?" — that is the question I am asked. The answer is, nobody is going to be saved, apart from means. When God elects a thing to come to pass, He likewise elects the means necessary to bring it to pass. I like to think that I have been God's means in reaching some people for Christ. Missions is God's means of reaching out into the lost world. I remember being in conversation with a Hardshell once and I said, "the thing that is wrong with you folks is you don't believe in the sovereignty of God." The Hardshell bristled immediately and said, "Don't believe in the sovereignty of God! Why if there is anything in the world that we DO believe in, it is the sovereignty of God." I said, "No — you just think you do." "What is a sovereign anyhow?" "Well, I guess it is a boss—it is a ruler." I said, "Your Boss said to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, and you refuse to do it. If you believed in the sovereignty of God, you would try to do what He tells you to do."

There are several reasons for missionary work:

1 — GOD SAYS FOR US TO TAKE THE GOSPEL TO THE WORLD, and he means it. It isn't our business to begin quibbling and say, "Lord, if you have elected people to salvation, they will be saved whether we send the gos-

pel or not." God curses a church with utter barrenness when the members talk like that. There is a little brick Hardshell church in Tampa that I have often passed. It is the stingiest looking little building. Services about once a month. No growth — no anything in the last 40 years. God simply doesn't bless a non-missionary church.

2 — A second reason for missionary work, is that GOD USES THE PREACHING OF THE GOSPEL AS HIS MEANS OF REACHING THE LOST. "The gospel is the power of God unto salvation," and people are not saved in ignorance of the gospel.

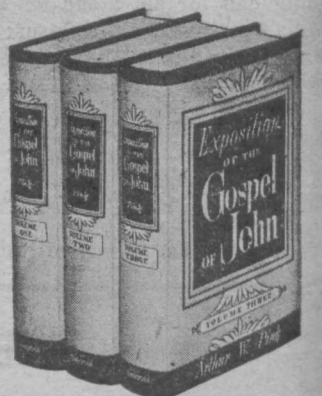
3 — A third reason, is that RESULTS OF MISSIONARY WORK PROVES THAT GOD'S BLESSINGS ARE UPON THE DOING OF MISSIONARY WORK.

I went to Brazil years ago as a missionary, and I got to see first hand, the blessings that have come through missions. Some of the finest, most radiant Christians I have ever seen, were those Brazilian people who had turned to Christ through hearing the gospel. Election, as taught here in this Bible, doesn't kill evangelism and it doesn't kill missions. The greatest preachers of the past have been strong predestinarians. They had the spirit of Paul who said, "I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they too may obtain salvation with eternal glory."

But now, as I close, let me come down to you people in this congregation. Let me make it personal — let me speak to you! Are YOU a Christian? Are you saved? Do you have Christ and Christ alone as your hope of eternal glory? Maybe someone says, "Am I one of the elect?" I can tell you in a minute if you will tell me that you have received Christ as your Saviour and are depending wholly on His blood for cleansing from sin. Do you want to be saved? Do you want eternal life? If you do, that is good evidence that you are one of God's elect. And let me tell you this — if you want to be saved, you can be saved. You can come to Christ, and and you have His own promise, "Him that cometh unto me, I will in no wise cast out." Praise God for good old Bible election! The fulfillment of all prophecy depends upon it. Our salvation has come about because of it. Our eternal security depends upon it. Satan will go down in defeat, and all the glories of God's wonderful future shall be ours, because God elected it so, and the "purpose of God according to election will stand."

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