

# The Baptist Examiner

Baptist Is Our Middle Name

*Paid Circulation In All States And In Many Foreign Countries*  
*"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*

Vol. 42, No. 44

ASHLAND, KENTUCKY, NOVEMBER 30, 1974

WHOLE NUMBER 1998

## AN OPEN LETTER TO JOHN CHANCELLOR

THE TEXTBOOK CONTROVERSY IN WEST VIRGINIA DESERVES FAIR TREATMENT, WHICH THE PROTESTORS HAVE NOT BEEN GETTING, FROM ALL NEWS MEDIA!

Mr. John Chancellor  
 NBC Nightly News  
 New York City

My Dear Mr. Chancellor:

You are my favorite news analyst by far, and almost always without exception, I watch your newscast each evening. I have always felt that you tried to be fair in your presentation of the news.

However, I feel that you have greatly erred in the manner whereby you have presented the textbook controversy in Kanawha County, West Virginia. You have made it appear that all the educated and refined folk of Kanawha County were in favor of the textbooks, and that only a lower segment of society were opposing them.

I do not know Alice Moore, the lone Board member who has stood her ground opposing these text-

books, but from her appearance on television, I would say that she is an exceedingly high-type, refined, and cultured lady. However, when you presented your telecast, you bypassed her. I would say that she would rank equally with any of those who are in favor of the textbooks, and perhaps, would even surpass them. In my humble opinion, she far surpasses all the Board.

To be sure, I am seventy miles west of Kanawha County, but the sentiments of the book protesters are my sentiments too. I think I might be justified in calling attention to the fact that I am the recipient of a cum laude degree from Georgetown College and that I have honorary degrees from three universities. I mention this that I might say that not all of us who are opposed to the textbooks are

illiterate and boorish. I am satisfied that there is as much education and culture on the side of those who are opposed to the textbooks as there is on the side of those who favor the textbooks.

At any rate, I think you definitely owe an apology to those who oppose the textbooks, since you have downgraded the textbook protesters so greatly.

Believing that you are an honest man and desirous of presenting the truth, I would certainly ask that you sincerely apologize to the textbook protesters, and to Alice Moore in particular for bypassing her — the next time you bring out the "Editor's Notebook."

May I add another personal word: On Thanksgiving, I will round out fifty complete years in the ministry as a Baptist preacher and I am happy to take my stand in opposition to these textbooks.

Very respectfully,  
 John R. Gilpin

## THIS IS PROPER WAY TO HANDLE HERETICAL PAPER

JOSEPH M. WILSON  
 Tulsa, Oklahoma

I have before me the August 9th issue of THE SWORD OF THE LORD. Oh, how wretched it is! A lover of Spurgeon and a lover of the truths he preached is made sick at heart, and then angry in soul, at the terrible misrepresentation of, and lies about Spurgeon in this issue. I could hardly finish reading it. Surely, those responsible will answer to God some day. A man could hardly be more dishonest than this article is. I have been accused of using bad language in TBE. I have been asked by many to tone down somewhat. Well, I guess I better in this case. I find it hard to find words to describe my feelings about this article in Rice's Sword. I am sick over it. I am angry over it. It is so terrible that I hesitate to let myself go on blasting it, lest I exceed the bounds of Christian propriety.

It is the old, old dodge about Spurgeon. The article takes many quotes and partial quotes from different Spurgeon sermons. The

## Another Patrol Made By Our Faithful Missionary

FRED T. HALLIMAN  
 Missionary To New Guinea

Dear Friends:

Greetings to each of you in the name of our dear Lord. I trust that this finds each of you enjoying the blessings of the Lord and growing spiritually with each passing day.

All is well with us here in New Guinea, generally speaking. We have our bouts with Satan to be sure, but we are always ready to bounce right back. To use an expression of one of my teachers in Bible College it would go like this: "Our fight with Satan is somewhat like that of two prize fighters, yet at the same time completely different. A fighter can knock down his opponent and sometimes out — Satan can get a Christian down but never out." Praise God for the fact that we are eternally secure in Him.

Another Mission Patrol Has Been Made

Of recent date we have completed another mission patrol, visiting three different areas and baptizing several people. Myself and one of the preachers left the Mission Station early one Wednesday morning and our destination for that day was our other Mission Station at the far end of the Duna area, Haiwi. By 10:00 a.m. we had reached a point where we could drive no farther and we parked

the vehicle and unloaded our gear. I did not bother about taking any carriers along from this end, expecting to be able to get all the help I needed where I would have to leave the vehicle.

Along the way we had picked up one man who said he wanted to go with us on to Haiwi and would help with the supplies. By the time we had reached the place where



FRED T. HALLIMAN

we had to park, this fellow was so sick he was hardly able to stand up; he was "car sick." Not only had he gotten sick but he had vomited all over the back of the vehicle and on some of the supplies. Needless to say, apart from the fact that we had a big mess to clean up in the car, the man was now useless to us insofar as being able to help with carrying the supplies.

(Continued on page 2, column 4)

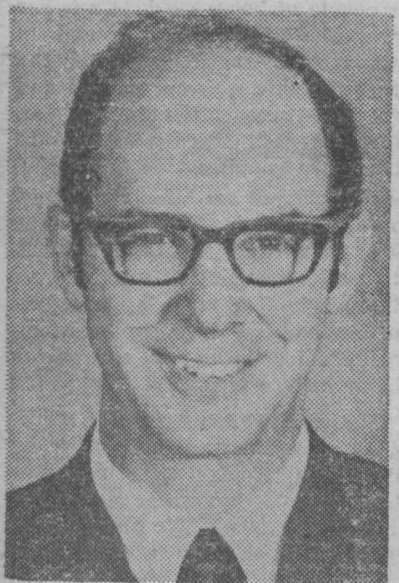
## What The Lampstand Of Tabernacle Means To Us

By WILLARD WILLIS  
 Monroe, Ohio

Exodus 25:31-40.

We now seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we continue our study of the Tabernacle. May He, the Spirit, as we pause before the lampstand, explain its meaning to us by way of the Word.

Several years ago my family and I journeyed to Springfield, Illinois, where we had a guided tour through Mr. Lincoln's home. We paused before many original pieces of furniture and listened to our guide as she informed us of the part each piece played in Mr. Lincoln's life. We come now, how-



ELDER WILLARD WILLIS

ever, to the "lampstand" in the tabernacle and ask our guide, the Spirit, to open the Word to us so that we may understand its meaning.

I wish to emphasize, at this point in my message, that it takes time and study to understand God's Word. It is true that He, the Spirit, will teach us, but He will not teach us aside from the Word. One may have beans in his garden, but time and work must be expended before they will profit us. The same applies to the Word. God expects us to study, at which time the Spirit will instruct us as to the meaning of that which we read. A minister, as he stands before

the people, must expect God, the Spirit, to fill his mouth with only that which he has learned. It is like the needle on a record. The needle will only bring forth that which is on the record. The Holy Spirit, in like manner, brings to our remembrance that which we have learned.

We, as we ponder the lampstand, should note, first of all, that it is a lampstand rather than a candlestick. My Bible terms it a "candlestick," but the correct rendering is lampstand. This is because there were no candles burned thereon.

The fact that the lampstand was located in the holy place along with the table, bread and golden altar, helps us to understand its significance. The significance being that there could have been no service rendered at the golden table or the golden altar aside from the lampstand. A blind man may own a new car, but what value is it to him if he can't see to drive it. What value would the table, shewbread and golden altar have been to Aaron, if there had been no lighted lampstand?

There was no natural light in the holy place. The light of nature did not shine there, only the light from the lampstand. This same truth applies to the spiritual realm today, that is, the natural light we have is not sufficient to light up

(Continued on page 4, column 4)

## Some Things The Bible Teaches About Election

By DAN PHILLIPS  
 Bristol, Virginia

Most preachers are afraid to preach the great Bible doctrines of Election of Grace today, some because they are afraid that they will lose their salary; others, because they are afraid that they will hurt somebody's feelings or lose friends. Everybody wants to be a popular preacher today. Beloved, God never told us to be popular, but to be faithful to His Word. Webster's Dictionary says, "THOSE CHOSEN TO ETERNAL LIFE BY DIVINE SOVEREIGNTY."

He says, "Election: The selection by divine sovereignty of certain individuals."

First let us notice what election is not:

Some say that God voted for you and Satan voted for you, and you cast the deciding vote. Beloved, this is silly, because this election took place in eternity and you were not there to cast your vote. I heard a fellow say one time that Satan was not registered to vote in that election. GOD IS THE AUTHOR OF ELECTION.

Others say that God through His foreknowledge looked down through time and saw that we were going to believe or do something, so He chose or elected us for doing a good work of believing. But you

say believing is not a good work. Beloved, anything you do is a good work. You cannot believe unless the Spirit of God makes you alive by His conviction power. Eph. 2:9 says, "Not of works, lest any man should boast, but of God choosing persons to salvation out of lost humanity. He (God) inspired the Apostle Paul to say in Rom. 8:29, "In whom," not "in what." Notice this verse, "For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son that he might be the first born among many brethren." The next verse says, He called and justified as if it has already happened.

YOU MAY SAY, "WHAT IS ELECTION THEN?"

Beloved, it is God choosing or



ELD. DAN PHILLIPS

electing out a people for His glory, because it seemed good in His sight. We are saved by grace and this word "Grace" means unmerited favor. If we do anything, it would not be of grace, but it would be because we merited something (of works). Charles Spurgeon, the noted English Baptist preacher said, "If the Bible speaks of elect people, then there must be an election."

ELECTION IS A BAPTIST DOCTRINE.

The New Hampshire Confession of Faith, which is a watered down revision of the Philadelphia Confession, states our position on election. (Continued on page 8, column 3)

## The Baptist Examiner Pulpit

A Sermon by Pastor John R. Gilpin

### "DRAWING THE AWAKENED"

"Draw me, we will run after thee"—Sol. 1:4.

The name of the book would indicate to us the author of the book. It is the Song of Solomon and was written by King Solomon under inspiration.

I am sure there was never any man in all the world that sought after happiness more than did Solomon, or who sought it in as many ways as did Solomon, yet never found it. We would certainly say

that Solomon sought for happiness in all the forms of God's creatures and God's creation, yet he found no happiness.

If you would know more of his experience, turn back to the book of Ecclesiastes, which gives to us the experience of King Solomon in his quest for happiness, and his failure to find such in all of God's creatures and God's creation. We read:

"I said in mine heart, Go to now,

I will prove thee with mirth, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also is vanity. I said of laughter, It is mad: and of mirth, What doeth it? I sought in mine heart to give myself unto wine, yet acquainting mine heart with wisdom: and to lay hold on folly, till I might see what was that good for the sons of men, which they should do under the heaven all the days of their life.

(Continued on page 2, column 1)



## The Baptist Examiner

The Baptist Paper for the  
Baptist People

JOHN R. GILPIN ..... Editor

Editorial Department, located in  
ASHLAND, KENTUCKY, where all  
subscriptions and communications  
should be sent. Address: P.O. Box  
#10, zip code 41101.

Published weekly, with paid cir-  
culation in every state and many  
foreign countries.

### SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One year — \$2.00; Two years — \$3.50  
Five years — \$7.00; Life — \$25.00

CLUB RATES: 15 or more — each \$1.50  
When you subscribe for others or  
secure subscriptions — each \$1.50

BUNDLES: 10 to 50 copies to one address  
\$10.00 for each 10 yearly; 60 to 100  
copies to one address \$9.00 for each  
10 yearly.

FOREIGN: Same as in the United States.

PLANNING TO MOVE? Notify us three  
weeks in advance. The Post Office does  
not forward second class mail and they  
charge us 10c for each "change of ad-  
dress" notice. Please save us this ex-  
pense.

Entered as second class matter  
MAY 9, 1961, in the post office  
at Ashland, Kentucky, under the  
act of March 3, 1879.

## "Draw . . Awakened"

(Continued from page one)

"I made me great works: I  
built me houses; I planted me  
vineyards: I made me gardens and  
orchards, and I planted trees in  
them of all kind of fruits: I made  
me pools of water, to water there-  
with the wood that bringeth forth  
trees. I got me servants and maid-  
ens, and had servants born in my  
house; also I had great possessions  
of great and small cattle above  
all that were in Jerusalem before  
me: I gathered me also silver and  
gold, and the peculiar treasure of  
kings and of the provinces: I gat  
me men singers and women sing-  
ers, and the delights of the sons  
of men, as musical instruments,  
and that of all sorts.

"So I was great, and increased  
more than all that were before me  
in Jerusalem: also my wisdom re-  
mained with me. And whatsoever  
mine eyes desired I kept not from  
them, I withheld not my heart from  
any joy; for my heart rejoiced in  
all my labour: and this was my  
portion of all my labour.

"Then I looked on all the works  
that my hands had wrought, and  
on the labour that I had laboured  
to do: and, behold, all was vanity  
and vexation of spirit, and there  
was no profit under the sun"—Eccl.  
2:1-11.

This was Solomon's own person-  
al experience. He tried everything,  
everywhere, and everyone to find  
happiness, but nothing satisfied  
him. Mirth, pleasure, laughter,  
even augmented with wine — still  
Solomon had no satisfaction.

He became the greatest builder  
of all time in the building of houses  
and special buildings, including the  
magnificent temple wherein the  
Jews worshipped, yet when all this  
was done, there was no pleasure in  
it.

He turned to agriculture — to  
farming. He planted vineyards,  
gardens, orchards, all kinds of  
fruit, still no satisfaction. He made  
ponds and lakes and pools of water  
and constructed a conduit system  
to water all the trees and the or-  
chards and the vineyards that he  
had planted. There was still no  
satisfaction.

He became wealthy. He had sil-  
ver and gold with all the peculiar  
treasure that he could gather from  
the provinces. I presume that that  
means spices, jewels and wealth  
untold. Most everybody thinks that  
if he could just get wealthy and  
have all the money that he wants,  
he would be satisfied. Solomon  
wasn't. He said that it was just  
vanity and vexation of spirit.

Then I turn to the realm of the  
fine arts — singers, both male and  
female, and musical instruments  
of all kinds. I guess he had his  
own jazz orchestra. I imagine he  
had his own band. He had singers  
of all kinds to entertain him at all

hours. Still he wasn't satisfied.

He said that his increase was  
such that he was greater than any  
man in his day. I am sure that  
that was true. He even became so  
great that anything that his eyes  
saw, he got it. There was nothing  
to keep him from anything that  
he saw and wished.

Now you would think that a man  
that had everything that Solomon  
had, surely would be happy. We  
think sometimes, if I just had a  
thousand dollars, I would be happy;  
or if I just had that new hat that  
I saw in the front window of the  
department store last week, I would  
be happy; or if I just had a new  
automobile, I would be happy. Be-  
loved, Solomon had all these things,  
yet he said, "All is vanity and vex-  
ation of spirit." He tried every-  
thing, I say, but wasn't happy.

Every once in a while, usually  
in the month of December, when  
people are buying gifts, you will  
read an ad that is slanted at, or  
directed to, the man who has ev-  
erything. My reaction at once is  
two-fold: How did he get it, and  
does the Internal Revenue Service  
know he has it?

Here is a man, though, who had  
everything. He didn't have to worry  
about the Internal Revenue Service  
because he controlled it. Though  
Solomon had everything, he said,

"All is vanity and vexation of spir-  
it." He wasn't satisfied.

I say to you, beloved, though  
Solomon sought for happiness in all  
forms of God's creatures and God's  
creation, he found none, but the  
day that the Spirit of God awaken-  
ed him, he said, "Draw me, we  
will run after thee."

That is the experience of every  
one of God Almighty's elect. What  
was true of Solomon is true of me.  
It is true of those of you who are  
saved. It is true of those of you  
who are unsaved. You have never  
yet come to trust Jesus Christ as  
your Saviour. I tell you, beloved,  
though you find no satisfaction in  
this world, when you are awaken-  
ed by the Spirit of God and the  
Word of God, like Solomon you will  
say, "Draw me, we will run after  
thee."

I

### WHY THE SINNER HAS TO BE DRAWN.

I am sure that you know the  
answer without me even turning  
to the Word of God. The sinner  
finds, just as Solomon found, and  
just as I have found, that a man  
can't run after the Lord Jesus  
Christ unless he is drawn by the  
Spirit of God. Listen:

"And even as they did not like  
to retain God in their knowledge,  
(Continued on page 5, column 2)

## VISITED US FROM FLORIDA



Of recent date, Elder and Mrs. George Boyer of the  
Ahava Baptist Church of Plant City, Florida, visited with us  
at Calvary Baptist Church on Wednesday evening, and it was  
a joy indeed to have fellowship with these folk.

What a blessing it is to meet preachers who love the  
Lord, and who believe the Word of God, and who stand for  
it in a stalwart manner. Brother Boyer is just such an indi-  
vidual and it was a real joy to have him in our fellowship on  
this particular Wednesday evening.

Ordinarily, when someone drops in for a service like  
this, we go ahead with our service as planned, but in this in-  
stance, we made an exception and had Brother Boyer to  
preach. As a sound Baptist preacher, he was a blessing to  
each of us who were present, and we thank God for the fact  
that Brother and Sister Boyer came our way as an encour-  
agement to us.

Brother Boyer has recently published a book which we  
have recommended in this paper. We take great pleasure in  
mentioning it again and in urging our readers to write di-  
rectly to Brother Boyer at:

Box 151,  
Plant City, Florida 33566.

The name of the book is:  
"New Testament Outlines and Notes"

The price of the book is: \$4.00.

God bless you Brother Boyer and Sister Boyer. Come  
back and see us again. It will be a joy always to have you  
in our fellowship.

## WE SALUTE THIS FLORIDA CHURCH



### SOVEREIGN GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

Oneco, Florida

ELDER HOWARD SHEPPARD, Pastor

It is a real pleasure to present this Florida church to  
our readers, particularly since many of our readers vacation  
to Florida from time to time, and it is good to tell you of  
this church where you can be sure of hearing the Word of  
God.

For the past twenty-three years, Brother Howard Shep-  
pard, the pastor, has been reading THE BAPTIST EXAM-  
INER and has been blessed greatly with a fuller knowledge  
of the Word of God as a result of his reading. I am so  
thankful that God in His providence brought us together  
and that we have been able to be a blessing to him and  
that he, in turn, is able to be a blessing to the church which  
he pastors.

I have never visited this church but they send a very  
liberal offering to TBE each month and I am sure, in view  
of this, that their doctrinal position must be right. A church  
just doesn't support TBE unless they agree with our position  
doctrinally.

It is a joy to commend this church and Brother Shep-  
pard and I pray God's blessings upon them and would cer-  
tainly urge our friends to visit with them at any time that  
God might make such possible.

### Fred T. Halliman

(Continued from page one)

We set about to try to find some  
help, but seemingly everyone had  
gone somewhere. No one was  
around except a couple of old peo-  
ple and a couple of young girls.  
Finally, an old man said he and his  
two young daughters would help us  
to the next village and we could  
get some help there. I had cut  
down on my supplies before leav-  
ing, to a very minimum, but still  
we had quite a bit to carry. For the  
first time in a long time, I helped  
to carry the patrol box with my  
food and other items which was  
quite heavy. Our first couple of  
miles was to climb a big mountain,  
and by the time we had reached  
the top I had begun to realize that  
I was not as young as I used to be.

In a couple of hours, we made it  
to the next village and, to our dis-  
may, no help was available there—  
almost everyone had gone upon top  
of the mountain to a wedding. This  
meant that we would have about  
another three hours to go with lit-  
tle opportunity of finding anyone.  
The old man and his two daughters  
agreed to go on with us and help  
with the supplies. About 2:30 that  
afternoon, we finally reached Hai-  
wi and I was about as exhausted  
as I have been for a long time.

The people at Haiwi were not  
expecting us and they were scat-  
tered about, so we did not have a  
service that afternoon (I hardly

think I would have been able to  
do much preaching had they want-  
ed a service).

The next day we had quite a full  
day. We started the day off with  
an overflow crowd there at the  
church for preaching services. Af-  
ter that service, we went down to  
the place that the church uses to  
baptize and held a baptismal serv-  
ice — we baptized seven people.  
This place is a beautiful place to  
baptize. A small river runs through  
the area with crystal clear water,  
and at one spot there is a water-  
fall which forms a pool about four  
feet deep, making an ideal place  
to baptize.

After the baptismal service, we  
went back to the church and after  
a couple of hours we held another  
preaching service. This wound up  
our services at Haiwi and the  
next morning we were packed and  
ready to travel on to Lake Kapiago,  
this time with plenty of help to  
carry the supplies.

We arrived at Kapiago about  
noon time and, since no services  
were planned for that day, we spent  
the afternoon in fellowship with  
the people. The next day was Sat-  
urday and we had two services  
planned for the day — one was a  
baptismal service.

Saturday, October 18, was truly  
a memorial day for our work in  
that area. Kapiago has been the  
hardest field that we have worked  
here on this island. We first started  
(Continued on page 3, column 1)



COMPLIMENTS OF

## Sessions Company, Inc.

Represented by THE DUNFEE BROKERAGE CO., INC.

HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA



## Fred T. Halliman

# New Guinea Photo Story

(Continued from page two)

preaching there in 1966, and on October 18, we baptized the first four people from that area. Truly, we have labored hard and waited a long time for God to give the increase and bless our labors to His glory. There have been many times that we could have baptized folk there had we wanted to just fill up a book with names, and while we are interested in seeing this work continue to grow numerically, we dare not try to add to the number without some genuine evidence that the Lord has first added them.

### A Sorceress Baptized

While it may be that I have baptized other people here on this island that practiced sorcery, not until I baptized those at Kapiago did I ever knowingly baptize anyone that had formerly practiced sorcery before being saved. One of the women that I baptized said that for many years prior to her salvation, she was a sorceress. After talking to her for a good long time, I concluded that she and Simon, of Samaria, would have been about co-equals. And while I, like Phillip, could not look into her heart, she gave more than enough Scriptural evidence that she had trusted Christ as her Saviour.

Being our first time to baptize in that area, there were a lot of folk from other missions to observe the service, and what looked like at first was going to be a hindrance to us, turned out to be a blessing. The stream that we were to use for baptizing was not quite deep enough as it was and the missionary had made a small dam the day before in order to form a pool that would be sufficient. When we were getting ready for our service, prior to the baptismal service, someone noticed that the dam had been purposely broken and let the water out. This has happened before to us at other places. Those that oppose us will do everything they can to try to prevent us from baptizing, and when they see that they cannot stop us, they will do everything they know to do to make it harder for us.

Since the dam had to be repaired for the water to build up again, and since it would take quite a while, I felt the Lord had purposely allowed this to happen, and had opened a door for us thereby. I explained to all our visitors that since we were going to have to wait for a while for the water to build up, we might as well make the best of a good opportunity, so I coaxed most of them to come on inside and hear me preach. Most of them did and those that did not sat around outside of the building and got the message anyway. There was a lot of interest shown in the service.

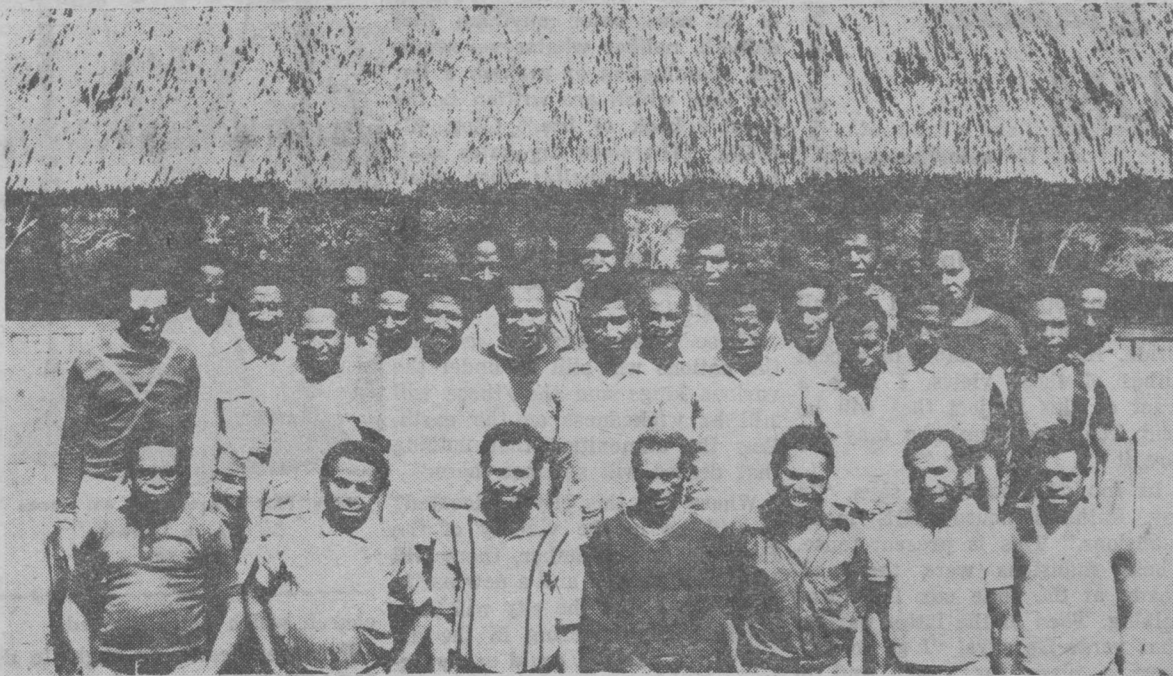
Not too long after our preaching service, we met at the water for our baptizing and the same people that had attended our preaching service plus a few more, were there for that service. The day was finished off with a late afternoon pig feast.

The next morning being Sunday, I had a full day scheduled, so full that I could not stay for the morning service there at our Mission Station in Kapiago. The Lord has opened up another place for us not too far from Kapiago and I had never visited this mission point, so I decided to hold an early morning service there. There were quite a few in attendance and this was an encouraging service. By 9:00 a.m. that morning we had finished the service and our visit for the time to the Lake Kapiago area.

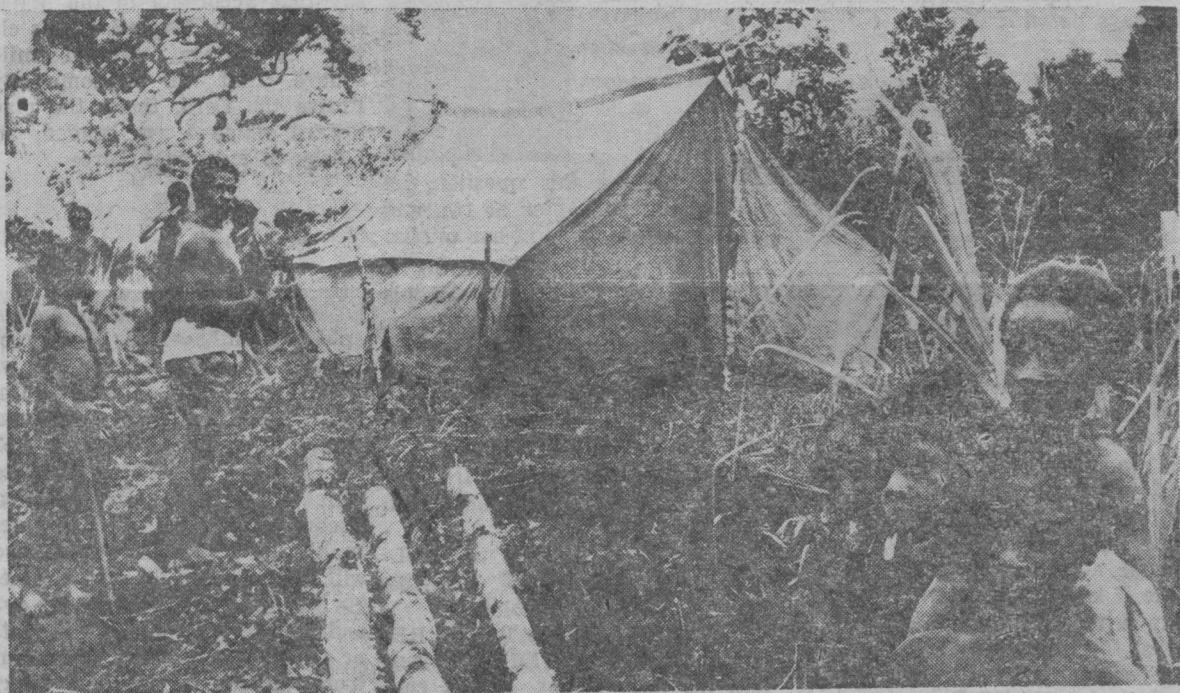
### 10 More Baptized

On our way back from Lake Kapiago we were to make another stop and hold another service to baptize some people. This is in the area where we are having strong opposition from the Protestants. Prior to the baptism, we had been promised that we could expect some excitement if we attempted to baptize there.

We arrived at the river where we



The Lord has given us a great work force here in New Guinea and for this we are most grateful. In this picture you will be able to see the most of the preachers that are helping us to preach the gospel here on this island. This picture was made at our Conference in June at the Guhabia Baptist Church. All but one of the preachers, at the time, are portrayed in this picture. One was on a mission trip and did not know about the Conference in time to get there. There are 28 in this picture. One man that is in this picture is not preaching any more; however, since he has dropped out, the Lord has added two more. You will note that two men have on what looks like spectacles and a pair of sun glasses, the two at the extreme left. One of these is Yoti — the one with the sunglasses on. The other one simply has on a pair of rims of sunglasses, the lenses having been removed. It might be interesting to you to know the names of these preachers. Beginning with the five in the back row, starting at the left: Pastor Tambali, Missionary Horobi, Pastor Petawi, Pastor Egede, Pastor Kambada; second row, Pastor Yoti, Missionary Hebele, Pastor Munungu, Pastor Udau, Missionary Kedela, Pastor Mako, Pastor Adowi, Pastor Pogoni, Pastor Palai, Missionary Kedena, Missionary Hiwi, Pastor Koloma (not preaching any more), Pastor Igebi, Pastor Neowi, Pastor Kitatu, Missionary Tuguadia; bottom row, Pastor Ole, Pastor Ali, Pastor Betege, Missionary Alo, Pastor Aldowa, Pastor Eyane and Missionary Pangidia.



This picture was made on my first patrol into this new area where we have started up in the Huli territory. Apart from my tent and a few individuals in this picture, you will note three poles. This was the beginning of a new building to hold services in. I recently made another patrol into the area and they have their building up and holding services daily.



This picture was made at the same place showing 10 little Huli boys. These little boys followed me everywhere I went. The large stomachs are due mostly to malnutrition.

were to baptize before the missionary and candidates did, as they had to walk some way after finishing their morning service. Shortly after I parked the vehicle, the missionary from the opposition pulled up on his motorcycle and parked a little way back. It

was not too long before he had a crowd of the locals around him and they seemed to have a lot to talk about.

Trying to avoid as much disturbance as possible, I remained in the car until I saw the missionary with the candidates to be baptized

come up. When I got out to start the service, the native missionary walked up with several other men and said he wanted to talk to me. I told him to proceed, but to make it short as I had a service to conduct, and that if he had come to try to break up our service with

violence, he would find himself in much trouble. He promised to control himself and to make his speech short.

After about five minutes, it was quite evident that he had no intentions of keeping his word, as with every breath he was getting louder and louder, and by now he had his mob all worked up and everyone was shouting so loud you could have heard them a mile away. Some of the menfolk from our mission had got worked up over the fact of having slanderous remarks made of them, and by now they had begun to yell back. By now most of the natives were so excited and worked up that they had all but forgotten that I was there. I seized upon this opportunity to motion for the missionary and his candidates to go down by the river bank.

While all the commotion was going on, I quietly slipped out from among the raging mob and went down to the water and with only a prayer, took the candidates into the river and had most of them baptized before the raging mob from the Protestant Mission finally realized that I was not still in their midst. When the last one was baptized, we had another prayer and came out of the water. The native missionary promised that he would be by on Monday morning and go into Koroba, and have me prosecuted for baptizing in the area where he works. I tried to encourage him to proceed with his threat, but to date I have neither seen nor heard from him. Since the baptizing on that Sunday, and after the disturbance, our work in that area has taken on a new surge of growth. Several people that were not formerly attending the Baptist services have started to do so, and they have started preparing materials to build a much larger place of worship. Apart from this, two other groups have said they want to start having Baptist services in their area.

Beloved, we have become so accustomed to being opposed everywhere we go to hold services in new areas, that if this were to cease we would no doubt feel that we were doing no good at all, and sometimes we have temporary setbacks by this opposition, but we learned a long time ago that while pruning a tree seems to set it back temporarily, in order to cause it to produce "much fruit," the axe has to be laid to the useless branches.

After the baptismal service that day, we drove on back to the Mission Station and held our afternoon service there. We feel that God had given us a great week in the mission work here.

I write this on November 2nd, and tomorrow which will be Sunday, we are to have another baptizing not too far from the Mission Station after our morning service here. There are some candidates from some three or four different churches to be baptized.

Beloved, we ask you to remember us to our Lord as you pray that He might continue to give us wisdom and strength to continue on with this work until He is ready for us to quit. From time to time we hear of a few that are disgruntled and dissatisfied with the way we operate, and some feel perhaps that we are misusing the Lord's money. But over against that, the Lord has given us those that try to understand our situation. Brethren, I'll be the first to admit that I am about the most imperfect missionary you have ever had anything to do with, but I can say from my heart that my intentions are noble and good.

Those of you that have occasion to find fault, I would like to ask you to just step into my shoes for a while, working under the same conditions and circumstances that I am, and perhaps you could point out to me where I could improve. (Continued on page 6, column 2)



## The Baptist Examiner FORUM

"In Rev. 21:2, John saw the Holy City, New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of Heaven. When, or at what time, will this Holy City come down? Please discuss in full."

PAUL  
TIBER

PASTOR,  
NEW TESTAMENT  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
1643 Lee Road  
Cleveland Heights,  
Ohio



The sequence of events seems to show that this beautiful and holy event will occur after the passing away of this present "evil" generation. (See verse 1).

When the new Heaven and new earth come into being, it will mean that the old order of things is finished.

We have great difficulty in understanding what it will be like then, because our finite minds, which are of this present order, are totally incapable.

What we know about it, we learn from God's revelation through his gift of faith.

The new city will be glorious, eternally illuminated by God the Father and God the Son! It appears to hover over the earth, shedding its light abroad so that the sun is unnecessary.

It is the eternal abode of the saints as well as the place where God's Glory is manifest.

It is a pure city, sin is not present there, nor is the result of sin present.

It is a glorious city—unspeakable in its beauty.

God's people (particularly those who are in the "Bride of Christ") are citizens of the Heavenly Jerusalem.

"For our citizenship is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ" (Phil. 3:20).

E. G.  
COOK

701 Cambridge  
Birmingham, Ala.  
BIBLE TEACHER  
Philadelphia  
Baptist Church  
Birmingham, Ala.



In Rev. 21:9 an angel said to John, "Come hither, I will show thee the Bride, the Lamb's wife." But in verse 10 the angel shows him "that great city, the Holy Jerusalem, descending out of Heaven from God." When we are discussing the religious world, and Rome is mentioned, everyone knows that the Catholic Church is meant. So just as Rome represents the Catholic Church, the Holy Jerusalem represents our Lord's Bride, because that is her home.

There was a time when I thought all the saints would spend eternity in this Holy City. But that was before I really studied the subject. I know there are many who believe that all the saints of this age will be in the Bride. And there

are many others who hold that all saved Baptists will make up the Bride. But I am unable to accept either of those views. I have a tract on this subject that will be sent free to anyone who may desire it.

In Jno. 14:2 our Lord says, "In my Father's house ARE many mansions." This is present tense. These mansions were there already at the time our Lord was talking. Then in the latter part of that verse He says, "I go to prepare a place for you." And in verse 3 He says, "I will come again, and receive you unto myself: that where I am, there ye may be also." Then in I Thes. 4:16-17, we see our Lord coming for His saints. And in the latter part of verse 17 we read, "And so shall we ever be with the Lord."

So in Jno. 14:3 and in I Thes. 4:17 we see that after our Lord comes for us we are to always be with Him. And since that is true, the Holy City in which His Bride dwells will have to come down at the same time He comes down to set up His kingdom here on this earth. If it does not come down at that time we would not be with Him at that time, so how could we always be with Him?

JAMES  
HOBBS

Rt. 2, Box 182  
McDermott, Ohio  
RADIO SPEAKER  
and MISSIONARY  
Kings Addition  
Baptist Church  
South Shore, Ky.



When it comes to many of the events that are to take place in the last days, I must admit that I am not as well studied as some of my brethren. There are some things that I am sure of. I know, for instance, that my Lord could come at any moment for His people. I know that we will be caught up to be with Him in the air, and that this will take place before the seven year tribulation period. Some of my brethren believe that God's people will go through that seven year tribulation period. I do not believe at all. I know that Christ will sit on the throne of David and reign in Jerusalem for 1,000 years after the 7 year tribulation and the final battle of Armageddon. These are things that I know.

There are some things about which I need to do some additional study before I could make a definite statement. Some think that this event will take place after the millennial reign of Christ. I am not sure, but I am inclined to think that it will descend after the Battle of Armageddon and be here during the reign. My reason for thinking so is found in the following verses:

"And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring glory and honour into it.

And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there. And there shall in no wise enter anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life." (Rev. 21:24-27). "Therefore thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that men may bring unto thee the forces of the Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought." (Isa. 60:11).

These verses imply to me that the nations will still be under the various kings and that there will still be wickedness on the earth, thus the admonition that nothing that defiles will set foot there.

Where will this city be located? It will be in the vicinity of the Holy Land. Remember, there will be a new Heaven and a new earth. Some think that the city will be a satellite city hovering in the air above the earth. I could easily believe this to be the truth. We are told that it is approximately 220 miles high (see verse 16). Twelve thousand furlongs equal approximately 1,100 or 1,500 miles, if it is as long as it is wide, and as high as it is long and wide it would have to be at least 220 miles square and 220 miles high. We must say that the buildings rise to 220 miles high or that it is 220 miles in the air. The walls are 144 cubits or approximately 264 feet high. (Vs. 17).

ROY  
MASON

RADIO MINISTER  
BAPTIST PREACHER  
Aripeka, Florida



In answering this question, let us go back a chapter or two and get the events clear in our minds:

1 — WE HAVE THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST in all his glory in Rev. 19:11-16.

2—Armageddon occurs next with the defeat of Anti-Christ's armies, coupled with him and the False Prophet being cast into the Lake of fire. (Rev. 19:17-20)

3—Next we have the BINDING OF SATAN for a thousand years. (Rev. 20:1-3).

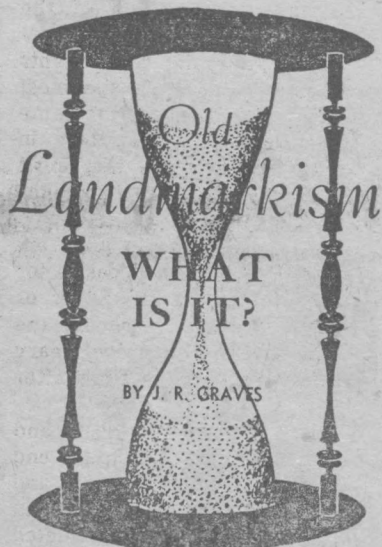
4—Next there occurs the MILLENNIAL REIGN OF CHRIST over the earth. (Rev. 20:4-6).

5—Following this, SATAN IS RELEASED FOR A TIME. He suffers his final defeat, and is cast into the real hell of the Bible — the Lake of Fire.

6—Next occurs the FINAL JUDGMENT — that of the wicked, and their casting into the Lake of Fire where their "daddy" is. (Rev. 20:7-15).

That brings us to the NEW HEAVENS AND NEW EARTH. (Rev. 22:1) If you want to know more about this, turn and read from II Peter 3:4-14. Some Bible students think that the "new earth" is a RENEWED earth. By way of illustration, we read about the earth being "destroyed" in the days of Noah. The destruction was that of life on the earth, and a general renovation by means of water. Perhaps the second destruction by fire, will be a renovation.

Now we come to the New Jerusalem. The New Jerusalem doesn't make its appearance until all the other things mentioned above take place. Seemingly, it comes down into proximity with the "new" (or renewed) earth. Some have suggested that it becomes a satellite of the new earth. This city is called "the Bride — the Lamb's Wife," in 21:9-10. Evidently, it is not the city that is the "Bride" but rather Christ's Church for whom the city was constructed. (This will not be the INVISIBLE church, but the sum total of genuinely saved people who were members of the



Buy This Greatest of All Books  
On Church Truth For  
\$3.50

church which Jesus started.)

Preachers certainly ought to do some studying concerning Heaven and the New Jerusalem. I have heard more bunk concerning Heaven at such places as funerals.

THE BIBLE DOES NOT TEACH THAT SAVED PEOPLE WILL SPEND ETERNITY IN HEAVEN.

It teaches that God will make the New Jerusalem the capital city of the new (or re-newed) earth — the place of His abode. Rev. 21:3 says, "Behold the tabernacle of God is with men, and he WILL DWELL WITH THEM, and they shall be his people." Likewise Rev. 22:3 says, "The throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it." BE WHERE? The answer is — be in the New Jerusalem. Bible scholars say that according to the dimensions given in Revelation, this city will be fifteen hundred miles square. That will be some city! Praise the Lord, that's the place toward which I am headed, and I hope to meet you there!

### The Tabernacle

(Continued from page one)

spiritual truths to us. We, by observing the earth around us, will not learn too much about God. One, for example, cannot determine what the maker of a watch looks like by simply observing the watch which he made. One, however, can become acquainted with the watchmaker, by way of his son. The son will know the height of his father. He will know the color of his eyes and hair. He will know of his father's likes and dislikes. This same truth applies to spiritual things. God's Son has informed us regarding His Father. God, by way of His Son, has spoken to us.

"God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, whom He hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also He made the worlds; who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged

our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high" — Hebrews 1:1-3.

The "lampstand," then; foreshadowed the light which comes to us from God's Son — light which reveals the good gifts which have come to us from above. We, without this light, would grope in darkness all of our days.

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

The "lampstand," according to Exodus 25:31-36, consisted of one central stem, with three lateral branches protruding from either side. Each branch was adorned with knobs, flowers and bowls. It appears that the knobs were buds, probably of the almond; the bowls were for the purpose of holding the oil which supplied the fuel for the lights. At the end of each branch was the lamp. The lamps totaled seven. One lamp was on the central stem and one was on each of the six branches. All of the lampstand was of one piece, being beaten out by the hands of the skilled workmen.

It is interesting to observe from Numbers 8:2 that the lamps were to give light over against the lampstand.

"When thou lightest the lamps, the seven lamps shall give light over against the lampstand."

Everything we say, or do, should be for the purpose of exalting Christ, that is, giving "light over against the lampstand" (Christ). Those who work for our Lord must be very cautious so that they do not seek their own glory, that is, cause the light to shine on themselves rather than Him. We are always to be mindful of the fact that all light comes to us from Christ and for the purpose of exalting Christ Jesus our Lord. Aaron, who was a type of Christ, was to light the seven lamps and keep them trimmed. We see from this fact that the light we yield, is not only founded upon Christ, but it is maintained by Him. We, apart from Him, can do nothing. The golden shaft sustained the lamps, while the priestly hand supplied the oil and applied the snuffers. We see, then, that all is in Christ, from Christ and by Christ.

Let us go a step further and declare that all is to Christ. The work of God the Spirit — the true light of the sanctuary — is always to exalt the name of Jesus. The entire sphere of God the Spirit's operation in this world has been to put the spotlight on God's Son. All that has been done, said and written by the Spirit has been aimed at the glory of the Son.

We have too many today who are preaching to be heard and seen of men. They are seeking the applause of men, thus the light is not shining over against the lampstand (Christ). The light which they claim to shine forth has not been produced by the oil which the hand of our great High Priest supplies. It, therefore, is a false (Continued on page 6, column 4)

## MABEL CLEMENT

A thrilling religious novel which deals with the main errors of the Campbellites. Campbellism is a religion that appeals to the head, rather than to the heart, and is rapidly growing in America. Next to the Bible, this book will come nearer stopping these followers of Alexander Campbell, than any other book.

Price \$2.00

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

P. O. Box 910 — Ashland, Kentucky



### GREEK-ENGLISH INTERLINEAR NEW TESTAMENT

Approximately 750 pages

Cloth Bound

\$7.95

Most useful for everyone who studies the Bible. Can't be described — As Paul said of Jesus (II Cor 9:15), it is unspeakable. Must be examined to be appreciated.

ORDER FROM —

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

ASHLAND, KENTUCKY 41101

THE BAPTIST EXAMINER

NOVEMBER 30, 1974

PAGE FOUR



# ADAM'S RIB

WRITTEN BY A WOMAN  
AND FOR WOMEN

## "NEW-BORN BABES"

"Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speaking, As new born babes, desire the sincere milk of the world, that ye may grow thereby" (I Peter 2:1,2).

When God created Adam and Eve in the garden, He provided food for them. The trees were created with the fruit fully developed. Even so — when we are created spiritually, He has food prepared for us. That incorruptible seed within us needs incorruptible food. And that food is the Word of God. There are two aspects of growing spiritually — one negative and the other positive. On the negative side we are to lay aside all malice, guile, hypocrisy, envy and evil speaking. The apostle just assumes we know we have these ugly evils dwelling within us — that our hearts by nature, are cages for these unclean birds. Put them off. These things are of the character of the devil, and very unbecoming to the child of God. Lay them aside and be done with them.

Two women were talking about a mutual friend. Mary says how much she loves Betty. That Betty is growing spiritually and is a real blessing to her. Joyce knows about an instance where Betty fell far short of spirituality and in a round-about-way made sure that Mary knew of this short-coming. In this short illustration, we have all of the above sins manifested. Malice — the intent was to lower the esteem and hinder the love Mary had for her friend, Betty. Guile — the round-about-way Joyce gossiped. Envy — it is evident Joyce was envious of the place Betty held in the affections of Mary. All of these are cloaked with hypocrisy because Betty is Joyce's friend, also.

How can we lay aside these evils? James tells us, "Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls." (2:21). In our text, Peter says to

"desire the sincere milk of the word" even as a new born babe desires milk. The milk that infants draw from the breast is the most natural to them, being of the same substance that nourished them in the womb. Even so — the Spirit uses the Gospel when He makes us alive spiritually and then directs us to that same Word to grow on. The infant has a natural desire for the breast. Offer it gold, silver or jewels but it will still choose the milk. The infant never grows weary of this diet. It will go time after time, many times a day for this food and find refreshment and nourishment each time. The end result in nourishment, health, and growth. Although there is meat in the Word, and we are instructed to go on to that, we never outgrow our need for milk. It is the natural companion to meat. "I will delight myself in Thy statutes, I will not forget Thy Word" (Psa. 119:16).

The Word of God and prayer are like Siamese twins. They cannot be separated. If we try one without the other, we are spiritually deformed. It's a pitiful sight to see a Christian with correct doctrine, and yet will not pray. To know the Word in doctrine, and prayer, and yet live a worldly life is also being a spiritual cripple.

## "Draw . . . Awakened"

Continued from page two  
God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenant-breakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them"—Rom. 1:28-32.

Listen, beloved, I will tell you why a sinner has to be drawn to God. The sinner has everything within his heart that I have read to you in this passage of Scripture, and it is highlighted and augmented with two expressions. Verse 30 says that the sinner is a "hater of God." Verse 32 says that he has "pleasure" in the things of this world. Beloved, if a sinner is in that condition, he naturally would have to be drawn to God.

Listen again:  
"Because the carnal mind is ENMITY AGAINST GOD: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh CANNOT PLEASE GOD"—Rom. 8:7-8.

Notice, Paul says that the unsaved man cannot please God as long as he is fleshly controlled.

I ask, how could an unsaved man turn to the Lord. How could he find satisfaction in this life? If he is going to follow the Lord, he is going to have to be drawn to the Lord.

Notice another Scripture:  
"But the natural man RECEIVETH NOT the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: NEITHER CAN HE KNOW THEM, because they are spiritually discerned"—I Cor. 2:14.

An unsaved man has to be taught of the Holy Spirit in order to even learn the things of God. The natural man just doesn't understand the things of God. They are foolishness to him.

Paul says again:  
"Having the understanding darkened, being ALIENATED FROM the life of GOD through the ignorance that is in them, because of the BLINDNESS OF their heart"—Eph. 4:18.

Do you understand now why the unsaved man has to be drawn to the Lord? This says that you have your understanding darkened. This says that you have blindness of heart.

During the commencement season of the year, students graduate

from kindergarten, grade school, high school, college, university, and special schools. When they graduate, they like for it to be known that they stand first in their class, or at least in the first ten per cent of the class. But do you know what God says about you? God says that you have your understanding darkened. You may be a graduate of an university with a Summa Cum Laude, yet in the sight of God your understanding is darkened without Jesus Christ.

That is why it is that you have to be drawn to the Lord. That is why it is that Solomon said, "Draw me, we will run after thee." No man will follow after the Lord until he is drawn of the Lord.

Notice another Scripture in this respect:

"No man can come to me, EX-

cept the Father which hath sent me draw him"—John 6:44.

When I preach on Sunday, I try to make the Word of God plain. I try to help and enable people to see what the Word of God says. It seems to me when I present the gospel of Jesus Christ that every unsaved person here within this building ought to leap for joy and say, "I trust Him as my Saviour. I receive Him as my Lord. I take my stand for the Son of God." Yet, beloved, you don't do it. When the services come to a close and you go out the door, you go away cold, calloused, unconcerned, seemingly hardly perturbed, though you are standing on the very brink of Hell, and though you are held by a single, tiny, slender cord — the cord of life, which if it were to snap, would send your soul immediately into Hell.

Every once in a while, I will meet up with some Hardshell Baptist and he will tell me how that when the Lord gets ready, whether you have heard the Word of God or not, He will save you. Beloved, that is not so. If you wait for a knock-down experience of that type, I tell you right now, you will never have it. Beloved, God works only in this manner: the Word is preached, and the Holy Spirit accompanies it, and reveals to you

ner was most reluctant to think about the Lord and the house of God. When drawn by the Lord, he runs after Him with ease.

He runs with pleasure, whereas before, the services of the Lord seemed to him to be a bothersome thing.

He runs with continuance, because when once he is drawn, there is no turning back. There is no pulling back. Once a man is drawn of the Lord, he wants to continue in the services of the Lord.

When he is drawn of the Lord, he follows with a different motive to life to what he has ever known before, because now Christ has become his treasure — the chief treasure of his heart and his soul.

Christ's commandments that heretofore were irksome and apparently bothersome to the unsaved, now appear not to be grievous, but joyous. The ordinance of baptism, church membership, and the Lord's Supper, which seem so grievous to the unsaved man, when he is drawn of the Spirit of God, those ordinances and those commandments appear in a different light. There is nothing grievous about them.

## IV

### IF YOU ARE NOT YET AWAKENED, GOD PITY YOU!

You can be easily drawn to a play, a concert, a dance, to an athletic event. Isn't it strange how a person can be drawn so easily to these things, but the unsaved are not drawn to the Lord? Isn't it strange, I say, how the unsaved man can be drawn to the things of the world?

An unsaved man can understand how to gratify his lusts, regardless of what they may be. Tell him, and explain to him, and he will grasp it right now. Explain to an unsaved man how he can become wealthy or how he can increase his fortune and he can understand immediately. But, beloved, talk to an unsaved man about spiritual things, and he will get a faraway look in his eyes, and he is ready to change the subject, and walk away. If you are not yet quickened of the Lord — if God has not yet awakened you so that you would say, as did Solomon, "Draw me, we will run after thee," then God pity your poor soul!

Sinner friend, you may not be drawn today by the Lord. It may be that sin is drawing you. Do you know where it is drawing you? It is drawing you down to Hell. You might as well face it today, you are either being drawn of the Lord to salvation, or you are being drawn by sin to Hell.

## CONCLUSION

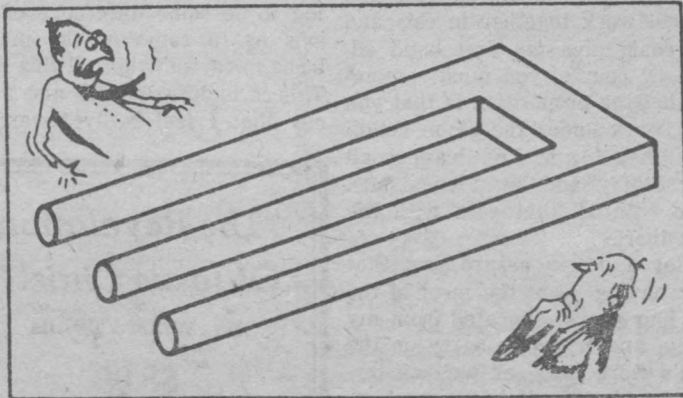
Let me bring this to a close by giving you the most important part now. If you desire to be drawn and you would say, as Solomon, "Draw me, we will run after thee" — if you would say that this morning, then do you know what has happened? God has already begun to (Continued on page 6, column 1)

## HERE IT IS!

### Never Before Photographed!

A CLOSE-UP VIEW OF

### THE "LIBERAL" MIND



For sure-fire relief from this baffling phenomenon

Read and Support

### THE BAPTIST EXAMINER

CEPT THE FATHER which hath sent me draw him"—John 6:44.

When I preach on Sunday, I try to make the Word of God plain. I try to help and enable people to see what the Word of God says. It seems to me when I present the gospel of Jesus Christ that every unsaved person here within this building ought to leap for joy and say, "I trust Him as my Saviour. I receive Him as my Lord. I take my stand for the Son of God." Yet, beloved, you don't do it. When the services come to a close and you go out the door, you go away cold, calloused, unconcerned, seemingly hardly perturbed, though you are standing on the very brink of Hell, and though you are held by a single, tiny, slender cord — the cord of life, which if it were to snap, would send your soul immediately into Hell.

Tell me why it is. Do I fail to make the Word of God clear? I think not. I think I tell you the truth. I think I make it plain. Is there something that is standing between you and me and this church, to keep you from trusting Jesus Christ? I think not. I will tell you why. You don't turn to Jesus Christ for one reason. Beloved, you have to be drawn irresistibly by the Spirit of God to be saved.

## II

### HOW GOD DRAWS THE SINNER.

There is an outward and an inward means of drawing the sinner. The outward means is the Word of God. The inward means is the Holy Spirit. We read:

"Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever"—I Pet. 1:23.

That is the outward means. The inward means is:

"But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen

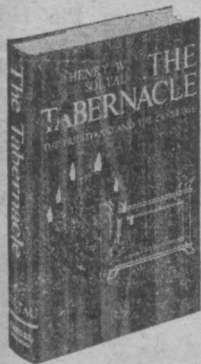
THE BAPTIST EXAMINER

NOVEMBER 30, 1974

PAGE FIVE

## STUDY ABOUT THE TABERNACLE

THE TABERNACLE  
HENRY W. SOLTAU



474

Pages

Cloth

\$4.95

THE TABERNACLE,  
PRIESTHOOD AND  
OFFERINGS  
HALDEMAN



408

Pages

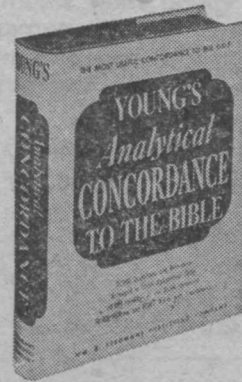
Cloth

\$6.50

— Order From —

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
BOOK SHOP

MASTERPIECE — INVALUABLE — SERVICEABLE



## YOUNG'S CONCORDANCE

118,000 References not found in other Concordances

\$13.75

Plain

Indexed \$15.50

Young's contains nearly 5,000,000 references — 1280 pages — 311,000 translations arranged in strict alphabetical order — 30,000 readings of the Greek Testament — 70,000 Hebrew and Greek words with translations. A 50-page section, recent discoveries in Bible lands.

Indispensable — Informative — Analytical

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

P. O. BOX 910, ASHLAND, KENTUCKY 41101



## "Draw...Awakened"

(Continued from page five)  
work within your life. Only one wherein the Spirit of God has begun to work, would say, "Draw me, we will run after thee."

We read:  
"For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost"—Luke 19:10.

Sinner friend, I fling it before you, I hold it high before you: "The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." If the Spirit of God has begun to draw you, and if you would say, like Solomon, "Draw me, we will run after thee" — if you would say that this morning, then I would say to you, look up to Him, for the Son of man has come "to seek and to save that which was lost."

Listen again:  
"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief"—I Tim. 1:15.

If the Holy Spirit has begun to draw you and you are willing to say, "Draw me, we will run after thee," then I would remind you of Paul's message to the church at Rome, when he said:

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation"—Rom. 10:9,10.

Sinner friend, if you feel that you are being drawn and you would pray, like Solomon, "Draw me, we will run after thee," then I would cite you to this great passage, when John said:

"Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat, loveth him also that is begotten of him"—I John 5:1.

I tell you, if He has awakened you, to realize that you are in a desperate condition as you are — if the Spirit of God and the Word of God, as the inward and the outward means are drawing you, so that you would cry out like Solomon, "Draw me, we will run after thee," then, beloved, if that be true, I would say to you, believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, because you have the promise that whosoever does, is born of God.

Now isn't that simple? Isn't that a plain message to you? When He draws you, you know something takes place. You become a son of

God, and you learn the meaning of Romans 8:28:

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are THE CALLED according to his purpose."

Beloved, you also become a joint-heir with the Lord Jesus Christ.

I will tell you something else. As Solomon said, "Draw me, we will run after thee," and you will, for He changes your life, He changes your walk, He changes your talk, He changes your balm. When he begins to draw you and you begin to run after Him, it makes a change so far as your life, your walk, your talk, and your balm.

May it please God this morning to draw you away from the things of this world, and like Solomon, may you say, "Draw me, we will run after thee."

May God bless you!



**Fred T. Halliman**

(Continued from page three)

I would welcome this. Fact of the matter is, I have an extra pair of shoes and if you think you can fit into them, then come on over and we will work together in this and you could give me first hand advice. Of course, you must remember that the proposition is that you must work under the same conditions that I am, i.e., leaving all your family and loved ones back there with all that goes with life back there.

Beloved, I can assure you, that after having spent the most of the past four years separated from my family, and trying to carry on the Lord's work here, as well as trying to guide the affairs of my family half a world apart from me, that I will be the last man to complain as to how you conduct your affairs, should you desire to try on a pair of my shoes.

When we left our pastorate, friends and family on March 6, 1960 to come to New Guinea, we cut every bridge behind us, depending solely on the Lord, but realizing that He would use people and their means to keep us here as long as He wanted us to remain, therefore, we left hoping that we would be able to please each and every supporter of this work, however, we had no intentions of doing so at the expense of displeasing our Lord.

Over the years we have had to make many and varied decisions. In many cases we have had to make a choice in our stand for the truth and lose some friends and

supporters or compromise and hold the support and the supposed friends. Our choice has always been to stick to what we felt was the truth, regardless of the cost to us in friends and support.

The past four years has been some of the most trying years of my life and I have had to make many decisions, some that no doubt some of you feel that I have been wrong in so deciding, but I can assure you that after much prayer and under the circumstances in which I work, I have made the very best decisions that I know how, and what I have felt that would enable me to carry on with the work here, and try to guide and support my family back there with a minimum of expense, worry and trouble. I believe that I have been right in making these decisions, for in so doing, it has let me work here with a minimum of stress and at the same time some assurance and comfort in knowing that my family is being held together back there, being cared for, and have what I feel is one of the best churches to attend in the world today.

In order to accomplish all of these things, there is naturally going to be some difference of opinions as to some of the methods I use to try to bring all this about. This is understandable and I can't say that I feel badly toward any

## "The Revelation Of Jesus Christ"

By Willard Willis

\$5.00

(Postpaid)

A truly great book on Revelation.

— Order From —

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH BOOK STORE  
Ashland, Kentucky 41101

of you for disagreeing with me. The thing that I would like to ask you though, is to refrain from being a tale bearer and gossip about things that you do not have the full story on. As mentioned above, just step into my shoes for a while and then if you have come up with a better solution than I have, I assure you that I am open for suggestions and will prayerfully consider all that I receive.

If, however, after you have diligently prayed about these matters and you know that you have sought out the leadership of the Holy Spirit, and you feel that this work is not being Scripturally carried on, that some or all of the money is being misappropriated, and that you can no longer feel right by supporting the work, then I urge you to seek out a work that is more Scriptural and start supporting it. I will always thank God for your past support and will continue to pray for you, trusting that you will do the same for me.

To all of you, whether you are leaning towards, or away from me, I thank God for the privilege of being able to work with you in the spreading of the gospel here in this part of the world over the past several years. From all outward signs of this year's work, while there have already been in round figures some 5,000 of God's elect called out since we have been here, the work has only begun. There has been a tremendous amount of growth, in all directions, away from the Mission Station this year. We now have over 30 preachers assisting us with the preaching, and not too long ago, I purchased another eight-track tape recorder to assist the work. Pray for us, beloved, that we might be faithful to Him who called us and put us into this work.

THE BAPTIST EXAMINER  
NOVEMBER 30, 1974

PAGE SIX

## The Tabernacle

(Continued from page 4)

light. All of those men, in fact, who are teaching doctrines of men for Christ's doctrines, are worshipping in vain.

"This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from Me. But in VAIN they do worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men"—Matt. 15:8,9.

We have, in Acts, chapter three, an excellent example of what it means to "give light over against the lampstand." Here, in chapter three of Acts, the lame man was healed. The people, as a result of the healing, sought to praise Peter and John. Peter and John, however, pointed the people to Christ, for they said:

"Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnest ON US, as though by OUR OWN power or holiness WE had made this man to walk? The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified His Son Jesus." — Acts 3:12, 13.

We have, then, in the seven lamps of the lampstand, the seven lamps which gave light over against the lampstand, a sevenfold, or perfect display of the light the Spirit displays in distinct testimony to the name of Jesus. The sevenfold light emphatically declares that there is no darkness at all in our Lord Jesus. All darkness is the result of our not being able to see clearly all that the light reveals. Our lack of study has caused us believers to dwell in much darkness. A poorly lighted room may be poorly lighted because the shades are drawn. We may open the shades of ignorance and let the light from the lampstand shine in if we study with diligence under the guidance of the Spirit.

We, at this point, wish to emphasize that the oil which produced the light in the sanctuary, was supplied by the hand of the priest, and was only to be found in the bowls on the lampstand. Our lampstand, Christ Jesus, is no longer here in person. He, the Spirit (oil), and the light (Christ), however, are still here in our Lord's body—His church. One who fails to join a New Testament Baptist Church, will never attain much growth, in view of the fact that he or she are not where the light is shining. They may have the Holy Spirit dwelling in them, but they are not in the church where His gifts of the ministry and other things are being exercised.

"And six branches shall come out of the sides of it; three branches of the lampstand out of the one side, and three branches of the lampstand out of the other side: Three bowls made like unto almonds, with a knop and a flower in one branch; and three bowls made like almonds in the other branch, with a knop and a flower: so in the six branches that come

out of the lampstand"—Exodus 25:32-33.

It is likely that the "knop" is to be considered as the unopened bud of the almond, while the "flower," the opened bud and then the fruit. This fact seems to be confirmed by the rod of Aaron which budded.

"Behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and brought forth buds, and blossomed blossoms and yielded almonds"—Numbers 17:8.

These three stages of life which are exemplified by Aaron's rod, are also to be seen on the branches of the lampstand, that is, bud, flower, fruit.

The bud, flower and fruit of the almond obviously speak of resurrection. This fact is more striking when we consider that the almond tree is the first of all the trees in Palestine to put forth buds, budding as early as January. We are to see in the early budding of the almond tree the truth relative to the fact that the resurrection of our Lord was the "first fruits" of them which slept.

One may question how the resurrection of our Lord can be compared to the budding, flower and fruit of the almond tree. I see in His birth the bud. The flower is seen in the budding of that infant into the work of our Lord, for His life was truly like a fragrant flower whose fragrance reached unto Heaven. God said of Him, "This is My beloved Son in whom I am well pleased." The fruit borne by Christ Jesus takes in the elect of all ages.

We see, then, in the lampstand that was beaten from pure gold, the suffering Christ, risen and glorified. We also see from the fact that the lampstand was hidden in the Holy Place from the people, that it pictured our Lord hidden from the world. The seven lamps of oil on the lampstand are to convince us of the sufficiency of our Lord's gift of light to us by way of His Spirit.

"For God, who commended the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ"—II Cor. 4:6.

The Holy Spirit, seen in the lamps of oil, is revealing the precious attributes of Christ to His people. This fact is seen first in that the lighted lamps revealed the beautiful work of the lampstand itself. This fact is borne out in John 16:14:

"He (Spirit) shall glorify Me: for He shall receive of Mine, and shall show it unto you."

The seven lamps in the Holy Place lit up the table on which was the bread — bread which remained on the table before the delighting eye of God for seven days. It was the seven lamps which removed the darkness from the Holy Place so that Aaron and his sons could delight themselves with the bread too. May we, from this type, (Continued on page 7, column 1)

## Send TBE FREE!

### TO A YOUNG PREACHER

We are greatly interested in reaching young preachers with the "strong meat" of the Word—which we know they are not getting in most seminaries, Bible colleges and Bible institutes. In order to reach them, we are willing to send TBE to them for one year free of charge.

Naturally, we don't know every young man whom God calls to preach, but our readers can furnish us with names and addresses of many. We therefore ask you to send us the names and addresses of young men whom you know in the ministry. We will gladly send TBE to them.

Does this sacrifice pay off? It certainly does! We have before sent TBE to young men who — as a result of help received from the paper — are now standing firm as a rock for the faith. And, think of the good their preaching will do in years to come!

#### USE THE FOLLOWING SUBSCRIPTION BLANK

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

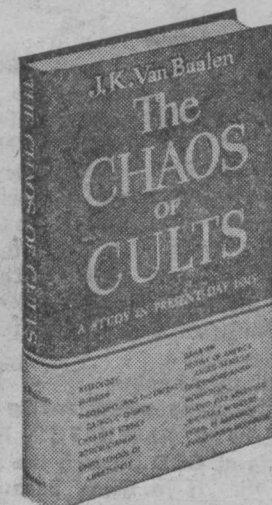
Your Own Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

If you wish to send more, use a separate sheet. If you can help on these "subs," we will appreciate your offering.

CLIP AND MAIL TO:

THE BAPTIST EXAMINER, P. O. BOX 910, ASHLAND, KY.



## The Chaos of Cults

By J. K. VAN BAALEN

The best one volume treatment of the major cults such as—

Astrology	Mormonism
Spiritism	Seventh Day
Theosophy	Adventism
Christian Service	Jehovah's
Rosicrucianism	Witnesses
Anglo-Israelism	Unitarianism

\$5.95

This truly trust-worthy guide as to major cults was first printed in 1938 and is now in its fourth edition. Over 400 pages; cloth bound.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

P. O. BOX 910, ASHLAND, KENTUCKY 41101



## The Tabernacle

(Continued from page 6)

know the importance of God the Spirit in our eating and growing in things.

The lampstand was also of vital importance before Aaron could burn incense on the golden-altar. Aaron, apart from the lamps, could not have even seen the golden-altar—the golden-altar which speaks to us of both worship toward God and supplication. We must have light to perform these privileges and that light comes from Christ, our lampstand.

We, today, due to our carnal natures, don't fully enjoy the sevenfold work of the Spirit as exemplified in the seven lamps on the lampstand. The Spirit during the Millennium, however, will shine forth in His sevenfold radiance. This fact is clearly defined in Isa. 11:1,2.

"There shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of His roots: and the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him: the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord."

It is to be remembered that the seven lamps rested upon the lampstand and in the verse before us it is to be noted that "the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him." May the Lord bless us with the message He has set before us.

## Joseph Wilson

(Continued from page one)

article then explains (?) what Spurgeon meant by these quotes. The article supplies subheads of Arminian heresy, and then gives partial quotes from Spurgeon as if Spurgeon believed the lies of the subheads. The article then leaves out the multiplied thousands of quotes that could be given to show that Spurgeon was a believer in the five doctrines of sovereign grace.

Why won't John R. Rice be honest? Why doesn't he leave Spurgeon alone? Spurgeon is not in Rice's Arminian camp. Spurgeon believed and persistently preached the sovereign grace of God. Spurgeon said one was not preaching the gospel unless one preached what was commonly called "Calvinism." Rice can hold his Arminian heresy. That is his business. But why does Rice print articles as well as write them — articles which deliberately and maliciously, with evil aforethought, misrepresent and slander Spurgeon? Why is Rice so intent on forcing the dead Spurgeon into his Arminian mold? I cannot label such action by John R. Rice any less than hypocrisy and deceit.

This article in "satan's sword" gives quotes from Spurgeon's

sermons in which Spurgeon invites and urges sinners to trust Jesus Christ as Saviour. Well, so what! What is accomplished by these quotes? Whoever denied that Spurgeon invited and urged sinners to trust Jesus Christ? We who rank Spurgeon as a sovereign gracer do not deny this. Spurgeon did repeatedly invite sinners, as sinners and with no further qualifications, to trust Jesus.

Furthermore, Spurgeon was not the only sovereign grace preacher to ever invite and urge sinners to come to Christ. All of us do, except for some Hardshell heretics. How many times have I read in John R. Gilpin's sermons where he invited and urged sinners to trust Jesus Christ. I know many of the sovereign grace preachers in America today. I have heard many of them. They, with very few exceptions, do invite and urge sinners to trust Christ. There are a few who call themselves sovereign gracers who may not do this. But they are Hardshell heretics, no matter if they admit it or not. True Missionary Baptists are sovereign grace believers, and they do invite and urge sinners to come to Christ. It is a slander and a lie to say we do not do this.

I had a radio program for several years. I closed every program with "believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." This is constantly preached by myself and by others who believe in sovereign grace.

It is not against the doctrines of grace to urge and invite sinners to Christ. These doctrines tell us that man is totally depraved and cannot and will not come to Christ of himself. That God has unconditionally elected a group that no man can number, and predestinated them to be the objects of saving grace. That Christ died effectually and savingly for the elect, and for no one else. That the Holy Spirit effectually and irresistibly works within the elected and redeemed ones, causing them to repent and believe on Jesus Christ. That the elected, redeemed, and called ones are eternally secure. These doctrines are true. They are Biblical. They are Baptist, so that those who deny them have no legitimate right to the name "Baptist." These doctrines were preached by Spurgeon. And these doctrines are not in any wise inconsistent with inviting and urging sinners to come to Christ. We can invite anyone and everyone to come to Christ for salvation. God uses this preaching of the gospel — that Christ died for our sins, was buried, and rose again — God uses this in the Holy Spirit's effectual call, and some are thus enabled to respond to the invitation to Christ and are eternally saved. The man who will use the doctrines of grace as if they were against the free invita-

tion to sinners to trust Christ is using God's truth to cover up his own sin, rebellion, and laziness. But there are exceedingly few sovereign gracers who do this. I make bold to say that sovereign grace believers are as concerned about the lost as anyone else, and are as faithful in getting the gospel to the lost and in seeking the salvation of the lost as others are.

I do not subscribe to the slander against sovereign gracers that some of my friends put out. Sovereign gracers are truth believers. They are, on the whole, superior to any other brand of believers in their obedience to and working for Jesus Christ. I do not subscribe to the theory that Arminians are doing more for Christ than sovereign gracers. Arminians are the enemies of the Word of God, and the souls of men. They are not doing for Christ, but against Him. I am not one of those sovereign grace preachers who brag on the Arminians. Arminians are heretics and desperate enemies of God's Word and Christ's churches.

In this article in "satan's sword," it is made to look as if Spurgeon did not want to be a Calvinist in

ited atonement it would have horrified John Calvin. The truth seemed to be that the old Calvinistic phrases were often on Spurgeon's lips, but the genuine Calvinistic meaning had gone out of them."

Now read that quote again and again. Have you ever read anything more terrible than that? The article says these quotations were assembled from many sources by Dr. Samuel Fisk. So he must share the horrible guilt of this article with John R. Rice. Now read the above quote again. I have read it several times and I can still hardly believe that men who call themselves Christian — and I would not, and do not deny their salvation — but it is hard to believe they would stoop this low. Just because Arminians use terminology of sovereign grace, when they mean something else, is no reason they should accuse Spurgeon of this. Does Spurgeon know what the Calvinistic terminology he used meant. Certainly. Do you believe that he used this terminology when he meant something else and that he was simply deceiving his hearers? Certainly not. Rice and his Arminian friends may use our language to clothe their heresy and deceive their readers, but it is slander of the lowest sort for them to accuse Spurgeon of this. Now read that quote again. Did you see where this article said, "More than once Spurgeon prayed, 'Lord hasten to bring in all Thine elect, and then elect some more.'"

I wish to charge this as a deliberate and malicious lie. I cannot and do not believe that Charles Spurgeon ever prayed such a prayer. I sincerely believe that this is a deliberate lie manufactured in the pits of Hell and slanderously ascribed to Charles Spurgeon. I have read several biographies of Spurgeon. I have read his four volume autobiography twice. I have read multitudes of his sermons. I have never seen such an expression by Spurgeon, or ascribed to Spurgeon, until in this article. His whole theology and His whole preaching was totally against such a prayer as this. Such a prayer would prove Spurgeon either mentally unbalanced or insincere in his total ministry. Again: I do not believe Spurgeon ever prayed such a prayer. I consider it a deliberate lie. I doubt not that some demon whispered this lie into the ear of someone under demon influence, and they put this forth as a lie and slander about Spurgeon, and as an attack on the truth of God's Word. I consider this to be one of the worst things I have ever seen in print and I surely hate to see it in a paper that is of a religious nature. Such a prayer as that attributed to Spurgeon would be a slander on the attributes of God, and against the whole body of truth contained in the Bible. Any man who could pray such a prayer would be a rank heretic on the nature and character of God and on how God saves sinners. Surely, Spurgeon never prayed such a prayer as this.

Well, I am done. It has taken something out of me. I am grieved and shocked at such tactics in the

## Eld. Fred T. Halliman Missionary To New Guinea



FRED T. HALLIMAN

Send your offerings for the support of Brother Fred T. Halliman to:

New Guinea Missions  
c/o Calvary Baptist Church  
P.O. Box 910  
Ashland, Kentucky 41101

Be sure to state that the offering is for the mission work of New Guinea. Do not say that it is for missions as this will only be confusing since we have other mission works.

Write Brother Halliman frequently. His address is:

Elder Fred T. Halliman  
Sovereign Grace Baptist Mission  
P.O. Koroba, via Mendi  
Papua New Guinea.

article to which I refer. Years ago, I had much respect for John R. Rice. I read nearly all his books. I was an avid supporter of his paper. I remember when, as a young preacher, I went with a friend to a hotel in Winston-Salem to get Rice and take him to the warehouse where he was preaching. I thought I was getting mighty high, to rub shoulders with John R. Rice. I will say that I have lost some of that through the years. And surely, this article of slander and misrepresentation takes away more of it. Still, I do not hesitate to call him brother. I do not pass judgment on his salvation. But I do pass strong judgment on this slanderous misrepresentation of Spurgeon. Mr. Rice, go on and preach what you want to. Stand for and defend what you believe. But please leave Spurgeon alone. Please do not dig Spurgeon up from his grave and try to force him into your camp. Leave him be. Let him rest. You can't change what Spurgeon believed and preached. You sin against his memory, and against the truths he preached, when you print articles such as this one to which I refer.

Readers of TBE, Spurgeon is not our god. But we do rejoice in the sovereign grace truth which he preached. Let us continue to believe and stand for the glorious grace doctrines he preached, and let us be faithful in inviting and urging sinners to come to Christ. God bless you all.

## Mabel Clement

By J. M. Sallee

This is an old Baptist book that has lived for many, many years, telling the story of a young girl who was converted from Campbellism. The book has been instrumental in leading a number of people from Campbellism to Christ. It gives a thorough and convincing refutation of Campbellite errors and distortions of Scripture.

217 pages — \$2.00

Calvary Baptist Church  
Ashland, Kentucky

belief, but was sort of pushed into it, and did not really believe the truths known by that nickname. Spurgeon knew what was meant by the doctrines of grace. He subscribed to all five of them without reserve or compromise. He preached them persistently. His preaching to the unsaved to repent and believe on Jesus Christ was not inconsistent with his preaching sovereign grace. He knew what he was doing and he deliberately and continually ranked himself on the side of believers in the five doctrines of sovereign grace.

This article says, "Spurgeon preached free-will plainly to sinners." But the quotes from Spurgeon do not back up this subheading supplied in the Sword. Spurgeon did not believe in the sinner having a free will by which that sinner could come to Christ. Spurgeon never preached such heresy. Spurgeon believed the sinner was dead and that the sinner could not come to Christ of himself. This article in the "satan's sword" is a deliberate lie, and a slander on a great preacher, and an attack on the clear truth of God's Word. Oh, how sad, that John R. Rice should hate sovereign grace so much that he would lie about, and put slander upon Spurgeon. Rice does know, or at least, he could and should know, that Spurgeon did not believe in the free-will of man as it is taught by Rice and his Arminian cohorts. It is terrible sin on the part of Rice to do as he does in this matter.

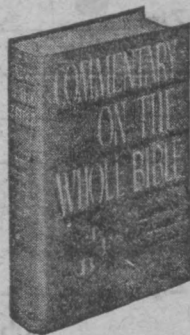
Now I am sure that many readers of TBE have read much of Spurgeon. I want to give you a quote now from this article in Rice's paper that you will hardly believe. Here is the quote:

"More than once Spurgeon prayed, 'Lord, hasten to bring in all Thine elect, and then elect some more.' He seems to have used this phrase often in conversations, and on his lips it was no mere badinage. With its definite rejection of a lim-

## Commentary On The Whole Bible

By Jamieson, Fausset, and Brown

Price \$13.95



Looking for a lot of dependable Bible commentary in one volume? If so, you need this great book. Books, chapters, verses, and words are expounded. Example: "Ministered" in Acts 13:2 is explained to mean the performance of official duties of the church at Antioch.

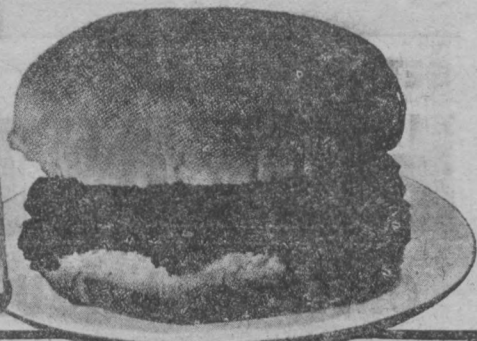
There are almost 1600 pages of valuable study helps. Spurgeon said: "It contains so great a variety of information that if a man had no other exposition he would find himself at no great loss if he possessed this and used it diligently. I have of it a very high opinion . . . and I consult it continually and with great interest."

THE BAPTIST EXAMINER

P. O. Box 910 — Ashland, Kentucky

## Here's the way to make SUPER

# SLOPPY JOES!



Just right for teenage get-togethers, quick family meals, late evening snacks.

Stegner's Barbecue Sauce and Beef for Sloppy Joes . . . tender ground beef in a tasty sauce of tomatoes, beef broth, onion and spices.

STEGNER FOOD PRODUCTS COMPANY

Chili Hill Drive • P. O. Box 38099 • Cincinnati, Ohio 45238

Phone: 922-1125; Area Code 513

THE BAPTIST EXAMINER

NOVEMBER 30, 1974

PAGE SEVEN



## THE KING JAMES VERSION

"The Christian who rejects the King James Version and adopts one of its modern rivals, by this very action places himself on the high road to modernism. For along with the King James version he has rejected the only concept of the provincial preservation of Scripture which gives him any assurance that a pure New Testament Text has been preserved down through the ages and is obtainable today. He has rejected the view that the special providence of God has operated in the sphere of the Greek Church and expressed itself in its usage and that therefore the Byzantine Text found in the vast majority of N.T. manuscripts, is a trustworthy representative of the divinely inspired original text and the best of all extant texts. And not only this, but he has adopted other concepts of the providential preservation of Scripture, concepts which suggest that God does not really care

whether or not a pure N.T. text is available to His people, or whether or not His people have any assurance concerning the purity of the N.T. texts available to them. For, according to the best of these concepts, God has done nothing more than to preserve the true N.T. text somewhere amid the extant manuscripts, leaving the scholars the task of finding it, if they can. According to others God may not even have done this. Nay, it may even have been the purpose of God to allow a considerable degree of corruption to make its way into all the extant N.T. manuscripts.

"These faulty concepts of the providential preservation of the N.T. lead speedily to a faulty concept of the original inspiration of the N.T. For if God has been so careless in the preservation of the N.T. it is hard to see why He should have been scrupulously careful in the original writing of the New Testament. If God has pre-

served the N.T. in such a way that it is impossible to obtain assurance concerning the purity of this text, then there is no infallible N.T. today, and if there is no infallible N.T. today, it may very well be that there never was an infallible New Testament. If God has allowed the N.T. to lose its infallibility, why should we suppose that He created it infallible in the first place? Thus the rejection of the King James version for one of its modern rivals leads first to the rejection of doctrine of the providential preservation of Scripture, then to the infallibility of Scripture, and finally to the adoption of a modernistic religion which rests not on the authority of Scripture but on human reason.

"Not all those who have thus rejected the King James Version have followed out the logic of their action to its final conclusion, but they are always in danger of doing so. It is the purpose of this book, therefore, to lead such persons away from this danger back to the Byzantine Text, found in the vast majority of the New Testament Manuscripts, to the Reformation Text (Textus Receptus), which is the historic printed edition of the Byzantine Text, and to the King James Version, which is the classic English translation of the Reformation Text."

## A Long-Time Reader Writes:

*I have been reading your paper almost 30 years. I thank the Lord He has used you and your paper as He has in spreading Bible truths throughout the land. I'm just a country preacher, pastoring the same church for 22 years, and TBE has been a real blessing to me.*

ELD. OLLIE PARKEY  
Somerset, Kentucky

SEND US TEN SUBSCRIPTIONS, WE'LL RENEW YOURS FREE

### 10 SUBS . . . \$10.00

1. Name _____	Address _____	Zip _____
2. Name _____	Address _____	Zip _____
3. Name _____	Address _____	Zip _____
4. Name _____	Address _____	Zip _____
5. Name _____	Address _____	Zip _____
6. Name _____	Address _____	Zip _____
7. Name _____	Address _____	Zip _____
8. Name _____	Address _____	Zip _____
9. Name _____	Address _____	Zip _____
10. Name _____	Address _____	Zip _____
Enclosed \$ _____ for _____ Subs		
Your Name _____		
Address _____		
Zip _____		

GIVE US READERS  
We Will Give Them The Truth

### Election

(Continued from page one)  
tion. Our Baptist preachers a few years ago preached this great doctrine and wrote books on it. So it is a Baptist doctrine.

BUT YOU SAY I AM NOT A BAPTIST.

Beloved, it is also a Bible doctrine.

In Rev. 13:8, the word of God tells us that our names were written in the Lamb's book of life before the foundation of the world.

In Eph. 1:4, the word of God tells us we were chosen or elected in Him before the foundation of the world.

In II Thess. 2:13, the Word of God tells us that we were chosen from the beginning. But you say the beginning of what? From the beginning of the time God purposed to save a people for His name-sake and Glory.

ELECTION IS UNCONDITIONAL.

Election is of God and not of ourselves. We did not choose Him. Look at John 15:16: "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you."

Election is not based upon foreseen faith. Look at Rom. 11:5, 6: "Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace, and if it is by grace then it is no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works then it is no more grace; otherwise work is no more work."

Also Acts 13:48 states that as many as were ordained or predestinated to eternal life believed.

ELECTION IS ETERNAL.

Most people speak of election as something that takes place when we are saved. But look at Jer. 31:3. "The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee."

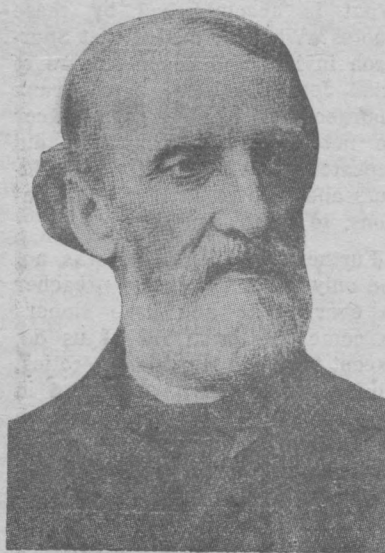
Then again in Rev. 17:8 we are told that our names were written in the Lamb's Book of Life from eternity. Beloved, our God was sure He was going to save some by His Sovereign grace.

ELECTION IS PERSONAL.

I have had some people tell me that God only chose Israel, and the Bible certainly teaches that Israel is God's chosen nation. But the Bible also teaches personal election and anybody with one eye and half

### MY CHURCH

by J. B. MOODY



Off the press and ready for mailing now. Only a limited number left for sale, less than 150 copies left. Please send \$6.50 plus 50c for postage and handling charges. Mail to:

R. E. POUND II  
7689 Hwy. 64,  
Memphis, Tennessee 38124

sense can see it taught, if he studies the Bible with an open mind.

The Apostle Paul was speaking to Gentiles in Ephesians, the first chapter, when he said: "We were chosen or elected in Him before the foundation of the world."

Also the Apostle Paul was speaking to the Gentiles in Romans, the eleventh chapter. Look at verse 13 where he says "I am the apostle of the Gentiles and speak to you Gentiles."

Also the Apostle Paul spoke of personal election in Romans 9:13 where he said, "Jacob have I loved, and Esau have I hated."

ELECTION INCLUDES MEANS.

This is where the Hardshells and myself disagree. I believe that man must hear the Gospel in order to be saved.

In II Thess. 2:13 and 14 it says, "But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath

from the beginning chosen (or elected) you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth. Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Then in I Cor. 1:21, it says, "For after that in the wisdom of God, the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe."

Also chapter four and verse 15 says, "For though ye have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet have ye not many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel." Many other Scriptures show that God will get the Gospel to those He elected some way.

ELECTION CAUSES US TO BE HOLY.

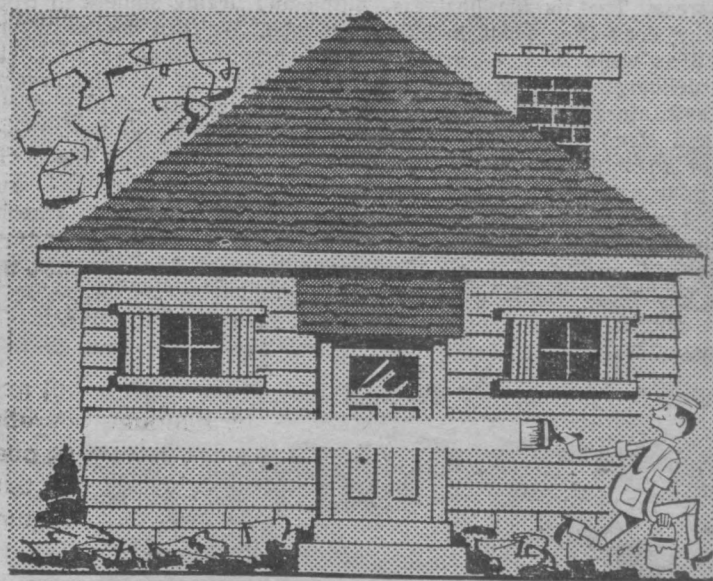
In Eph. 1:4 it says, "He hath chosen us (elected) in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be Holy and without blame before Him in love."

BUT YOU SAY THAT GOD IS NO RESPECTER OF PERSONS.

And you are right, because in I Cor. 1:26-31 the Bible says that He did not choose many mighty or wise men or noble men to be called. In other words, He chose them not because of their power or wisdom, but because it seemed good in His sight. Verse 27 says, He hath chosen the foolish to confound the wise and the weak to confound the

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE  
BAPTIST EXAMINER

mighty. Read the rest of these verses. He is no respecter of persons, because He did not choose or elect anyone because of wealth, color, might, or nationality. Beloved, He did not choose anyone because they were going to do something. If He had, He would have been a respecter of persons. Psalm 14 says, "He looked down and saw that there were none good whatsoever. No one was elected to Hell, all were headed there in the fall of Adam and our God chose a number that no man can number to go to Heaven. Read John 15:16, where Jesus said, "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you."



GET A CAN-A-

# HANNA

## GREEN SEAL HOUSE PAINT

You'll get the handsomest appearance and protection with this tough finish. Comes in stay-clean white and wonderful colors. The finest and easiest to use.



HANNA CHEMICAL COATINGS CORP.

P.O. Box 147 — Phone 614-294-3361

Columbus, Ohio 43216

THE BAPTIST EXAMINER

NOVEMBER 30, 1974

PAGE EIGHT