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By EDWARD CROSSLEY

"For Christ also hath once suf-

fered for sins, the Just for the un-

just, that He might bring us to

God, being put to death in the flesh,

but quickened by the Spirit" - I

"When He had by Himself purged

our sins, sat down on the right

hand of the Majesty on high"-He-

ner; and our answer will be ob-

receive an authoritative reply.

Peter 3:18.

brews 1:3.

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PART IV

# MEN AND MISSIONS

MILBURN COCKRELL Fulton, Mississippi

PART IV

"Now there were in the church 5:12 says: that was at Antioch certain proph-Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, and admonish you." which had been brought up with The past conduct of the missionand prayed, and laid their hands conduct of Paul and Barnabas. on them, they sent them away" (Acts 13:1-3).

send out as missionaries will de- sponsoring church. This makes it termine to some degree the good vital that we send a man who to be done. No missionary should justly represents the church who be sent out on the spur of the mo- sends him out. The missionary ment. There must be serious con- gives the supporting church a good sideration of each missionary be- or bad reputation according to his fore he is set apart by the church. ability and conduct.

that a person has received a Unless the man is of high moral Divine call from Heaven. I Thess.

"And we beseech you, brethren, ets and teachers; as Barnabas, and to know them which labour among Simeon that was called Niger, and you, and are over you in the Lord,

Herod the tetrarch, and Saul, As ary should be considered and inthey ministered to the Lord, and vestigated. No one objects to havfasted, the Holy Ghost said, Sep- ing his record reviewed except the arate me Barnabas and Saul for one who is afraid of his record. the work whereunto I have called The Antiochian Church knew the them. And when they had fasted spiritual standing and the moral

The man a church sends out will be the means by which those with-The kind of men that churches out will judge and appraise the

sent forth instead of every Tom, The church must be convinced Dick, and Harry who comes along.



ELD. MILBURN COCKRELL

Before sending Paul and Barnabas, Many missionary problems would is going to hurt the sponsoring every thing has been done that is goodness, holiness, and righteousthe Antiochian Church fasted and be solved if the right men were church. Better to be too slow in sending out a man than to recall him after he is sent.

(Continued on page 7, column 2) In Black

# BACKSLIDER

1. John died of extreme old age in

2. Judas Iscariot, after betraying his Lord, hanged himself.

then beaten to death with a haunts you.

in Ethiopia (Abyssinia).

with arrows.

(now Iran).

Backsliding - losing interest in scourging of divine discipline - a things of God, forsaking church, measure of God's love to bring His neglecting service and stewardship, disobedient child back to the way drifting out into the world — is very of blessing, but a painful process.

al of God. The backslider faces the

for us to know what it is that has been done. In other words, they plainly deny the truth clearly taught in Scripture, that Christ reconciled us to God by His death upon the Cross. If then, you ask them for what purpose Christ died upon the Cross, they are equally at a loss to give you a Scriptural answer. Some say He died to fulfil His Humanity: others, that He died to testify to the truth which We shall endeavor to answer this He taught: and others, that He died simple question in a simple man- to give us the greatest example of self-sacrifice the world has ever tained from the Holy Scriptures, seen. the only source from which we can

Let us, therefore, be perfectly clear, when we speak of the Atone-We must first understand clearly ment, that we mean the atoning what is meant by the word "Atone- sacrifice of Christ upon the Cross, ment." The word is no doubt a com- when He offered Himself as a sacpound of the words "at" and "one" rifice for the sins of His people.

and if it had no other meaning Let us, however, consider the than that which these words con- necessity for Reconciliation, in ordvey, it would mean exactly the er that we may understand the same thing as Reconciliation. But nature of the means by which it is everybody who thinks a moment, accomplished. This necessity arises knows perfectly well that the mean- from the alienation of the world ing of the word "Atonement," as from God by Sin. Sin is not merely universally understood, is not Re-selfishness, it is enmity against conciliation, but the means by God. Every act of sin is at variwhich Reconciliation is accomplish- ance with the goodness, holiness, ed; and that it has special refer- and righteousness of God. Sin is ence to the death of our Lord Jesus the failure of man to live in ac-Christ, when He made Atonement cordance with, and rejoice continually in, the goodness, holiness, and It may seem unnecessary to righteousness of God.

make such a simple statement as The law of God cannot be broken this, but there are many who say without judgment, and the law of they believe in the Atonement of God condemns the sinner. How Christ when they refer only to then can the unjust be justified be-Reconciliation. If you ask them fore God? Only by another taking how it is that Reconciliation has his place. Christ has done this for been provided, they say they can- us. Christ, the Son of God and the standing and sound in the faith, he not tell: but they believe that Son of Man lived a life of perfect necessary, and that it is impossible (Continued on page 6, column 1)

MEMO TO . . .

for our sins.

costly!

pillar at Heropolis (Abyssinia). glaring sin that will leave him in Psalm 51. to paralyze his victim with callous bellious spirit.

Backsliding incurs the disapprov-

Fortunately, there is a divine You begin paying the install- cure for backsliding. In confession ments with a sense of emptiness, and renunciation of sin, in re-3. Peter was crucified, head down- unrest, and irritability. When the sumption of neglected service and ward, during the persecution of conscience is activated by the Holy stewardship, the careless Christian Spirit you suffer a backlash of can experience a fresh dedication 4. Andrew died on a cross at Pat- guilt that leaves you with a frust- that will restore his lost joy and rae, in Achaia, a Grecian Colo- rating sense of compromise, fail- usefulness. Through dependence upure, and shame. You may try to on God, he can find spiritual grace 5. James, the younger brother of muffle the voice of your accusing for victorious living. The windows the Saviour, was thrown from conscience with an endless round of Heaven will be opened and the a pinnacle of the Temple, and of pleasure and work, but still it blessings of God will flow into his life once again. I John 1:9, "If we A Christian out of service is ex- confess our sins, he is faithful and 6. Bartholomew was flayed alive posed to still greater dangers. He just to forgive us our sins, and to may be sucked under by philoso- cleanse us from all unrighteous-James, the elder son of Zebe- phies and ways of life that he would ness." II Chronicles 7:14, "If my dee, was beheaded at Jerusa- never have tolerated otherwise. In people, which are called by my the artificial atmosphere of world- name, shall humble themselves, Thomas, the doubter, was run liness he may enter marriage, busi- and pray, and seek my face, and through the body with a lance ness or social partnerships, that turn from their wicked ways: then at Coromandel, in the East promise nothing but misery. If will I hear from Heaven, and will Indies.

the instigator of evil cannot trip forgive their sin, and will heal their 9. Philip was hanged against a his prospect into some base and land." Also read Psalm 32 and

-Central Baptist Bulletin Lubbock, Texas.



## BURYING THE OLD MAN

I was one day in a park in Detroit, Michigan, when some colored people came to conduct a baptismal service. After the applicant was baptized and as they led him up out of the water, the group on the shore sang -

'Places I used to go, I don't go no more:

"Marvel not at this: for the hour out honoring the Son. The Jews er has, because it has been given Songs I used to sing, I don't sing

no more."

-Selected

TABERNACLE SERIES . . .

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Exodus 30:17-21.

now brought us to the "laver." tar The "laver" stood between the brazen altar and the golden altar. wash their hands and feet thereat" The laver, in fact, either gave ac- -Exodus 30:19.



**ELDER WILLARD WILLIS** 

cess to the golden altar or closed the door to it. The priests could perform well at the brazen altar and yet, have no effective performance at the golden altar, and that

Sall Sall

## THY WILL

O Lord, I long to do Thy will, To walk with Thee each day; For I have often missed the path, And turned to my own way. But now I want to follow Thee,

But keep close by Thy side. Thy way is best tho' dark or fair, And I need never fear:

For Thou art ever near.

My soul from day to day, And seek to know Thy way.

But they are not for me;

layer. The priests, in fact, officiating to the letter at the brazen altar, were to wash their hands and feet Our study of the Tabernacle has before officiating at the golden al-"For Aaron and his sons shall

It is to be carefully noted that they were to wash only their hands and feet rather than their entire bodies. The hands and feet speak to us of outward defilement. We, within this temple of clay, have a new nature which cannot be defiled, but our outward man is subject to continual transgressions. He or she, therefore, needs to wash continually at the laver before approaching the golden altar where worship is want to be made.

One who washes at the laver is one who hears and heeds the Word of God. Those who fail here will have very little sweet communion with the Father. It is as stated in John 14:21-24:

"He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is 10. Matthew was slain by the sword the dust of disgrace, he will seek that loveth Me and he that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, 11. Thaddeus was shot to death indifference or a hard critical, reand I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him. Judas saith un- 12. Simon died on a cross in Persia (Continued on page 6, column 3)

# which made the difference was the WHAT BECAME OF THE 12 DISCIPLES

Ephesus.

in Albanapolis, Armenia,

Baptist Sermon by Claude King

# COMING RESURRE

of damnation" (John 5:28-29).

teaching the people that He is the Christ. Thy will alone must be my goal- Son of God, and therefore equal In the preceding verses, Jesus voice of the Son of God, "and they they didn't say "no more" after I yield, dear Lord, to Thee. with God. He is also teaching that had declared that He has the pow- that hear shall live" (yerse 25). they were converted.

Oswald J. Smith no one can honor the Father with- er of eternal life just as the Fath- (Continued on page 2, column 3)

is coming, in the which all that are were guilty of dishonoring God in to Him by the Father (Verses 19-I'll leave my future in Thy hands, in the graves shall hear His voice, their failure to recognize Jesus as 21). The life-giving power of the How true are these words. If a and shall come forth: they that the Son of God and honor Him as Son revealed His omnipotence; His person truly becomes a Christian, Tho' floods of sorrow overwhelm have done good, unto the resurrec- the promised Messiah - and of ability to judge men proved His he is a new creature, old things tion of life; and they that have course, anyone else who fails to omniscience, and by these divine have passed away, behold all things Yet will I put my trust in Thee, done evil, unto the resurrection properly honor Jesus Christ, as the prerogatives Jesus showed His have become new (II Cor. 5:17). Son of God, and the promised Re- equality with the Father and that When the revival broke out in The context of our Scripture les- deemer, is dishonoring God the He should be honored equally with Wales, even the mules in the mines son reveals that Jesus had been Father by his attitude toward Jesus Him. These verses also declare that had to learn a new language. the spiritually dead shall hear the Words their masters used to say,

My Saviour crucified, And never wander from the way,

So many things would claim my

## The Baptist Examiner the Lord enables me to do so.

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Dear Bro. Gilpin, Jr.,

We were so happy to hear of

Yours in Christ, Russell Wyckoff, Kansas.

Dear Brother:

once again and to see the head- tinue the wonderful work of the lines: "Here We Go Again." May Baptist Examiner. May our heav-God bless you and all those who enly Father bless and preserve it. are working to help keep the truth coming each week.

Mrs. G. E. Wolfe, Pennsylvania.

The article, "Why We Feel Compelled To Carry On With you the courage to keep sending TBE" by Bro. Halliman is so true, and surely, that is reason enough for all of us to keep on "Keeping cially and with their prayers. On," till Jesus comes.

Mrs. Victor Bigham, Pennsylvania.

It's certainly great to know Dear Bro. Gilpin, Jr.: The Baptist Examiner will continue. It would be a great loss to not receive it.

Louise Rollins, Illinois.

I am so glad the church decided Examiner. to continue the publication of The Baptist Examiner. The members ing we had at Providence Baptist evil. Perhaps we should not get who live too far away from the Church, when I was a member actively involved in political things church to attend the services need there. He was one of the speakers as a part of our church work, but get it out each week, as well as the I think you can do as good a job, financial burden of it. I plan to as editor of the Examiner, as any church members to oppose the evcontinue supporting it as much as one has ever done, perhaps better, ils of Communism, and to stand for

May the Lord bless you and give you the daily strength to fulfill the added responsibilities that have Editor fallen on your shoulders in the home-going of Brother Gilpin.

Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Dewey Shannon, Tennessee.

How happy we are that you are Published weekly, with paid cir- going ahead with the work there. The paper is a means of fellowship and communication for us, and an inspiration to earry on. One year \_\_ \$2.00; Two years \_\_ \$3.50 The Lord enabled us and we vot-\$7.00; Life \_\_\_\_ \$25.00 ed last Sunday officially to send CLUB RATES: 15 or more \_\_\_ each \$1.50 support to The Baptist Examiner and also the New Guinea Mission work. We pray the Lord will send you a pastor soon, but in the the Lord hearkened, and heard it, greatest strain, are always set in give you an heart of flesh"-Ezek. meantime, keep up the good

Your elect brother, Dwane Gilliland, Oklahoma.

We hope and pray that the els"-Mal. 3:15,17. church can get someone that can wants the work to go on, He has erywhere. Truly, God's "jewels" Gilpin had.

C. T. Everman, Kentucky.

I read of the death of Bro. Gilpin. to represent the other colors of the Let me tell you that my wife and world. Whereupon, he arose from I were Roman Catholics, but thru his bed, changed the picture, showsound missionary Baptists. I was brown child as being "The Chiland we shall continue to support it. flesh, Jesus said:

God bless you,

We are so happy the Lord has So glad to receive the paper led Calvary Baptist Church to con-

In Christian love, William Topping, Ohio.

We are so grateful God has given out The Baptist Examiner. May He impress upon your Christian readers and friends to help finan-

> Your friends in Christ, The Hagers, West Virginia.

I want you to know that I appreciate the work you are doing America, especially among true as temporary editor of the Baptist Examiner. I am thankful to the Lord that your church elected to continue the work of editing the rect opposite, Communism, is bad.

I knew your father from a meet-

# Memorial Pulpit

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By JOHN R. GILPIN

Our Beloved Pastor and Editor, Now in Glory

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# GOD'S JEWEL

"Then they that feared the Lord izes that this is true, for the bearand a book of remembrance was jewels. Regardless of how durable 36:26. written before him for them that earthly jewels may be, they cannot No jewel was ever hidden away upon his name. And they shall be bility of God's "jewels." God's God's "jewels." mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in "jewels" endure forever. that day when I make up my jew-

saw an angel working by his easel I could not believe my eyes when changing four of these white faces

> James C. Lewis and wife, preach the gospel to every creature"-Mark 16:15.

Regardless of color, and irreone of God's jewels.

stances. Every watch-maker real- speaking for God says:

editor of TBE for as long as it

I was extremely pleased to see

real America?" I believe we need

more honest to God patriotism in

Baptists, as we are all supposed

Americanism is good, and its di-

We should all be for that which is

that which is good and right in our

free society, not as any part of the

church work itself, but as good

us to be, as His children, the very

The best of everything to you and

Nabors Brewer,

Sincerely,

"Resurrection"

(Continued from page one)

Texas.

best citizens possible.

blessings flow.

to be.

for ever, and his throne as the ple, if any, realized the task Bro. found everywhere. When the artist iniquity with stripes. Nevertheless with white faces. In a dream, he faithfulness to fail"-Psa. 89:29-33. wise must be dynamited to be

HOW JEWELS ARE FOUND.

God calls the redeemed "jewels," the influence of TBE we are now ing the black, red, yellow, and it is even more interesting to notice one that believeth"-Rom. 1:16. how the "jewels" are found. Jewvery happy to learn of the deci- dren of the World" just the same els are often hidden away in rocks T.B.E. being continued, praise sion to continue with the paper as the white. In the days of His and mud. It is much trouble to "Go ye into all the world, and ficulty to uncover them. God's "jewels" are lost and hidden away

"For from within, out of the demptive work of Jesus Christ and thefts, covetousness, wickedness, in the blood of Jesus, that one is blasphemy, pride, foolishness: All these things come from within and Then, too, God refers to the sav- defile the man"-Mark 7:21-23.

"His seed will I make to endure of men is full of evil"—Eccl. 9:3. There are reasons why that God days of heaven. If his children for- at Ephesus, he referred to their humanly speaking, that seems like els." First of all, jewels are of judgments; If they break my stat- saved, declaring that they whom an impossibility, but if the Lord all colors and they are found ev- utes, and keep not my command- God had quickened, once "were ments; Then will I visit their trans- dead in trespasses and sins"-Eph. a man for the job. Very few peo- are of all colors of mankind and gression with the rod and their 2:1. had painted "The Children of the my lovingkindness will I not utter- dynamite in order to find earthly World," all of them were shown ly take from him, nor suffer my jewels, so God's "jewels" like-

in vile sins and earthly habits.

being a younger man. I hope and He sets before us our text which mendous impact on the unregene-

the Lord, that you might be the tion." might please Him from Whom all is peculiarly a Christian belief. History reveals that some few philosophers, perhaps borrowing a the article, "Do you remember the little light from the Jews, had spelled out the immortality of the soul is a hope that was brought to life the church ministry, should eduresurrection in the season of the nal truth in the twentieth century. year commonly known as "East- The doctrine of the resurrection This power was committed to the (We are fully convinced that the present life, but when we learn that Son by the Father (verse 26). Then Bible teaches that there will be a they are far-reaching and that we Jesus speaks of judgment: "And period of at least one thousand must meet the Lord Jesus Christ in hath given Him authority to exe- years between the resurrection of a resurrected body and give an accute judgment also, because He the believers and the resurrection count to Him of our actions, we is the Son of man" (verse 27). Then of the unbelievers. During this certainly regard our deeds more thousand year interim, Christ will seriously. We earnestly believe that literally reign on earth in Jeru- our text is a warning to careless salem)

"And I will take away the stony spake often one to another: and ings, which are subject to the heart out of your flesh, and I will

feared the Lord, and that thought begin to compare with the dura- in more filth and muck than are

"Yea, also the heart of the sons

When Paul wrote to the church

Just as it is often necessary to found. The Gospel is God's dyna-

"For I am not ashamed of the If it is interesting to note why gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to every

Note the expression the "power of God." The Greek word which is translated "power" is literally find them, and requires much dif- "dynamite." And isn't it true that the Gospel has the same effect upon one's soul as dynamite has upon stone? Many evangelists and preachers resort to all kinds of spective of location, wherever you heart of men. proceed evil thoughts, clap-trap methods to get converts. find one who has trusted the re- adulteries, fornications, murders, They ask the inquiring sinner to come to the front, and shake hands who has been washed from his sins deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, with the preacher, to pray at an altar of prayer, to reform, to turn over a new leaf, to join the church, to be baptized, or to sign a decision ed as "jewels," since jewels are They are shut up in hard stony card. All of which are human atthe most durable of mineral sub- hearts. The Old Testament prophet, tempts to change the soul. I heard (Continued on page 3. column 1)

pray, that in the perfect will of speaks of "The coming Resurrec- rated world during the early history of Christianity was the doctrine The doctrine of the resurrection of the resurrection. Let us quote the apostle Paul as he describes the gospel which he preached, and by which true believers were saved: "I delivered unto you," said he, "first of all that which I received, - but that the body should rise how that Christ died for our sins again, and that there should be an- according to the Scriptures; and other life for this corporal frame, that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day accordby the revelation of Jesus Christ ing to the Scriptures" (I Cor.15:3-(II Tim. 1:9-10). Man could not 4). From the resurrection of Jesus have imagined a wonder so great Christ he argues for the resurrecas this, and he proves his power- tion of all the dead, and insists lessness to have invented it, by the that if Christ be not risen, both fact, that still, as at Athens, when the faith of the Corinthians and his it and I know others do also. I at our meeting at Crim's Chapel, our preachers and teachers, thru he still mocks and sneers. The 19). The main battle-axe and weahe hears of it for the first time, preaching were vain (I Cor. 15:12question still asked by the unbe- pon of warfare for the true gospel liever is, "Can these dry bones preacher is the doctrine of the reslive again?" The doctrine of the urrection. Therefore, the first misresurrection is certainly a lamp sionaries made this prominent kindled by the hand which was wherever they went. They were once pierced. It is interwoven into very bold in their teaching of a our faith with the Person of Jesus "Coming Resurrection" and that citizens. I believe God would have Christ. The doctrine of the resur- all would be judged by the Man rection certainly ought to be Jesus Christ, according to their preached more often from our pul-gospel (Acts 17:30-31). The church pits than it is today. There is abso- and pastor that wants to likewise lutely no Scripture to justify the honor Jesus Christ, the risen One, so-called celebration of Christ's must give prominence to this eter-

> er," but there certainly is abund- is blessed of God continually to stir ant Scripture to support the con- the hearts and minds of men unto tinual proclamation of Christ's res- action, and it also brings hope and urrection and "The Coming Resur- joy to the believer. It is easy for rection of all the dead - both the us to become careless of our acrighteous and the unrighteous." tions when we confine them to this Christians and unbelievers of the The thing that made such a tre- (Continued on page 5, column 5)

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## "God's Jewels"

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(Continued from page two) some time ago pause in the middle the power of God"-I Cor. 1:18. of his sermon and say, "What you I knew nothing at all about this afterwards."

thus leaving the results in God's namite of God. hands. For years I have been able to say with Paul:

Jesus Christ, and him crucified" -I Cor. 2:2.

building. That night I preached on more miserable than before. His to be worn. It is placed in the hands high cut at the bottom and low cut

the following text:

one of these religious racketeers but unto us which are saved it is

ought to do is join the church; join man's intention, or the reason why the church even if you haven't got he was in our services. When the any more religion than a horse; services were over he and his famjoin the church and get religion ily quietly slipped out. The next Sunday night his boy was saved. What a difference between such The following Sunday night his an hireling and the preacher who daughter was saved, and the third is content to use God's dynamite Sunday evening he, himself was the Gospel of Jesus Christ - saved. Truly, the Gospel is the dy-

A sinner may go to church feel-"For I am determined not to with himself. He may have come died for our sins. know anything among you, save only out of curiosity or to please some friend who has invited him. It may be a simple message that I remember many years ago a is preached, but it takes a firm middle-aged man came to services grip on his soul. He is not half as which I was conducting one Sun- pleased with himself when he given why God calls the saved day evening, with the avowed pur- leaves the service as on his en- "jewels" interesting to you? Does pose of giving me a thrashing. He trance. His good deeds don't seem the finding of the "jewel" by God's did not even intend to come inside nearly so good, and his righteous- dynamite — the Gospel — interest word which I have spoken unto the building. One of the brethren ness even looks to him as though you? Then, surely, you will be in- you"-John 15:3. of our church insisted that he wait it might be somewhat unright- terested in the fashioning of the until after the service was over, eous. He comes back a second "jewel." Even though the "jewel" church building for the services and urged him to come inside the time, and goes away feeling even has been found, it is not yet ready today. Most immodest is her dress;

pride has given way to humility, of the great Artificer, the Holy at the top. Her hands are weigh-"For the preaching of the cross and his self-trust to self-abase- Spirit, who cleanses and polishes ed down with rings. Her hair is is to them that perish foolishness; ment, and self-abandonment. This it for God. experience is repeated again and Just as a jeweler uses water and frizzled, and marcelled. She enjoys Lord, and is saved by grace and so the Holy Spirit uses the same cards, and movies are a part of is the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

During these years of Christian self is referred to as water. experience I have seen harlots, infidels, drunkards, thieves, and the even as Christ also loved the tion for the invitation, she decided vilest of mankind and women turn church, and gave himself for it; she will attempt to endure it once. from their sins to the Saviour for That he might sanctify and cleanse In the course of the sermon, the salvation. What is it that has caus- it with the washing of water by Word of God is carried on the wings ed them to cease in their rebel- the word"-Eph. 5:25,26. lion, and has led them to renounce publicly? It is God's dynamite - body, so each of the redeemed course of time, is saved. I tell her ing happy and perfectly satisfied the Gospel - the fact that Christ needs to wash in the Word of God

THE FASHIONING OF THE JEWEL.

Are the reasons that we have

again until he yields himself to the fire for the polishing of a jewel, the things of the world; dances, washed by blood. O what dynamite methods. What water does He use? her nature. In short, she is just a In the Bible, the Word of God it- modern girl. She has come to the

their sins and confess Jesus Christ and washes away the filth of the mite. She is convicted, and in due cleanse away the defilement of the follow its teachings implicitly.

Psa. 119:9.

A young woman comes into our

not only bobbed, but windblown, service only because she has been "Husbands, love your wives, invited; and to show her appreciaof the Holy Spirit to her heart. The Just as each one takes a bath Gospel is to her, truly God's dynato make the Bible her standard of after he has been saved, and thus life, and request of her that she

"All scripture is given by inspi-"Wherewithall shall a young man ration of God, and is profitable for cleanse his way? by taking heed doctrine, for reproof, for correcthereto according to thy word"— tion, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be "Now ye are clean through the perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works''-II Tim. 3:16,17. (Continued on page 4, column 4)

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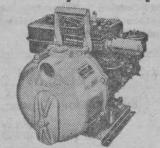


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"What would one have to do to be considered an apos- read of the church at Galatia obtate in regard to the doctrines of our Lord and His church? serving days and months. "Ye ob-What should be the attitude and actions of a Baptist toward serve days, and months, and an heretic after the first and sec- him. And Jesus, when he was bapan apostate?"

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ly means what would be considered like EXPOSITORY DICTIONARY in danger of losing its candlestick as false doctrines concerning our OF NEW TESTAMENT WORDS by was the sin of leaving its first love. Lord and His church. In a literal W. E. Vine that enables a person The first love of a saved person or sense, an apostate in regard to our who never saw a Greek textbook a church is Jesus Christ, and this Lord and His church would be a to check such a statement as the would indicate that it is in the person who once believed the truth, one I made above. So, hoping you realm of salvation. (This is why but now has departed from the will check me on it, I say that Paul was so concerned about the truth. I have serious doubts that anyone who teaches a universal in- church in Galatia). dear Lord and His precious church cious intent. There is just no way ing certain doctrines. I will attempt could ever depart from it. These to have an invisible assembly of to fellowship with them as far as truths are just too precious to a human beings. Prove me wrong I can, however, when a church Christian, after he has once come and I will eat my words without substitutes works for Christ's blood, to see them.

So, as I see it, false doctrines regarding our Lord would be any toward those who teach false doc- I no longer consider them a church. teaching that would take from Him trines? We can pity them. And we It is not my right or responsibility anything the Bible says He is, or must love them even though they to do that. God alone can remove has. Dan. 4:35 says, "All the in- are our enemies. But I Cor. 1:10 the candlestick). I will point out habitants of the earth are reputed teaches us that we are to believe to them that I do not agree with as nothing: and He doeth accord- the same thing and have no divi- their position and cannot recoging to His will in the army of sions among us. And I Cor. 11:18- nize them as a church that stands baptism and/or membership with Heaven, and among the inhabi- 20 teaches us that if there be divi- for the truth, but that's as far as tants of the earth: and none can sions and heresies among us, we I can go. We should pray for such stay His hand, or say unto Him, cannot eat the Lord's Supper. This a church and attempt to point out should be treated the same. He What doest thou?" So I hold that most certainly means there can be their error in relation to doctrines any teaching that limits what God no church fellowship when we are that are false. can do is false. If I say God can not able to observe the Lord's Supnot save a person against his will, per with them. So let's pity them and He says He does according to and love them, and let them go His will, I am teaching a false doc- their pernicious way.

Eph. 1:11 says, "In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of Him who worketh ALL things after the counsel of HIS OWN WILL." Here again, if I say that I can thwart His purpose concerning anything He wants to do, I am lying. I want to make it so plain that a little child can understand what I am saying. So if I say that I can keep Him from doing just one little thing that He being true.

devoid of any semblance of salva- fall away, that Jesus is the Christ?" No one Lord upholdeth him with His hand" Christ, he is none of His."

So I conclude that anyone who denies the Virgin Birth of Jesus those who fall away for a time. Lot Christ is just as lost as Judas Is- went into Sodom, David went the cariot. He does not have the Spirit of Christ. If he did, he most certainly would not deny the Virgin Birth. So the lake of fire is his eternal abiding place, unless God in His infinite mercy sees fit to do respect to doctrine, let us note for him what He did for Saul of some Scripture. (Remember, a Tarsus.

When it comes to the church,

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which our Lord used in Mt. 16:18, labour in vain' (Gal. 4:10,11). means a called - out assembly is there is just no way for a group of more concerned about pagan festilive, there is no justification for seven churches of Asia as shown I assume that this question real- above statement. There are books sin that caused the church to be any salt on them.

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There are many of our brethren wants to do, I am lying, because who do not believe that a saved He says that He works ALL things person can fall away. We cannot after the counsel of His own will. ignore the very clear teaching of That is as plain as it can be said the Bible on this subject. "Take in our English language, and even heed, brethren, lest there be in any Billy Graham cannot keep it from of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God. But In Mt. 1:29, we are told that exhort one another daily, while it Mary conceived of the Holy Spirit. is called today; lest any of you be So if I deny the Virgin Birth of hardened through the deceitfulness our Lord, I am worse than a liar, of sin" (Heb. 3:12,13). The Psalm-I would be nothing but an infidel ist warns of the fact that one can the Bible, the virgin birth and deity tion. No man can bask in the Sa- ise of being held by the Lord. "The belong to the huge Catholic Church reads: viour's love who relegates Him to steps of a good man are ordered with its deformed doctrines coupled a human father. I John 2:22 says, his way. Though he fall, he shall trines, belong to an apostate or- 6:4. "Who is a liar but he that denieth not be utterly cast down: for the who denies the Virgin Birth can (Psalm 37:23,24). Proverbs 24:16 have the Spirit of Christ abiding tells it in this way: "For a just in him. And Rom. 8:9 says, "Now man falleth seven times, and riseth if any man have not the Spirit of up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief."

The Bible gives us examples of way of the flesh, Jonah fled from the Lord, and Peter denied the Lord. We know that God still used these men, even after they sinned.

As to the apostasy of a church in church is made up of individuals, so the church goes the way they anyone who teaches contrary to the do). "I marvel that ye are so soon fact that the word EKKLESIA, removed from Him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ" (Gal. 1:6.7). Again, we

Obviously, this church had left guilty of teaching false doctrine. the truth of salvation and added This word means an assembly. And works to this, and had begun being people to be an assembly without vals than in serving the Lord. (I their being assembled together in wonder how many churches did a one place. In this day in which we little of this last December)? The anyone who can read and under- in Revelation 2 and 3 had commitstand plain English, not being able ted some grave sins, yet God conto check the truthfulness of the sidered them churches. The one

I cannot fellowship with them. So what should be our attitude (Please note that I did not say that

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An apostate is a bad heretic. I would consider an evolutionist, who denies special creation of man, and receives him. who rules God out of things, an apostate. Several years ago a professor in the theological department of Emory University taught that God is dead. Another theological professor in a Northern Baptist Seminary taught the same thing. These men were rank apostates, who ought to have been kicked out of their schools on their heads, but so far as I learned, they

of Christ, are anostates

ganization. There are many professed churches throughout the wherein Jesus set the example of world today, that are so far re- baptism. moved from the truth that should counterfeiting the truth!

and sinneth, being condemned of himself.'

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What one believes usually is translated into what one does. If a man believeth truth, his actions true (Gal. 3:1).

to see the truth concerning our through ignorance, or with mali- not believe the way we do regard- tuity, church authority. He may mersion, or just be a schismatic within the church. In any case, he is apostate.

On the other hand, one may become apostate by perverting Baptist perpetuity and church author-- making them to be somesalvation.

should be removed from church membership and fellowship for his disorderly doctrine and walk. He should be cut off from fellowship with all Baptists who are in good standing in Scriptural churches, NOT as a vendetta, but with the hope that he will yearn for a return to the company of his brothers (II Thess. 3:13-15).

Lastly, we believe that any church which receives a member who is under the discipline of another church is in serious error. a The disciplined brother will not be

shameful and suspect.

# 'God's Jewels"

Continued from page three) Next Sunday she comes forward I ask her why that she desires to her, which I requested of her to said: make her standard for life and

"Therefore we are buried with 6:14. the position of a mere man with by the Lord: and He delighteth in with its collection of heathen doc- him by baptism into death"-Rom.

Then she reads the Scripture "Then cometh Jesus from Gali-

characterize genuine churches, that lee to Jordan unto John, to be bapthey deserve the title "apostate." tized of him. But John forbade What a job the devil has done in him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to What should be our attitude to- me? And Jesus answering said unward apostates, asks the question- to him, Suffer it to be so now: for er. I think the best answer is giv- thus it becometh us to fulfill all en in Titus 3:10-11: "A man that is righteousness. Then he suffered times, and years. I am afraid of ond admonition reject; knowing tized went up straightway out of you, lest I have bestowed upon you that he that is such, is subverted, the water: and lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: And, lo, a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased"-Matt. 3:13-17.

She says, "Pastor, I want to be buried in baptism just like my Saviour was." What's happened during this first week of her conversion? Simply this, she had been taking a bath in the Word of God.

I notice as she makes her offering to the Lord Sunday after Sunday, and she cites as her reason for doing so:

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye will display his willingness to obey have robbed me. But ye say, it - of course, the reverse is also Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed anyone who has ever really come visible church does so either There are many churches who do Truth, one will deny Baptist perpe- me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse deny these things in word and in that there may be meat in mine deed. He may freely assemble with house, and prove me now herewith, groups which have no authority, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not see nothing wrong with alien im- open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it"-Mal. 3:8-10.

Oh, how badly do the anti-missionary crowd and the penny-givers need a bath just here! A few weeks later I notice that her bobbed hair disappears, and her dress becomes much more modest. I say to her, "You look old-timey any more; you look like you were born 30 years too soon. What's become of that pretty hair and those fancy dresses?" She replies, "Pastor, didn't you tell me the Bible was to be my standard for life? Well, could not follow it and dress as have been."

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Then she reads:

"Doth not nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him? But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for covering"-I Cor. 11:14,15.

"In like manner also, that womhelped, nor will the church, which en adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and That kind of church conduct is sobriety; not with braided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array; but (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works" —I Tim 2:9,10.

I notice that her diamond ring, the sign of her engagement, is soon removed, and I ask her the reason when I see her coming to and asks for believer's baptism. church alone. She explains that her were allowed to continue to teach. be immersed. Like a flash, she unsaved, unredeemed, and unrebetrothed was a man of the world, Men who deny the inspiration of turns to the Bible that I have given generated. And since the Scripture

> 'Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers" - II Cor.

> She had to follow what the Book said, for it was her adopted standard for life. I notice that her name no longer appears in the society stew as a partaker of all kinds of worldliness. The cards, dances, and movies which used to intrigue her have now lost their charm. She has a new affection. Her heart is set on the Lord Jesus Christ. I notice that she never misses the services of the church. I ask her why it is that she has given up the world, and why that she never misses any services in God's house. To all this she replies, "Pastor, you gave me a Bible, and told me to make it the standard of my life; it tells me how I ought to live before the world."

"Abstain from all appearance of evil"-I Thess. 5:22.

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all

to the glory of God"-I Cor. 10:31. "It tells me that I ought to go (Continued on page 5, column 2)

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"WHAT PRICE BEAUTY"

"And it came to pass in the eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof roof he saw a woman washing her-VERY BEAUTIFUL TO LOOK UP-ON" (II Sam. 11:2).

with happiness. Bathsheba is a er's heart! good example of this.

husband was in the army of King gives sin. It would seem that her David. He was an honorable man, tears of repentance mingled with a husband she could be proud of. those of her husband. And the Lord And Bathsheba was very beauti- showers His grace upon them in ful. King David had his palace full the birth of another, Solomon. of beautiful young women, and yet, Bathsheba brought up this son in Jesus, or is your life so clouded love of God, which is in Christ Jeswhen he saw the beauty of Bath- all godly diligence and care. Solosheba, he desired her.

family. But we wonder how inno- (Prov. 22:6). cent she was in the incident of reeyes of King David. She knew the custom of folk to rest on the flat her life later is blessed indeed. roof-tops of their homes. One would think she would be careful to make sure of her privacy. Surely, if she had been a faithful wife and a woman of principle she would have refused the king's summons. She should have bravely refused to yield to adultery. Later, en woman, Queen Vasti, refuse the order of the King to expose herself Surely, godly Bathsheba could have shown as much moral courage as great King David.

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sheba shows no sense of guilt, sor- ceedingly scarce and hard to find. Hell, which he declares are unable row, or mourning. Almost immein the palace with all its luxuries; early apostles. to sit beside the king at court, of the king's house: and from the dressed in all the finery the world ness of Peter and John, and per- as sheep for the slaughter, Nay, in self; AND THE WOMAN WAS having the eunuchs wait on you, and ignorant men, they marveled; conquerors through him that loved Very few women are really satis- happiness. Beautiful Bathsheba 4:13. fied with their looks. We all desire bore five sons to David. The first to be better looking than we are. baby died soon after its birth. make millions of dollars each year. of soul as they became deeply con-That's why all kinds of diets are scious of this divine judgment upon so popular. That's why "health their sin. Bathsheba watched her spas" are springing up in every husband as he was disgraced by neighborhood. We are exactly the their sons. He was disgraced by way the Lord made us and all the one son, banished by another, and "helps" don't really help us very revolted against by a third. What much. Beauty is not synonymous sorrow this would bring to a moth-

It's good to know that Bathshe-Bathsheba was a war-bride. Her ba's God is our God, and He for-Bathsheba came from a godly up a child in the way he should go"

vealing herself on the rooftop to the caused many heartaches. But the spiritual beauty that shines from



## "God's Jewels"

(Continued from page four)

"Not forsaking the assembling of in the Scriptures, we see an heath- ourselves together, as the manner of some is"-Heb. 10:25.

"Therefore I cannot do otherto the drunken men of the court. wise as long as I follow the Bible as my standard." Everybody asks, "What's the matter with her, what the ungodly. But, beauty is vain. has caused the change?" The ans-It, no doubt, was flattering to her wer is simply this, she has just to receive a summons from the been taking a bath in God Almighty's bathtub, the Word of God. The Holy Spirit has thus been fashsheba informing the king she is ioning a "jewel" through the water of the Word.

> The Holy Spirit though, has another method which He uses, namely fire — the fire of affliction. In South America there is a flower which is only visible when the wind blows against it. Sometimes it the flowers of grace to protrude from our otherwise barren lives. that day"-II Tim. 1:12.

"Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy ed: word. It is good for me that I have "Who shall separate us from the within you: and I will take away (Continued on page 6, column 4) been afflicted; that I might learn love of Christ?"-Rom. 8:35. thy statutes"—Psa. 119:67,71.

In the Salem Pioneer Register I read a poem presumably written keepeth himself, and that wicked by parents who had lost an only one toucheth him not"-I John 5:18. child - a babe.

"Only a baby's grave, A foot or two at most of teardewed sod.

But a living God knows what this little grave cost.

"Only a baby's life, Sweet as a perfumed kiss so fleet it goes,

But our Father knows we are nearer to Him for this."

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Not many of my audience poscommentary. It is written in such sibly possess much wealth in eartha way that it is easy to read ly jewels, but there are multiplied and understand. If you have been millions of dollars wrapped up in \_Jer. 32:40. Gospel, we suggest that you get The value of a jewel, first of all, to leave the ark after God had CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH ity. If diamonds were as plentiful O. Box 910, Ashland, Ky. 41101 as dust, then they would be no more valuable than dust. It's their scarceness which makes them val-

with child as a result of their re- uable. God's "jewels" are exceed- shut him in, so it is impossible the stony heart out of your flesh, lationship. It must have hurt her ingly scarce, too. The majority of for the believer to leave Christ. and I will give you an heart of pride to see the way the King tried churches do not have to build an- Someone asks, "Cannot a believer flesh"-Ezek. 36:26. everything he could think of to get nexes in order to take care of their crawl off the Rock of Ages?" Be- May God grant to you the gifts her husband to return home to her jewels. We have plenty of church loved, where is the child of God of repentance and faith that you that he would think the child his. members. In many instances large who wants to crawl off the Rock might become one of His "jewels!" When this fails, the king has Bath- numbers of these church members of Ages? But listen! Paul mentions sheba's husband put in the fore- are so many unsaved hellions. True ten agencies and agents, including front of the battle and killed. Bath- jewels - God's jewels - are ex- the powers of Heaven, earth and

diately, we see her in the palace cause of their lustre or their bril- "Who shall separate us from the taking her place as David's wife. liance in shining. God's "jewels" love of Christ? Shall tribulation, future life and coming judgment. Perhaps this was the secret desire ought to be shining for the Lord. distress, persecution, famine, nakof every young woman - to live This was the experience of the edness, peril, or sword? As it is

Again, jewels are valuable be- to separate the believer from God.

written, For thy sake we are killed ALL THAT ARE IN THE GRAVES "Now when they saw the bold- all the day long; we are accounted SHALL COME FORTH.

HOW INTERESTING IT IS TO

THINK ABOUT THE WEARING

jewels of the British Empire were

worn at the last coronation of the

those of us who are His "jewels"

reign on the earth"-Rev. 5:10.

I am just a common stone -

-Rev. 22:5.

dear one.

3:9.

OF THE JEWEL.

"Resurrection"

(Continued from page two)

Let us look at our text together: I. OUR TEXT DECLARES THAT

The quickening of the spiritually could offer; eating dainties and ceived that they were unlearned all these things we are more than dead is a marvelous thing - the resurrection to spiritual life of hand and foot. Lovely as all these and took knowledge of them, that us. For I am persuaded, that neith- those dead to faith and holiness, things sound, they do not bring they had been with Jesus"-Acts er death, nor life, nor angels, nor dead to grace and dead to God, principalities, nor powers, nor those who are in the grave clothes Are you shining in such a way things to come, nor heights, nor of evil habits, and rotting in the that the world is taking knowledge depth, nor any other creature, shall coffins of their depravity deep in That's why the cosmetic companies Surely, she shared David's agony of you that you have been with be able to separate us from the the corruption of their transgressions — are made to live when Jesus speaks to them in the gospel. Their dead souls are quickened and they are spiritually enlivened with the life of God. The resurrection of the natural man to natural life is indeed a wonder - a thing that certainly the Jews marveled at, and Jesus proved, during his public ministry, that He possesses this miraculous power. We have the record of His raising three to natural life during His public ministry. But He tells us in our text that He claims a greater power which is more amazing than the first two that He mentioned.

> "All that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth." Not only those that were dead then, but all that will ever be in the grave! Can you imagine all that were ever born into this Kings and queens only wear their world being resurrected? Think jewels on special occasions. All the of all the battle fields of history, past, present and future, suddenly springing into life with the dead Queen of England. Some day the of all ages. If we could view all Lord Jesus Christ is going to be oceans of the world, we would see crowned King of kings and Lord all that they have ever swallowed of lords. Isn't it wonderful to conup in death come out of them at sider our prospect? In that day the sound of the voice of Jesus and at His coming. The gas furnaces shall share in the honor of His corof World War II will spring to life with the millions of Jews that were "If we suffer, we shall also reign so brutally burned in them. All those who perished in the flood "And hast made us unto our God of Noah's day will be resurrected. Unnumbered multitudes who have been completely forgotten by hist-"And there shall be no night ory - no living individual knows there; and they need no candle, that they ever existed - but God sent you faultless before the pres- neither light of the sun; for the has marked their graves and they will leap from their resting places they shall reign for ever and ever" when Jesus comes and "all that are in the graves shall hear His I imagine that someone in our voice, and shall come forth."

II. ONLY TWO CLASSES WILL is not for me, I am not a 'jewel.' BE RESURRECTED.

"For I say unto you that God is they that have done evil, unto the unto the resurrection of life, and of a second chance. It completely "A new heart also will I give destroys the fallacy of annihilation you, and a new spirit will I put and man-made places of burning

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It is a sad society that puts dogs above the well being of people's souls, wouldn't you agree?

by the things of this world that the us our Lord"-Rom. 8:35-39. mon, used of God, wrote, "Train luster of your life is lost behind a multitude of sins?

Don't forget: The value of the Bathsheba's physical beauty jewel does not depend upon the mounting. A diamond itself has just as much value mounted on a piece of lead as on platinum. God's 'jewels' shine just as brightly clothed in calico as in silk. In fact, some of the greatest Christians and noblest souls that I have ever known, have been those whose outward dress was very poor, but whose souls really shone for God.

JEWELS MUST BE GUARDED. Those who are fortunate to possess jewels of great value keep with him"-II Tim. 2:12. them under lock and key. How marvelous it is to know that God kings and priests: and we shall is thus protecting His own.

"Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to preence of his glory with exceeding Lord God giveth them light: and joy"-Jude 24.

"Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last audience may say: "This message time"-I Peter 1:5.

"For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am unregenerate man." Despair not, text: "They that have done good, not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded take the fire of affliction to cause that he is able to keep that which able of those stones to raise up resurrection of damnation." This I have committed unto him against children unto Abraham" - Matt. literally does away with all thought

Twenty centuries ago Paul ask-

Shall Satan?

"But he that is begotten of God Shall temptation?

"There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempfed above ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it"

-I Cor. 6:14. Shall the law?

"For ye are not under the law, but under grace"-Rom. 6:14.

Shall the world?

"For whatsoever is born of God JEWELS ARE REALLY VALU- overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith"-I John 5:4. Shall the believer?

"They shall not depart from me"

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### Atonement

(Continued from page one) fice to God, for "a sweet smelling the righteousness of God in Him. way of truly coming to Christ, love Me, he will keep My words: den of our sins that we might wear means the grace of God in our we will come unto him, and make the glorious robe of His Righteousness for evermore. He has suffered sins, even death, even the shameful death of the Cross, that there might be no mistake about the nature of His death. Of His own free will He suffered thus, the just for the unjust, the innocent for the guilty, even in accordance with the will of God the Father. It is the intense love of God the Father for sin-stricken and rebellious men, that led Christ the Son to say "Lo, I come, in the volume of the Book it is written of me, to do Thy will, O God."

### The Cross of Christ

for us.

to have died in our stead? We can appear we shall be like Him. only say that they reject that which is the glory of the Gospel, and the very pith and marrow of the life which is in Christ. Is it necessary to point to the brazen serpent; to ed by God; to the 53rd chapter of Isaiah, with which I presume we are all acquainted? "But," say clothed with white robes, and palms some, "you surely are not going in their hands; and cried with a to take us back to the Old Testa- loud voice, saying, Salvation to of all. The saloon keeper and the ment?" For some in these extramoved by the Holy Ghost, and not according to their own imaginations, as modern teachers would which came out of great tribula-

mony of Jesus is the spirit of them."

Prophecy. Repentance — Then Redemption

But there are some who say, is in Christ Jesus.

He that believeth in Christ is saved. Are we to deny this glorious truth and to say to sinners that they can only be saved by the example of Christ, or by the ideal of self-sacrifice? Such teaching may gratify the self-esteem and pride of man: but can a mere example, however perfect, fulfill a broken law? The "wages of sin is death."

The death of the sinner is inevitable: he cannot stand before God unless some one who has a perfect right and power to do so takes his The Cross reveals to us three place and fulfills the Law. This great truths. First, our own help- the Son of God and Son of Man less, lost, and ruined condition - has done. "But now once in the dead in trespasses and sins, con- end of the world hath He appeared demned already, and without hope, to put away sin by the sacrifice Second, the Divine Holiness, the of Himself." "Christ also hath lovperfection and inviolability of the ed us, and hath given Himself for Divine Law. Third, the Infinite us, an offering and a sacrifice to love of God, that while we were yet God for a sweet smelling savour." sinners Christ died for us, in our "I have power to lay down My life, stead, unto sin once for all, and ful- and power to take it again, and no filled all righteousness before God man taketh it from Me." Shall we not therefore rejoice in the great-What shall we say then to those est event the world has ever seen. who say that it is immoral for the even the death of Christ? And as innocent to suffer for the guilty; He rose triumphant over death and that it is impossible for Christ and the grave, so when He shall

Speaking of those who know Christ as their Saviour, the Apostle says in Rev. 7, "after this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude which no man could number, of all throne, and before the Lamb, our God which sitteth upon the drinker are surely sinners, but of the Holy Spirit. ordinary times look upon the Old throne, and unto the Lamb . . . those who teach and practice false And he said to me, These are they doctrine).

## The Tabernacle

(Continued from page one) ness for us, and in His death He of- "How can we be free from the ob- to Him, Lord, how is it that Thou fered this perfect life as a sacri- ligations of the Law, and not in wilt manifest Thyself unto us, and bodies were to be washed. danger of sinning more than ever? not unto the world? Jesus answersavour," that we might be made To this we reply, there is only one ed and said unto him, If a man Christ has borne the terrible bur- that of repentance. Repentance and My Father will love him, and hearts showing us the evil of our our abode with him. He that loveth sin, its hatefulness in God's sight, Me not keepeth not My saying: the doom and condemnation of our and our perfect Redemption which and the word which ye hear is not Mine, but the Father's which sent Me."

That which these verses proclaim is summed up in Matthew 15:9: "But in vain do they worship Me, teaching for doctrine the com-

mandments of men." Those who teach and practice false doctrine are the ones who have the dirtiest hands and feet

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nothing to do, except to call upon they before the throne of God, and however, teaches us that our God them to turn from their vain imagi- serve Him day and night in His will only accept obedience. He nations, and repent of their evil temple: and He that sitteth on wants no sacrifice that is not based thoughts, and believe that the testi- the throne shall dwell among on truth. I am somewhat like Him in that I would rather have one good red apple than to have an entire bushel of rotten ones.

> as great delight in burnt-offerings minds of heretics. Death makes no of rams"-I Samuel 15:22.

water.

shall wash their hands and feet from God.

cleanse his way? by taking heed Him whose righteousness you claim thereto according to the Word"— to excel. Psalm 119:9.

you"-John 3:5.

and gave Himself for it, that He the washing of water by the Word" -Ephesians 5:25,26.

We noted earlier in this message

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29:4 and contend that their entire sage, but, friend, you cannot ignore

themselves.

save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit."

no need for these to be washed again at the fountain of blood that SELF EXAMINATION flowed from Emmanuel's veins. Word and wash away their filthy doctrines and sinful habits. They need to hide His Word in their hearts so that they will not sin against Him. It is as stated by our Lord to Peter in John 13:8:

"If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with Me."

It is to be noted carefully that of the Word under the direction once neglected?

holy men of old spake as they were and whence came they? And he stop by the "laver" (Word of God) that we are to confess our sins and

"Resurrection"

(Continued from page five) out sin — all these things along That which was in the laver was evil, unto the resurrection of dam- exceeding great joy. nation." Those who depart this life ". . . and thou shalt put water in unbelief will be judged as un-

are reading this message "All that er but by me" (John 14:6).

that only the hands and the feet are in the graves shall come forth." of the priests were to be washed. at the sound of the voice of the Son Some, however, may point to Ex. of God. You may ignore the mesthe event. The resurrection will af-"And Aaron and his sons thou feet all who have ever come into shalt bring unto the door of the this world, or ever will come into Tabernacle of the congregation, and it. The certainty of the resurrecthou shalt wash them with water." tion should be one of the most pow-You will note that this washing erful incentives for preparation for was done for them, while in the the coming event. We are perhaps verse before us (Exodus 30:19) often guilty of telling folks that speaks of that which they did for they ought to be prepared for the event of death, and, certainly, it is 'Aaron and his sons shall wash wise to be prepared for the detheir hands and feet thereat"-Ex. parture from this world and the meeting of God; however, I be-It is very significant to note that lieve that the Bible admonishment the washing done in Exodus 29:4 is to be prepared for the coming was never repeated, while the of the Lord Jesus Christ. During washing referred to in Exodus 30: His public ministry He often ad-19 was to occur every time they monished, "Be ready for ye know approached the golden altar. We not in what hour the Son of Man see, then, that the washing done may come." With this thought in in Exodus 29:4 was a type of re- mind, we would like to ask you a generation, while the washing done very personal question - If the in Exodus 30:19 was a type of our Lord Jesus Christ was to suddenly daily cleansing. This truth is borne appear in the clouds, and His voice out in John 13:10 where our Lord was heard by those in the graves and by the living saints, would you "He that is washed needeth not be one who would go up to meet the Lord in the air? You may ignore this question, but you cert-Those who are washed in the ainly cannot ignore the coming of blood at regeneration are clean in the Lord. Therefore, it behooves that their sins are gone. There is you to be prepared for His coming. III. OUR TEXT CALLS FOR

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The burden of our previous They, however, do need to open the thoughts has been to those who are lost. However, we believe that everyone should be sure that he has had a personal experience of grace. Have you believed God? Do you live by the faith of the Son of God? We know that you are imperfect, but are you struggling after holiness? Do you desire to honor God? These are heart searching our Lord did not say in Me, but questions, but they are the ones "with Me." We are placed in Christ that should be honestly answered. at the brazen altar, but we have His grace, divine grace, that exerfellowship with Christ at the gold-cises faith in the blood of Jesus en altar. We see then that the Christ that washes sinners, proved itself to be in you by alienating you cleanser of His people. His means from the sins you loved, and leadto accomplish this is the water ing you to do the duties that you

This all affects both you and me. We have a further lesson from If you can honestly say, "Yes, my Testament as a dead letter, for- And one of the elders answered, doctrine are worse. We may say, the laver by the fact that it stood God, with ten thousand sins, yet getting that all Scripture is written saying unto me, What are these therefore, that those who are in in the outer court rather than in since the day thy grace found me, by Inspiration of God, and that which are arrayed in white robes? false churches would do well to the Holy Place. The lesson being I have desired to honor thee" then surely, you have experienced savsaid unto him, Sir, thou knowest, and wash away their filth (false flee from them before we would ing grace. What a wonderful, happy enter the Holy Place to worship, thought to know in that dread Some may think that the extra It is like I Corinthians 11:28 where hour of His coming that the blood tion, and have washed their robes, effort they put forth in the false we are taught to examine ourselves of Jesus Christ has cleansed me, For with those who thus deny and made them white in the Blood church they are in, makes up for before we eat of the bread and the righteousness which enthe authority of Scripture we have of the Lamb. THEREFORE are any error that is theirs. The Bible, (Continued on page 7, column 1) wraps me is His imputed righteousness, and that I am eternally safe in Him on the resurrection side of life! Therefore, I can look at that which would be a dread hour with joy and happiness and peace, knowing that according to the Word of God I shall eternally "And Samuel said, Hath the Lord with purgatory were created in the dwell with Him and share in His glory. If you cannot honestly say, and sacrifices, as in OBEYING change in character, according to "Yes, I have experienced saving the voice of the Lord? Behold, TO our text. Our text declares that grace," I urge you to flee to Him OBEY IS BETTER THAN SACRI- those who went through this life who can purge you from all your FICE, and to hearken than the fat in unbelief will be resurrected in sins, and yet, present you faultless unbelief - "Those that have done before the Father's presence with

> The resurrection brings great consolation to the believer. When we think of the old diseased, corrupt decaying bodies that we live You may sneer at God's grace, in now, and consider the promise one thing that you must do - you raised in glory" (I Cor. 15:43), "Blood" was the key word at the must stand before Him in an etern-then we can shout with joy - "Halbrazen altar but here at the laver, al, resurrected body and give an lelujah, what a Saviour!" The selfset yourself up as being all that consolation! Never to get old again, "Wherefore shall a young man you should be — but you must face never to be sick, never to cry again, but to be eternally with my Redeemer - in joy and peace and We are certainly living in a happiness — is a precious promise "Now ye are clean through the changing world. Many things have made to me and all believers in Word which I have spoken unto so drastically changed within the the Word of God. And, too, surely last few years that had we been I will have the privilege of singing "Christ also loved the church, suddenly taken out of this world the great songs of Heaven - the and permitted to return, we could song of Moses and the Lamb might sanctify and cleanse it with hardly recognize that we were on which undoubtedly speaks of rethe same planet. There are pre-demption. Dear friend, is this your dictions of many great world events hope? If it isn't, we trust that God that seemingly will soon come to will grant you grace to believe pass. There may be a cog in the Him and trust Jesus Christ as your wheel of God's Providence that we own personal Saviour. Jesus said, have all overlooked, or have failed "I am the way, the truth, and the to see - but just as certain as you life: no man cometh unto the Fath-

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## The Tabernacle

(Continued from page 6) drink of the cup.

We learn from Exodus 30:18 that the "laver" was made of "brass." Actually, everything in the outer court was either made of brass or covered with it. This applies to the altar, laver, pillars and pins. The brass in the outer court was in sharp contrast to the vessels in the Holy Place, for these were covered with gold.

Brass speaks of judgment, therefore, that which was made of brass spoke of Christ in His character as judge. It is the same work as We find Him performing in Revelation chapter one; that is, the believer's judge. Here in Revelation chapter one, we behold Him walking among the seven churches judging, inspecting and passing Sentence. We, in fact, are informed that His feet were "like unto fine brass." We are not, however, to think that His judgment will result in spiritual death to the believer. It may, however, result in chastisement or even physical death. The Corinthians experienced severe chastisement and even physical death. Let us, then, judge ourselves with all sincerity by the water from the laver. Let us not gloss over or sweep our evil doctrine and habits under the rug, but let us face our evil nature head-on, by searching the Word so as to determine wherein our thoughts and ways are not in agreement with those of our Father. We, of course, hasten to point out that God the Spirit must direct us or We shall make no advancement in spiritual things. May He the Spirit direct us to the Word and reveal the Word to us so that it may be said of us as it is stated in Revelation 22:14:

"Blessed are they that wash (by the Word) their robes, that they may have right to the tree of life" (R.V.)

The person who washes in the water from the "laver" will not only be found walking in truth, but he or she will also be greatly refreshed. The washing of the hands and feet, in fact, is very refreshing, and he who learns the doctrines of election and security will be greatly refreshed as he or she bathes in the Scriptures that teach these doctrines. The same, of course, applies to all the truths of God's Word.

It is very interesting and instructive to observe the source from which the "laver" was made.

"And he made the laver of brass, looking-glasses of the women asgregation"-Exodus 38:8.

glasses of those days were made of was Aaron' (Heb. 5:4). highly polished brass or copper. This, of course, is confirmed by Jonah, the Old Testament missionthe fact that the "laver" was made ary, was called of God: "And the from them.

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by the women. The greatest sacri- 15-16). fice of all, however, was given

The "laver" speaks to us of surone's self. John said, "I must derender our thoughts and ways and conform to that which we see in the laver (Word).

wash at the laver, otherwise, you (Rom. 1:1). will not be welcome at the golden altar where worship is made to the Lord. This is true even though you have been to the brazen altar (Calvary) and your sins have been washed away in His blood. Let it be remembered that the laver still stands between you and acceptable worship. Those of you who would ignore the Lord's church (Baptist) are in bad need of washing at the laver (Word) before you will find sweet fellowship with Him. You, in fact, if you continue to pursue your present course, will miss the greatest reward of all that of being in the Bride of Christ. She will be His chaste virgin for studying the account of Barnabas strive; but be gentle unto all men, able to adapt to the culture of the those who are continually washing and Paul being set apart by the apt to teach, patient, In meekness at the laver.

# Men — Missions

(Continued from page one) His Divine Call

Barnabas and Saul received a and the foot of it of brass, of the definite call from the Holy Spirit to missionary work. They were not Sembling, which assembled at the called by their parents or relatives. door of the Tabernacle of the con- Nor were they called by the church or mission board. They were called The looking-glasses of the wom- of the Holy Spirit. "And no man en were not like the ones which taketh this honour unto himself, we are familiar with. The looking- but he that is called of God, as

God uses called men in His work. The looking - glasses. which the the second time, saying, Arise, go

from Egypt and were very precious preach unto it the preaching that already himself. There should be to the women. We can be sure that I bid thee" (Jonah 3:1-2). The no question in the missionary's they were used as much, if not twelve received a Heavenly call- mind as to the time and the place more, than any other of the wo- ing: "And when it was day, he of his experience of grace. men's earthly possessions. It is ob- called unto him his disciples: and I feel the missionary should have vious, then, that the giving of the of them he chose twelve, whom the same qualifications as a pas-looking-glasses was a very liberal also he named apostles" (Luke tor, especially since most mission-

liberal gifts to the Master. What ary, Paul, was divinely called. In time. I Tim. 3:6 tells us that he have you given to the Master? relating his Damascus road expe- must not be a novice. He must not Would you give up your looking- rience, he tells us: "And I said, be newly converted to the faith. glasses and see yourself only as He Who art thou, Lord? And he said, He, like Paul and Barnabas, should sees you through His Word? We I am Jesus whom thou persecut- be of some standing in the church. can be sure that most women to- est. But rise, and stand upon thy His gifts, graces, and conduct must day would rather give up their re- feet; for I have appeared unto thee be known, lest being lifted up with frigerator than their looking-glass- for this purpose, to make thee a pride he fall into the judgment of minister and a witness both of the devil. We see, then, that the "laver" these things which thou hast seen, was made of choice material - and of those things in the which understanding of Divine things. II material which had been sacrificed I will appear unto thee" (Acts 26: Tim. 2:2 says he must be "able

by the Son who left the splendors ministry as a profession, thinking must be well prepared to refute of Heaven in order to come to it was an easy way to earn a livewhere we were. He gave up His lihood. He told young Timothy: looking-glasses in that He left Para- "And I thank Christ Jesus our dise so as to be with us. Let us, Lord, who hath enabled me, for therefore, give all to Him. Let us that he counted me faithful, putting not begrudge Him one hour of serv- me into the ministry" (I Tim. 1: ice in His church or one dollar of 12). In his second letter to Timothy must be married to only one womhe declared: "I am appointed a an. A missionary with marital preacher, and apostle, and a teach- problems creates confusion on the render, since it was made of that er to the Gentiles" (II Tim. 1:11). missionary field and an uproar which was intended to upgrade To the Corinthians he said: "For among the supporting churches though I preach the gospel, I have back at home. crease, but He must increase" and nothing to glory of; for necessity we, when we look into the Word is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto wife and children in subjection (I New Guinea. Do not say that it me, if I preach not the gospel!" Tim. 3:4). If he cannot control his (I Cor. 9:16). To the Romans he home, he is not fit to care for the be confusing since we have other wrote: "Paul, a servant of Jesus church of God (I Tim. 3:5). Christ, called to be an apostle, sep-We, in closing, admonish you to arated unto the gospel of God"

> Some professed Christians deny the Divine call to the ministry and believe in professional preachers. I am more convinced than they are that God never called them to preach. There is no need for them to spend time trying to prove they are uncalled. I agree with them perfectly that God has not called them. But I want them to know the Bible teaches the Divine call to the ministry of the Word. I know this is so, because the Lord called me

### To Go With Church Authority

the church at Antioch before they 2:24-25). received the Divine call. Acts 11: 25-26 reveals they had already been teachers in the church for a year.

I notice that the church at Anti-

word of the Lord came unto Jonah apart for missionary work. Paul being reviled, we bless; being per-thereof with you" (I Cor. 9:19-23). to act officially in sending them lancers, without the backing of the offscouring of all things unto (Continued on page 3, column 3) some church.

### Called To A Specific Field

When God calls a man, he calls him to a definite field of labor. The Scriptures know nothing of a mission board selecting a man's field of labor. The Antiochian Church sent out the missionaries, but they did not decide upon their field of labor. God called Jonah and sent him to Nineveh (Jonah 3:1-3). He called the twelve apostles and sent them to the lost sheep of the house of Israel (Matt. 10:6). Christ called Paul and sent him to the Gentiles (Acts 26:17). God has a man for every place, and a place for every man.

## Spiritual Qualifications

A man cannot be a missionary without being sure of his own salvation. He cannot lead others to

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aries usually pastor the young That great first century mission- church they organize for a short

A missionary should have some to teach others also." Today with Paul did not decide to enter the so much heresy to confront, he error and contend for the truth of the Bible. A thing as big as the ministry of the Word requires skillful soldiers.

### **Domestic Qualifications**

I Timothy 3:2 reveals that he

### Moral Qualifications

A missionary ought not to be guilty of any scandalous sin. He must not habitually practice any known sins (I Tim. 3:2). This does not mean he must be perfect, nor that men will not falsely accuse him of evil things. He must have the respect of the people he is witnessing to (I Tim. 3:7). He ought to be an "example in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in purity" (I Tim. 4:12).

The missionary must not be a drunkard or a contentious person. He is to be a cold-headed person, not a hot-headed fanatic. Calm leadership is needed. "And the Much time should be spent in servant of the Lord must not Antiochian Church. The two men instructing those that oppose them-

### Other Qualifications

and Barnabas waited for the church secuted, we suffer it: Being de- More important than all, the

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this day" (I Cor. 4:10-13).

A missionary must know the customs and traits of character of the people among whom he is to labor before he goes to the field. Some knowledge of the culture, modes of transportation, ways of making a living, the leading crops, the language, and religions are essential. A good literary education is a great asset in this respect.

Then the missionary must be people when he arrives on the field. sent out had already been faithful selves; if God peradventure will this. He said: "For though I be Paul realized the importance of workers in the church. According give them repentance to the ack-free from all men, yet have I made to Acts 13:1, they were teachers in nowledging of the truth" (II Tim. myself a servant unto all, that I might gain the more. And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I A missionary is called upon to might gain the Jews; to them that endure hardships. Paul and his are under the law, as under the companions did. He described their law, that I might gain them that och was a spiritual church which missionary sufferings to the Corin- are under the law; To them that ministered to the Lord. They were thians in the following manner: are without law, as without law, more interested in the work of "We are fools for Christ's sake, (being not without law to God, but Christ than in feasting. There was but ye are wise in Christ; we are under the law to Christ), that I complete harmony in the feelings weak, but ye are strong, ye are might gain them that are without of the missionaries and the church. honourable, but we are despised. law; To the weak became I as It was all done under the direct Even unto this present hour we weak, that I might gain the weak: leadership of the Holy Spirit. Their both hunger, and thirst, and are I am made all things to all men, calling came from the Spirit thru naked, and are buffeted, and have that I might by all means save the local church, and the Spirit no certain dwelling place; And la- some, And this I do for the gospel's directed the church to set them bour, working with our own hands: sake, that I might be partaker

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## Men — Missions

(Continued from page seven) reads: "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." Tears of a broken heart are necessary equipment. The certainty of returning with joy depends on going with tears. No one will bear the precious seed of the Word of life long in a foreign country who lacks a broken heart. He who has no tears for lost souls does not have within him the Spirit of Him Who wept over Jerusalem.

If the prospective missionary has no concern for lost souls, then his own soul is in great danger. Paul had great compassion on those lost and undone: "I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost, That I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart. For I could wish that for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh" (Rom. 9:1-3). Again he declared: "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved" (Rom. 10:1). Stoning, shipwreck, prison, hunger, and approaching death could not quench Paul's tears for lost souls.

missionary of the Jerusalem church: "Then Philip went down to the heathen along secular lines. the city of Samaria, and preached Nor is he commanded to establish Christ unto them. And the people hospitals, seminaries, or orphanwhich he did" (Acts 8:5-6).

the converts into a Scriptural is a lamentable fact that much ward of such a faithful church church: "But when they believed missionary money has been de- since he organized and developed Philip preaching the things con- voted to founding and maintaining cerning the kingdom of God, and schools which have turned out in lonians Paul said: "For what is the name of Jesus Christ, they the end to be traitors to Christ. our hope, or joy, or crown of rewere baptized, both men and wom- Had the energy been devoted to joicing? Are not even ye in the en" (Acts 8:12).

Third, it is to report the blessings of God to the church who sent him forth. Philip's sponsoring church, the church at Jerusalem, heard of his success. "Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had re-8:14). Paul and Barnabas reported their missionary effort to the Antiochian Church. "And thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace of God for the work which they fulfilled. And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles" (Acts 14:26-27).

Fourth, the missionary must lieved and was saved (I Cor. 3:5)! and ever" (Dan. 12:3). teach the baptized disciples all things which Christ commanded. Christ did this when organizing His own church. Peter, John, and Philip "preached the word of the Lord" among the baptized disciples at Samaria (Acts 8:25).

Fifth, the missionary must organize a New Testament church by the authority granted by the sponsoring church back home. After Philip's evangelization, baptizing, and indoctrination, we read in Acts 19:31 of churches in Samaria. Paul visited Crete, Ephesus, Thessalonica, Philippi, Corinth, Cenchrea, and Rome where he baptized disciples and established churches.

### A Field White Unto Harvest

A true missionary goes where there are no churches. Paul was ambitious to take the message of Christ to those who had never heard it before. To the Romans he wrote: "Yea, so have I strived to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named, lest I should build upon another man's foundation: But as it is written, To whom he was not spoken of, they shall see and they that have not heard shall understand" (Rom. 15:20-21). People

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# JESUS, SAVIOUR

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Jesus, Saviour, hear my humble plea, Life is so burdened that I can hardly see: Darkness descends, and the way is growing drear, Yet, with You at my side, there's no fear.

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Earthly wisdom, now I turn aside, Conscious at last of the folly of my pride; Turning my eyes to the heights of Heaven's plains, Seeing, now, that to die is to gain.

Walking with You will be life eternally; With Your hand in mine, there'll be no cause to flee; Living or dying, my hope is Your command; All my faith and my joy in Your hands.

in America are within easy reach Oh, the thrill of knowing God used reveals.

and abroad of sheep-stealing and testimony (John 4:39)! The miscausing one to affiliate himself sionary "gathereth fruit to life with a new association or convenered" (John 4:36). This is the tion is hardly missionary work in encouragement to a faithful mis-The missionary's first task is the New Testament sense. It is sionary to know his work has \$\beta\$ evangelization. It is said of the more of the flesh than of the Spirit, tendency to the eternal salvation of

The missionary is not to educate precious souls. would have been far different.

### His Reward

The rewards of missionaries are The missionary has a heavy legion. Some come in this present cross to bear, but there awaits him life; some are a future attainment. a beautiful crown. The crown far The missionary certainly has more outweighs the cross. Jesus Christ ceived the word of God, they sent to look forward to than his salary said: "And every one that hath

### Converts!

gospel" (I Cor. 4:15).

of the gospel, yet untold myriads you in converting a sinner from dying in heathen lands have never the error of his way and saving a heard of the Bible or the Christ it soul from death (Jas. 5:20). What glory to know a fellow creature The modern practice at home believed on Christ through you

It is a comfort to the missionary with one accord gave heed unto ages. These things may come in to see the churches he established those things which Philip spake, as a by-product of missionary serv- carry out the Great Commission hearing and seeing the miracles ice. It is the missionary's supreme and organize other churches of work to herald the message of sal- like precious faith. The faithful Second, his task is to baptize vation and establish churches. It missionary will enter into the reit in the right way. To the Thessa preaching the gospel, the results presence of our Lord Jesus Christ would have been far different at his coming?" (I Thess. 2:19).

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unto them Peter and John" (Acts check from the sponsoring church, forsaken houses, or brethren, of sisters, or father, or mother, of wife, or children, or lands, for my One present reward is to see the name's sake, shall receive an hun souls he has begotten with the gosdredfold, and shall inherit ever pel. The Apostle Paul spoke these lasting life" (Matt. 19:29). Again words to the Corinthians: "For He said: "Whosoever shall lose his though ye have ten thousand in- life for my sake and the gospel's structors in Christ, yet have ye not the same shall save it' (Mark 8) many fathers: for in Christ Jesus 35). The Prophet Daniel declared I have begotten you through the "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firma What a joy to know you have ment; and they that turn many to been the minister by which one be- righteousness as the stars for ever

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