

BIBLE CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Each speaker will be given 30 minutes to speak. The church is taking care of the speakers and their families. Calvary Baptist Church is paying the \$2.00 registration fee which includes insurance for each person who attends. All who are not speakers or members of speaker's families must pay \$13.50. This amount covers the meals which will be served from Friday evening until Monday noon.

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FRIDAY NIGHT

5:00 p.m. _____ Supper in Guffey Dining Hall
7:00 p.m. _____ Song Service
7:15 p.m.—The Trinity of God _____ Joe M. Wilson
Winston-Salem, N.C.
7:45 p.m.—Verbal Inspiration _____ Dann Stepp
Goshen, Indiana
8:15 p.m.—Hereditary and Total Depravity _____ Martin Holmes
Sunbury, Ohio
8:45 p.m. _____ Dismissal

SATURDAY MORNING

7:00 a.m. _____ Breakfast
10:00 a.m. _____ Song Service
10:15 a.m.—The Election of Grace _____ Jimmy Davis
Fulton, Mississippi
10:45 a.m.—Limited Atonement _____ B. A. Langford
Pasadena, Texas
11:15 a.m.—The Effectual Call _____ Lawrence Crawford
Hayward, California
11:45 a.m. _____ Dismissal and Noon Meal

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 p.m.—The Rise and Results of Modernism _____ Don Pruitt
Sacramento, Kentucky

SATURDAY NIGHT

5:00 p.m. _____ Supper
7:00 p.m. _____ Song Service
7:15 p.m.—Separation of God's Children
from the World _____ Harold Harvey
Olmstead, Kentucky
7:45 p.m.—The Establishment of the Church _____ Dan Phillips
Bristol, Tennessee
8:15 p.m.—Church Cooperation _____ Joe C. Wilson
Toledo, Ohio

SUNDAY MORNING

7:00 a.m. _____ Breakfast
10:00 a.m. _____ Song Service
10:15 a.m.—Let Brotherly Love Continue _____ Charles Salmon
Fulton, Mississippi
10:15 a.m.—The Ordinance of Baptism _____ James Hobbs
McDermott, Ohio
11:15 a.m.—Ordinance of the Lord's Supper _____ Gerald Price
Griffin, Georgia
11:45 a.m. _____ Dismissal and Noon Meal

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 p.m. _____ Song Service
2:15 p.m.—The Reality of Heaven _____ Willard Pyle
South Point, Ohio
2:45 p.m.—The Reality of Hell _____ Bill Jackson
Bristol, Virginia
3:15 p.m.—The Immortality of the Spirit
of Man _____ Charlie Buford
Scottsboro, Alabama

SUNDAY NIGHT

5:00 p.m. _____ Supper
7:00 p.m. _____ Song Service
7:15 p.m.—Perseverance of the Saints _____ Cecil Lawrence
Oakdale, Louisiana
7:45 p.m.—The Pre-Trib Rapture _____ David O'Neal
Tulsa, Oklahoma
8:15 p.m.—The Seven Years of Tribulation _____ Oscar Mink
Crestline, Ohio

MONDAY MORNING

7:00 a.m. _____ Breakfast
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10:15 a.m.—The Judgment Seat of Christ _____ Garner Smith
Gracey, Kentucky
10:45 a.m.—The Reign of the Righteous _____ Harold Cathy
Ashland, Kentucky
11:15 a.m.—Missions in the Light of Christ's
Return _____ Fred T. Halliman
Papua, New Guinea
11:45 a.m. _____ Dismissal and Noon Meal

Appointments Of God

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from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure; Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executeth my counsel from a far country: yea, I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed it, I will also do it."

It is as easy with God to do anything as it is for Him to desire to do it. "And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; and he doeth according to his

will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?" (Dan. 4:35).

Third, the all-wise God does all things after the counsel of His will: "He performeth the thing that is appointed for me." All the works of God in eternity and time are His own appointing. Whatever happens to us, let us ever remember that it is God that performs it. The psalmist wrote: "I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth all things for me" (Psa. 57:2). The Master of the world always completes whatever work He begins; what God plans He also performs.

In the final analysis all events in time will be for God's glory and the good of His people. "And

Memorial Pulpit

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WHAT A PENITENT BELIEVER HAS BEFORE BAPTISM

"But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" — Rom. 10:16, 17.

I might say at the very beginning that here is a passage of Scripture that is oftentimes perverted by a certain group of heretics who believe in baptismal regeneration. Quite often you will find them talking about "obeying the gospel." The fact of the matter is, this passage of Scripture with the expression, "obeyed the gospel," is one of the choice passages of those who believe in baptismal remission of sins, and whenever they interpret it, they always say that to "obey the gospel" means "to be baptized." That is invariably their interpretation.

If you will notice it says, "But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who

hath believed our report?" This shows plainly that obeying the gospel is a matter of faith, for Paul talks about believing the message that has been preached. He goes right on to say, "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God," which would definitely and positively contradict the philosophy of all the baptismal regeneration crowd, for instead of obeying the gospel meaning to be baptized, actually to obey the gospel is to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.

This is not the only time that thought is found in the Word of God. Listen:

"In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that OBEY NOT THE GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power; When he shall

come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that BELIEVE (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day" — II Thess. 1:8-10).

Notice that he says that those who do not obey the gospel are going to Hell, and those who believe will be glorified in his saints. What does it mean? To obey the gospel is nothing more nor less than to believe in or receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour.

I challenge any individual to find a passage anywhere that could be at all interpreted safely to indicate that obeying the gospel has anything at all to do with baptism. You may say, "Well, Bro. So-and-So says that is what it means." I don't care what that heretic says on this or any other subject — what I want is, what does the Word of God say? (Continued on page 3, column 1)

we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose" (Rom. 8:28). An admirable performance the whole will appear to be when the mystery of God is finished. This should silence our murmurings and complaints. This should lead us to quiet submission to Divine Providence. Let us be thankful that God orders every event in our life by His wise counsel.

Fourth, all that God does is according to the custom of His providence: "Many such things are with Him." God does many things in the course of His dealings with man of which He gives no account

to us. "He giveth not account of any of his matters" (Job. 33:13).

The holy Scriptures assert the absolute and incontestable sovereignty of God. "But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased" (Psa. 115:3). "Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and all deep places" (Psa. 135:6). God's power is uncontrollable; He is the almighty. The great host of saints in Heaven cry: "Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth" (Rev. 19:6).

SOME GENERAL APPOINTMENTS

When I say God appointed something, I mean that God decreed, or He determined, or He pre-ordained. The Creator is said to have appointed the foundation of the earth: "When he appointed the foundations of the earth" (Prov. 8:29). According to His decree He "laid the foundations of the earth" and "the corner stone thereof" (Job 38:4,6).

The great God appointed the prophet Ezekiel to lie upon his side 390 days for Israel and 40 days for Judah. The Lord said to him: "I have appointed thee each day for a year" (Ezek. 4:6). The prophet by the year-day method pictured the shameful history of the apostasy of the nation of Israel.

The high and lofty One has appointed the seasons upon earth: "He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knoweth his going down" (Psa. 104:19). Jehovah has appointed the moon to measure

the month and to govern the tides of the seas. The succession of day and night are controlled by Him. He has promised: "While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease" (Gen. 8:22).

The Creator appoints the bounds of nations: "And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation" (Acts 17:26). The periods and localities in which nations flourish and fall are owing to the sovereign will of the living God. Job said: "He increaseth the nations, and destroyed them: he enlargeth the nations, and straiteneth them again" (Job 12:23). Nations have their appointed seasons and bounds, beyond which they cannot pass. The godless nations of the world will go no farther than a holy and wise God has decreed. Thank God that this is so! I would not want it any other way.

THE SATISFACTION OF CHRIST

The death of Jesus Christ was no afterthought in the mind of the Eternal. Christ stood as "the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world" (Rev. 13:8). The marginal reading of Romans 3:25 tells us of Jesus Christ "whom God has foreordained to be a propitiation through faith in his blood." Peter speaks of Christ as "a lamb without blemish and without spot: Who verily was fore-ordained before the foundation of" (Continued on page 6, column 2)

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D'ANVERS ON PRE-MILLENNIALISM

Penitent Believer . . .

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is preposterous, it is absurd, and it is ridiculous for a man to say that obeying the gospel refers to the matter of baptism. Instead, the only three times that the statement occurs in the Bible is in my text in Romans and in this passage in II Thessalonians, and in Peter 4:17, and in all three of these, obviously they state that to obey the gospel is to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as a saviour.

Some time ago one of these heretics who believes that to the gospel means to be baptized, was in my printing shop to get a little order of printing. In the course of our conversation he made mention of obeying the gospel. I asked him what he meant by the expression and of course he meant "to be baptized." Naturally, we didn't agree in our discussion, but we did agree upon one thing. He said before he left that he would agree with me that a man had to be a penitent believer before he should be baptized. He said that this was his position and the position of everyone in his church. He declared that though he believed in baptismal regeneration, he would never baptize an unbeliever, but rather only that one who had become a penitent believer.

Now, beloved, I want to show you what a penitent believer has before he is baptized.

A PENITENT BELIEVER HAS REMISSION OF SIN.

And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed; and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy: Son, be of good cheer; THY SINS BE FORGIVEN THEE" — Matt. 9:2.

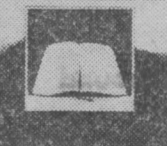
Notice, on the basis of faith, Jesus said, "Thy sins be forgiven thee." There is not any indication of baptism — not any indication of drops of water being sprinkled or poured upon the man, or of the individual's being immersed in water. Rather, it was, in view of this faith, "thy sins be forgiven thee." You can see, beloved, that this man had remission of sins in view of the faith that he was a penitent believer in Jesus Christ.

In the tenth chapter of Acts we have the story of Cornelius at Caesarea. We read:

To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever BELIEVETH in him shall RECEIVE REMISSION OF SINS" — Acts 10:43.

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THE BATTLE FOR THE BIBLE
Harold Lindsey



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In this book the esteemed editor of Christianity Today writes on the vital subject of the inerrancy of the Scriptures and its supreme importance to the church. One of the best books ever written on this subject. On page 114 relates that George E. Ladd, a post-millennialist, denies the inerrancy of the Bible in the areas of history and geography. He gives an up-to-date exposure of liberalism in the Lutheran Church, the Southern Baptist Convention, and other denominations. Names and references are given.

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IS "THAT" IN THE BIBLE?



Question:

WHAT RULER OF ISRAEL SACRIFICED HIS DAUGHTER AS A BURNT-OFFERING TO JEHOVAH?

Answer:

Jephthah, Judges 11:30-39 — "And Jephthah vowed a vow unto the Lord, and said, If thou shalt without fail deliver the children of Ammon into mine hands, Then it shall be, that whatsoever cometh forth of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the children of Ammon, shall surely be the Lord's, and I will offer it up for a burnt offering. So Jephthah passed over unto the children of Ammon to fight against them; and the Lord delivered them into his hands . . . And Jephthah came to Mizpeh unto his house, and, behold, his daughter came out to meet him with timbrels and with dances: and she was his only child; beside her he had neither son nor daughter . . . And he sent her away for two months: and she went with her companions, and bewailed her virginity upon the mountains. And it came to pass at the end of two months, that she returned unto her father, who did with her according to his vow which he had vowed: and she knew no man."

You will notice that Peter said to this man that everybody who believes in Jesus Christ shall receive remission of sins. Not one word is said about an individual being baptized, but rather Peter says that all the prophets, including the prophets of the Old Testament and the prophets of the New Testament — that all the prophets have borne witness that the man who believes in Him shall receive remission of sins.

It is rather interesting to me when I turn to the next chapter and find Peter vindicating his ministry to the Gentiles, that he tells them that he went to the house of Cornelius in order to tell Cornelius how to be saved. God had told Cornelius to send for Peter:

"Who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved" — Acts 11:14.

You will notice that Simon Peter went to this home of Cornelius for one specific purpose — to tell him how to be saved — and in doing so, he told him that the man who believed in Jesus Christ shall receive remission of sins.

Listen again:

"To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive FORGIVENESS OF SINS, and inheritance among them which are sanctified BY FAITH that is in me" — Acts 26:18.

Paul is making his defense before Agrippa and as he does so, he said that God sent him to the Gentiles for one specific purpose, that they might receive forgiveness of sin, by faith. There is not an indication of works on their part, or church works — not an indication of anything except faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

I say then, beloved friends, the man who has believed, the man who is a penitent believer, has remission of sins right then.

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Gov. Henry D'Anvers authored a book in 1672 which he called "Theopolis, or City of God," treating of the coming and personal reign of Christ in His millennial glory and triumph. After a long search, I have come into possession of it. It contains 247 pages of vital history as to the view of Baptists in the 1600's on the millennial question. We are going to give you some gleanings for your consideration.

D'Anvers' eschatology cannot be fitted completely into any modern school of thought. At times he sounds a-millennial and post-millennial. He interpreted much of Revelation literally, but did not hesitate to spiritualize at other times. Generally, he must be conceded to be a pre-millennialist.

His book is a commentary on Revelation 21-22. On page 11 he says, ". . . the Revelation be the best expounder of the Revelation, and from those exposition proportionally borrow light, for the discovering of other obscure passages depending thereupon, relating thereto, or contemporaneous therewith."

THE ROMAN EMPIRE

Commenting upon the Revelation 17:8-10, he writes, "The ten horns are ten kingdoms, and seven heads are seven kings, five of which were fallen before John's time, and the seventh afterwards to come; and they also signified seven hills interpre-



1. Dragon & Beast 3. false Prophet by a Spirit of Devils calling of Kings of the Earth to the great Battle! Rev. 16:13-14

ted to be that city, that then ruled over the kings of the earth, which was no other than Rome, the seat and metropolis of the empire, as it was then standing upon seven mountains" (p. 17).



Theo. Angell pouring out his vial. Rev. 16: 12. The Drag. Bk. & false Prop. & Army ag. him if sat on white horse and his Army.

THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON

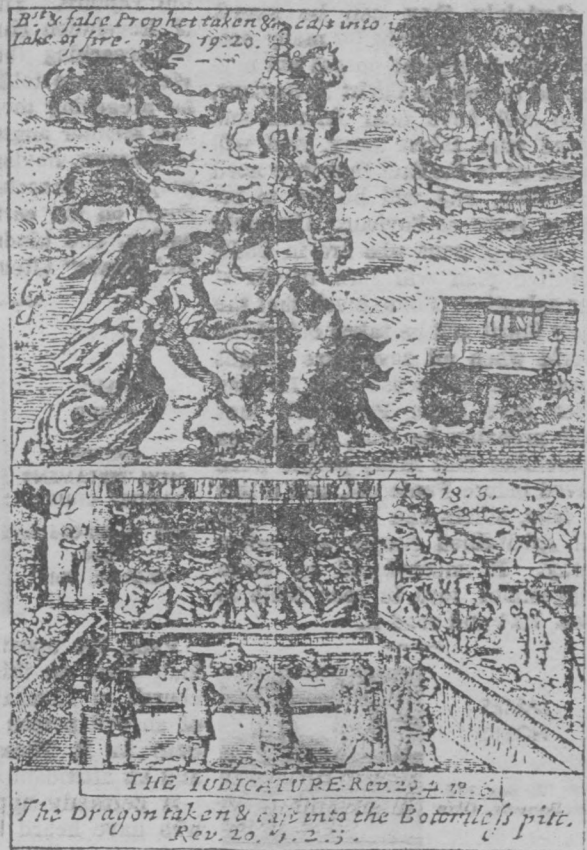
"At the latter end of the Beast or Antichrist's dominion, viz., under the sixth vial, there is a confederacy and combination of Dragon, Beast and False Prophet to gather the kings of the earth and whole world to the battle of the great Day of God Almighty: Accordingly they are assembled and engage battle with Christ and His followers" (p. 19).

THE BINDING OF SATAN

"... The Beast and False Prophet, viz., the ministerial and magisterial part of Antichrist is taken and cast alive into the lake of fire and brimstone. They are wholly gone off the stage with a stink, who have so long lorded it in those ten kingdoms of Europe. And then also the Dragon taken, and bound, and imprisoned in order to the taking place of Christ's kingdom, not only in Europe, but over the whole world, throughout the whole earth, which

was the Dragon and Devil's dominions, or that heathen empire and rule, that extends all the world . . . Now during the time of the Dragon's binding, the church hath peace, rest and rule over the whole world; but after he is released, and that empire permitted to perk up again, fresh disturbance will be given to the church, called the Camp of the Saints or the beloved City, all the world through, till the Dragon's total doom and judgment, which then immediately follows" (p. 20).

Speaking of the restraint put upon the Dragon for a thousand years, he writes, "For during the said term, all empire and rule is taken from him, and he is not only cast into the lump and mass of the people, the earth dwellers, from whom he came out, but such a restraint laid upon him, during Christ's kingdom, that the nations shall know no other rule, or sovereignty either in civil, military or ecclesiastical; but Christ's only; and to which the whole world must be subject." (pp. 41-42).



THE JUDICATURE Rev. 20: 2-5 The Dragon taken & cast into the Bottomless pit. Rev. 20: 1-2:5

LITERAL THOUSAND YEARS

"Concerning the thousand years so often expressed in this chapter we shall make this three-fold enquiry. First, how we are to take it, whether definitely or indefinitely. Secondly, if definitely, whether only one space of time is intended, where a thousand years is so expressed six several times. And thirdly, if so, when those thousand years are said to begin and end.

"First, whether to take that number of years indefinitely for a great space of time, as Psalm 91:7: "A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand." So Psalm 90:4: "A thousand years are in thy sight, but as yesterday, when it is past as a watch in the night," for a great while. Saul "hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands"; that is, David many more than Saul, not just as many.

"Or definitely, for the certain express time as here mentioned? I conclude the latter for these reasons:

"First, because that when there is no necessity to take a Scripture in a figurative sense, we are to receive it in the letter, but neither the scope of the place, analogy of faith, or other Scriptures lay any such necessity upon us, therefore so to take it.

"Second, because this same space is so often repeated by the Spirit, to which we should take the more earnest heed, as matter of instruction and information; for thrice it is said, Satan was bound a thousand years and afterwards loosed (Rev. 20: 2,3,7). Twice it is said the saints shall reign a thousand years (Rev. 20:4,6). Once that the rest of the dead lived not again till the thousand years finished (Rev. 20:5). There being a thousand years of Satan's captivity and the rest of the dead; and a thousand years of the saints reigning with Christ.

"If so, then secondly, whether these intend one and the same space of time or no; That one and the same space of time is hereby intended is manifest, as Pareus well observes: because in verse 2 and 6 the thousand years are without an article; but four times afterwards with an article . . . As if he should say, Satan's imprisonment shall continue a thousand years, and during these thousand years, the martyrs shall live and reign with Christ, and afterwards he shall be loosed. The parts to which this number is applied, are so cemented together as cause and effect, distinction and opposition that they very much strengthen and prove that just account of a thousand years, viz., Satan is bound a thousand years, that he should not deceive the nations, till the same thousand years be fulfilled; then the saints lived and reigned a thousand years with Christ, that same thousand years; But the rest of the dead lived not again, until those thousand years were finished; whilst the holy ones as their happiness made priests of God and of Christ, reign with Christ a thousand years.

"And as to the third, when these thousand years (Continued on Page Five)

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SUBMIT QUESTIONS ON ANY BIBLE SUBJECT TO:
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"After the rapture, can those who have heard the gospel before the rapture be saved?"

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Certainly they can be saved. There will no doubt be many people who heard the gospel but neglected to receive Christ as Saviour, who will have dear friends and loved ones taken away, and will wake up to the fact that they need salvation, and will be led to receive Jesus as Saviour. Certainly all such persons who are in God's elective plan will turn to Christ for salvation. Some teach that the Holy Spirit will be taken out of the world when all saved are caught away. In the sense that He has been here since Pentecost, that will probably be true, but let us remember that many people were saved before Pentecost, and if this is true, others can be saved after all spirit-filled people are taken away. If unconvinced by these suggestions, turn in your Bible to Rev. 7:14 and read it.

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In order to answer this question we must first establish the fact that there will be some saved during the tribulation period. (It is a shame that we have to do this, but there are some that have embraced new doctrine concerning the last days that caused this to be necessary.) "And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of Israel" (Rev. 7:4). We have here the 144,000 Jews who will be saved.

We are also told of a multitude of people from other nations being saved. "After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb . . . these are they which came out of great tribulation . . ." (Rev. 7:9-14).

How will these people be saved? The same as we are saved, by hearing the gospel preached and being quickened by the Holy Spirit. You see, just because the Holy Spirit leaves as the Comforter from the earth doesn't mean that He can't still work on the earth. Remember the Holy Spirit worked

on the earth during the Old Testament times, and He will work after He leaves as the Hinderer of II Thessalonians 2:6,7.

Can they be saved from hearing the gospel preached before the rapture? I don't see why not. There's no reason why the preached word cannot be used after just as it was before. The gospel will also be preached after the rapture. The two witnesses of Revelation chapter eleven will be preaching the Word of God. We also are told that angels will be preaching the gospel. "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of Heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people" (Rev. 14:6).

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Paul, the apostle, directs some instruction on this subject to the church at Thessalonica. He tells of an evil person (the epitome of evil) in II Thessalonians 2:8-10, and an attendant evil day (vs. 9).

It certainly appears that those who have heard but not received the truth will be hardened and deceived. The expressed purpose for their hardening is that they might be damned (vs. 11,12).

My answer therefore, is no, those who have heard the Gospel before the rapture cannot be saved during it — a stunning thought, isn't it?

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Repentance is absolutely essential to salvation. But in Acts 11:18 we learn that repentance unto life is a gift of God. Faith is also essential to salvation. But in Ephesians 2:8 we are told plainly that our faith is a gift of God. Believing on Christ is another thing that is essential to salvation. But in Acts 18:27 and in Philippians 1:29 we find that believing is also a gift of God.

And since all the essentials to salvation are gifts from God, I am convinced that a lost person can no more repent, have faith and believe until God is pleased to give him those things than the children of Israel could open up the Red Sea. And not only are the things that are essential to salvation given to the lost person,

his salvation itself is a gift of God. In Jonah 2:9 Jonah said, "Salvation is of the Lord. In John 10:28 Jesus said, "I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish." And in Romans 6:23 Paul said, "The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Even the old Devil himself cannot successfully bring a reproach against those three witnesses. So I plan to stand on their testimony until my Lord either comes for me, or sends for me. Call me a Hardshell, if you like. But I say in all humility, there is not one person who reads this who believes any more strongly that God uses His Word in our salvation than I do. As I understand the church's commission it simply means to make disciples, baptize them, and then teach them. If there is any other way that we can make disciples other than by preaching the Word of God to them, please let me know about it.

I know II Corinthians 6:2 says, "Now is the day of salvation." But, as I see it, Paul is talking to our Lord's co-workers, His preachers. If we desire to preach to the lost we had better do it today. If our Lord comes for us tonight, we won't be here to preach to them tomorrow. God has a certain number who are to be saved in this age. Then He has a certain number to be saved during the tribulation time. And He saves everyone of them when it pleases Him (Gal. 1:15). So what does the fact that some lost person heard the gospel with his natural ears before the rapture have to do with it. Let's not use the rapture to preach a do-it-yourself salvation.

Penitent Believer . . .

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I turn to that man who says that to "obey the gospel" means "to be baptized" and by baptism a man is saved thereby, and I ask him to read these three Scriptures of Matthew 9:2, Acts 10:43, and Acts 26:18 and when he does, he will see that when a man believes — when he becomes a penitent believer, he right then has remission of sins before baptism takes place.

II

A PENITENT BELIEVER IS SAVED BEFORE BAPTISM.

We read:

"And he said to the woman, THY FAITH HATH SAVED THEE; go in peace"—Luke 7:50.

"Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should BELIEVE AND BE SAVED"—Luke 8:12.

"And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: THY FAITH HATH SAVED THEE" — Luke 18:42.

"And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, BELIEVE ON the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou SHALT BE SAVED, and thy house"—Acts 16:30,31.

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God UNTO SALVATION TO EVERY ONE THAT BELIEVETH: to the Jew first, and also to the Greek"—Romans 1:16.

"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"—I Cor. 1:21.

"Receiving the end of YOUR FAITH, EVEN THE SALVATION of your souls"—I Pet. 1:9.

You can see by the reading of these seven passages of Scripture that a penitent believer is saved as soon as he believes on the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour. Now, beloved, why in the world would a man talk about obeying the gospel meaning salvation through baptism? Why in the world would any man say that if you are baptized your sins will be washed away? In the light of these verses which I have read, and I might multiply them again and again, you can see that whenever a man becomes a penitent believer, he is saved right then.

III

A PENITENT BELIEVER HAS ETERNAL LIFE.

The Word of God tells us that when a man becomes a penitent believer he has eternal life right then. Listen:

"He that BELIEVETH on the Son HATH EVERLASTING LIFE: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him"—John 3:36.

"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever BELIEVETH in him should not perish, but have ETERNAL LIFE"—John 3:14,15.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and BELIEVETH on him that sent me, HATH EVERLASTING LIFE, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life"—John 5:24.

"And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and BELIEVETH ON HIM, MAY HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE; and I will raise him up at the last day"—John 6:40.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that BELIEVETH ON ME HATH EVERLASTING LIFE"—John 6:47.

"But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that BELIEVING YE MIGHT HAVE LIFE through his name"—John 20:31.

"Howbeit for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might shew forth all longsuffering, for a pattern to them which should hereafter BELIEVE ON HIM TO LIFE EVERLASTING"—I Tim. 1:16.

"And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to ETERNAL LIFE BELIEVED"—Acts 13:48.

Now here are a number of

Scriptures that show us that when a man is a penitent believer he has eternal life. How do you get eternal life? By faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

I come back to that individual who says that you either have to be dipped or be damned — come to that individual who says that you have to go down into the water and have your sins washed away — I come back to that individual who says you meet the blood of Jesus Christ in the water and thereby you are saved, and I say to him, "My brother, why in the world would you talk about a man having to be saved on the basis of water when the Word of God says that a penitent believer already has eternal life?"

IV

A PENITENT BELIEVER IS NOT CONDEMNED.

"For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that BELIEVETH ON HIM IS NOT CONDEMNED: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."—John 3:17, 18.

Beloved, listen, any individual who has believed in the Lord Jesus Christ has not one sentence of condemnation resting against his soul. The Word of God specifically says that if you have not believed, you are condemned already, but if you have believed you are not condemned.

I ask you, why in the world is it that heretics get so far afield, and why is it that religious leaders get so far from the truth to try to prove a point? Why in the world would a man ever say that you have to wash your sins away in the water when the Word of God specifically says that the man who has become a penitent believer has remission of sins, he is saved, he has eternal life, and he is not condemned.

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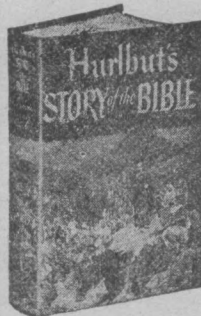
A PENITENT BELIEVER IS ALREADY JUSTIFIED IN THE SIGHT OF GOD.

"Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt. But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that JUSTIFIETH the ungodly, his FAITH IS COUNTED FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS"—Rom. 4:4.

"Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even WE HAVE BELIEVED in Jesus Christ, that we might be JUSTIFIED BY THE FAITH OF CHRIST, and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified"—Gal. 2:16.

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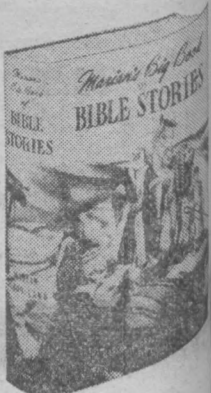
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"THE AGED WOMEN"

"The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness" (Titus 2:3).

The Word of God has instructions for all of us—men, women, children, old men, young men, old women, and young women. No one is left out. Today let's look at the instruction for the aged women. So often older women feel as though there is nothing for them to do. Besides, they are tired. They have served the Lord, let the younger women take over. Shame on us! As long as the Lord gives us breath—that long—He expects enthusiastic service from us.

We are to be in behaviour as becometh holiness. As Christian women we have been called unto a life of holiness. And our behaviour—conduct—actions—reactions—are to show this. This would include an holy tongue. We are not to be false accusers. Hasty, unholy words that pass our tongue will never be stopped. We may be sorry and ask forgiveness but the words will not return. We need to use our tongues to bless, encourage, and pray. Yes, our behaviour in speech is to be holy.

We are to be in behaviour as becometh holiness. This would include holy apparel. Should we have a sanctified tongue and then dress in an immodest or improper way? How would we dress if we knew the Lord Jesus was coming for dinner? In slacks like a man? A bathing suit? Mini skirt? No doubt our thoughts on holiness would be far narrower than today.

We are to be in behaviour as becometh holiness. To have pure conversation and dress accordingly and then travel with the world is still a contradiction. This same text tells us we are not to be given to much wine. Wine is a mocker. It laughs mockingly at those who think they can just have a social glass. Yes, our entertainment needs to be holy also. The things we watch on TV, the books and magazines we read, the restaurants and public places we attend all should reflect the truth that we are holy.

We are to be in behaviour as becometh holiness. Holiness is not all negative. There is a positive side. And that is by our speech, conduct, and manner we may teach the younger women—not wasting time on "old wives fables," superstitions, and foolishness. We must teach things that are wholesome, pure and useful.

We are to be in behaviour as becometh holiness. What a responsibility, yea, honor is this. Age has a way of adding wisdom to a person. Certainly we need wisdom if we are to live this verse. We'll need much reading of the Word and prayer. May it please our Lord to use us older ladies in such a way as to bring honor and glory to His name!

Penitent Believer . . .

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"Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins: And by him ALL THAT BELIEVE ARE JUSTIFIED from all things from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses"—Acts 13:38, 39.

From these verses you can see that when a man is a penitent believer, he is already justified. I tell you, the man who believes in baptismal remission of sins will

search this Bible in vain to find any reference to being justified by baptism. Rather, before baptism, when he became a penitent believer, he was justified from all things.

Notice again:

"To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be JUST and the JUSTIFIER OF HIM WHICH BELIEVETH IN JESUS"—Rom. 3:26.

When is a man justified? This verse says it is when he believes in Jesus Christ—not when he is baptized—not when he goes down into the water. Rather, he is justified when he believes in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Listen again:

"Therefore we conclude that a man is JUSTIFIED BY FAITH without the deeds of the law"—Rom. 3:28.

"Seeing it is one God, which shall JUSTIFY the circumcision by FAITH, and the uncircumcision through FAITH"—Rom. 3:30.

In other words, Jew or Gentile, circumcision or uncircumcision, you will find justification only by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

I say then that the man who is a penitent believer doesn't need baptism to get his sins washed away, for he already has them washed away. His sins are already removed. He already stands justified in God's sight.

VI

A PENITENT BELIEVER HAS THE LOVE OF GOD IN HIS HEART.

"Therefore being justified by FAITH, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: And hope maketh not ashamed; because the LOVE OF GOD IS SHED ABROAD IN OUR HEARTS by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us"—Rom. 5:1, 5.

What does it say? The man who has believed in Jesus Christ has the love of God shed abroad within his heart. Before baptism, he already has the love of God within his heart.

I come to that man who is saying that you have to be baptized in order to be saved, and I ask him, "Will water give an individual what faith will give?" Faith will put the love of God in a man's heart. If faith will do that, then certainly the individual doesn't need baptism for the same purpose.

VII

A PENITENT BELIEVER IS A CHILD OF GOD.

"But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the SONS OF GOD, even to them that BELIEVE on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God"—John 1:12, 13.

How do you become a son of God? By believing on the name of Jesus Christ—not by baptism, but by believing on the name of Jesus Christ.

Read it again:

"For ye are the CHILDREN OF GOD BY FAITH IN Christ Jesus"—Gal. 3:26.

How do you become a child of God? By faith in Christ Jesus.

I ask that man who says that you have to be baptized to be saved—I ask him this question, "Who would you want to baptize, a man who is a child of the Devil or a man who is a child of God?" and he says, "I prefer that he be a penitent believer." All right, beloved, if he is a penitent believer, he is already a child of God just as soon as he has believed on the Lord Jesus Christ. Apart from baptism, before baptism, ahead of baptism, he is already a child of the living God.

Listen again:

"Whosoever BELIEVETH THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST IS BORN OF GOD"—I John 5:1.

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D'Anvers On Pre-Millennialism

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begin and end, we have this general account.

"That it is the space of time, that is bounded with two wars, that of the great Battle of God Almighty before it begins: And that of the Battle of Gog and Magog, after it is ended, being a time of ease, peace and rest as before" (pp. 43-45).

A UNIVERSAL EARTHLY KINGDOM

"The extent of this kingdom is no less than the bounds of the Beast and Dragon's territories, even the whole earth (Rev. 16:14). No less than the limits of the four preceding monarchies (Dan. 7:27; 2:34-35). The universality whereof is confirmed also by these Scriptures (Isa. 50:10,11; 2:2; Gen. 12:3,18; 22:16-18; Rev. 11:15; Psa. 2:8; 29:10; Isa. 19:23,25)." D'Anvers has these Scriptures written out in his book on pages 66 and 67. I would ask the reader to see these in his Bible.

CONDITIONS IN THE MILLENNIUM

In describing the glorious administration of the kingdom, he says that it will consist of "dispensing the righteous laws of the Lord in opposition to the laws of the nations, the statutes of Omri; the Lord alone being the Lawgiver" (p. 66). He then lists these verses of Scripture to prove this point (Micah 4:2; Isa. 51:4-7; 42:2,21; Mal. 4:4; Ezek. 44:23-24).

He viewed the Millennium as a time of "increase of peace, and plenty and protection, the blessings of good government" (p. 69). D'Anvers then offers these texts in support of his position (Isa. 1:26; Psa. 72:7-13; Isa. 16:17-18,21; 62:2; 11:4-9; 2:4; 32:16-17; 33:5-6; 66:12; 51:3; 49:10; 65:21-25; Joel 3:18; Amos 9:13; Ezek. 34:26-28; 36:35; Psa. 72:11,15; Isa. 60:17; 4:5-6; Zech. 2:5).

"The blessings also of which blessing reigning day, consist much in the great conversions, that shall be effected both among the Jews and Gentiles, by the publication of the gospel" (p. 72). Then follows this list of Scriptures (Psa. 87:3-5; Isa. 1:27; 11:10-12; 60:5-10; 35:1-6; 19:24-25; Amos 9:11; Zech. 8:23; 12:10; Rom. 11:15-26; Rev. 21:24).

The Millennium to him was a time of "abounding of holiness" (p. 75). He calls attention to these verses to vindicate his view (Isa. 35:8; 60:21; Joel 3:17; Zech. 14:20-21; Hos. 9; Ezek. 44:9; Zeph. 3:13; II Peter 2:13; Rev. 21:1-3).

On pages 76 to 77 he sees it as a time of "outward and visible acts of worship." These verses are then quoted (Isa. 25:8; 54:13-14; 60:15; 65:19; Rev. 7:16-17; 21:4; Ezek. 28:24; Jer. 30:10).

On pages 77 to 78 he describes it as a time of "superabounding pouring forth of the Spirit." These verses are quoted (Joel 2:28-29; Isa. 32:15).

Lastly, he held the Millennium to be a time of "the restoration of the creature" (p. 78-82). He cites these Scriptures to prove his doctrine (Isa. 65:17,25; 63:2; 42:13; 35:4; Dan. 2:44,34; 7:14-27; Jer. 23:5-6; 39:9; Psa. 72:1-11; 66:3; Ezek. 34:23-24; Hag. 2:22; Psa. 45:3-6; Luke 1:32-33; Rev. 11:15; 17:14; 19:11-15; 20:4; 22:3).

ON THE TWENTY-FOUR ELDERS

Concerning Revelation 5:10 he says, "Being part of the new song of the twenty-four elders, that are said to be about the throne in chapter 4:10, with white raiment and crowns of gold, casting them down before the throne, interpreted here in verses 5 and 9 to be the church of God, that were redeemed by His blood, out of every kindred, tongue, people and nation" (p. 64).

ON THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

"The bride, the Lamb's wife, is one of the emblematical characters here given the church in this state and condition, and not improperly since the

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The Mother of Harlots & abominations of the Earth,
That filthy & Bloody City-Rev. 17.



1. 7 Hills. Rev. 17.9
2. Bottom of pit. 9.2
3. Starr. B. 10.9.5
4. Beasts. 11.7.8
5. Locust. 9.7
6. Divill. 18.2.16.13
7. Whore on B. 17.3.4
8. Crucifixion. 9.8
9. Widows. 9.7.8
10. False Prophet. 13.11
11. Worry. of B. 13.4.8
12. Pallace. 13.4.8
13. Carthage. 13.4.8
14. Fryer. 13.4.8
15. Nunne. 13.4.8
16. Steep. 17.4
17. Theatre. 17.4
18. Tavern. 17.4
19. Inquisition. 18.2.4

Scripture saith she is espoused to Christ" (p. 139).

D'Anvers makes a distinction between the church and the saints. On page 58 he writes of "the whole church and all saints." On page 227 he speaks of "the marriage of the Lamb with His church and people."

D'Anvers believed the church would live in the New Jerusalem. "By which bride-like state, as well as the New Jerusalem, illustrious glory following is figuratively represented one and the same thing, viz., the church's happy condition, and as both pointing out one thing, are also represented as synonymous; for the angel calling up John here to shew him the bride, the Lamb's wife, doth when he comes up to him (as in the next verse) shew to him the New Jerusalem the holy city" (p. 142).

ON THE FALSE CHURCH

"... the false church is also represented and pictured in her dress and colors, in her beauty, ornaments and attire, viz., her scarlet and purple robe, and fine linen to hold on her violence, cruelty, and opposition, her golden cup and jewels, her drunkenness, pride and idolatry, her beauty and rich attire, her witchcrafts, wantonness and whoredom.

"Being indeed represented under all the character of a wild strumpet, viz., a cruel, bloody, drunken, proud, wanton, common, filthy, rotten and abominable whore, that corrupts the earth with her fornications" (pp. 141-142).

NEW JERUSALEM A CUBE

"So this is just twelve thousand furlongs or fifteen miles high, fifteen hundred long, and fifteen

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Penitent Believer . . .

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Beloved, the man who has believed is God's child. He is God's child right then. His baptism from necessity may be postponed for days, months or even years, but he is already God's child, and he has been from the hour he believed upon Jesus as a Saviour.

A business man was telling me sometime ago about going to a funeral of an old gentleman whom he had known from childhood. He said that this man was sick about a year before he died, and that in that year's time one of these "be dipped or be damned" preachers who believes that you have to be baptized in order to be saved, had visited this old man many, many times, and the old man had professed that he was saved. He had said that he believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, and that he was a saved man. This business man told me that he went to the funeral. He said that this preacher told the congregation that he had visited this man twenty or thirty times in the past year and that he had said that he was a believer on Jesus, but that he had never gotten to the place that he could be baptized. He said this preacher said, "It is a shame for a man to get that close to Heaven and not get in, because he wasn't baptized." This business man came back from that funeral and came to see me, and told me about it. He said, "Brother Gilpin, who in the world am I to believe, that preacher, or the testimony of that man who said he was a child of God by faith in Jesus?"

I tell you, beloved, the man who is a penitent believer has remission of sin, he is saved, he has eternal life, he is not condemned, he is justified, he has the love of God shed abroad in his heart, and he is a child of God. Why does he need baptism to get all this, when the Word of God tells us that he gets it all by faith?

VIII

A PENITENT BELIEVER HAS A PURE HEART.

"And put no difference between us and them, PURIFYING THEIR HEARTS BY FAITH"—Acts 15:9.

This was the day when they were having that great Jerusalem conference to decide whether a man is saved by circumcision and by keeping the law, or whether he is saved entirely by the Lord Jesus Christ. Simon Peter's testimony was that there wasn't a bit of difference between Jewish salvation and Gentile salvation, that God saved the Jew and Gentile in exactly and precisely the same way, and that both of them had their hearts justified by faith. Or in other words, they had a pure heart the very moment they believed on the Lord Jesus Christ.

I think about some of these folk who believe that you have to be baptized in order to be saved. I think about the man who said to a friend of mine several years ago, that if our Saviour hadn't been baptized, he would have gone to Hell for sure. Beloved, I think of that individual, and I think of those like him who believe in baptismal regeneration, and I say, "Man, what can water do? The fellow who has believed in Jesus has remission of sin, he is saved, he has eternal life, he is not condemned, he is justified, he has the love of God in his heart, he is a child of God, and he has a pure heart. Isn't that sufficient?"

I say to that man who says that to obey the gospel is baptism and by baptism you are saved—I say to that individual to turn to the Word of God and see that obeying the Gospel is nothing more or less than faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. I repeat my challenge that no man can find any place in the Bible where

obeying the Gospel is to be interpreted as baptism. No one will find one verse of Scripture that could be interpreted that to obey the Gospel is being baptized. Rather, beloved, in the three instances where it is used it is found that obeying the Gospel is by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as a Saviour, and the man who is a penitent believer has everything that he needs to take him straight home to Glory when he dies.

So far as I am concerned, I would like to see everybody that is saved, baptized. You know if I had my way I would make a Baptist out of everybody in the world. If I had my way I would preach the Word of God, and I would give men the truth and I would have them follow Jesus Christ in baptism after they have been saved. I would try to teach them the truth concerning the Word of God, and thus make a Baptist out of them.

Beloved, whether you ever become a Baptist or not, if you have become a penitent believer and you have put your faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, which incidentally is a God-given faith, right then, even before you are baptized—before you are a member of the church, you already have remission of sin, you are saved, you have eternal life, you are not condemned, you are justified, the love of God is shed abroad in your heart, you are a child of God, and you have a pure heart. Thank God, you have all these by faith in Jesus Christ and not by the waters of the baptism. I thank God that Jesus saves, and not the water.

May God bless you!

Appointments Of God

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the world, but was manifest in these last times for you" (I Pet. 1:20-21).

The crucifixion of the Redeemer on Mount Calvary was not contrary to God's eternal purpose and plan. It is true the human instruments responsible for the death of Jesus were the Jews and Romans. But it is also true that "it pleased the Lord to bruise him" (Isa. 53:10).

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of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ. For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together, For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done" (Acts 4:26-28).

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It is a part of God's purpose that we not only believe on Christ but also suffer for His sake. "Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy" (I Pet. 4:12-13).

Job sums it up in this fashion: "Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth; therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty: For he maketh sore, and bindeth up: he woundeth, and his hands make whole" (Ch. 5:17-18).

MEN'S STATIONS IN LIFE

Political leaders are not merely elected by the people, or appointed by the party. The King of the nations rules over the kingdoms of this world, and He "appointeth over it whomsoever He will" (Dan. 5:21). No civil power exists on earth except by God's will of permission or will of pleasure. "For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God" (Rom. 13:1).

Even the wicked rulers of the world are instruments in the hands of a sovereign God. "This matter is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever He will, and setteth up over it the basest of men" (Dan. 4:17).

The Prophet Daniel said: "And He changeth the times and the

seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings" (Dan. 2:21). At times it pleases God to advance men to power that scarcely expect it, crossing the ambitions and aspirations of the noble and refined. God took David from the sheepfold and made him the King of Israel. We need not marvel that David later wrote: "He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth the needy out of the dung-hill; That he may set him with princes, even with the princes of his people" (Ps. 113:7-8).

Why did God let ungodly rulers like Hitler, Nero, and Pharaoh rise to power? The Divine will of permission allows this that God might demonstrate His power in judging them for their sins. "For the Scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth" (Rom. 9:17).

The Bible teaches that God has appointed some men to be preachers of the Word. Ministers are not made in theological seminaries. They are not self-called or pastor-called. "No man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of God, as was Aaron" (Heb. 5:4).

One of the greatest preachers of all time said: "Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles" (II Tim. 1:11). To the Galatians he wrote: "But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace, To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen" (Gal. 1:15-16).

God has appointed a future thousand years reign of the saints on earth. The King will say to the righteous on His right hand: "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world" (Matt. 25:34). The Messianic Reign is a product of the Divine counsels. The Father designed it for all the sheep through love and all the heirs of eternal life will inherit that glorious kingdom. God prepared it on purpose for His elect from the counsel halls of eternity.

God not only appointed the Millennial Reign, but He also has appointed the position each saint shall occupy in it. Speaking to the apostles, Christ said: "And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel" (Luke 22:29-30).

The position which God has appointed each saint to in the kingdom cannot be altered or changed. When the mother of Zebedee's children asked Christ to grant her two sons the right to sit on His right and left hand in the Millennium,

the Saviour replied: "To sit on my right, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father" (Matt. 20:23).

THE TIME OF DEATH

The Giver of life has appointed that all mortals die: "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Heb. 9:27). God has even appointed the time, place, and means of our departure from this world. Job said concerning men: "Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months are with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass" (Job 14:5).

Our life in this world is not numberless, our stay on earth is not endless. Our days are numbered and will soon be finished (Dan. 5:26). The counsel and decree of God has determined how long we shall live and when we shall die. God's providence has ordered the period of our lives; our times are in His hands (Ps. 31:15). The powers of nature are subservient to the Almighty. We can never pass the bounds fixed by God, for His counsels are unalterable.

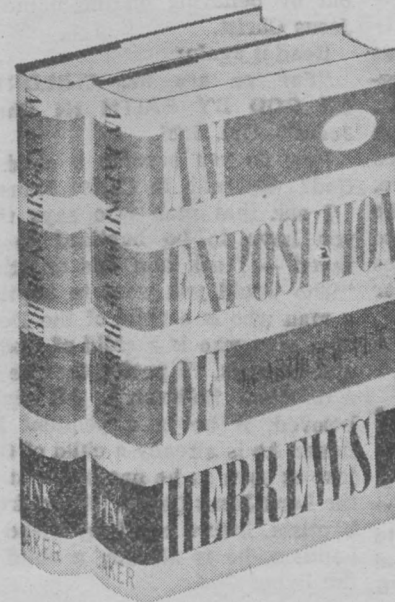
No child of God will die before his hour is come. He is immortal until the hour appointed by God is fully come. When "the time to die" (Eccl. 3:2) arrives, each believer will drop this robe of flesh and his spirit depart to be with the Lord. "Unto God the Lord belong the issues from death" (Ps. 68:20).

SOME APPOINTED TO GRACE AND GLORY

The Lord has chosen some to salvation from eternity past. Our salvation in time is owing to God's appointment and Christ's atonement. "For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ" (I Thess. 5:9). The first cause of our salvation is God's appointment. All the elect are appointed to obtain salvation, and they all will obtain it on the basis of Christ's atonement. We do not acquire salvation of ourselves; it is owing to the elective purpose of God.

Heaven be praised! God has not only delivered His people from the wrath of Hell, but He has appointed the living saints of this age to deliverance from the coming wrath of the Great Tribulation. By a pre-trib rapture of the saints we will be delivered "from the wrath to come" (I Thess. 1:10). Thank God! the saints of this age are appointed by God to be delivered by the rapture when "we will live together with him" (I Thess. 5:10).

Simon Peter declared: "And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient; whereunto also they were appointed" (I Pet. 2:8). Peter speaks (Continued on page 7, column 4).



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"WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE RELIGIOUS WORLD TODAY?"

Some may recall the statement of Eugene Blake: "The gospel is abolished. Now is the time for violence . . ." It would seem that the World Council of Churches must have taken this statement seriously, for in 1970 the WCC launched its "programme to combat racism," by setting up a special fund to aid "liberation movements."

Due to generous contributions from American churchgoers, the WCC has been able to finance terrorist groups throughout Africa and in other countries. At the Fifth Assembly of the WCC in Nairobi last year the delegates were told that "liberation fighters in Southern Africa are motivated by love, not hate."

A good example of the loving motives of the African liberators is seen in what happened to Chikombe Mazvidza. Brother Mazvidza lives in a kraal (village) north of Mount Darwin in the northern district of Rhodesia. The events about to be disclosed happened on December 5, 1976, and they were reported in all the national newspapers throughout Southern Africa. My information is based upon an article in SPOTLIGHT, July 19, 1976.

Listen to Sterla, the wife of Mazvidza, as she relates in her own words what a gang of these loving (?) liberators did: "They came to the door and said to me, 'Get out of the house.' Then they beat me up and said, 'Let us go to your husband.' They made me hand over my youngest child to someone else before they beat me. After they beat my husband in front of me, and my other children, they grabbed his ear, cut it off, then his nose, then his mouth and then his other ear. 'They pointed a gun at my head and said to fry the flesh and then to eat it.' 'So I ate and vomited and ate and vomited, and they said to keep on eating until it was all finished.'"

Chikombe and his wife Sterla were not the only casualties in this dastardly raid. Two of the "liberators" threw his mother to the ground. Then then forced her legs apart, while a third thrust a log into the embers of the fire. When this was red-hot, he burned the inside of her thighs and her private parts.

The most horrifying acts ever committed are done under the cover of religion. The case of Chikombe and Sterla proves this. The religion of the WCC and its "liberators" is the same as that of the Roman Catholic inquisitors

of the Dark Ages. The WCC is proving itself to be the Bloody Whore of Revelation 17.

Every person who has given one dime to the World Council of Churches is a partaker of the bloody crimes of the gang of terrorists in Rhodesia who attacked Chikombe and Sterla.

There were 10,000 murders in the United States in 1935. Despite a rise in the population, the murder rate declined when the death penalty was imposed. In 1955 there were only 7,500. Executions became fewer and fewer, and the last imposition of the death penalty was in 1967. According to the FBI, there were some 20,600 murders in 1974.

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At the conclusion of a lengthy address before Egypt's People's Assembly (parliament) on March 14, 1976, President Anwar Sadat declared sternly: "The Soviet Union is trying to bring us to our knees. But I will get on my knees before no one but Allah!"

He then demanded that parliament immediately nullify Egypt's 5-year-old treaty of friendship and cooperation with Moscow. The request was immediately and overwhelmingly approved by the assembly.

ATLANTA (EP) — Charismatics are emerging from Southern Baptist "closets" in surprising numbers, a Southern Baptist Home Mission Board survey reveals.

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Unto What Were Ye?

(Continued from page one) they were not true baptized believers in Jesus Christ! One must confess Jesus Christ as his only Saviour and Lord before he is baptized.

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Besides the confession of Christ, there must also be the possession of the Holy Spirit in your life before you are baptized. Where was the Holy Spirit in the lives of these twelve at Ephesus? "We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Spirit," they said (v. 2). It is most doubtful that they ever heard the Baptist preach, for he preached the baptism in the Holy Ghost, as well as water baptism (Matt. 3:11). Probably they were converts of Apollos, who then knew only the baptism of John as he came preaching before Paul (Acts 18:24-25). Apollos, at that time, knew that, and nothing more, and they, his converts knew no more. Before you are baptized in water, believe in Jesus Christ for salvation and all blessings (16:31). You will, at the same time, have the Holy Spirit changing your life and giving you the power to believe and live in Christ as a son of God (John 1:12-13).

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name of the Lord Jesus Christ, unto Christ the Redeemer. Like the Lord's Supper, the other church ordinance, water baptism shows forth the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ (and the believer's with Christ), till He come again in glory (Rom. 6:3-5; I Cor. 11:26).

This implies a thorough acquaintance with Christ. "Acquaint now thyself with Him and be at peace: thereby good shall come (Continued on page 8, column 1)

Golden Rule

(Continued from page one) ture. We, therefore, should treat others accordingly.

I desire to point out that these teachings, as set forth above, are moral obligations which we are to abide by. It is not enough to belong to the right church and be sound in the great doctrines. We are also to "do unto others as we would have them do unto us." We, in fact, are to pay our debts and not cheat or steal from our fellow men. It is as stated in Romans 6:1, 15: "What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid."

It is very important that our text not be ignored in view of the fact that the "therefore" which begins our text, joins it with the preceding Scripture which states: ". . . how much more shall your Father which is in Heaven give good things to them that ask Him" (Matt. 7:11).

Our Lord then adds: "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

We are to understand that we are to be merciful to our brother if we would expect God's mercy to be showered upon us (my reference, of course, is to our walk and not to regeneration). We, in other words, can expect God's special blessings if we seek His kingdom and righteousness first (Matt. 6:33).

I ask that we again consider the fact that the "therefore all things whatsoever ye would that

men do unto you, do ye even so to them," follows immediately after "How much more shall your Father which is in Heaven give good things to them that ask Him."

We are to learn that since our Father in Heaven gives good things to those who ask Him, we are to do likewise to our fellow men. It is as stated in Ephesians 5:1: "Be ye therefore followers (imitators) of God, as dear children."

We, in other words, are to base our treatment of others on the basis of God's treatment of us. We are not to base our dealings with others on the basis of their dealings with us. Our righteousness, in other words, is to exceed that of the Scribes and Pharisees (Matt. 5:20). We, of course, by such action, show that we are God's dear children (Matt. 5:45).

Let us not think for a moment that we will end up being the loser if we practice our Lord's teachings. We, in fact, are assured from Ephesians 6:8 that the very reverse is true.

"Knowing that whatsoever good things any man doeth the same shall he receive of the Lord."

The rule before us applies not only to giving, but also to forgiving. It is as stated in Colossians 3:13: "Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a complaint against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye."

We would not want others to look at our steps with a magnifying glass and criticize us accordingly. Let us be of the same mind toward others.

The rule which is before us shows how vile we all are. It shows that our flesh is extremely weak, yea, this rule shows how much we need to depend upon our Lord Jesus Christ. We see that aside from the Lord Jesus, we are all doomed. In Him, however, is life everlasting.

Appointments Of God

(Continued from Page Six) concerning the Jewish doctors who stumbled over the Stumbling Stone.

That depraved men should stumble over the gospel of Christ is no marvel. God has appointed all disobedient people to everlasting destruction. All who go on resolutely in contempt of the gospel shall perish in their sins. God knew who all these would be and has preordained their punishment.

If it is not unjust for God to damn men for sin, it cannot be unjust for Him to appoint sinful men to damnation. Such persons through their own sin and folly are the subjects of condemnation. Jude 4 speaks of some false teachers "who were before of old ordained to this condemnation." Yes, reprobation is taught in the Holy Scriptures, but the strongest minds cannot enter far into this great doctrine.

After speaking of reprobation, Peter in the next verse mentions Divine election: "But ye are a chosen generation." Here we behold the elect and non-elect contrasted. God's elect make up one gigantic family, a distinct

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group from the world of the disobedient. There are "vessels of wrath fitted to destruction" (Rom. 9:22) as well as "vessels of mercy" which God "afore prepared unto glory" (Rom. 9:23).

Do you understand election and reprobation, preacher? No, but I believe these doctrines because they are taught in the Bible. To these great doctrines I can only say with Job: "God thundereth marvellously with his voice; great things doeth he, which we cannot comprehend" (Job 37:5). I can only exclaim with the Apostle Paul: "O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out! (Rom. 11:33).

CONCLUSION

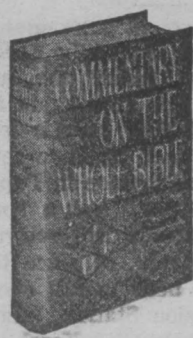
Unsaved friend, take warning. The God with whom you have to do has "appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness" (Acts 17:31). All the unsaved in the world will at the Great White Throne of Judgment be cut asunder and appointed to a place of punishment (Luke 12:46).

The sovereign God has not only appointed that all the elect shall be brought to salvation by faith in Christ, but He has also appointed that all who come to Him in simple faith believing shall in no wise be cast out (John 6:37). A great multitude is appointed to come. If so many, then why not you?

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hundred broad, the breadth and height, and length being just equal, not only overlaid with gold, but all of pure transparent gold, which great mystery may hold out thus much to us.

"1. That all things relating to the city or church of God in this glorious state will exactly hold proportion with the word, and lie even every way to the golden reed.

"2. That the church in purity answering rule, is

jection" (p. 234).

PRIESTHOOD OF ALL BELIEVERS

"Therefore is the believer the royal priesthood under Christ the High Priest (1 Pet. 2:5,9; Heb. 8:1). They are the temple, tabernacle, the Mount Zion (Eph. 2:19-22; Heb. 3:6)." This statement is on page 241.

THE SUDDEN COMING OF CHRIST

"That this coming of Christ shall be sudden, as a thief in the night, as lightning, as travail upon a woman with child, as in the days of Lot and Noah, as a snare shall it come on all that dwell on the

2:8-10; John 6:63, and many others.

SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD. We fully embrace what the Bible teaches about God being a sovereign God, such as is stated in Daniel 4:35 and the 9th chapter of Romans as well as all the other places where it refers to the subject.

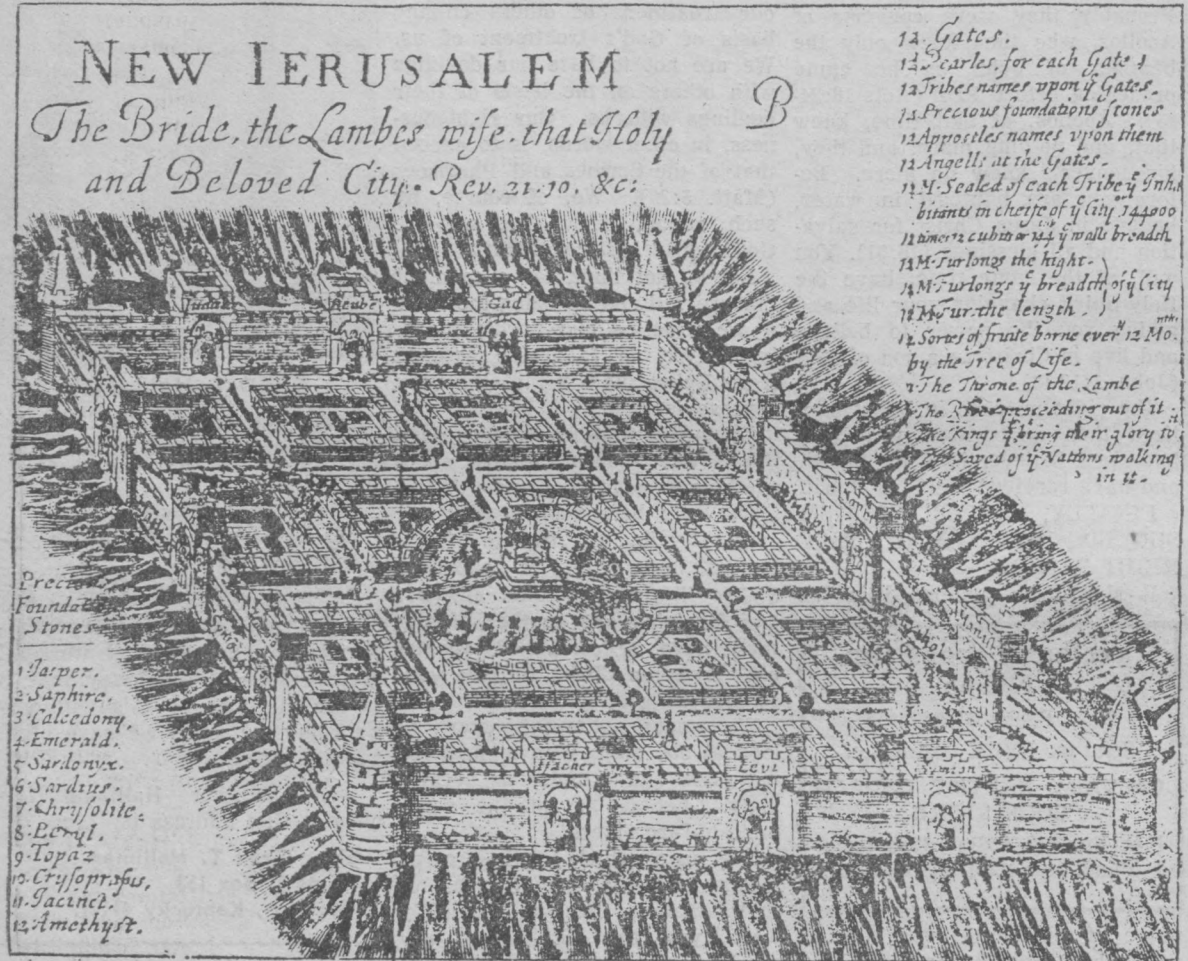
THE DOCTRINES OF GRACE: We believe what is commonly called the five points of Calvinism; namely, Total Depravity of all men, Unconditional Election, Limited Atonement, Irresistible Grace, and the Preservation of all that trust Christ. All of these doctrines are hated by the average professing Christian today but they are Bible doctrines and cannot be successfully denied. John Calvin did not start this system of doctrines but they were preached by the prophets, Christ, Paul and all the New Testament writers.

THE LORD'S CHURCH: We believe that the Lord established His church during His personal ministry here upon this earth and that it did not start at Pentecost. The apostles were first members, and all of these were baptized by John the Baptist. This first church was essentially a Baptist church and while it did not go by the name Baptist in the days of Christ, it could have had there been need of such. The Lord Jesus gave the commission to His church, as such, and not to the apostles as individuals. His church and His church alone has the commission and authority to do any church work at all, including mission work. There are only two ordinances in the church; namely, Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Baptism is to be only for a professing believer in Christ and by immersion, only administered upon the authority of a Baptist church. The Lord's Supper is a memorial supper, to be observed only by a local Baptist church in any given community (it is a church ordinance and not a Christian ordinance); only wine and unleavened bread should be used as the element in the Lord's Supper. The church is local and not universal. Only Baptist churches today could even begin to qualify as being the Lord's churches, and not all of them. The Baptist church is not Protestant but the oldest church on earth; hence, all Catholics and Protestants are not the churches of the Lord Jesus Christ, and, while there may be many in these groups that are Christians, they are not in the church. No Old Testament saint is in the church. The church must practice discipline and maintain order. The church must be evangelistic and preach the gospel, but rely on God to give the increase.

I could write much more but will stop at this. I will be glad to discuss any or all of these precious truths with you or any one else at any time or place should you desire. We believe and try to preach all the Word of God without fear or favor of any man. May the Lord bless you in your studies and if ever I can be of help to you in any way please call upon me.

Yours in Christ,

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even Heaven upon earth, the very figure and pattern of Heaven, where the Lord Himself dwells and is enthroned" (p. 160-161).

SAINTS TO SIT ON LITERAL THRONES

"Secondly, we have also in the text, thrones and judgments assigned to this reign, which are certain infallible ensigns and characters of visible rule and authority, when as judges they shall sit upon thrones, judging their enemies, who have in a judicial way judged them all the time of their reign, and which by no means can be confined to spiritual and invisible thrones and judgment" (p. 220).

SAINTS TO RULE THE WORLD

"... the monarchical rule of Christ in the hands of the saints over the nations of the earth, hath its date and lasteth but a thousand years, during also which time Satan is bound, viz., all worldly empire put down, no government in the hands of any, but saints, and the nations all in perfect sub-

earth. For when they shall say peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them, and they shall not escape: Calling therefore for all diligence to make calling and election sure, and for all watchfulness, lest at this sudden coming we be found naked, unready, or sleeping." This statement is taken from a large page printed in the back of the book on which he summarizes the entire book.

Editor's Note: I have tried to put this old book into modern English, knowing that many of our readers cannot read Old English. I have preserved the true meaning always, and at times have reproduced some of the Old English to preserve the true meaning. I did change the spelling of some words to their modern form to aid in reading.

The book bears the date 1672. It is written entirely in Old English in small type which is very hard to read at times. I have tried to present it so all could understand it.

Unto What Were Ye?

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unto thee" (Job 22:21). We must "know the Lord" (Heb. 8:11). You must know whom you have believed (II Tim. 1:12). You must be able to confess: "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God" (Acts 8:37). Only then can you be "baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus" (v. 5).

This also includes evidence that you know the Lord. In the instance before us (in Acts 19) the new converts to Christ "spoke with tongues and prophesied" (v. 6). Now that the perfect revelation has been given to men in the completion of the New Testament, and that tongues have ceased (I Cor. 13:8-10), such temporary "signs" (Mark 16:17) have passed away, including the prophesying of the future events. Nevertheless, there will be the evidence of the tongue. "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth Jesus as Lord, and shalt believe in thine heart that God raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" (Rom. 10:9, American Standard Version). This means more than merely saying: "I know Jesus Christ in salvation," for "he that saith, I know Him, and keepeth not His commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him" (John 2:4); but it includes a good confession of faith with the lips.

"Unto what then were ye bap-

Was it into the right people — a local, New Testament church? Was it for the right purpose — because you had become a believer in Jesus Christ, and had received the Holy Spirit in your life? Was it because you had come to know the Lord Jesus Christ, and gave evidence of a consistent Christian witness and life?

"When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus" (v. 5). Baptized the right way. That is the only way. And it is important enough to trouble an apostle, and to be recorded in the Word of God for our example. Amen.

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no mission work around the Koroba Sub-Province. During the next year I visited this area again and in October of that same year (1961) I went back again to settle in Koroba Sub-Province in Papua. By January, 1962, I had a house built for my family and returned to Bulolo for them, so since that time we have been in full operation as a Mission Station, located 11 miles northwest of Koroba in the Southern Highlands Province of Papua, New Guinea.

Our Mission Station is located right on the border line of the Duna and Huli people, and up until recently most of our work has been with the Duna people; we are now working with the Huli

People as well. Also we have made many patrols into the Strickland River area where the Poguaia and Snelli people live, so we really work with four different language groups.

The Lord has blessed our work tremendously. I do not know exactly how many people have professed to know Christ as Saviour but it would be between 5,000 and 6,000 people. We have 35 churches established on the island of Papua, New Guinea.

We also have a work on the island of Bougainville and have two churches there along with several mission points. We have two ordained ministers on Bougainville and now have a Bible school in operation there which was started by these preachers in April this year.

We operate several literacy classes at present and will soon have more going. For about 12 years I operated a clinic on the Mission Station and for two years had a school for the small children, but now the local government council has taken over both of these projects.

Our Doctrinal Beliefs:

ABOUT:

GOD. We believe that God is a Trinity: God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Matt. 28:19.

CREATION: We believe that all things were created by God and completely reject the evolution theory. See Gen. 1 and 2; Col. 1:16-17.

SALVATION: Salvation is wholly of the Lord: Jonah 2:9; Eph.

month of June this year; but, beloved, the pastor of the first Baptist Church, the Lord Jesus Christ, was hated, deserted by the religious crowd and finally put to death because He dared to preach the truth. The apostles one by one were killed because of these precious truths. Baptists down through the centuries have given their lives to uphold them and if need be I am fully prepared to do likewise. If you feel led of the Lord to support a work like this either prayerfully, financially, or both, we will appreciate your fellowship in this ministry and thank God for you who are not ashamed and/or afraid to stand up and be counted with those of us who still dare to preach the truth.

Preserving Power...

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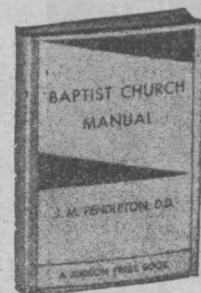
the undimmed eye of Jehovah looks upon the atoning sacrifice of the Lord Jesus, he cannot smite one soul that is covered with its scarlet mantle. Oh, how precious is this blood-red shield! My soul, cower thou down under it when the darts of Hell are flying: this is the chariot, the covering whereof is of purple; let the storm come, and the deluge rise, let even the fiery hail descend, beneath that crimson pavilion my soul must rest secure, for what can touch me, when I am covered with His precious blood.

The preserving power of that blood should make us feel how precious it is. Beloved, let me beg you to try and realize these points. You know, I told you before, I can not say anything new upon the subject, neither can I embody these old thoughts in new words. I should only spoil them, and be making a fool of myself, by trying to make a display of myself and my own powers, instead of the precious blood.

Let me ask you to get there, right under the shelter of the cross. Sit down now beneath the shadow of the cross and feel. "I am safe, I am safe, O ye devils of hell; O ye angels of God — I could challenge you all, and say, 'Who shall separate me from the love of God in Christ Jesus, or who shall lay anything to my charge, seeing that Christ hath died for me.'"

When Heaven is on a blaze, when earth begins to shake, when the mountains rock, when God divides the righteous from the wicked, happy will they be who can find shelter beneath the blood. But where will you be who have never trusted in its cleansing power? You will call to the rocks to hide you, and to the mountains to cover you, but all in vain. God help you now, or even the blood will not help you then.

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