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SCRIPTURES TO USE ON CATHOLICS

By J. D. LEWEN

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All the following questions and answers, under letters R.C.C., are taken from Roman Catholic Catechism No. 2 Prepared and enjoined by order of the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore.

ON THE MASS

R.C.C. What is the Mass? The Mass is the unbloody sacrifice of the body and blood of Christ.

Is the Mass the same sacrifice as that of the Cross? The Mass is the same sacrifice as that of the Cross.

The above Roman Catholic preaching is against God's teaching.

Hebrews 7:27. For this He died once.

Hebrews 9:11-15. He entered in once.

Hebrews 9:26. But now once.
Hebrews 9:28. Christ was once offered.

Hebrews 10:10. The offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Hebrews 10:11-12. He had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever.

Hebrew 10:14. For by one offering.

Hebrews 10:15-20. There is no more offering.

I Peter 1:18, 19. Not redeemed with silver or gold.

If Christ is offered again by the Roman Catholic priests as they claim then the above Scriptures are not true. There are about 200,000 Masses said in 24 hours, all over the world, then Jesus suffers the terrible agony of Calvary 200,000 times in 24 hours and not as the Scriptures teach us. God forbid! We must believe the Holy Scriptures.

ON PURGATORY

R.C.C. What is Purgatory? Purgatory is a state in which those suffer for a time who die guilty of venial sins, or without having satisfied for the punishment due to their sins.

The above is against God's teaching.

The word or such a place as Purgatory does not appear in the Bible. In fact the teaching of Purgatory makes God a liar. Hebrew 9:22. And without a shedding of blood is no remission.

There is therefore no Purgatory.

Hebrews 7:25. Save them to the uttermost.

I John 1:7. The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from venial and mortal sins—all sin. God's Word is true but the above Roman Catholic teaching makes God's Word untrue. God forbid.

Take the thief on the cross. He never confessed his individual sins. No Purgatory teaching there. Jesus said, "Today shalt thou be with Me in paradise" (Luke 23:39-43).

Romans 8:1. There is now no condemnation.

Romans 5:1. Being justified by faith.

Galatians 3:1-5. Who hath bewitched you.

Galatians 3:11. The just shall live by faith.

Romans 1:16,17. Gospel power unto Salvation.

Romans 3:21-28. Justified freely by His grace.

I John 1:7. The Blood cleanseth from all sin.

Romans 5:9. Justified by His blood.

Revelation 1:5. Washed us from our sins.

Ephesians 2:13. Made nigh by the blood.

Revelation 12:11. Overcame by the blood.

Matthew 23:9. Call no man your father.

Jesus the only Priest of the New Testament. Hebrews 7:23-25. An unchangeable priesthood.

A New Testament priest is higher than the heavens and only Jesus is that. Hebrews 7:26. Higher than the Heavens.

Paul says that only they who are of the tribe of Levi can be priests on this earth. See Numbers 18:1-8 an ordinance for ever (on this earth). Exodus 28:1.

Exodus 40:15. An everlasting priesthood.

Numbers 25:13. He shall have it, and his seed after him.

Hebrews 7:15-22. Office of the priesthood.

For God's promise to Israel was for a priesthood on this earth, therefore Jesus had to ascend from the sphere of this promise, the earth, and sat on the right hand of God the Father in Heaven and became a priest unto us. If Jesus remained on this earth he could not be a priest because he was of the tribe of Juda and not of Levi. And God's Word can never be broken.

Hebrew 8:1-4. If He (Jesus) were on earth, He should not be a priest.

If Christ Himself could not be a priest, then how dare these Roman

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WHAT ABOUT THE NEW LIVING BIBLE?

By DAN PHILLIPS
Bristol, Tennessee

I am very disturbed at the trash that is being read and accepted by the public as being the Word of God. Satan has inspired men to bring us new translations of the Bible.

In the last twenty years we have seen several revelations of the Bible, each one brought doubt and confusion because of changes that

Hebrews 9:22 tells us, without the shedding of blood there is no remission. Beloved, we could not have been saved without the shedding of Christ's blood that was shed on the cross. The devil and the modernist hate the blood of Christ, some have even taken the word blood out of their song books. This is bad enough but to take the blood out of the Bible, this is BLASPHEMY of the worst sort.

They have in Colossians 1:14, By whom we are set free and our sins are forgiven. Our King James version says—In whom we have REDEMPTION through HIS BLOOD, even the forgiveness of sins. In Colossians 1:20, they say in this version, God made peace through his Son's death on the cross. Our King James Version says, And having made peace through the blood of His Cross. All through

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DAN PHILLIPS

were made. They gave us the Revised Standard Version and it tried to lead us away from the Virgin Birth of Christ by leaving out Virgin in Isaiah 7:14. In Luke 2:33 they left out Joseph and added father to make us think that Jesus had a natural birth, in other words just a good man. They left many things out and added others that would weaken God's Word.

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WINDOWS ON THE WORLD

PART II WINDOW ON SPACE

In recent years, we have had a space program which has excited some and burdened others. Through that effort, we have learned what appears to be a great deal more about neighboring planets and their moons, something more about our sun, and a little more about the stars and galaxies beyond. Most dramatic perhaps was the landing of men on the moon. This climaxed the dreams of an un-

numbered multitude of mortals across thousands of years.

It is tragic almost beyond comprehension, however, that many of the men involved in these exploits have such a low regard for God and His holy Word. As in other days, much tragedy and trouble have pursued the explorers of our generation.

Tragically, most have been unbelievers!

Tragically, most have denied creation!

Tragically, most have hated God's Word!

Earlier explorations of men have been much the same, though perhaps not quite as dramatic. In the most of pioneering accomplishments, there was exhilaration and, in some instances, the praise of men. But the godlessness of their lives and their efforts issued in tragedy for themselves and sometimes those who were with them or behind them.

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WILLARD WILLIS
Monroe, Ohio

"For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day" (II Tim. 1:12).



WILLARD WILLIS

The story is told of a man who was walking across a frozen river. The farther he walked the more scared he became until he finally

began to crawl on all fours. It was at this point that he heard the rumbling sound of wagon wheels and a man singing. Turning, he saw a loaded wagon being pulled across the frozen river by a large team of horses. The driver was singing a beautiful hymn. One can imagine how the man felt there on his hands and knees.

Paul, in our text may be likened to the man in the wagon. Paul, in fact, said, with great assurance, "I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day."

The man who was on all fours can be likened to any one who is not sure relative to whether or not they are going to Heaven. They, when asked if they are going to Heaven, say, "I hope so." Paul, however, said, in essence, "I know so."

My question at this point is, what do the doubters mean when they say that they have been saved? The Bible, when it refers to our being saved (regenerated) means that we have been saved from hell. The doubter, however, feels that he is still in danger of going to hell. My answer, of course, is that those who are still in danger of hell were never saved from it. The doubters answer is that he was only saved from it for a time or as long as he remained faith-

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BORN AGAIN? SHOW IT!

ROY W. SNELL
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Although the explicit expression "born again" is used only in John 3 and I Peter 1:23, there are numerous instances where variations are in use throughout the New Testament. Practically, without exception, they all carry or imply the selfsame meaning. Expressions such as born of God, born of the Spirit, new born babes and others all convey the necessity, the reality and the importance of the new birth. All this, coupled with the fact that our sovereign Lord used the words "born again," serves to authenticate that this is of sound biblical usage and clearly describes that super-natural transaction by which every elect saint is brought into the family of God.

For centuries past, all the redeemed of God could use these precious words in expressing their gratitude for that marvelous grace which had brought them into the position of actual heirs of God and joint-heirs with Jesus Christ.

For quite awhile, after I became conversant in the Word and realized just what my standing was in the Lord, I, too, took pleasure and joy in remembering that I had been truly "born again". I took pleasure also in hearing others use those words to describe how they came into a proper relationship with the Lord Jesus. Truly this constituted heavenly language and was the speech of only the truly redeemed. I would that it could have remained thus, making a distinction and separating the child of God from the world, but, seemingly, it wasn't to be in the providence of our Lord.

Satan is ever the arch counterfeiter of our Lord's works, and increasingly so as we near the end-

time. One of his notable achievements is to take something in his own realm and then cleverly cloak it with religious semantics, thereby foisting his evil upon the unwary. This is precisely what he has accomplished with that precious terminology, the new birth. Not so long ago an important and easily recognizable figure in our land, along with a Playboy interview and a public confession about a lecherous, leering look, informed the news media that he was "born again."

Apart from an omniscient and all together sovereign Lord, no one can know for a certainty just what is in the heart of this gentleman, or in my own, and I certainly have no authority to judge. This one thing I do know is that with His profession, seemingly the flood gates were opened. Suddenly, and I mean no irreverence, everyone wanted a piece of the action. This phraseology, born again, immediately became the catch phrase and the byword of the century. Ten years ago it would have been unthought of for any except the blood-bought ones to speak thusly, and now all and sundry are either applying it to themselves or having it applied by others—many who apparently know nothing of the grace of our

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BABYLON — A GOLDEN CUP

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In Jeremiah 51:7, we read that "Babylon hath been a golden cup in the Lord's hand, that made all the earth drunken; the nations have drunken of her wine; therefore, the nations are mad."

This golden cup speaks of the grandeur, splendor, and abundance of wealth, which answers to the head of gold in Daniel 3:38. So, presently, in this cup, is the secret of the vortex of the hidden iniquity of the Papacy; yes, the dark mysteries of all apostate religious systems of mythology that has ever been, or ever shall be.

In fact, it has been proven that the idolatry of the whole earth is a unity; also, that the so-called sacred languages of all nations is basically Chaldean. Therefore the heathen gods of every nation, country, and climate are called by Babylonian names. Consequently, all paganism of the human race is wicked and deliberate distortion of the true religion of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Such has resulted in the most instructive and destructive cor-

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Windows On World

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This certainly was true of the
first man whose efforts resulted
in the circling of the globe. This
was true of the men who first dis-
covered the western world. This
was true of those who first pion-
eered in the East. And this was
true of multitudes who pioneered
the Western World which had been
discovered.

Unbelieving, Scripture-rejecting,
Christ-denying men may appear
to be masters of any given situ-
ation for a time. Their successes,
however, are often very short-lived.
E're the death rattles have
been heard coursing through their
mortal beings, they have proved
once again the wisdom of "The
foolishness of God is wiser than
men; and the weakness of God
is stronger than men" (I Cor. 1:
25).

In a very real sense they are
sophisticated blasphemers of the
Word of God. They make a mock-
ery of the Word of God as they em-
ploy their mathematical, scientific,
and technological genius to pion-
eer regions of earth or space with
the avowed or implied intent of
denying the place of God in the
universe. Their hatred of the Word
and its truth concerning creation,
sustenance, and conclusion is rather
evident! Their desire to use
their exploration, and even their
knowledge, to prove their godless
theories is such that it is just a
matter of time until God shall
make "the wrath of man to praise
thee" (Ps. 76:10).

Needless to say, it is an incom-
prehensible tragedy that many of
the pioneers of another day died
without hope and in despair after
they had been afforded the op-
portunity to have insight into the
wonder of creation which most
never knew. It will be an equally
incomprehensible tragedy that
most of the men who stand in the
forefront of the mathematics, sci-
ence, and technology of space ex-
ploration will experience God's
wrath because they have mocked
and blasphemed Him as the Cre-
ator and His Word which details
this truth.

Tragically, they defy Him as
God!

Tragically, they reject His Word!
They may be mathematical, sci-
entific and technological geniuses,

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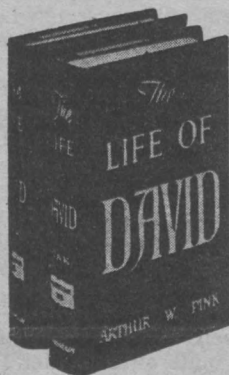
as well as philosophical giants.
They may suppose that they are
the masters of every human en-
deavor in which they indulge. Yet,
e're they are drowned and des-
troyed in the miasma of the dark-
nesses of their own human deprav-
ities, they will have to know the
tragic toll of, "He that sitteth in
the heavens shall laugh; the Lord
shall have them in derision . . .
He shall speak to them in his
wrath, and vex them with his sore
displeasure" (Ps. 2:4-5).

Interestingly, one of the crucial
calculations which men must make
in getting into space and back
from space, and in getting to the
moon and back from the moon is
that of determining the proper "lo-
cation of the window." This "win-
dow" to space at the extremity of
earth's atmosphere differs some-
what from the windows in our
homes or businesses. It changes
with each launching of a manned
or unmanned space ship or rocket
because of the ever-changing
space-time relationship which ex-
ists between the earth and heav-
enly objects. Regardless, the "win-
dow" into space from the earth is
quite small.

In a sense, the ever-changing
"window" which men must use to
get into space may be something
like that ever-changing "window"
or entry into a man's heart or
mind. That is, our Lord is "the
same yesterday, and today, and
forever" (Heb. 13:8) and "the gos-
pel of Christ which is the power of
God unto salvation to everyone
who believes, to the Jew first and
also to the Greek" (Rom. 1:16), are
truths which are as changeless as,
"The Lamb slain from the founda-
tion of the world" (Rev. 13:8).
Yet, God's entrance by the Word
in accord with "Faith cometh by
hearing and hearing by the Word"
(Rom. 10:17) is through the ever-
changing "window" of a man's
heart and mind.

Certainly, there was a difference
in the "windows," as it were,
to the heart and minds of men at
Pentecost and at Caesarea, yet the
Gospel nonetheless was the same.

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Similarly, the same Gospel was
at work when Peter and Paul be-
lieved, but certainly the circum-
stances and the "windows" to their
hearts differed somewhat.

Our God is forever changeless!
We mortals are ever changing!
He is the Potter, as it were!
We mortals are ever the clay!

If our astronauts were to miss
their "window" on the way out
from the earth into space, they can
miss their objective completely
and end up as frozen wanderers in
the vastnesses of our God's created
universe! If our astronauts miss
the "window" in the earth's at-
mosphere on their way back to
earth, the situation is even more
crucial. There are no alternate
means of correction at the pres-
ent level of technology. If they
miss the "window" on the way
back to earth, one of two things
will happen; namely, they will

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bounce off earth's atmosphere and
shoot off into the darknesses of
space never to return, or they will
enter the earth's atmosphere at
an improper angle, and they and
their craft will become a flam-
ing, burning cinder in which they
cannot live!

The "window" into space and the
"window" back to earth, then, are
most important. Though they may
not involve as many people at any
given time as the windows on
earth, they are equally as impor-
tant. In fact, it is highly probable
that they are considerably more
important to those involved in
space flight than any windows they
may have known upon the earth.

WINDOW ON ETERNITY

Such, however, are not the only
windows of importance to those of
us who live on the earth. We be-
gan with the title, "Windows on
the world." Each one of us, perhaps,
needs or must have a "window on
the world" if we are to maintain
a proper perspective of the lives
which we lead and our purposes on
the earth.

We need to be able to look out
from our lives and appreciate the
world about us, the world that
God has made. If we can, it should
be by sight, hearing, and touch. If
not by sight or by hearing, then by
touch. Our identity, sense of self-
worth, and ultimate goals in life
will depend in a great part on how
we perceive the world about us.

Helen Keller was without both
sight and hearing. Nevertheless,
her "window" on the world appar-
ently was most objective and most
adequate. She drank of the warm-
th of the sun in the sky and was
able to appreciate something of
the wonder of the world and the
warmth of our God. It may truly
be said that she basked in the
wonder of the heavenly Son of
God's bright Beams. Too, the Holy
Spirit of God entered into her be-
ing with faith abundant through
her "eye which was single" (Matt.
6:22) in a most remarkable way.
Consequently, she abounded in the
love of God as few mortals have
ever experienced it. Though she
walked in visual and auditory
darkness, it was evident that her
"whole body was full of light"
(Matt. 6:22).

She, in a very real sense, dwelt
in an earthly darkness, but she
abounded in a heavenly light. She
had a "window" on the world, but
even more she had a "window" on
eternity which gave her reason
for living in time. Though her
knowledge of the world seemed to
be totally dependent on "feel"
from the human perspective, she
had knowledge of time and eter-
nity, the earthly and the heavenly,
beyond most by means of the re-
lationship she had with God.

There are, then, earthly windows
and "windows" on space, as it
were. Far more important, how-
ever, is our needed "window" on
eternity. This is most crucial!

In depravity, men may spend
most of their time on earth indulg-
ing in "eating, drinking, and mak-
ing merry" (Luke 12:19). We may
suppose that today, alone, is really
important. Certainly, no generation
of men and no nation of earth,
whether Jew or Gentile, ever spent
more of its time or indulged more
of its efforts in the pursuit of per-
sonal pleasures. Sadly, though
most of the world's people know
very little of uninhibited leisure
and the pursuit of pleasure, the
American psyche and some others,
as well, have literally subjugated
the whole of the human effort to
a desire or a demand for plenty.

Whether in the areas of the re-
ligious or the secular, the philoso-

phical or the social, the aesthetic
or the technical, the domestic or
the foreign, the pleasurable or the
business, the efforts of the lead-
ers of men seem to be oriented to
financial concerns. The psyche of
the men of our world, if you will,
is so oriented that success or suc-
cesses are related to one's compe-
tence in the accumulation or the
handling of money or an accretion
of things that can be bought
with money.

In the light of, "What is a man
profited, if he shall gain the
whole world, and lose his own
soul? What shall a man give in
exchange for his soul?" (Matt. 16:
26), it would seem that men should
have some concern about their
"window" on eternity. Yet, loyal-
ty and faithfulness, at every lev-
el and in every area of human en-
deavor, seem to be related almost
wholly to one's capability to ac-
cumulate wealth or one's capa-
bility of using wealth.

Men are involved in "kingdom
building" now, whereas God would
direct our attention to "the city
which hath foundations, whose
builder and maker is God" (Heb.
11:10). Most men, whether relig-
ious or secular, at times will re-
peat, "Thy kingdom come, and thy
will be done" (Matt. 6:10), and
then forget the words and go about
to establish little kingdoms of their
own. The intensity with which they
follow their earthly and worldly
desires is such that their hearts
and minds are literally blinded to
the Words, "The foxes have holes,
and the birds of the air have nests;
but the Son of man hath not where
to lay his head" (Matt. 8:20), and
"In the world ye shall have tribu-
lation; but be of good cheer, I
have overcome the world" (John
16:33).

Though the greatest mortal man
ever to walk this earth came with
"A leathern girdle about his loins;
and his meat was locusts and wild
honey" (Matt. 3:4), Satan has so
subtly infiltrated the hearts and
minds of men that even the sup-
posed servants of Christ are ex-
pected to manifest all of the evi-
dences of worldly success. Tragically,
those who call themselves
Christians who would employ the
services of these supposed servants
of Christ literally demand that
they show forth all of the evi-
dences of religious professionals; that
is, there is a demand for "proper
grooming," evidences of "finan-
cial accomplishment," and denom-
inational or liberal "academic
credentials."

Needless to say, if we will be
honest, we can know that John the
Immerser would be unwelcome in
most of our so-called churches to-
day. Certainly, Jesus and His Apos-
tles would be unwelcome in most
of the so-called churches of this
hour. Jesus never penned a word
for posterity, so He could never
be considered "scholarly," in
terms of modern academics or re-
ligious demands. Jesus never in-
dulged in denominational politics or
in compromising theologies, so He
could never be considered a re-
spected religious executive, admin-
istrator, or leader. Jesus never at-
tended any of the required de-
nominational schools, so he could
never be considered as the re-
spected pastor of any denomina-
tional church. Jesus never ac-
cepted the invitation of any of the
"Women's Missionary Societies"
which were born of Satan to at-
tempt to "run the church," so He
could never be considered a "good
mixer," or "story teller"!

Let's be honest!
"The whole world lieth in wick-
edness" (I John 5:19)!

But we know it not!

Certainly, none of the Apostles
would meet the demand qualifica-
tions which churches of our day
employ to "get God's man" to
fill their pulpits. Without excep-
tion the apostles believe in a sov-
ereign, omniscient, and omni-
potent God of whom it is said,
"Whom he did foreknow, he also
did predestinate to be conformed
to the image of his Son . . . More-
over, whom he did predestinate,
them he also called; and whom he
called, them he also justified; and
whom he justified, them he also
glorified" (Rom. 8:29-30), "He is
able also to save them to the ut-
termost that come unto God by
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor, T.B.E.:

Just a note to share the great
happiness we have here in the
Simi Valley, California area. On
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Church was organized by author-
ity of the Northside Missionary
Baptist Church of Toledo, Ohio,
Mike King, pastor.

Perhaps a little background
would be helpful to your readers.
On the 11th of June Elder Merrel
E. Kaley of the Simi Valley area
journeyed back to the Ohio area
to attend the church conference at
the Mansfield Missionary Baptist
Church, Oscar Mink, pastor. Bro.
Kaley had gone to Ohio with the
announced purpose of both attend-
ing to and contending with the men
in that area with the idea of
starting a mission work in
that area of Southern California.
Finding that his baptism was not
Scriptural, he traveled some 60
miles to the church in Jackson,
Michigan (Philadelphia Baptist
Church) Terry Beveir, pastor,
where he was baptized on June 25,
1980. Some two weeks later, Elder
King and Elder Kaley, along with
several others withdrew from the
Michigan church and on their
authority organized the Toledo
church. The Toledo church then
commissioned Bro. Kaley to begin
a mission work under their auth-
ority. The first service was held in
Elder Kaley's home on August 3,
1980 with 6 in attendance, by the
8th week, attendance was at 31.

On October 5th, an ordination
was held for pastor Kaley. Elder
Mike King and wife Shirley came
from Ohio to be with us, and Elder
King served as the moderator. The
next few days were a real joy as
both Elder King and Elder Kaley
brought messages in a conference
style set of meetings. A blessed
time was had by all.

Elder Kaley wishes to give spe-
cial thanks to T.B.E. for its in-
fluence in his life to draw him out
of the Arminian ranks and into the
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Windows On World

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him" (Heb. 7:25)! Such beliefs would forever preclude their serving in any pastoral responsibility in any Roman Catholic or Protestant Church.

Without exception, the Apostles held that loyalty to Christ Jesus was absolutely crucial for both individuals and for churches. In the beginning of the ministry of one, for example, there were the words, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" (Acts 9:6), and in conclusion there were the words, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep..." (2 Tim. 1:12). Tragically, today, even among those called "Baptists" there is a demanded loyalty to "Fellowship," "Association," or "Convention," and sometimes a demanded loyalty even to a multifaceted Program which was designed in the heart of Satan—not in the mind of Christ or born of the Holy Word of God. Thus, the Apostles would be unwelcome in most of the so-called "Baptist Churches" of our day!

Tragically, the religious leaders, the religious people, and the so-called churches of our day have their "windows on the world" opened wide, but they have their "window" on eternity closed very tightly! They may indulge themselves, in a message which they build about "the Coming of Christ," but they do so for sensational ends and for the purpose of ensuring that the people who sit before them will give more freely of the money they carried in their pockets and that which they have stashed in vaults or invested in various securities. Thus, with those accumulated funds, they go about to build their earthly religious kingdoms or enlarging the ones which they are already building, oblivious of Christ's Coming!

There are no thoughts about the tomorrow of God!

The tomorrow of God, nevertheless, is upon us!

The prophet of another day perceived this truth most dramatically and adequately. He said, "Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down; he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not" (Job 14:1-2). Another of a more recent day penned, "Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you. Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten. Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days" (James 5:1-3).

Another graphically demonstrated the folly of human prowess with, "All flesh is as grass; the grass withereth, the flower fadeth..." (Isa. 40:6-7). And one would follow several centuries later to confirm the word with, "all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away" (1 Peter 1:24).

What a remarkable truth!

We are born but to die!

One dramatizes this truth for us in, "It is appointed to men once to die, and after this the

judgment" (Heb. 9:27)! With the end of earthly life actually ahead, or we might even say in sight, certainly we need a "window" on eternity!

We need more than a "window" on eternity, however! For there is one "window" on eternity which leads to eternal doom! One has written most graphically.

"These speak evil of those things which they know not; but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves. Woe unto them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core. These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fears; clouds they are without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots. Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever" (Jude 10-13)!

Men will exist somewhere eternally!

God dramatizes this truth for us in rather explicit words regarding Korah and his followers. He says, "They, and all that appertained to them went down alive into the pit, and the earth closed upon them; and they perished" (Num. 16:33). As we have noted above, Jude relates the unbelief of another people to "the gainsaying of Core (Korah)" and his followers.

Jesus emphasizes and re-emphasizes the eternity of men in His discussion of the Rich Man and Lazarus, "The beggar (Lazarus) died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom; the rich man also died, and was buried; and in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torments..." (Luke 16:22-23). Jesus dramatized the truth that some make a proper exit through the "window" on eternity so that they as Lazarus will be "comforted," whereas those who make an improper exit into eternity end up "tormented" (Luke 16:25)!

Men need more than a "window" on eternity!

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Scriptures To Use...

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Catholics presume against the Word of God.

Hebrew 2:17,18. He (Jesus) might be a merciful and faithful high priest.

Hebrews 3:1. Priest of our profession.

Hebrews 4:14,15. Priest that is passed into Heaven, Jesus the Son of God.

1 John 2:1. Advocate with the Father.

Advocacy is the priestly work of Jesus Christ for sinning Christians which He carries on with the Father whereby, because of the eternal efficacy of His own sacrifice, He restores them to fellowship. Psalm 23:3; John 13:10.

The believer is cleansed from all sin "once for all." Hebrews 10:1-12, but needs ever to bring his daily sins to God and confess to God, who is everywhere, and thus abides in fellowship with God the



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Ruth 2:12-15.

Intro.: As we read the story of Ruth we are vividly reminded of the truth of Revelation 5:9: "For Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation"; and that God "worketh all things after the counsel of His own will:" therefore we can rejoice for He works "all things together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose." Ruth experimentally found this to be true in her journey from Moab to Bethlehem. "The grace of God which bringeth salvation" had reached her and she found this grace to be "sufficient." The God of all grace had dealt bountifully with her. Surely her "cup runneth over" and yet, the half has not

Father and Son. 1 John 1:10.

CONFESSION OR THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

R.C.C. How do the priests of the Church exercise the power of forgiving sins? The priests of the Church exercise the power of forgiving sins by hearing the confession of sins, and granting pardon for them as ministers of God and in His name.

The above is against God's teaching.

Mark 2:7. Who can forgive sins but God only.

Mark 2:10. Son of man hath power.

Hebrew 9:22. Without shedding of blood is no remission.

1 John 2:1,2. If any man sin.

1 John 1:7. The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.

1 John 1:9. Confess our sins to God.

Peter's confession.

Matthew 16:13-19. Thou art the Christ.

If we confess Christ as the Son of the living God our sins are loosed or forgiven. This is the true confession. Jesus said, "Thou art Petros (a stone), and upon this Petra (rock) (the confession that Jesus is the Christ), I will build my Church." He does not promise to build His church upon Peter (a little stone), but upon Himself, as Peter himself is careful to tell us. (1 Pet. 2:4-9, also John 1:42). And the gates of hell shall not prevail against it—not Peter but Christ the Rock. If Peter was the Rock as taught by the Roman Catholic Church then this promise that the gates of hell shall not prevail against it is untrue because the gates of hell did prevail against Peter. See Matthew 16:22, 23. Also Peter denied Jesus thrice before the cock crew twice. Again he played the hypocrite after Pentecost when Paul rebuked him. Galatians 2:11-14.

Christ is the Rock and Head of the Church.

1 Corinthians 10:4. That Rock was Christ.

1 Peter 2:6-8. Chief corner stone. Ephesians 2:20. Jesus Christ... chief corner stone.

Romans 9:32,33. A stumbling stone (to the unbeliever).

1 Corinthians 1:23,24. A stumbling block.

Ephesians 1:22-23. The head... to the church.

Ephesians 2:13. Made nigh by the blood of Christ. (Not by absolutions and Purgatory.)

Christ crucified is the Rock.

Smitten that the Spirit of Life may flow from Him to all who will drink (Ex. 17:6; 1 Cor. 10:4; John 4:13,14; 7:37-39). To the Church, the foundation and chief corner stone (Eph. 2:20). To the unbelievers a stumbling stone (Rom. 9:32, 33; 1 Cor. 1:23).

In view of the above Scriptures to the contrary, the Roman Catholics ought to hang their heads in shame and come God's way.

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BIBLE STUDY LESSON

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yet been told! for she, as well as all saints are to be shewing the "exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us through Christ Jesus" (Eph. 2:7). May we now continue the story of amazing grace.

VERSE 12

"The Lord recompense thy work." Boaz is a type of Christ but he also illustrates a minister of the gospel whom the Holy Spirit has made the overseer of the flock of God (Acts 20:28). He therefore has the responsibility to take care of the "church of God" (1 Tim. 3:5) and to "feed the church of God" (Acts 20:28). The work Ruth was doing was a work and labor of love (1 Thess. 1:3) and therefore Boaz was sure God would not forget her "work and labour of love" (Heb. 6:10). Her works and words were evidence of the inworking of God (Philip. 2:13). May men see our good works and glorify our Father which is in Heaven (Matt. 5:16).

"And a full reward be given thee of the Lord God of Israel." Salvation is "the gift of God" (Rom. 6:23). It is neither merited or earned (Rom. 4:4,5; Titus 3:5). It is wholly of grace through faith (Eph. 2:8) and yet, "we are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them". So rewards must not be confused with obtaining salvation. Rewards have to do with faithful service (1 Cor. 3:8-15; II John 8; 1 Cor. 9:17). The study of the giving of crowns should be studied in connection with this thought.

"Under whose wings thou art come to trust." Her complete reliance on the God of Israel is thus

VERSE 13

"Then she said, Let me find favour in thy sight, my Lord." She desires to find her continual substance and support through the mercy of God exhibited in Boaz. She sees all she needs in the fields and in the care of Boaz.

"For that thou hast comforted me, and that thou hast spoken friendly unto thine handmaid." Boaz had spoken from his heart to her heart and she found peace in his presence. Any doubts she may have had were all removed. This is so much like the words of the Saviour when He came to the troubled disciples (John 14:1-6) and also after His resurrection (John 20:19,20).

"Though I be not like unto one of thine handmaidens." She, like Paul, could say in essence, "I am the least" and "am not meet" (1 Cor. 15:9), but she could also rejoice like Paul when he said, "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief" (1 Tim. 1:15).

VERSE 14

"And Boaz said unto her." He knew what to say, and when; as well as how to say it. This is a good lesson for all preachers.

"At mealtime come thou hither." He had in prospect, and in time, a table prepared (Ps. 23:5). Again, preachers should be able to say, "at mealtime come thou hither."

"And eat of the bread, and dip thy morsel in the vinegar." The staff of life and additional blessings were here. The spiritual application of course is found in John 6:32-35.

"And she sat beside the reapers." Food and fellowship or companionship were hers to enjoy. We are privileged indeed when we are added to one of the Lord's churches, for we too have food and fellowship (Acts 2:41,42).

"And he reached her parched corn, and she did eat." To have the head of the house show special care for her personally exceeded her fondest expectation. It is worthwhile to know "the Lord is my Shepherd" and that He shows individual interest in each of His children. To sit at His feet and to eat of His hand never goes unrewarded (Mark 5:15; Luke 7:37, 44-49).

"And was sufficed, and left." She left, but not disappointed nor deficient, for she had his words, his affection bestowed on her, as well as having received of his hand and his table. She was truly blessed. Thank God, "our sufficiency is of God" (II Cor. 3:5).

"And when she was risen up to glean." Her leaving was for the purpose of gleaning in his field. God's people are to assemble and also go (Heb. 10:25; Mark 16:15). In that way, we glean, or lay up treasures in Heaven (Matt. 6:20).

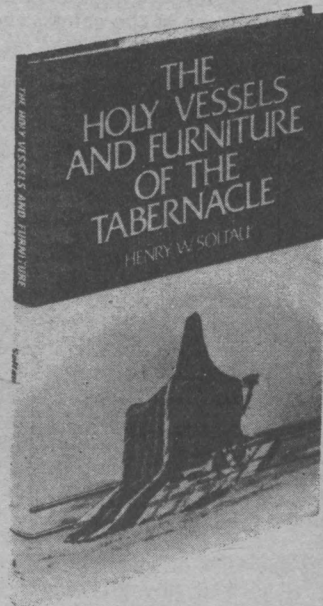
"Boaz commanded his young men, saying, Let her glean even among the sheaves, and reproach her not." Grace abounded and she received additional blessings. (Rom. 5:20). Boaz did not set aside the laws of the harvest, but made Ruth qualified to have a place at his table and in his field (Luke 15:22-24).

Conclusion: Grace and mercy has provided nothing but the "best" for the children of God. May we in turn give our best in His service.

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"Did men in the Old Testament (prior to death of Jesus) go to Heaven upon death or Abraham's bosom, to be taken to Heaven when Jesus died? Were they born again and saved as we are?"

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We will answer the last part of your question first. Yes, anyone saved in any age and under any dispensation must be born again in exactly the same way. When Timothy was a child, his mother and grandmother taught him the Scriptures (Old Testament). Paul said, "And that from a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus" (II Tim. 3:15).

When the saints of old died their bodies were buried, but their soul went to Hades—the place of departed souls. There were two divisions of Hades, the place of torment and the place called paradise. "And it came to pass that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; and in hell he lift up his eyes . . ." (Luke 16:22,23). When Christ told the thief that He would be with him, He said, "... Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise." (Luke 23:43). You see, Christ had not yet taken the saints out of the place of departed souls and into Heaven so the thief had to go into paradise or Abraham's bosom. Never again are we told that they go there. Paul said, later, that to die meant to be with Christ. "For I am in a strait between two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better." (Phil. 1:23). Christ took all the saints out when He died. "Wherefore He saith, when He ascended up on high, He led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men." (Eph. 4:8).

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It is my belief that all Old Testament saints upon death went directly to Heaven. I know this is not the popular or prevailing view of our day among evangelical writers, but I believe it to be the Biblical idea. The popular view of today is, that Abraham's bosom (Luke 16:22,23), and paradise (Luke 23:43; I Cor. 12:4; Rev. 2:7) are synonymous, and that Abraham's bosom and paradise was

prior to the death of Jesus a compartment of Hades, somewhere near the bowels or center of the earth. The terms "paradise" and Abraham's bosom" are euphemistic terms which speak of Heaven and its wonderful fellowship. Paradise and Abraham's bosom are not synonymous.

Paradise is a place, while Abraham's bosom bespeaks the rich fellowship experienced by the inhabitants of the paradise place. Lazarus in Abraham's bosom is in accord with the oriental custom of reclining at table (John 13:23), so that the person next to the head guest may lean upon the bosom of his neighbor, the head guest. This shows the high place of honor which Abraham has in Heaven, and the nearness and fellowship which Lazarus has with Abraham. In the account of the rich man and Lazarus (Luke 16), it is only the rich man that is expressly described as being in Hades. It was up to Heaven that Enoch and Elijah was translated, not down to an earth stationed paradise. It was "up" to the third Heaven that Paul ascended to the paradise of God, and not to an internal place in the earth (II Cor. 12:1-7).

Heaven is the antitype of the garden of Eden paradise, and the doctrine of intermediate stops or stations has its roots in extrascriptural writings, and was given great impetus by Roman and Latin theologians in mediaeval times. Romanism, Lutheranism, and Anglicanism make much ado about the doctrine of a middle state, but they do this in spite of the silence of Scripture concerning such a doctrine.

Commenting on Luke 16:22, John Gill, says, "And was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom;" by Abraham's bosom is meant Heaven, a phrase well known to the Jews, by which they commonly expressed the happiness of the future state" (Gill's Commentary). Commenting on Luke 23:43, Gill says that "paradise" is a reference to the "state of the happiness of the saints, even Heaven, and eternal glory."

To take Luke 16:22,23; Ephesians 4:8-11; I Peter 3:19, in support of a compartmentalized Hades is to press the Scripture beyond the mark divinely intended for them. O.T. saints were saved or born again the same as the redeemed of our time. It was to one under the Old Testament law of Moses that Jesus said, "Ye must be born again" (John 3:7). The effectual call unto eternal salvation includes regeneration, repentance, and faith (John 1:13; Luke 13:3; Eph. 2:8,9). And there are no ages or people excepted from this rule of entrance into glory. Speaking of Ishmael and Isaac, Paul says, Ishmael was born of the flesh, and Isaac of the Spirit (Gal. 4:29). Paul does not mean that Isaac did not receive a physical birth, but that he was promised by and born of the Spirit also.

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"And it came to pass that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom" (Luke 16:22).

There is a place in the Bible which is referred to by the Hebrew word "sheol" in the Old Testament and the Greek word "hades" in the New Testament. This place is the abode of departed spirits. Before the resurrection of Jesus Christ, this place was the abode of all the spirits of the dead. It was divided into two compartments which were separated by a great and impassable gulf. In one compartment, there were all the spirits of those who died unsaved. These were tormented with torments like those of the final and eternal hell. The other compartment was called Abraham's bosom and was the abode of the spirits of all who died saved. They were greatly blessed and comforted in this place.

When Christ arose from the dead, He emptied this compartment of Hades and took the spirits of all the saved to the third Heaven, even to the paradise in the presence of God. So that these spirits, along with all the saved who have died since then are in an even more blessed place now than before the resurrection of Christ.

Those who were in the part of Hades where the unsaved were tormented are still there, and all who die unsaved now go to this place of awful torment.

The saved of the Old Testament were surely born again and saved just as we are saved today. No man can enter the family of God and the kingdom of God in any age except by being born again and being saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. Those in the Old Testament looked forward in faith to the coming of Christ. We look back to the one who came and died and rose again. But all the saved look to Jesus Christ in God-given faith.

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As a basic approach for proper consideration of the first of two questions, we read in the Old Testament that Moses "took the book of the covenant, and read it in the hearing of the people; and they said, All that the Lord hath said will we do, and be obedient. And Moses took the blood and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant . . ." (Ex. 24:7, 8).

But, in process of time, many in Israel, except a remnant, apostatized into an invincible and incurable infidelity, until the crucifixion of Jesus. "Then," at the trial of Jesus, "answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children" (Mt. 27:25). Thus they pronounced their own curse.

However, in the abrogation of their law-covenant, Jesus (in the institution of the Lord's supper) had already introduced another covenant, when He said: "... this is the blood of the new testament, which is shed for many (not all) for the remission of sins" (Mt.

26:28).

Reminiscent of the history of Israel, Jesus gives an account of two men, the rich man and Lazarus, in Luke 16:19-31, who lived in the time of Moses and the prophets.

In the death of these two men, there is a great contrast, which distinguishes clearly between the elect people of God and those who are reprobate concerning the faith.

Consequently, in this account, as given by Jesus, we find that a great gulf separated between the wicked in hades (hell) and the elect in Abraham's bosom. This position with Abraham was, indeed, a great place of comfort in anticipation of the death of Christ, when He would bear the curse for the sins of His people, in saving them from their sins (Matt. 1:21).

But, in the meantime, when offerings were made in confession of sin, the priest was required to announce that atonement (covering) for their sins shall be made until Christ shall come and take them away.

So, in this consideration, I am convinced that (before the cross) all true believers were, at death, taken to Abraham's bosom, except, perhaps Enoch and Elijah, who were translated that they should not see death.

Too, possibly, before Abraham's time, the same place, known later as Abraham's bosom, existed for the same purpose of comfort to believers, though Abraham is considered as the father of those of faith in Christ Jesus.

Then, too, on the other hand, all reprobate concerning the faith, at death, are still transported to Hades (hell), where they will remain until hell is required to give them up for judgment.

Whereas, when Jesus, in answer to the plea of the repentant thief, said: "... Today shalt thou be with Me in paradise" (Luke 23:43), and preceded him in death to go to paradise, where He, no doubt, waited his arrival and welcomed him.

Then, at the end of three days, after the resurrection of Jesus, this place, no doubt, was emptied, since it is written that "the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints that slept were raised, and came out of their graves after His resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many" (Matt. 27:52,53).

This resurrection, as prefigured, answered to the first fruits of His resurrection (Lev. 23:9-14). Other parts of the first fruits of His resurrection are yet to follow, including the church saints. But, in the meantime, all saints who die are taken by the angels into Heaven to await the Lord's return until the resurrection of their bodies.

Finally, then, the question is asked whether those Old Testament saints were born again and saved as we are. In this, I am happy to answer yes, in consideration of John 1:9-13, where it is first related very early in the ministry of Jesus before the cross, how He was both rejected and received by Israel, as a nation.

Then it was told how that "as

many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the children of God, even to them that believe on His name; Who 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).

At this time, Israel was still under law-covenant conditions, and had not yet finally rejected Him at the cross. So, as believers, even under law-conditions, Old Testament saints as true believers, in anticipation of the cross, were born again, just as church saints are, in relating retrospectively back to the cross.

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As to the first part of the question, I find very little Scripture that shows where the saved of the Old Testament went upon death. We see in Psalm 16:10, "For Thou wilt not leave My soul in hell; neither wilt Thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption." The word "hell" in the Old Testament comes from the word "sheol." In Acts 2:47 Psalm 16:10 is quoted, but the word "hell" here comes from the word "hades." So we see that the word "sheol" in the Old Testament is the same as the word "hades" in the New Testament. It means the place or state of the dead.

In Luke 16:22 it is said that, "And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom." In Luke 23:43 the place is called paradise. "And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with Me in paradise." In Luke 16:23 it is said of the rich man, "And in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom."

From this we see the place where both the wicked and the saved went at death were close enough to see and to communicate with each other. (See Luke 16:24-31). Yet they were separated by "a great gulf fixed" (Luke 16:26).

After the resurrection of Christ, paradise seems to have been moved into Heaven. In II Corinthians 12:2-4 Paul tells of one being caught up to the third heaven. In verse 4 he called it paradise. In Ephesians 4:8-10 we see what indicates when and how this move took place, "—When He ascended upon high, He led captivity captive . . ."

From these Scriptures we see that the saints of the Old Testament upon death went to a place called Abraham's bosom or paradise, but after Christ's resurrection that place is now in Heaven and that is where those who now die in the Lord go. Acts 7:59: "And they stoned Stephen, calling" (Continued on page 5, column 1)

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Forum . . .

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upon God, and saying Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

As to the last part of the question, let me first say that God has never had but one way of saving men. Every saint of the Old Testament named in the Faith Hall of Fame in Hebrews 11 as well as all other saints before the death of Christ as well as after His death, were saved by His death upon the cross. Acts 4:12: "Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

Jesus told Nicodemus in John 3:3: "Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Also in verse 7, "Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again." When Nicodemus did not understand this, Jesus asked him in verse 11, "... Art thou a master (teacher) of Israel, and knowest not these things?" This was said before the death of Jesus. In Hebrews 9:22 we are told, "... and without shedding of blood is no remission". In verse 12 of the same chapter we see, "Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by His own blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us."

All the sacrifices for sin made in the Old Testament by the saints of God were to show that they were looking forward to the shedding of the blood of the "Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world" (John 1:29).

Yes, those saved prior to the death of Jesus were born again and saved the same as we are. (John 1:12), "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."



Scriptures To Use . . .

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BAPTISM IN WATER

R.C.C. What is Baptism? Baptism is a Sacrament which cleanses us from original sin, makes us Christians, Children of God, and heirs of heaven.

The above is against God's teaching.

When Jesus was on this earth He said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me, for of such is the kingdom of Heaven." In other words, they are innocent, without blame, for the work on the Cross of Calvary took away the original sin. Who were these children? Turkish, Jewish, and Arabian children! Jesus said they go straight to Heaven. He never changed his mind!

Can Baptism cleanse from sin? Hebrews 9:22. Without shedding of blood is no remission.

I John 1:7. The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.

Ephesians 1:7. Forgiveness of sin, through His blood.

Hebrews 10:10-19. Enter in through the blood.

Romans 5:9. Justified by His blood.

Hebrews 13:12. Sanctify with His own blood.

Revelation 1:5. Washed us from our sins.

Ephesians 2:13. Made nigh by the blood.

I Peter 3:21. Not the putting away of the filth of the flesh.

The thief on the cross knew nothing about the baptism yet went straight to Heaven—didn't even stop off at Purgatory, because there is no such place. We are not made Christians or heirs of God by water or pouring or sprinkling, but Ephesians 2:13.

ON INDULGENCES

R.C.C. What is an Indulgence? It is the remission in whole or in part of the temporal punishment due to sin.

This is untrue.

I John 1:7. The blood cleanseth from all sin.

Hebrews 9:22. Without shedding of blood is no remission.

The Catholic Church teaches to pray.

Sweetheart of Mary by my salvation. Pope Pius IX, Sept. 30, 1852, granted 300 days indulgence, each time the above prayer is said. This prayer is a blasphemy because God teaches that Salvation comes through Jesus' Name and through none other.

Acts 4:10-12. There is none other name.

THE POPE

He is called, "Our Holy Father." See Holy Bible, Douay Version; encyclical letter of Our Holy Father, Pope Leo, III. He is also called Our Most Holy Lord, Pope Pius X. See Cardinals Oath.

All this is blasphemy.

Matthew 23:9. Call no man your father.

Acts 10:16. Jesus Christ, He is Lord of all.

Ephesians 4:5. Our Lord.

Philippians 2:11. Jesus Christ is Lord.

I Peter 5:3. Neither as being Lords.

St. Peter denies that he was a Pope.

I Peter 5:1-4. Who am also an elder.

An elder was a pastor of a church. St. John was an elder (II John 1), the elder to the elect lady. St. Peter says, "Neither as being Lords over God's heritage." He was not a Roman Catholic but a Christian for he says in I Peter 4:16, If any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed.

There were no Roman Catholics in Peter's time.

Acts 11:26. Disciples were called Christians.

Acts 26:28. Persuadest me to be a Christian.

I Peter 4:16. Suffer as a Christian.

The Pope is also called the Vicar of the Son of God—"Vicarius Filii Dei."

Jesus says the Holy Spirit was sent to take the place of Jesus on this earth. That is what Vicar means.

St. John 16:7-15. The Spirit of Truth will guide you into all Truth.

HOLY COMMUNION

R.C.C. What is Holy Communion? It is the receiving of the body and blood of Christ.

Why do the Roman Catholics disobey Jesus and only take half communion?

Matthew 26:27, 28. Drink ye all of it.

Pope Gregory the Great says, "Cursed be anyone that does not receive both and teach others not to take both bread and wine." And the present Pope says, "Cursed be anyone who teaches that we must receive both bread and wine." One Pope cursing the other and yet they both are infallible when speaking "Ex-Cathedra." Lord save us from such confusion. That is why God calls that system "Babylon the Great." Revelation 17th chapter.

After Jesus blessed the wine He still calls it the fruit of the vine.

Luke 22:18. Fruit of the vine.

It was a memorial Paul said.

I Corinthians 11:25-26. In remembrance of Me.

IDOLATRY

Exodus 20:4. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.

In the face of this commandment the Roman Church defies God and fills its temples and homes with them.

Ephesians 5:5. Idolater has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ.

I Corinthians 10:14. Flee from idolatry.

I Corinthians 6:9. Idolater shall not inherit.

Revelation 21:8. Idolaters shall have their part in the lake of fire.

What is idolatry? The making of any image or likeness of God or any creature for a religious end.

Deuteronomy 5:8. Thou shalt not make.

Galatians 5:10, 20. Works of flesh . . . idolatry.

We cannot add or take away from God's Word!

Deuteronomy 12:32. Thou shalt not add.

Deuteronomy 4:2. Ye shall not add.

Joshua 1:7. Turn not from it.

Revelation 22:18. If any shall add.

Psalm 119:89. For ever, O Lord, Thy Word is settled in Heaven.

Malachi 3:6. I am the Lord, I change not.

PRAYERS TO MARY AND THE SAINTS

R.C.C. Why do we believe that the Saints will help us? Because both they and we are members of the same Church, and they love us as their brethren.

The above is against God's teaching!

I Timothy 2:5. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men the man Christ Jesus.

Jesus is the Son of God and therefore He is everywhere. He is equal with God and can hear our prayers. Not so with the Saints or Mary. If they are everywhere they are gods; if they are not everywhere they cannot hear prayers.

Hebrews 7:25. He ever liveth to make intercession for them.

I John 2:1. Advocate with the Father.

Romans 8:34. Maketh intercession for us.

Against Mary Worship or veneration.

St. Luke 11:27, 28. Blessed are they.

St. Matthew 12:46-50. Who is my mother?

Jesus never called Mary His mother, but called her woman, because He foresaw the great idolatry and giving her the place of Deity by the Roman Catholic System; for example, calling her, "Gate of Heaven," "Tower of David," "Mystical Rose," "Ark of the Covenant," "Morning Star," etc. These are all names of Deity and it is sacrilege to attribute these to a human being. Mary is blessed, yes, but not Deity. The above names are taken from "The Litany."

Mary had children with Joseph, see:

Matthew 13:55, 56. His brethren James, etc.

Mark 6:3. The brother of James, etc.

THE ROMAN CHURCH CLAIMS SHE NEVER CHANGES

The following list of events prove the opposite, and shows also its degradation.

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"Our Blessed Hope"

MRS. FRANK PARRISH

Courtland, Virginia

Why stand ye here gazing to heaven?"

An angel asked long ago,

This Jesus, ascending to heaven,

Will come back as you saw Him go!

He'll come in the clouds of the heavens;

We'll rise and we'll meet Him up there,

And praise Him for all He has given,

As we meet in the clouds of the air!

But there are many scoffers today,

This promise they will not believe,

For things continue on the same, they say,

As they go on deceiving and being deceived.

Now God is not slack concerning His promise,

He'll keep this great promise He made,

Not willing that any of us should perish,

But all of His people be saved.

When the last of His sheep is saved and lies

In the safety of the fold,

Then Christ will come and we will rise,

To walk the streets of pure gold.

So, my brethren, watch and pray,

Wait for Jesus patiently;

Our blessed hope will not be delayed,

But shall become reality!

Prayers for the dead was instituted A.D. 330.

Making the sign of the cross A.D. 330.

The worship of Mary the mother of Jesus and the use of them.

"Mother of God" as applies to her originated in the Council of Ephesus, in A.D. 431.

Worship in Latin language, A.D. 600.

The papacy is of pagan origin.

The title of Pope, or universal Bishop, was first given to the Bishop of Rome by the wicked emperor Phocas in the year 610.

This he did to spite Bishop Ciriacus of Constantinople, who had justly excommunicated him for his having caused the assassination of his predecessor, Emperor Mauritius, Gregory I, then Bishop of Rome, refused the title, but his successor Boniface III, first assumed the title of Pope, A.D. 610.

Kissing of Pope's feet, A.D. 709.

(It had been a pagan custom to kiss the feet of emperors. The Word of God forbids such practices, Acts 10:25-26; Rev. 19:10; 22:9).

Temporal power of Popes, A.D. 750.

(When Pepin the usurper of the throne of France descended into Italy, called by Pope Stephen II, to war against the Italian Longobards. He defeated them and gave the city of Rome and surrounding territory to the Pope. Jesus forbids such a thing and refused worldly kingship. Matthew 4:8-9; 20:25-26; John 18:38).

Adoration of Mary and Saints, A.D. 788.

Adoration of the cross, images and relics, A.D. 788.

Blessing of bells, A.D. 965.

Fasting, lent, advent and Fridays, A.D. 998.

Fabrication of Holy Water, A.D. 1009.

Marriage of Priests forbidden, A.D. 1079.

Rosary beads invented, A.D. 1090.

Sale of indulgences, A.D. 1190.

Sacrifice of Mass, A.D. 1215.

Transubstantiation of bread, A.D. 1215.

Adoration of the wafer, A.D. 1220.

Articular confession of sins to a Priest, A.D. 1215.

Cup of wine forbidden to people at communion, A.D. 1414.

Purgatory proclaimed, A.D. 1438.

Tradition held equal with the Bible, A.D. 1545.

(The Council of Trent, held in 1545. By tradition is meant human teachings. The Pharisees believe the same way, and Jesus bitterly condemned them, for by human tradition they annulled the commandments of God. Mark 7:7-13; Col. 2:8; Rev. 22:18).

Apocryphal books added to the Bible, A.D. 1546.

Immaculate conception of Mary, A.D. 1845.

Infallibility of the Pope, A.D. 1870.

Blessing of auto cars (of a price), A.D. 1932.

Blessing ground for building breweries, A.D. 1933.

Cardinal Newman, in his book "The Development of the Christian Religion," admits that—"Temples, incense, oil lamps, votive offerings, holy water, holidays and seasons of devotion, processions, blessing of fields, sacerdotal vestments, the tonsure (of priests and monks and nuns), images . . . are all of pagan origin" (page 359).

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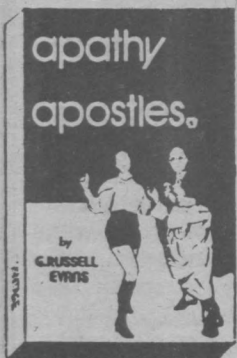
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Crawling On All . . .

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ful. We will observe, as we proceed into this message, that this idea does not conform to the Scriptures.

There are those who say, in essence, "I'm holding on to the Lord with all my might and I'm hoping to make it through." Let's suppose that you are walking down a busy street with a small child. Would you hold on to the child's hand, or would you have the child hold on to your hand? The answer, of course, is obvious. The same can be said relative to God and His children. God keeps us. We do not keep ourselves. Our salvation from hell and entrance into Heaven is, in no way based upon any thing that we do, but on that which the Lord Jesus Christ has done for us. It is as stated in the following passages:

"Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Spirit" (Titus 3:5).

"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).

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God; not of works, lest any man should boast" (Eph. 2:8,9).

We, on the basis of the above passages, are to look away from ourselves to the Lord Jesus Christ. Look away from our feeble efforts to His triumphant victory over all obstacles for us. Look away from self. Look away from friends and look only to our Lord Jesus Christ. He is our Saviour since He and He alone died for our sins. Look unto Him since He and He alone is able to keep that which we have committed unto Him against that day to come. May we not go through this world on all fours while in constant fear that the Lord may eventually forsake us.

I read a story in the paper of a little ten year old girl who had been forsaken by her parents. She had been locked in a closet and starved to the extent that she only weighed twenty-six pounds. Let me assure you however that God will never forsake His children. The following passages, in fact, should enable you to stop crawling and get into the wagon.

"The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and He delighteth in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with His hand. I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread" (Psa. 37:23-25).

"Being confident of this very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Phil. 1:6).

"And Jesus said unto me, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst" (John 6:35).

I know that I am going to Heaven. There is no doubt in my mind, in view of the fact that the promises in God's Word have removed my doubts and fears. Some of the promises to which I refer are as follows:

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them

out of my hand. My Father which gave them me is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand" (John 10:28,29).

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to His purpose" (Rom. 8:28).

Multitudes and multitudes of people, in spite of the Bible promises, are still crawling through this world on all fours. They live in constant fear that God may one day cast them out from His presence. My answer to these people is that they should read the following passage and then get in the wagon.

"All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out" (John 6:37).

I find that even the doubters acknowledge that salvation from hell is free. They acknowledge that it is the result of the free gift of God. They, however, are crawling on all fours while in constant fear that God will take back His free gift. First of all, a gift is not free if there are strings attached to it. A gift is not free if we are told that there are certain things we must do in order to keep the gift. The following passages are clear relative to the fact that our God does not change and therefore will not take back that which He has given us when we believed on His Son as our personal Saviour.

"For I am the Lord, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed" (Mal. 3:6).

"For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance (change of mind)" (Rom. 11:29).

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning" (James 1:17).

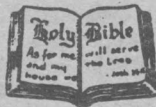
Many people are prone to say, "There are times in which I feel that I am saved and then there are other times when doubts cloud my mind." My reply is that we cannot trust our feelings. We, however, can trust our God. Our hopes are not to be based upon how we feel, but upon the promises in God's word. We, in fact, know we are saved, not because of how we feel, but on the basis of that which is written in God's word. It is true that we feel happy but this feeling is the result of the promises in God's word.

There is a story which came out of Ireland many years ago which will help in getting our point across. A young man, according to the story, was converted during a revival service. The young man's mother also made a confession of faith, after a minister pointed out John 5:24 to her. This passage states: "He that heareth God's word, and believeth on Him that sent me, hath everlasting life." The mother accepted this precious truth, but the next morning she advised her son that most of the great feeling she had the night before was gone. The lad, seeing the look of despair on her face, opened the Bible to John 5:24 and said, "Mother, the verse is still in the book."

Let us learn that God does not change even though our feelings may vary like the weather.

Why do I know that all things work together for good to those who love God? Is it because I feel such to be true, or is it because I find the same written in God's word? The answer, of course, is that I find such to be recorded in Roman 8:28. I base my salvation upon God's word, too, and not upon

IS "THAT" IN THE BIBLE?



Question:

WHAT ARCHANGEL DEBATED WITH THE DEVIL?

Answer:—Michael, Jude 1:9 — "Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, . . ."

my feelings. I desire to point out, however, that I am not downgrading feeling relative to the new birth. I'm only saying that knowledge precedes feeling. You, for example, cannot feel good about the benefits in your insurance policy until you have knowledge of those benefits. You, therefore, must read your policy or have it read to you. The same applies to the Scriptures.

There are those who believe the message before us to be a dangerous doctrine. They believe that the believer should continue to crawl on his hands and knees while not being really sure of going to heaven. Fear, they say, keeps the believer from the world. They say it keeps him out of beer joints and from other worldly exercises. The fear, however, which should accomplish these things is the fear of God's chastening rod rather than a fear of hell. It is true that God may severely chasten His children, but the fact remains that He will not cast them into hell. The following passage shows clearly that all chastisement results in good.

"Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless, afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby" (Heb. 12:11).

Beloved, I don't serve God because I'm scared. I serve God out of love for Him and His Son—the Lord Jesus Christ. I also love God the Holy Spirit. They, of course, are one with three offices.

The story is told of a slave who was being auctioned off. The bids rose higher and higher until he was finally purchased. The man who purchased him handed him a sheet of paper on which was written the particulars of his freedom. The man had purchased him and then set him free. The slave, however, out of love for the man, begged him for the privilege to go home with him and work for him. We, in like manner, love our Lord who has set us free. We desire to be with Him and serve Him as the result of love and not of fear.

May we refuse to crawl on our hands and knees, but may we climb into the wagon and sing with the Apostle Paul as stated in our text:

"I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day."



Appreciated Correspondence

Dear Folk at Calvary:

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WAYNE MOWRIS OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Dear Churches and Friends,

Greetings in the most precious name of our Saviour and Lord, Jesus Christ. To Him be praise and all glory.

I arrived back in the States from Canada the first part of July and got home the middle of July. It surely was nice to spend some time at home for a change.

We have visited some churches and attended Elder Joe Wilson's Bible Conference over the Labor Day weekend.

I called the Immigration office in New York on September 18th to find out what the holdup is on our visas. The woman I talked to said there were two points still being investigated. I asked if it was anything to do with me, my church, or anything down here. She said "no" that it had to do with Canada but wouldn't tell me what. I asked her if it was normal to take this long. She said that you couldn't put any normal time, that each application was different but this was not unusual. She said that if I didn't hear from them in

a month I could call back. Generally they don't like for you to call but she seemed very nice and gave me permission to call. I met a congressman in Springfield, Mo., who said he was a born-again believer. I told him of the delay in getting our visa. He said he would do all he could to help if I wanted him to, but that the New York office was exceptionally slow; that mostly you just have to wait on them and there is really no way to hurry them up.

I pray you will remember this in prayer. Sometimes it gets quite discouraging but the Lord knows all about it and will get us there in His appointed time. It is too late for me to get in now. Even if we could get the visa next month we would have to wait until spring (May).

In the meantime I am available for meetings or whatsoever the churches would desire.

Praying our dear Lord's richest blessings on you and yours.

Yours in Christ,
Wayne E. Mowris
Missionary

Born Again? Show It!

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wonderful Lord. Television and radio talk shows, broadcasters and announcers, sports broadcasters, coaches, athletes, actors, performers, show girls, supposedly reformed revolutionaries and even croupiers and dealers at the gambling casinos. All want to get into the act and claim this supernatural blessing or to confer it verbally, unto others. Of a truth our Lord can and does save to the uttermost but you may rest assured that when this unbelieving world takes some thing from God's sacred Word and begins to bandy it about so glibly, then much of it will be grossly misapplied. This is the work of the destroyers. While there may be some, yea, even many of those in the categories listed above who do know the Lord, there are yet too many engaged in some highly questionable activities, to say the least.

I have no desire to assume a holier-than-thou stance because I, too, am a son of Adam and sometimes "prone to wander, Lord I feel it—prone to leave the Lord I love," but I would like to pinpoint some examples which I feel will bear out my position.

I like athletic competition and naturally I have acquired some knowledge of those participating. There is one, gifted with tremendous God-given ability and is known as probably the best in the land at his particular position.

This young man, at the pinnacle of his career and success, has publicly professed to be born again. He has been in a wonderful position to exert a powerful influence upon the youth of our land and that for good. Recently the news media carried the account of an interview which he, too, gave to Playboy magazine. Someone evidently questioned the propriety of his action and he declared that if the Lord Jesus was upon the earth

today that He, too, would allow Himself to be interviewed by Playboy. Please allow me to insert right here that Jesus might talk to those of Playboy but it would not be an interview. It would be a soliloquy with our Lord doing the talking and the denunciation would be more scathing than that of Matthew 23.

Incidentally, the news is out now that this young man's wife, herself a star performer and athlete and a professing, born again Christian, is now divorcing her husband.

Another incidence is that of a truly lovely person, a talented and well known singer/performer turned crusader. Surely a portion of her house must have been built upon the sand because it certainly came tumbling down around her. Here also was a born again profession, coupled with some courageous acts and conduct, but the religious world was recently shocked and the rest of the world titillated by the news of her impending divorce. This could conceivably happen to anyone of God's elect but she chose to be interviewed and to air her soiled laundry with one of the lurid, sensational publications which majors in exaggerated and misleading headlines. I read the article and she was evidently being quoted verbatim. She told these people from this cesspool that she is blaming the "church" for a good portion of her troubles, because the church is teaching that the woman should be in subjection to her husband.

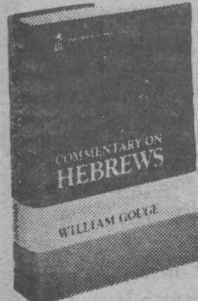
At the risk of beginning to sound like a muck-raking scandal sheet myself, I shall give you one more lucid example of that extreme contrast between one's walk and one's talk.

There is yet another remarkably attractive young woman who is still in show business as an actress and dancer. She was also being interviewed quite recently and

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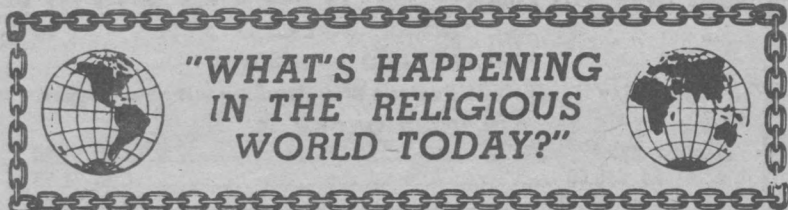
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MILL VALLEY, Calif. (EP) — The electronic media is not as effective in evangelism as many believe, and actually may be counter to local churches, a Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary professor says. "The fact is," said G. William Schweer, professor of evangelism at the seminary, "the electronic church is not just the miraculous evangelism tool some claim it is, or that apparent multitudes thing it is."

Dr. Schweer, who made his remarks during the seminary's annual academic convocation, added: "Many have been led to feel that the powerful electronic media can quickly fulfill our evangelistic responsibilities, but it simply cannot. I believe the electronic church does bring about conversions and I am thankful for every one of them, but I just don't believe it can take the place of local church."

In his address, Dr. Schweer revealed the results of a survey he performed involving 85 California Baptist pastors. According to the survey, 80 percent of the pastors feel that the "electronic church" causes people to stay at home, and almost as many feel that it is having a negative effect on the financial program of their church.

Dr. Schweer listed several "drawbacks" to the "electronic church": the individual watching decides whether or not to view or listen to a program; investigations show that religious television does have a limited audience, particularly when it must compete against the major entertainment networks; and it is one-way communication, impersonal and non-relational.

NEW YORK (EP via Religious News Service)—The faculty of Union Theological Seminary here has denounced the recent comment of Bailey Smith, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, that God does not hear the prayer of a Jew.

In a resolution adopted by 25 of the 30 faculty members of the interdenominational institution, they said: "We believe that the God of justice and love responds to the prayers of people of diverse religious traditions. We deplore denial of the inherent dignity of all God's human creation. As Christians, we are offended by the recent assertion of a church leader that 'God Almighty does not hear the prayer

of a Jew.' We, who often use the prayer of the Jewish Jesus of Nazareth, believe that God hears and values the prayers of Jews as truly as those of Christians."

DECATUR, Ind. (EP via RNS)—The third of four young men charged with reckless homicide in connection with the death of an Amish infant struck by a tile thrown from a truck has been sentenced in Adams Circuit Court here. Linn W. Burkhardt, 20, Monroe, Ind., the driver of the truck, was given a three-year suspended jail term and placed on probation for three years. He also was fined \$5,000.

Special Judge Robert Thompson of Fort Wayne also ordered Mr. Burkhardt to help the other two young men previously sentenced in the incident to reimburse the family for medical and burial expenses for the infant.

Adeline Schwartz, the seven-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Schwartz of near Berne,

of the world's hungry millions, but we never before had a chance to do something about it."

COQUILLE, Ore. (EP)—Church members of the newly completed Church of the Nazarene here had opportunity recently to demonstrate the love of Christ.

Three teenagers vandalized the church. Hymn books and Bibles were thrown in the baptistry. The piano and organ were overturned. Pews were stacked up and burned. Fire extensively damaged the inside of the church, and the congregation is now meeting in a nearby Seventh Day Adventist church. The church's new pastor, on the scene only a few weeks, lost 25 years worth of books and sermon notes in the fire.

The following Sunday church members picked up the mothers of the boys and brought them to church. The church has gone to the youngsters to minister rather than carry the process through the courts. Other churches and congregations have responded with donations of materials to the Nazarene church.

ROBINSON, Ill. (EP)—The regular worship service at Highland Avenue Baptist Church here contained a surprise. During the service, the houselights dimmed and

cited about what was happening. He shared how he had been involved in the work of the Union Gospel Mission of St. Paul, Minnesota as a young attorney. He said he does no fund raising today for anything but judicial causes but added "If this (his appearance) helps the Mission, Hallelujah."

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (EP via RNS)—The Lutheran Church of Peace here seemed to be enticing persons in spiritual need through a strictly material inducement—payment of one Susan B. Anthony dollar to every man, woman and child who showed up on a particular Sunday in September.

Or at least that was the way it was reported in the national press. But according to the church's pastor, Gary Carrier, the offer was meant primarily as a teaching tool for the annual stewardship Sunday. As he "salvaged" the meaning of the \$1 payment during his sermon, Mr. Carrier told his regular parishioners to think of the coin as an example of God's gifts which are taken for granted.

When first announced, the gift was misinterpreted by the press as a kind of door prize to attract new members, Mr. Carrier said. The misunderstanding seemed to have started with a church lay leader who told reporters he hoped the offer would bring new people through the door who would "like our service enough to attend another Sunday and maybe eventually join the church."

In the past, the church has invented occasions to reclaim some of the slack attenders. A few years ago, it put on a "no excuse Sunday" for those who all too casually tended to wriggle out of worship services. "We had cots for those who wanted to rest," Mr. Carrier explained, "blankets or fans for those who claimed the church was too cold or too hot, hypocrite scoreboards for those who claimed there are too many hypocrites at worship, aspirin for those who had headaches, poinsettias on the altar for those who worship only at Christmas and Easter lilies for those who worship at Easter."

That day, attendance rose 50 percent, he said.

LYNCHBURG, Va. (ESP via RNS)—Whether God hears the prayer of a Jew became a political issue here as Republican presidential candidate Ronald Reagan was asked about controversial statements made recently by two Protestant leaders. During an appearance before a meeting of National Religious Broadcasters, Mr. Reagan also stressed the importance of church-state separation, an issue that has become prominent because of the political activities of some of his evangelical Christian supporters.

At a National Affairs Briefing in Dallas in August at which Mr. Reagan was a speaker, the president of the Southern Baptist Convention, Mr. Bailey Smith, stated that God would not hear the prayer of a Jew. Shortly before Mr. Reagan's appearance here Dr. Jerry Falwell, head of the Moral Majority political movement and chancellor of Liberty Baptist College where the NRB was meeting, made a similar statement. In answer to a reporter's question Dr. Falwell said he believed God "does not hear the prayers of unredeemed Gentiles or Jews." He defined a redeemed person as one who "trusts in God through his faith in Jesus Christ."

ST. PAUL, Minn. (EP via RNS)—A U.S. District Court jury has found MING SEN SHIUE guilty of kidnapping Baptist General Conference missionary MARY STAUFFER, 37, and her daughter, ELIZABETH, 8, and holding them captive in his home for seven weeks.

Mrs. Stauffer had testified that she was raped repeatedly by Mr. Shiue, 30, before she and her daughter slipped their chains and escaped July 7.

Mr. Shiue's attorney, Ronald Meshbesh, did not deny the kidnapping, but argued that the defendant should be found innocent because he was legally insane at that time. As a result of this man's mental disease, he lacked substantial capacity to appreciate the moral wrongfulness of his acts," said Mr. Meshbesh.

SEATTLE (EP) — "Anything I can do to help this mission activity, I'll do" stated Chief Justice Warren E. Burger at a press conference held in the chapel of the Union Gospel Mission, on Seattle's famed Skid Road. Justice Burger appeared with the Mission's Executive director Stephen E. Burger, son of his late brother Paul who has directed Seattle and Washington States largest Rescue Mission since 1974.

Mr. Burger shared that 30-50 percent of all those served by the Mission are under the age of 30, and that last year the Mission fed 106,000 meals and slept over 65,000. "That's a shocking figure," responded the Chief Justice. Mr. Burger told reporters he had toured the mission facility and was ex-

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Ind., died September 1, 1979, after the tile thrown from the back of the truck struck the child as the family drove down a county road near Berne in a horse-drawn buggy. Kevin S. Rehm, 20, Monroe, and Lynn A. Rich, 19, Berne, charged in the death, earlier were given suspended five-year prison terms and fined \$5,000 each and ordered to pay restitution to the Schwartzs.

Judge Thompson said Mr. Burkhardt's sentence was lighter than the others because he was the driver and could not have thrown the tile. The three pleaded guilty to the charge. None of the four men has identified the tile thrower. No trial date has been set for Thomas S. Wilkins, 19, Berne, the fourth youth charged in the death.

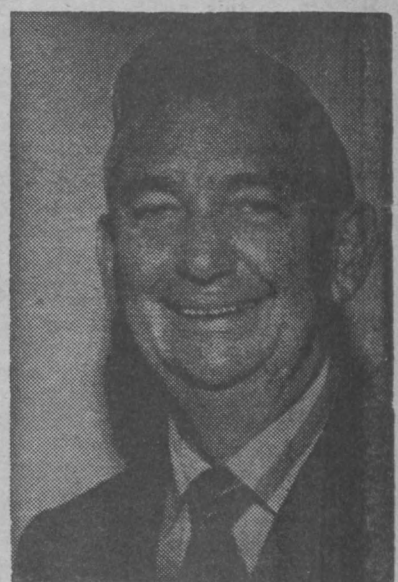
SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (EP)—Four young Californians have just completed a six-month, 2,500-mile hike from Mexico to Canada over the Pacific Crest Trail. Sponsored at so-much per mile for their long journey, Steve Flanagan, Nathan Duddles, Charlie Mosley, and Doug Rapp left the Mexican border south of San Diego on March 31. They arrived September 29 at Manning Park Lodge in British Columbia, Canada.

En route, they plodded through deep snow, faced the threat of hungry bears waking up from long hibernation, and were forced to detour because of the Mt. St. Helens volcanic eruption. They had often hiked at an elevation of over 8,000 feet.

The recipient organization will be Food for the Hungry, international relief/development agency. Dr. Larry Ward, President of Food for the Hungry, emphasizes: "The hike was entirely their idea. We are honored that they have chosen Food for the Hungry as the channel to carry their help to the hungry."

How much money will the hunger trek raise to help the hungry? "The original goal was \$10,000," says Dr. Ward, "and that would be very significant. Used to ship food overseas, that would mean at least \$50,000 worth of food actually delivered to the famine areas." The "Hunger Trek Four" are described by Dr. Ward as "deeply dedicated Christians." Nathan Duddles says, "From childhood, we have been reminded of the needs

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When he arrived in Lynchburg to address the NRB gathering, Mr. Reagan was asked whether he agreed with Dr. Falwell's statement. He said, "No. Since both the Christian and Judaic religions are based on the same God, the God of Moses, I'm quite sure those prayers are heard. But I guess everyone can make his own interpretation of the Bible, and many individuals have been making differing interpretations for a long time."

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (EP via RNS)—The National Organization for Women (NOW) has rejected all three major candidates for U.S. president, but aimed its harshest attacks against Ronald Reagan. NOW delegates, at their annual convention here, voted to oppose the election of Republican candidate Reagan because of what they termed his "medieval stance on women's issues." They voted not to endorse President Carter. While feminists are dissatisfied with Mr. Carter's efforts on behalf of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) and other issues of concern to women, they are reluctant to oppose him too strongly for fear it will help elect Mr. Reagan.

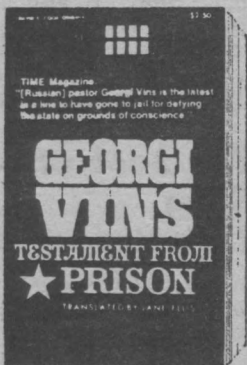
SILVER SPRINGS, Md. (EP)—Presidential candidate Ronald Reagan was urged today to discontinue his support for the tuition tax credit plan for federal aid to parochial schools.

The plea was made by R. G. Puckett, executive director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

Mr. Puckett's letter to Gov. Reagan (Continued on page 8, column 5)

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Born Again? Show It!

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she too spoke of being born again. She said let me describe it as my being a cocoon, and then suddenly emerging as a lovely butterfly—fluttering about. Well, let me inform you, she is assuredly “fluttering” about. I had read in our paper that she would be performing on stage in a televised “Special.” One of her guest stars was to be a male singer who specializes in selling his sexuality to impressionable young and not so young females from the stage. This was enough to alert me, but later, as I was watching a ball game, one of those short commercials was flashed on the screen—a blurb about the upcoming Special. Lo and behold, there was our butterfly, exposing far more flesh than clothing, and doing an utterly abandoned dance which a prostitute; substituting for a hoochy-coochy dancer would have not done back stage twenty years ago. Please forgive my vivid language but I know of no other way to convey to you the raw truth of what is transpiring in the religious world today. I also know that I have been guilty of doing some finger pointing and I realize full well that when I point a finger at anyone then there are three fingers pointing now directly at me. And regardless of what these others might profess or do, it is still my inescapable responsibility to make my own calling and election sure

and to permit the epistle of James to bear me even as I permit the book of Galatians to influence me. “Be not deceived, God is not mocked” may have a primary reference to stewardship but without doing hurt to the word it might carry a further connotation to those of us who would dare to claim a relationship which we then belie with our daily walk. Elect of God, pray much for a “weaker” brother.

Babylon—Golden...

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ruption of the true Gospel since it was first preached to man in the garden of Eden. From this basic beginning, there was formulated the false system of religion, as was concocted in Babylon and conveyed to the ends of the earth. However it has been modified and diluted in different ages and countries. So, even now, it is found in Papal Rome almost in its entirety.

Yet, amidst all of the seeming variety of heathenism, there is an astonishing oneness and identity, which, inadvertently, bears indirect testimony to the truth of God's word.

The golden cup which bears, in solution, the vortex of the mystery of wickedness, is “in the Lord's hand.” Thus, when it has completely served its course in the permissive will of the Lord, as fore-ordained, this cup will be

broken and, consequently, the contents, in all of its wicked devices, will be judged with equity to the glory of God. Thus, in conclusion, the mystery of godliness will judge the mystery of ungodliness.

In the meantime, according to Jeremiah 25:16, “they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send among them.” Job, very succinctly, describes their deplorable state thus, by exclamation: “How much more abominable and filthy is man, who drinketh iniquity like water” (Job. 15:16)!

New Living Bible

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this corrupt translation they deny the blood, the Trinity, and the Deity, so you can see that this is not a good version for modern man. Away with such trash.

Now getting back to my subject on the New Living Bible. In Genesis 1:1, their Bible says, When God began creating the Heavens and the earth. This rendering implies that the events described were not an absolute and primary work of creation.

Our King James Version states of this same verse, “In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.”

Beloved, whether man in this God-for-saken world translates, paraphrases or amplifies, he tries to take from us the spiritual meaning of God's Word. Let us say as Jesus said, get thee behind me Satan and go back to the best Translation this side of the Original, the good old King James Version. I am not saying that there is not some good in these other versions, there is some good, but the bad always seem to over-ride the good. When there is language in a book that I wouldn't allow to be used in my home, I would be a fool to approve of it being used in the Lord's Churches. Let us notice the filth and un-Godliness that is used in this book they call the Bible. As we study along we will abbreviate the King James Version and the Living Bible as, KJV and TLB.

KJV. And the sons of Aaron shall sprinkle the blood thereof upon the altar round about, Leviticus 3:13.

TLB. The priest shall throw its blood against the sides of the altar.

KJV. All the names of the daughters of Zelophehad are found in Numbers 27:1.

TLB. All the names as well as verse two are omitted. Maybe Mr. Taylor, the author of this Bible should look at Revelation 22:19.

KJV. Thou son of a perverse rebellious woman, I Samuel 20:30.

TLB. You son of a bitch, (Would you like your children, your church people using this sort of language?).

KJV. Cry aloud: for he is God: either he is talking, or he is pursuing. I Kings 18:27.

TLB. Perhaps he is talking to someone or else is out sitting on the toilet.

KJV. He wrought much wickedness in the sight of the Lord, to provoke Him to anger, II Kings 21:6.

TLB. So the Lord was very angry, for Manasseh was an evil man in God's opinion, (Beloved God does not hold opinions).

KJV. He keepeth all his bones; not one of them is broken, Psalm 34:20.

TLB. God even protects him from accidents, (Beloved there are no accident with God).

KJV. He that toucheth you toucheth the apple of His eye, Zechariah 2:8.

TLB. For he who harms you sticks his finger in Jehovah's eye.

KJV. And one shall say unto Him, What are these wounds in thine hands? Then He shall answer; Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends, Zechariah 13:6.

TLB. And if someone asks them, What are these scars on your chest and your back you will say, I got into a brawl at the home of a friend, (Mr. Taylor tries to explain away this verse).

KJV. How is it that He eateth

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and drinketh with publicans and sinners? Mark 2:16.

TLB. How can He stand it, to eat with such scum?

KJV. And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy Kingdom, Luke 23:42.

TLB. Then he said, Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom, (Mr. Taylor leaves the Lord out, isn't that what the worldly-minded wants to do?)

Mr. Taylor has made fun of the blood on the altar, left the Lord out in some passages and made a dirty book out of the Bible.

He, like the one's that are pushing the Responding Series in some of our Schools, is trying to undermine the morals of our young people.

One of the defenders of the Responding Series that is being taught in our Schools in Virginia said, “Why is there so much fuss over the language in this literature—it can be found in the Bible.” Beloved, thank God, you can't find this kind of language in the King James Version.

We need to read and listen to the Lord as recorded in Proverbs 3:5, “Trust in the Lord with all thine heart: and lean not unto thine own understanding.” Then I Corinthians 2:14 should be read, it says, “But the natural (lost) man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are Spiritually discerned.”

Man reads the Word of God before he is saved and it is a closed book as to Spiritual things, so he wants to change it, that is, he leans unto his own understanding and sets out to make it just another book to be read and forgotten.

The natural mind cannot believe in the blood atonement, so he leaves the blood out. He cannot understand the Trinity so he tries to cast a shadow over this teaching.

He cannot believe the virgin birth of Christ, so since most virgins are young women it seems all right in their own understanding to take out virgin in Isaiah 7:14 and add young woman.

Now Satan has risen up and is trying to ruin the morals of our young people through the means of a so-called Bible.

Then these men need to read Proverbs 14:12, it says—“There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.” And last, but probably should have been first, read in Revelation 22:19, it says:—

And if any man shall take away from the Words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out

of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.”

“What's Happening”

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gan pointed out that “the U.S. Supreme Court has more than once ruled the (tuition tax credit) plan unconstitutional.” Mr. Puckett added that the Packwood-Moynihan tuition tax credit parochial bill was defeated in Congress in 1978 not because of a threatened veto by President Carter, but because the Supreme Court had held it unconstitutional and opinion polls had shown public opposition to the plan running two to one.

The Americans United leader, a prominent Southern Baptist minister, also noted to Mr. Reagan that, “Support for the tuition tax credit plan can only alienate the vast majority of parents whose children attend public schools and who rightly fear that the plan would weaken public education.” Puckett added that, “Voters who patronize parochial and private schools justifiably fear that unwanted government control and regulation will follow government aid.”

EAST LANSING, Mich. (EP via RNS)—A pamphlet warning students about cults has proven to be popular beyond Michigan State University where it is being distributed by four campus ministries.

The message in the pamphlet, Learn To Be A Questioner, is that cults find students most susceptible to recruitment when they are feeling lonely or having trouble making decisions.

Mr. Jon Lacey, pastor of United Ministries in Higher Education, said the pamphlet was prepared because of concern about various cults operating on campus.

He said ministers have received calls from parents asking about different groups and they decided to develop the pamphlet to provide students information about cults. They encourage students to inquire about questionable meetings before attending them.

Mr. Lacy said some cults post notices inviting students to meetings without identifying the sponsors.

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