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The Gospel of the Kingdom

RULE IN THE CHURCH

"He that ruleth, with diligence"

Romans 12:8. By

O. L. Tindall

The subject of rule in the Church of Jesus Christ is a very important one. Much hurt has come to the cause of Christ because this question of ruling has not been properly understood, taught and practiced. Power is wasted unless it is rightly controlled and utilized. Electricity has always been in the world from creation's dawn, but it was wasted on the desert air, for the most part, until it was harnessed and broken to work like a wild colt. So with all force and power. Fire is a good servant, but a bad master; so with air and water. It is the same with spiritual power and with the forces in the Church. They are many. The body has many members, but they must be put to their proper use and office, or they are powerless. Forces of all kinds must be marshalled, or there will be scattered fragments, working to no purpose. So argued the great Apostle. Said he, "We have gifts differing, though they be in the same body. If a man has prophecy, let him attend to prophesying; if teaching, let him attend to his teaching; or ministry, let him wait on his ministering," and so on. "He that ruleth, with diligence."

Ruling in the Church is reckoned as one of the gifts and offices, the same as prophecy, or teaching, or any other. No one seems to raise any objection to rule, except in religion, unless he be a rank anarchist who would do away with all rule and government. As the so-called church goes today, there is nothing but anarchy in it. Rule and government are, for the most part, only a farce. Ministers are afraid to use the rights and authority that God has put into their hands as the rulers of the flock. The way the churches are constituted and managed to day, no real authority can be exercised, for the preachers are only the tools of their people. They must obey their mandates, or the people will discharge them or withhold support and starve the preachers out.

Authority is entirely misplaced. Just as well allow the children to supplant the head of the family, when he tries to exercise authority, as for the Church or congregation to supplant their head. God never built His Church on such a flimsy foundation as that. No institution on earth could endure for an hour under such conditions.

The Church of God must be ruled by men who have the gift of rulership, the same as a prophet must have the gift of prophecy. God bestows the gift of ruling the same as He does the gift of prophecy, or any other.

It is a foolish and absurd idea and teaching that every man is his own ruler or boss in religion any more than he is such in an army or in a civilized government.

A ruler may not know everything, or be able to do everything in his realm; but he must direct and keep things in order. A president of a great university may be far from being an expert in many of the departments; he might be quite ignorant of many of the branches taught under him: but he is the head, and he directs the affairs of the great and complex institution that carries on a great variety of work.

The Lord calls a prophet for a certain work; so with the teacher. Even the man who gives is also called for a certain work—"Let him give with simplicity or liberality." Another man is given to exhortation.

The ruler recognizes these gifts as from God, and it is his business to see that every member is in his place, and does his duty. A ruler ought to be able to discern whether a man is a false teacher or a false prophet in sheep's clothing, and so guard his sheep from these wolves.

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The head cannot see nor hear, but the head directs the eye. He says to the eye, "Look not upon the wine when it is red." "Feast not yourself upon those things that pollute the mind." The head governs the eye, though the head cannot see. So of the ear: it is only an organ of the body, and it may defile the whole body by what it hears. Take heed what you hear and how you hear. Does not the ear need government and direction from a wise head? Faith comes by hearing, and so does all sound doctrine. Shall the ear listen to the blasphemy of the street and the ribald songs of the gutter, and the low theater? Is it in the man that walketh to direct his steps? No; saith the Lord of Hosts. The feet must be directed in the paths of righteousness, or they will go astray. Just as well turn the young babe or child out upon the wilds and expect him to go right as to expect a babe in Christ, or a child of God, to walk uprightly, unaided.

The teaching in the Church must be guarded. Said Paul, "If any man preach any other gospel than what we have preached to you, let him be anathema." All the ministers must speak the same thing.

Good order and right living must be insisted upon. All troubles and disputes should go back to the Church authorities for settlement. If God intended that every man should be a law unto himself, why did He ordain and set any officers in His Church? Can we not trust men to rule in the Church as well as in the State and in the army? Shame on the Church of the living God if we cannot govern and manage the affairs of God's Kingdom on the earth as well as the world governs her affairs? Cannot the Kingdom of God do all things better than the Kingdom of darkness? Can we not trade better? Can we not have better schools? Can we not have better politics? If we cannot, let us serve Baal, and quit business in the name of the Lord.

TRIUNE IMMERSION

Its Historical and Biblical Position

By Elder C. F. Viking.

I.

What concerns us most, of the Historical Testimony of Baptism, is what mode was used in the 2nd and 3rd centuries, A. D. Whatever mode was used after that period can only help us inasmuch as it shows what the Church, in later periods, unanimously understood to be the earlier and proper mode, thus adding weight of testimony, yet of a secondary degree.

If there are any historical evidences of Triune Immersion in the second century, that is what concerns us most, for such are testimonies of the first degree, and of the utmost moment for our study,

There is no lack of writings and interpretations of baptism in later centuries, especially since the time of the Reformation; so were it not for the fact that God has given unto Zion an unbiassed mind and a true knowledge of baptism, to write on this subject would only add confusion.

That Triune Immersion is so little known and practiced outside of Zion, in the Protestant churches, finds its cause in the theological seminaries. It is not taught or discussed there. It is a lamentable fact that prejudiced hand-book historians, in dealing with Triune Immersion—which, of course, they had to mention—have not given it its proper notice.

Many a Baptist preacher, when confronted by Zion on the subject of baptism, has emphatically denied that there was such a thing as Triune Immersion in the early centuries at all. He has taken his full course of Seminary work, read Church History through and through, but in all his research on Baptism, which a Baptist is supposed to be clever at, with the help of the professors of Church History and students of learning, he has not seen Triune Immersion; or, if he saw it, it was printed in small lettered paragraphs, squeezed in between, or put at the end of the text, and very little, if any notice was given to the subject. The fellow may have read or heard the professor say, "Some practiced three dips, but it was condemned as heresy."

It is, of course, interesting to note the perfect unity of decision come to by the various standard writers of Church History regarding Triune Immersion. We shall, necessarily, condense their voluminous testimony, yet not so as to lose the important facts. The historians and cyclopædists base their arguments and conclusions on the proofs from the Church Fathers, of whom Tertullian stands out as a great champion in the second century, (between the years 150 and 220 A. D.) who, in writing on the subject of baptism, uses the expression, "TER MERGIMATUR."

We quote from the Dictionary of Christian Antiquities by Smith and Cheetham; History of the Christian Church by Philip Schaff, D. D., L. L. D., Dictionary of Religion by Rev. W. Benham, B. D., F. S. A.; Dictionary of Theology by Rev. J. H. Blunt, M. A., F. S. A.; The Cyclopædia Brittanica, the 9th edition; Chambers' Encyclopædia; The American Encyclopædia; Cyclopædia of Biblical Theology and Ecclesiastical Literature by McClintock and Strong, and others, as follows:

Dictionary of Christian Antiquities by Smith and Cheetham, Vol 1, 11. "The words (*ter mergimatur*) just quoted have reference to the triune immersion then customary and the use of the words implicity prescribed in Matthew XXVIII.

At p. 49. "Triple immersion, that is, thrice dipping the head while standing in the water, was the all but universal rule of the Church in early times. Of this we find proof in Africa, in Palestine, in Egypt, at Antioch and Constantinople, in Cappadocia. Lastly, the apostolic canons, so called, alike in the Greek, the Coptic, and the Latin versions, gave special injunctions as to this observance, saying that any bishop or presbyter should be deposed who violated this rule."

At p. 50. "While Triune Immersion was an all but universal practice, EUNOMIUS (*Circ.* 360 A. D.) appears to have been the first to introduce single immersion. It comes before us again a century later in Spain: but then, curiously enough, we find it regarded as a badge of orthodoxy in opposition to the practice of the Arians."

Cyclopædia of Biblical, Theological and Ecclesiastical Literature by McClintock & Strong:

"Triune Baptism.

* * * The first who departed from this usage was Eunomius, the Arian."

Among the Church Fathers:

THEODORET (a. 390 A. D.) *Horeticarum Tabularem*, Lib. IV, Cap. 111:

* * * "He (Eunomius) both destroyed the custom of holy baptism given from the first by the Lord and the apostles and made exactly an opposite law, saying that it was not necessary to dip thrice the one being baptized, nor to use the name of the Trinity, but to baptize once only into the death of Christ."

History of the Christian Church by Philip Scharff, D. D., L.

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L. D., Vol. II, p. 248, "Taken from Tertullian and later writers, * * * This act of turning from sin and turning to God, or of repentance and faith, on the part of the candidate, was followed by an appropriate prayer of the minister, and then by the baptism itself in the triune name, with three successive immersions in water with the deacons and deaconesses assisting."

Vol. III, p. 486. "Immersion continued to be the usual form of Baptism, especially in the East, and the three-fold immersion in the name of the Trinity. Yet Gregory the Great permitted also the single immersion, which was customary in Spain as a testimony against Arian polytheism."

Dictionary of Theology by Rev. J. H. Blunt, B. D., F. S. A.

"That immersion was the ordinary mode of baptizing in the primitive church is unquestionable. Tertullian says, "*Ter Mergimatur*," we are thrice immersed * * * Immersion in the name of each Divine person was, indeed, the ordinary mode of baptizing (triune immersion), during as long as twelve centuries."

Encyclopædia Britannica, 9th Edition, Vol. III, p. 351, "The custom was to immerse three times, once at the name of each of the persons of the Trinity, but latterly the three-fold immersion was abolished."

Chambers' Encyclopædia, Vol. I, p. 723.

"The ancient practice of exorcism immediately before baptism, has been rejected as superstitious by almost all Protestant Churches; as has also that of immersing three times (triune immersion), or sprinkling three time with reference to the three persons in the Godhead."

American Cyclopædia, Vol. II, p. 290

"The Latin Church favors affusion three times applied, in the names of the three persons of the Trinity; it, however, admits of either immersion or sprinkling. The original rubric of the Greek Church requires a triune immersion."

Dictionary of Religion by Rev. Benham, B. D., F. S A., p. 99

"Of other ancient ceremonies of minor importance space forbids to speak at length; the chief of them, exorcism and anointing, were, with the Triune Immersion, retained in our first reformed Prayer Book of 1549, but laid aside with it in 1552."

In summing up this evidence, it becomes clear:

1. That there is no doubt whatever, but that Triune Immersion was the universal mode of baptism in the sacond and third centuries.

2. That none of these men, from whose works we have quoted, who, themselves, for the most part, as far as baptism goes, have been affiliated with sprinkling, none of these have been able to find any backing for the modes of sprinkling, and infant baptism in the first few centuries of the history of the Church; but, on the other hand, have had unanimously to declare that Triune Immersion was the mode universally practiced.

3. That single immersion, the mode used by the Baptists, had never been in existence nor advocated in the first three centuries, as it was first originated by one Eunomius, in the fourth century.

4. That a century or more later single immersion had gained ground, and was held to be equally good with Triune Immersion in Spain.

5. That Triune Immersion gradually disappeared so that, at the dawn of the 20th century, it was almost lost, but was brought into light by Zion, and is the only true baptism of Christians.

6 That, contrary to all Historical Facts, Triune Immersion is rejected and held in superstition by almost all leaders of Protestant churches of our time.

7. That such facts are kept hidden in colossal libraries and immense bookcases and not given to the people.

8. That it remains for Zion to put these facts into the hands of the churches, and to make war on every apostasy until all within their walls shall know the truth.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

By the General Associate Editor

"RIGHTEOUSNESS exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people."

MAN'S WHOLE duy is to obey God and keep His commandments.

THE SECRET of power is in obedience. The promise of God to dwell with man, is based upon man's desire to obey.

"THIS IS His commandment, That ye should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as He gave us commandment. And he that keepeth His commandments dwelleth in Him and He in him. And hereby we know that He abideth in us, *by the Spirit which He hath given us*."

GOD HAS given an infallible test of knowledge that one abides in Him—the Spirit of Christ. "If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His."

TO BE righteous is to be Christ-minded: "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus."

CHRIST is our righteousness, "But of Him are ye in Christ Jesus, Who of God is made unto us wisdom and righteousness and santification and redemption; that, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord."

CHRIST CAME not to do His own will, but the will of His Father Who sent Him. He prayed, and He taught His disciples, likewise, to pray, "Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven."

RIGHTEOUSNESS in man's heart comes from earnest desire. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness;" and the man or the woman who will not do this will forever remain poor, and will never enjoy the pleasures of heaven.

ONE MUST first present himself unto God a living sacrifice, and then, ever after, do as Paul told Timothy, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Paul meant here that Timothy—and the truth is just as applicable to every other Christian—should study the Plan of life which God had given. Jesus the Christ had set the example; He was the Pattern after which every thought, word and deed was to be shaped.

THE RIGHTEOUSNESS of God is broader than His universe, and man dare not attempt to try to narrow it, nor to presume that, because of God's mercy and lovingkindness, he can do as he pleases and not be called to judgment for his unrighteous acts. Christ is the standard of weight and measure for everything that man does.

Christ came to establish forever the Kingdom of God, and Righteousness is the Rule of His Kingdom. Every physical atom is to be subject to the control of Spiritul force. God spoke and the world was. He spoke again, and out of the earth came vegetable life; and again, and man took his place in the earth to be an honor and a glory unto God His Father. Order is the result of righteousness, aud never once has one of God's laws encroached upon another. Every function is perfect. "And God saw that it was good."

ZION EXISTS today for no other purpose than to exemplify as nearly as possible, the reign of righteousness upon the earth, and that Heaven's law must direct all things. God's people are peculiar; they are "in the world"—*i.e.*, among the people of the world, but "they are not of the world," *i. e.*, they have an heavenly heritage and citizenship not after the manner of men and women who seek for self-pleasure.

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THE DIFFERENCE between the Christian man or Christian woman's thought, word, and act should be as marked as day and night—or more intense—as righteousness and sin.

WHY ARE these untold thousands of men, women and children in the land today suffering the pangs of hunger, practically destitute of raiment and shelter, and, too often, with no one to speak a word of cheer or comfort, or of hope? Why? Because righteousness is not done; because man does not love his neighbor; because lust has killed love; because men's and women's thoughts are of themselves and for themselves; because their vision is limited solely to their own interests, and, in reality, because they say, by their acts at least, "I don't care whether other men, women and children have any food, shelter, raiment, or comforts, or not; in fact, I have nothing to do with it. I'm looking out for myself; let others get out of the way."

That is what the world is---selfish and unrighteous; and the blood of countless slain ones---slain by greed, slain by indifference, slain by the don't care spirit, slain by selfishness---all for self---is ever fresh upon the garments, yea, dripping from the very bodies of every selfish man and woman of the world. God, with most people, is nowhere.

ZION STANDS as a rebuke to all this, and says "God is with us," and that righteousness shall be exalted; that love shall rule; that true happiness and usefulness can come only in obeying God's commandments.

ZION BELIEVES that that nation (or people) which will not serve God shall perish. Oh, do we not see on every hand the awful scourge as the result of unbelief—the result of what mankind has brought upon itself?

ZION CITY is for God's people. Men, women, you who love God, do you love Him enough to help in the salvation of Zion City? The keeping of Zion City for God is worth far more than all the money of the earth; for money, apart from using it for God's glory, is valueless; it cannot save humanity; it cannot show them love, kindness, longsuffering, mercy; it cannot set into motion forces that will minister to humanity's needs; but Zion, Zion City, and Zion truths and principles will make humanity to enjoy all things which God has in store. The homeless will be supplied with food, shelter and raiment under proper and healthful circumstances; the sad will be made to rejoice; the sick will be made well, and the milldew of hell will be forever wiped away in righteous rule.

ZION IS God's vine; she is of Divine planting, and woe be to the man or woman who, by indifference, or direct attack, hinders in the upbuilding, and prevents a bountiful harvest of the fruits of righteousness.

NO CHRISTIAN should count any sacrifice too great in order that Zion City may be saved and used for God's work in the earth.

ZION, EVERYWHERE, PRAY, WORK, GIVE.

Having The Mind of Christ

An Address Delivered in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, at the All-Night Meeting, Dec. 31, 1909, Jan. 1, 1910, by

General Overseer Wilbur Glenn Voliva

I cannot express in words the great joy that fills my heart, as I welcome you, one and all, in the name of the Lord, to the All-Night meeting.

Before the few remarks which I shall make in the short time at my disposal, I wish to place two selections of Scripture.

The first one you will find in Philippians the second chapter and the fifth verse:

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.

The second is in the Gospel according to St. John, the thirteenth chapter and the thirty-fourth verse:

A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another, as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

There are many things in my heart that I would like to say to the officers, members and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

Reasons for God's Blessings upon Humanity.

First of all, I desire to thank God for the manner in which He has blessed us as a people; and if we had been more faithful, God would have more richly blessed us; for his blessings upon humanity, first of all, are the result of His great mercy and lovingkindness, and the best of us merit nothing at God's hands.

In the second place, God's blessings are the result of our reconciliation to Him through Jesus the Christ, and of our love and devotion to Him.

God Loves All Humanity.

God the Almighty loves all humanity: such love did He have that He gave His only begotten Son to die for the sins of all mankind; but tonight I would impress upon your minds that there is a still greater love which is within the reach of every child of God.

Among the last words that Jesus the Christ uttered before His crucifixion, were, "He that hath My sayings, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me: and he that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father; and I will love him and will manifest Myself unto him."

And again, in the twenty-third verse of the fourteenth chapter of John, in response to the question why He made Himself known to the apostles and not to the world, Jesus said, "If a man love Me, He will keep My words: and My Father will love him, and we will come unto him and make Our abode with him."

There is a love then, within the reach of every child of God, that is greater than the love which God has shown toward other humanity; and I exhort all of the officers, members and friends of this Church, to live for this great love of God during the year Nineteen Hundred and Ten, as never before.

When I say that God has been good to us beyond measure, the words but very feebly express the real facts.

A few days ago in Chicago, a man said to me, "Why do you not tell the Chicago papers of the progress Zion is making?" I said to him, "I believe that the best and safest policy, in the long run, is to do the work in the fear of God, and then let the work speak for itself."

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The first selection of Scripture which I read to you, is o of the most marvelous in the entire Word of God.

The Possibility of Having the Mind of Christ.

You who have read the Gospel story, and have become acquainted with the self-denial, self sacrifice, humiliation and suffering of the Christ—when exhorted to have the same mind that Christ had, will be tempted to say that it is beyond the reach of any human being.

In reading the New Testament, it seems to me that nowhere else in the entire life of the Apostle Paul will one find such proof of Heavenly inspiration as that which is recorded in the second chapter of Philippians.

In his writings, Paul was noted for his diversions and sudden flashes of inspiration—which accounts for his abrupt termination, or sudden breaking off, and taking a flight—as he does in this second chapter of Philippians.

In order to understand the exhortation, you will need to study the first chapter, but I will go back only as far as the beginning of the second chapter tonight.

In speaking to the members of the church at Philippi, Paul says, in substance, "You profess to accept Jesus the Christ as the Son of God and as your Savior, you profess to find sweet comfort in the love which He showed by His words, by His works, by His suffering, by His death and by His triumph; you profess that there is, in His life, an exhortation to well-doing, you profess that there is sweet fellowship with the Spirit of God; now, brethren, if your professions are real, and not so many idle words, then I call upon you to prove your sincerity and the reality of your profession, by doing certain things; fulfil ye my joy by being of one mind, of one heart, of one accord, and having the same love; that nothing may be done through faction or vain glory, but that each esteem other better than himself, looking not upon your own things, but upon the things of others."

And then Paul—as if by a sudden flash of inspiration, it seems to me---transcended any height which he had ever reached before, and exhorts them to have the same mind that the Lord Jesus the Christ had: "Let this mind be in you, that was also in Christ Jesus."

My brothers and sisters, as I stand here before you tonight, and you are very much in my heart, and I realize that I am your shepherd, and that some day I shall be called to stand before God, and give an account of my ministry, I say to you, Have the same mind that the Lord Jesus the Christ had.

The Sacrificial Love of Christ.

The Lord Jesus the Christ travelled all the way from heaven by way of earth—yes, and also by way of hell---back to God His Father. He was possessed of the attributes that would have made Him equal to God the Father. He looked at them, and He looked at Heaven, with all that Heaven meant; and then He looked down upon this earth, and saw poor, sin-stricken, disease-smitten, suffering and dying humanity.

Then came the moment when it was necessary for the Christ to make His choice: either to keep His attributes that made Him to be on an equality with God, and to retain Heaven with all that Heaven meant, or to lay that all aside and to come down to this earth to live, to suffer, and to die the most cruel and ignominious of all deaths, in order that humanity might have salvation, healing and cleansing.

What did the Lord Jesus the Christ do? He laid them all aside, put them all down; He laid aside all of the attributes which made him to be in the form of God, and took upon Himself the form of a servant.

Then, my brothers and sisters, the very next step that Christ took, was the step of self-denial, of self condescension, the step of voluntary humiliation,

Can you measure the distance from being in the form of God to being in the form of a servant?

Christ's Meat and Drink to Do the Will of the Father.

Following the self-denial of the Christ was His self-sacrifice: a broken heart over the conditions of humanity, a supreme and absolute surrender to the will of God His Heavenly Father, and so much so that He could say to His disciples, "My meat and drink is to do the will of My Father."

The Calls and the Offers.

Therefore, my brethren, it you would have the mind of Jesus the Christ you must make your choice: on the one side you will find God calling, through the Holy Spirit, asking you to make a full surrender. He offers you life and joy and peace; together with self-denial, self-sacrifice, persecution, and, finally, life eternal; but, on the other hand, Satan calls upon you and offers you all the Kingdoms of this world: wealth, worldly honor, the plaudits of mankind, lucrative positions, glittering gold, houses and lands and the cattle upon a thousand hills.

Which Will be Chosen.

There it is, you can make your own choice; if you choose God, you must let the world go; if you choose the world, you must lose sight of God the Almighty.

The most foolish thing that a man ever did was to try to serve both God and Mammon at the same time. It cannot be done.

O, I earnestly pray that if there is one here tonight who is trying to serve both God and Mammon at the same time, that he will be convinced now of his sin and shown the folly of his conduct, and that he will turn, sincerely repenting, unto his God and Father tonight!

Zion, have the mind of the Christ.

O, what a beautiful life to live, to have the mind of the Christ! Some people follow Him closely, but there are many who follow Him afar off only; those who follow Him closely have their cup of joy full to the brim and running over; but those who follow Him afar off, go around scarcely knowing or having tasted of the joys that God has prepared for them if only they would make a full surrender and put their trust in Him.

There is a great struggle going on in every breast; and I ask you tonight, Zion, my brothers and sisters, to face the Word of God squarely and boldly, and to take God at His Word without fear, favor, or compromise, and then go forward determined to serve your God at all costs.

"Have this mind in you, which was also in Christ Jesus!"

O, it is such a joy to be completely lost in the service of God! It is such a joy to lay all on the altar for God! If all will do that, then the windows of Heaven will be opened, and each will realize, as never before, what it is to be a true follower of the Lord Jesus the Christ Who set the example.

Love the Fulfilling of Divine Law

The second selection of Scripture that I read exhorts us to love one another. My brother, my sister, are you obeying the Word of God? When you are brought to the place where you must deal with certain questions, are you careful to follow the Word of God?

Among other things, the Word of God tells us that we must "overcome evil with good." Have you reached the place in the Christian life where you can do a kind deed to the one who has cruelly wronged you?

Have you reached the place where you can "overcome evil with good?" Or, are you still in the place where you say, "He hit me, and I will hit him; I will resist evil and stand upon my dignity?"

But the Word of God says, "Overcome evil with good."

The Word of God tells you that "if your brother smite you

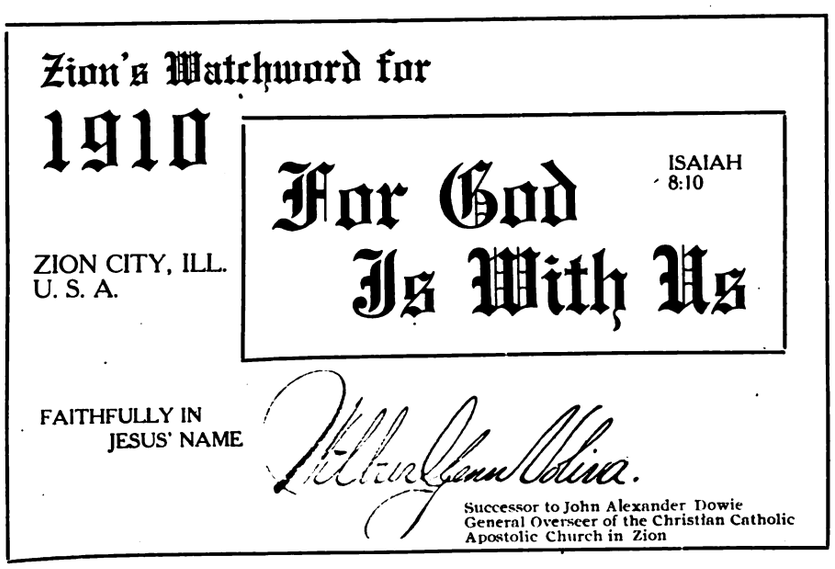
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on one cheek, turn to him the other also;" which means, simply, that you are to rise above taking notice of every little provocation and every insignificant affront and insult.

The Kingdom of God is First

The Word of God says, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness." Are you doing it?

God says, "If ye abide in Me and My words abide in you, ye shall ask whatsoever ye will, and it shall be done unto you." Have you claimed that promise?



The Word of God says, "Now unto Him Who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we can ask or think, according to the power that worketh in you." My brother, my sister, how much of the power of God is there working in you?

How is it with each one of you when you are face to face with Satan and his foul works, Do you find yourself unequipped? Do you find yourself unable to obtain any answer to prayer or unable to fight the battle? If you do, it is because you have not the Word of God in you, and you have not the power of God in you, and then Satan's darts soon put you to flight.

Faithfully Rely Upon All Of God's Word

Zion, I exhort you to stand for the Word of God from cover to cover.

I believe that the whale swallowed Jonah; and if my Bible told me that Jonah swallowed the whale, I would believe it.

I believe that Daniel was thrown into the lions' den, and that the angel of God closed the lions' mouths so that they could not hurt him.

I believe that the three Hebrew children were thrown into the fiery furnace.

I believe that the walls of Jericho fell down; and there is one thing in this connection which we all ought to learn: that God required the people to shout before the walls of Jericho fell down. And God requires of you and me that we work by faith in the salvation of Zion City; and that we do some of the shouting before the city is saved, and not leave all of the shouting until after it is saved. Anybody can shout after it is saved; but it takes men and women of faith to shout before it is saved.

Bury The Adamic Nature And Live In The Christ

My brothers and sisters, there is a great deal of the "old man" hanging around, and of the "old woman" too; and I pray that God may kill every "old man" of sin, and every "old woman" of sin—the carnal nature—that there is in this congregation.

Ah, how much sin we find in this world! How much I have seen of it during the past week! I am astonished at the manner in which many people act, and then take up a lot of my time in straightening them out—and some deacons, too.

Necessity For Union Of Spirit

My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so; we ought to set the right example; and I do earnestly pray that the Spirit of God may fill every member of this church.

(Amens)

Elder Royall, in his Greetings from Shanghai, China, strikes the key-note which I have been preaching for some time.

He says, "Greetings from Zion in China to Zion in Zion City and throughout the world at the All-Night Meeting. This has been the most blessed year of Zion's work in China. Pray that the unity of the Spirit shall not be broken by criticism or in any other way."

My prayer tonight is that God will cast every devil of criticism out of this Church (Amens). During the year Nineteen Hundred and Ten. if you cannot say something good about your brother or sister, then do not say anything at all.

Think Of The Good And That Which Uplifts

Zion, it is a good thing to have deaf ears for everything that comes from the devil; and a good thing to have open ears and an open heart for everything that comes from God.

Instead of talking about sin all the time, talk about righteousness.

Instead of talking about disease, talk about health.

Instead of talking about death, talk about life.

Instead of talking about hell, talk about Heaven.

Instead of sitting around talking to the devil, sit down and talk with God and commune with Him. Let your conversation be in Heavenly places.

Ah, my brothers and sisters, as I look back over the year Nineteen Hundred and Nine, I can see many mistakes and many failures and shortcomings; but I say, "Father, it is not for me to sit down by the side of my mistakes and shortcomings and failures, and to pine over them." But I say, "Father, forgive!"

Life To Be Spent In Saving Humanity And Upbuilding The Kingdom

I know that God is merciful, loving and kind, and the right way for me to do is to step upon my mistakes and failures and shortcomings and, by the help of God, to go forward during the year Nineteen Hundred and Ten and make a glorious success—of what? A man's life should all be spent for the salvation of the sinful, the healing of the sick, and the establishment of the Kingdom of God.

That is Zion's mission and she has no other mission.

Zion's Only Mission

Zion, the mission of every officer, the mission of every member and the mission of every Seventy in this Church, is to live for the salvation, healing and cleansing of poor humanity.

As I sat in my office today and communed with God, I said "My Father, when I shall come to the close of my life's journey, I want to be able to look back and see, just this and nothing more: many people saved through my humble, earnest efforts; many people healed through the telling of the old, old story of Jesus and His love; and that is all I want to see."

Our ambition ought not to be to have a fine tombstone after we pass away, but simply to have nothing more than a wooden slab to mark our last resting place; but we ought to seek to have a monument more lasting than granite or marble: Yes, one composed of the saved and the redeemed through our humble, earnest efforts in preaching the Gospel of the Lord Jesus the Christ.

If you want to live, die to self, to the things of this world, and the fleeting pleasure of this life.

Are you abiding alone tonight? Or, are you sacrificing life itself for the salvation of the world? This ought to be the best

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body of people on the face of the earth; but there is room for vast improvement, for we all are imperfect.

Zion, I exhort you now to begin each day by looking into the face of your God. When a man or woman tells me that he or she has no time to read the Word of God, I say frankly that I do not believe it.

During the past three weeks some others and I have toiled day and night; and yet there has never passed a single day, but that in the early morning, before taking up the heavy duties of the day, I have knelt before an open Bible and looked up into the face of my God and prayed earnestly; and I know that He will answer my cries, for His promises are faithful, and they cannot fail.

Begin Each Day With God's Word---Get Your Orders

I exhort you to start out the New Year by beginning each day with the reading of God's Word and in earnest prayer.

Then pray at Noon and thank God that He has spared your life so far through the day, and then close the day with prayer.

Set up the family altar in your home. Return thanks at the table. Show your gratitude to God, and fall into line with the performance of every Christian duty.

God Works With And For Those That Trust Him

I am so thankful that the same God Who caused that the barrel of meal and cruse of oil should not fail, is today able and willing to undertake the lifting of the burdens of Zion, to redeem every foot of Zion City; and to make Zion far more glorious than she ever has been in the past, if only we will all be true, steadfast and faithful.

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By the

Zion Seventy Department

From August 1, 1909, to January 1, 1910

The following figures tell many wonderful stories of love, sacrifice, and devotion to service. When one stops to consider that nearly two hundred thousand people, in the short period of five months, have been seen by Zion Seventies and talked with face to face concerning the Gospel of the Kingdom of God, it represents a vast work; and, best of all, it means that those people gave a thought if no longer than for a minute to the things of eternity. When it is remembered that God has declared that His Word "shall not return unto Me void, but shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it," what hope is inspired that some, at least, will find the message precious and yield themselves to its influence.

Again, when it is known that nearly fifteen thousand, in the same five months, were sufficiently interested to purchase Zion Literature for study and further consideration, hope should be increased, and prayers should be many and earnest that the literature be as good seed cast in a manner to bring forth much fruit.

A mighty force for evangelizing the world, is the Zion Seventy Organization. The mission of the Seventies is to hunt people out and bring them face to face with the Eternal Truth. The great Commission given by Christ says, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." The lost and unconcerned ones are to be sought out to be presented with the message which speaks to their spirits and demands that they yield themselves to the authority of heaven.

To be a messenger with the Gospel truth is the greatest privilege that can come to the lot of man. What an honor to be a representative of the King of kings and Lord of lords! How rich the reward in peace of mind and spirit for this present life, and oh, the joy that is set before each faithful one in anticipation of the Crown of life!

The report follows:

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Number Leaves Sold	8,381
Number Heralds Sold	5,964
Number Tracts Sold	524
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Number Rolls Free Literature	2,309
Total Number Pieces Literature Distributed	216,050

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

TRIUNE IMMERSION

Its Historical and Biblical Position

By Elder C. F. Viking.

(CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.)

II.

The biblical position of Baptism can easily be found by every honest student of the Word of God. The trouble in the past has not been with the text, nor with the masses of the people, but with the interpreters, or teachers (?). They have twisted and strained and materialized and spiritualized and interpreted words and phrases to suit their own creeds. But the Bible itself, token as it stands, on baptism, destroys any claim of sprinkling, pouring, washing, single immersion and infant baptism at one blow.

The words of Jesus, in Matthew 28, verses 18 and 19 and 20, give no uncertain sound, and tell exactly the whole truth. Jesus said:

All authority hath been given unto Me in heaven and on earth. Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you; and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the consummation of the age.

This gives the true formula and mode and meaning of Triune Immersion.

To baptize a person is to immerse or dip him into water; for the literal meaning of the word "baptize" is "immerse." "Baptizing them" means immersing them and nothing else. Jesus did not say "sprinkling them," or "washing them," or "pouring them," but He said, "immersing them," and He meant it.

The minister who sprinkles, or washes, or pours, and calls it baptism, saying to the candidate, "I baptize thee," is uttering an age-long lie in the sight of God and man every time. He does no such thing as baptize. He says he baptizes, but that does not alter the fact that he does not. If he said, "I sprinkle thee," or "I wash thee," or, I pour on thee," then he would be about right, for that is what he is doing, yet it is not baptism. It is straining at gnats and swallowing camels to try to find any trace of sprinkling and infant baptism in the Word of God. It is simply not there. These counterfeits of the devil have come into existence in a later period, and have gained such a hold on Christendom that the greatest part of the nominal church depends upon sprinkling for regeneration of heart and reception into God's Kingdom.

But true baptism even, does not change any one's heart: it only confirms something and testifies to some change that has already taken place with the candidate. He is not baptized into a Christian, but *as* a Christian. A true baptism confirms that he is a Christian; it seals, or stamps him *as a* Christian; it testifies to the fact that he is a Christian; but it never makes him one. There is, therefore, no regeneration in baptism. No person, whether old or young, can be made a Christian by baptism. To an unconverted person and to an infant, baptism becomes only a water bath.

It follows, then, that those who have only been sprinkled with a little water in the hair, or washed on the forehead by the wetted tips of the right hand of the minister, or poured upon by a small portion of water from a silver bowl, or immersed by a single immersion, have not been baptized according to the command of Christ. They are still unbaptized.

They cannot excuse themselves any longer, for the word used for baptism in the New Testament, in many different countries and languages, is immersion. Take the Greek "baptisma,"

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the Latin "mersio", the German "taufe", the Holland "dooper", the Danish "dobe", the Swedish "dopa", the Chinese "tsing-ti", the English "baptise" or "immerse", and many others, and the verdict is unquestionable.

The Baptists think that they are a peg ahead of everybody else in baptism, but the strong testimony of the Church Fathers and historians stares their leaders in the face, and becomes almost a nightmare to their pet theories from which they cannot get away. There are no other leaders of any organization so afraid of the truth of Triune Immersion as the Baptists.

We do not blame the people, for very few read Church history; and those who read, use mostly miserable handbooks which, of course, are worded to suit the creed.

In a true Christian's baptism, we find:

(a) The Fatherhood of God is most distinctly set forth. To be immersed "into the name of the father" is a most blessed realization of the believer's relation to God. It sets forth the yielding of an obedient child in public to God the Father, and it proclaims to the world that a new birth has taken place before, of which the baptism is an outward seal.

(b) In a true baptism, where the believer is immersed "into the name of the Son," he publicly acknowledges Jesus; and before all the world in this baptism, which is a type and likeness of Christ's death and resurrection, he confesses his repentance towards God, and faith in Jesus as the Son of God, his Savior.

(c) In a true baptism, the believer, having been immersed "into the name of the Holy Spirit," comes forth into an active service of God in the Holy Spirit's power and newness of life, and equipped for the warfare against the world, the flesh and the devil, being willing to do the bidding of the Triune God.

This a, b, c, of Triune Immersion can never be crowded into a single dip, for it will then lose both the mode and the meaning and be no baptism at all, but a mere counterfeit which should be done away with for ever.

Jesus did not say, "make disciples of all nations by baptizing them": the whole wording of the commission has five distinct divisions, viz.

1st, Christ's Authority;

2nd, Making of Disciples;

3d, Baptism of Believers;

4th, Teaching them Obedience;

5th, The presence of the Christ.

The second and the third are no more the same than the first and the fifth. It then follows from Christ's authoritative command, that those to be baptized must first be converted. They must first become disciples; that is, first repent of their sins and believe unto salvation; and then, as disciples, they must be baptized.

This is the way the apostles of Jesus understood this Commission which the Acts of the Apostles fully proves. This is also Zion's way. This numerical God-inspired position of the Commission in Zion is most wonderful. First, we have the authority in the ministry, then we see conversions of sinners to God; and lastly, we have the blessed presence of Jesus, as He promised.

Without the first, there is not the second, for without authority in the ministry, sinners will not repent. Without the second, there is not the third, for a Triune Immersion is not valid unless the candidate is converted. Without the third, there is not the fourth; for an unconverted man, though immersed three times, cannot obey. And without the fourth, there is not the fifth; for Jesus cannot dwell in a worldly heart and church.

I, therefore, in the name of God, the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, call upon all who may read this, and who may not have repented of their sins, to turn to God at once in true repentance and confession of sins, and then to come unto Zion for baptism and further teaching in Divine things.

Proof for Trusting God for Healing

An Address Delivered at the Weekly Divine Healing Meeting Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Tuesday afternoon, April 27, 1909

By General Overseer Wilbur Glenn Voliva

The meeting was opened by the singing of "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," followed by the recitation of the Twenty-third Psalm and Prayer.

Before the General Overseer gave the lesson on Divine Healing, he made the following remarks on the Triunities of the Bible:

One of the things that we learned in the early days of Zion was that man was composed of spirit, soul, and body. There are many beautiful triunities running through the Bible. It is remarkable, as we study the Bible, how many accurate mathematical statements we find. For instance: we have the number seven, which denotes completeness. We find the threes just as remarkable as the sevens.

You will find that you will appreciate the Christian Ordinance of Triune Immersion more as you grasp the triunities of the Bible. The word "triunity" simply means three in one, and one in three.

A good deal of time is spent by a number of people in this city, and, of course, eleswhere, speculating about the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation. Some people are never satisfied unless they are feeding on speculative theories—they will take anything except the plain Word of God. They want something that is high-sounding and has the appearance of great learning. I pity such people. Just the healing of one person here this afternoon would be worth far more to the Kingdom of God than all that kind of talk for the next ten thousand years. Some people like it, however. They do not like a man unless he indulges in such talk. What is there in it after he has indulged in it?

What I want to see, and it will come in time, is: the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion preaching the Everlasting Gospel; getting the sinner saved; the sick healed; ministering to the widows and orphans; establishing homes to alleviate the distress of mankind; and daily adding, one by one, one good deed after another—a practical, everyday Christian work.

I noticed some people nodding their heads on a recent Lord's Day when I said I would give fifty dollars for a woman who played cards that was of any use in a prayer meeting. The reason why this Church attracted thousands upon thousands of people, and the reason why it attracted you, was because of the simple, faithful presentation of the word of God. That is the way to succeed again. There is no other way.

What I want to see is an army of faithful, humble workers

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sent out to proclaim the Gospel by handing out tracts and by showing the people that there is a church in existence where Christian character is the test of fellowship, and where they can find a Church home in which they can be satisfied, because of being a member of a Church that fights evil of every kind.

First of all, in this series of triunities, we have one God in how many persons?

Voices: "Three Persons."

The Names of the Trinity in Their Order.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Yes; one God in three Persons,or three Persons in one. Christ was God manifest in the flesh. In order, therefore, we have:

First, FATHER;

Second, SON;

Third, HOLY SPIRIT. These three are one, and they all agree.

In Hebrew we have for "spirit, soul, and body"—one man in three parts—three words:

The first is "RUACH," wihch means "spirit;"

The second, "NEPHESH," which means "soul;"

The third, "BOSSA," which means "body."

In the first chapter of Genesis, we have the expression, "Wherein there is life" (margin: a living soul.) The word used for the "soul" of animals is the same word used for the soul of man—it means the animal life, the blood: but in Genesis 2: 7, we are told, "God * * * breathed into his nostrils the breath of life" (or the spirit of life) "and man became a living soul."

GOD the Father of the Spirit, but the Maker of Soul and Body.

The spirit of a man proceeds from the FATHER, whereas God is the MAKER of the soul and body. That is another very beautiful truth which we learned in Zion. God is the FATHER of that which proceeds from Him, and He is the MAKER of that which is external to Him. There is a difference between being the Father and the Maker. God is MAKER of the body, but the FATHER of the spirit.

The Greek word "pneuma" is translated "spirit;" the Greek word "psyche" is translated "soul;" and the word "soma" is translated "body." In English, the three parts of man are spirit, soul and body.

We in Zion do not talk about the "Immortality of the soul" like the churches do; neither do we believe in that doctrine. The Bible does not teach that the soul is immortal, but that *the spirit is immortal.* That infidel who argues against the immortality of the soul, quotes Scripture which says that the *soul* that sinneth *shall die.*" The spirit is immortal, and when the body dies the spirit goes to God Who gave it. Death, therefore, is the separation of the spirit from the body.

Now, we have one Faith covering three things:

SALVATION, HEALING, HOLY LIVING.

If a man has Salvation and Healing, and is living a holy life, he has about all, has he not?

VOICES: "Yes."

The Tri-une Baptism

We have one Baptism into three names—Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Of course, the word "name" in the Scriptures is singular: "into the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost."

We have one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism.

Jesus went about doing three things; what were they?

VOICES: "Teaching, preaching, healing."

GENERAL OVERSEER: In the Garden of Gethsemane, how many times did Jesus fall upon his face?

VOICES: "Three times."

GENERAL OVERSEER: How many days was Jesus in the heart of the earth?

VOICES: "Three days and three nights."

General Overseer: How many cords are not easily broken?

Voices: "A threefold cord is not quickly broken."—*Eccl.* 4:12.

General Overseer: There are some important truths here for Zion to grasp. You cannot get them in any other church in existence: they do not know anything about them. They jumble them all up, and talk about the "immortality of the soul," and they pray to Christ and to the Holy Spirit; whereas in Zion one of the most important truths of all truths we were taught was that we should pray to whom?

"Voices: "God, the Father."

General Overseer: I want you to use your Bibles, and start in on these passages of Scripture on Divine Healing. I will give the references, and I want you to read out the passages.

Genesis 3:16:18. Unto the woman He said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow, and thy conception: in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children, and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

"And unto Adam He said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it; cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life,

Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field.

GENERAL OVERSEER: This selection of Scripture plainly teaches that, before sin entered into the world, there were no briars and thistles: therefore there was "nothing to destroy or hurt in all God's earth."

Job 2:7 So went Satan forth from the presence of the Lord, and smote Job with sore boils, from the sole of his foot unto his crown.

GENERAL OVERSEER: The Book of Job is often cited to prove that disease does not come from satan. Each one should get this passage into his mind so that when anybody says that affliction is not the work of satan you can give them Job 2: 7.

Luke 13: 16—And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?

I John 3: 9—He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

That is another good passage for all Zion workers to have at hand. It seems to me that you and I ought to be engaged in the same work as our Master. He set the example. He was engaged in destroying sin. We ought to be engaged in the same kind of work—fighting satan's kingdom. That is Zion's work. I love to go out and fight the kingdom of darkness. As I told you a while ago, we are not going to send workers out to give some great interpretation of prophecy. That is not our business. You are not called to that work: you are called to preach the Gospel, and show the sinner how to get Salvation; to show the sick how to get healing. That is the practical every-day work of Zion messengers.

Psalm 103: 2-3—Who forgiveth all thine iniquities: Who healeth all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; Who crowneth the with lovingkindness and tender mercies.

Psalm 105: 37—He brought them forth also with silver and gold; and there was not one feeble person among their tribes.

Psalm 107: 20—He sent His Word and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

I want you to notice that 105th Psalm. It is well to get that passage in mind; this is a wonderful Psalm. We have had it twice recently for our Scripture lesson. What is the striking statement in the verse? "There was not one feeble person in all their tribes." We ought to work to that end in Zion.

Jeremiah 17:5,14 Thus saith the Lord: Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord.

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General Overseer's Notes

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING OF THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION THROUGHOUT THE WORLD,
ZION CITY, ILL., U. S. A.,
January 14, 1910

TO THE OFFICERS, MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS OF THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION THROUGHOUT THE WORLD:

Peace be unto you!

"Grace be unto you, and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ."

In the Name of the Lord I most heartily thank you for your Christian love, loyalty, faithful prayers and earnest support, and may God, in Jesus' Name, in the Holy Spirit's power, richly bless and reward you all.

OWING TO the great pressure of work in connection with the REDEMPTION OF ZION CITY, it has been impossible for several weeks for me to take any active part in preparing either ZION HERALD or LEAVES OF HEALING. Their preparation has been wholly within the hands of Deacon Theodore Forby, General Associate Editor. He has done his work well and proven himself a faithful servant of God and of Zion. The contributing editors, Elders Carey, Tindall, Richert, Royall and Viking, have also rendered valuable assistance.

THE TWO most valuable agencies on the human side of Zion's work are LEAVES OF HEALING and ZION HERALD. Every Zion person can be an earnest preacher of the Gospel of the Kingdom by simply circulating Zion literature. There is nothing like it in all the world; and it is my intention to spend a good part of the year 1910 in promoting the circulation of LEAVES OF HEALING, ZION HERALD and other Zion Literature. Properly directed, consecrated, self-denying and self-sacrificing efforts will soon treble the circulation of both papers. They now circulate in many different countries, and soon, by one and all taking a decided interest, they will be circulating in every country throughout the world.

SINCE LAST communicating with you, the Christmas season has once more come and gone, the year 1909 has passed into history, and the year 1910 has been born.

Nowhere else in all the world was a happier Christmas season spent than by Zion in Zion City. It was not, with Zion, a time of feasting and gluttony, a time of lavish extravagance and wasteful gift-making, but a time of rejoicing, praise and thanksgiving unto God for Heaven's choicest Gift: the Gift of His love—Jesus the Christ, the Savior of all the world. It is sad to think that multitudes pass through the Christmas season without ever a thought of Jesus, Whom God gave, Who willingly came, lived, loved, suffered and died for the sins of humanity.

Appropriate Christmas services were held in Shiloh Tabernacle, and the minds of the people were directed to Christ as Heaven's choicest Gift—the Gift of all gifts—the Gift of God's love; and they were exhorted to show their appreciation by being His faithful disciples, and living lives wholly consecrated to God and to His service. It was pointed out that the making of gifts one to another was perfectly proper, and that every little gift should remind them of God's Gift, and that behind every gift should be a heart full of love—the love of God.

ON CHRISTMAS EVE, Christmas exercises were held under the superintendency of Deacon Forby, who is in charge of the Intermediate and Junior Seventies, and, at the close of the exercises, a little token of love, in the way of fruit, candies and nuts was given to each Zion Junior. It was indeed an inspiring sight to look into the faces of hundreds of Zion boys and girls, many of whom have been born in Zion, never tasted a drop of medicine, and have never known anything else but to trust God absolutely for everything.

IN CONNECTION with the dying of the old year and the birth of the new, Zion held her All-night of Praise, Prayer and Testimony. It was a time of spiritual refreshing, and many said it was the best All-Night Meeting they had ever attended.

MAY THE readers of Leaves of Healing all reconsecrate themselves for the year 1910, and may they honor God in every word, thought and deed.

BEGIN AND close each day with God, and, during the day,

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walk in the footsteps of Jesus, following His example in self-denial, self-sacrifice and fathful service to poor, sin-stricken, disease-smitten humanity.

Set up the family altar.

Return thanks at the table for God's goodness in supplying you with food, shelter and raiment.

ZION'S WATCHWORDS for 1908 and 1909 were:

"For Jehovah hath founded Zion."

'For Jehovah will save Zion."

The Watchword for 1910 is:

"For God is with us."

All who are acquainted with Zion's remarkable progress during the last two years and a half, will agree that no more appropriate motto for the year 1910 could have been chosen. Well may Zion exclaim, "What hath God wrought!"

ZION REJOICES primarily in her spiritual progress. The faithful preaching of the Word has been received, believed and acted upon by many, and their lives prove that the Word of God has taken a deep hold upon them.

Zion's mission is the faithful proclamation of the Gospel, the salvation, healing and cleansing of the people, the establishment of the Kingdom of God--precisely this, and nothing more.

God has manifested His power in the saving of the sinful, in the healing of the sick, in the deepening and quickening of the spiritual lives of a multitude of people.

The Convocation of 1909 cannot and never will be forgotten by those who were present, and the whole influence of the fifty-four meetings held, eternity alone will reveal.

THE INFLUENCE of Zion literature upon the lives of many people in many different parts of the world cannot be put into words or figures.

THE PEOPLE have been called upon to face the Word of God squarely and boldly. Personally, while I never, at any moment in my life, had any doubts concerning God or His precious Word, yet today, if possible, I believe it more firmly than ever; and the one great passion of my life is to preach and to live God's Word.

CHRISTIANITY is not a theory, but a fact.

Christianity is not merely a doctrine, but a life.

The Christian religion does not consist merely in singing, praying and preaching, but in action against every form of iniquity in both low and high places.

ZION FOLLOWS the Word of God and recognizes but two classes of people in the universe: loyal subjects of God, and rebels against His government. Therefore Zion, in the Name of God, commands all rebels to submit themselves unto God, to recognize His government, and to place themselves under His rule.

ZION SMITES the lie that the Church should not control the education, the business, and the politics of the people. Zion boldly proclaims that any education, business or politics that will not mix with the Christian religion is the education, business and politics of the devil.

DO YOU believe the Word of God: that "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty"?

Are you following God afar off?

Are you lingering near the border where sin, sickness, disease and death abound, or are you dwelling in the secret place of the Most High, where sin, sickness, disease and death are unknown?

Do you insult your God, as tens of thousands of Church members do---by saying that it keeps you busy, takes all your time, talent and strength, to get "bread and butter"---food, shelter and raiment?

WHAT DID Jesus say? "Seek first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things (food, shelter and raiment) shall be added."

Are you living a mean, selfish life, toiling day and night to add acre to acre, farm to farm, house to house; to pile up gold and silver, with no thought of your responsibility to God and to humanity?

O THAT God would stir up all Zion throughout the world to take Him at His Word and to give a demonstration of Christianity that would shake the entire world from center to circumference!

MY BROTHERS and sisters: "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus."

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Poor	Sin-stricken, Disease-smitten, Suffering and Perishing	Humanity needed	A Savior, Healer, Cleanser and Keeper

Jesus the Christ was in the form of God.	He emptied Himself. He took the form of a servant. He was made in the likeness of men.
Jesus did not look upon equality with God as a thing to be grasped—or, held on to tenaciously.	He humbled Himself. He became obedient unto death; yea, THE DEATH OF THE CROSS.

(1) "Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in Heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Who will heed the exhortation to have the same mind that Jesus the Christ had?

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THE AVERAGE professing Christian has no conception of what he is missing by simply playing at Christianity instead of living it, as demanded by the plain Word of God. Men and women were placed upon this earth to prepare for eternity, and not to live a self-centered life, which, sooner or later, will bring the certain penalty of disease, suffering, remorse and death.

TO SAVE your life, you must be willing to lose it.

If you would live, you must die.

Jesus laid ALL down, humbled Himself; suffered for humanity, and then took up all that He laid down, and more, too.

THE PERSON who lives for others will erect a monument compared with which the finest and most costly monuments of marble and granite sink into utter insignificance. In many cemeteries you will find $10,000 monuments erected over ten-cent men; and, furthermore, no bigger liars can be found upon the face of the earth than many of the monuments erected by the ill-gotten gains of selfish men.

On many tombstones are found such epitaphs as, "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord," when a far more appropriate epitaph would be: "He lived like a hog and died like one, and no one is any the richer in good things for his having lived."

"Dollars and dimes, and dimes and dollars," and the Holy Spirit, do not dwell in the same temple.

JESUS THE Christ, with all the attributes which made Him to be in the form of God and on an equality with God, saw poor, dying humanity. He had to take His choice: either to say, "I will retain My attributes and remain in the form of God, and let humanity perish forever; or, "I will lay aside the attributes and the form of God, and take upon Myself the form of a Servant, and die for humanity that they may have salvation, healing and cleansing."

THE MIND OF CHRIST is clearly set forth in Philippians 2:6,7,8.

Jesus the Christ is humanity's great Example; and what else is the life of a Christian but the repetition, in a measure, of the life of Christ?

What are you willing to do for the salvation of the sinful?

What are you willing to do for the healing of the sick?

What are you willing to do for the establishment of God's Kingdom?

THE GREATEST and most powerful sermon that can be preached to the whole world at the present time is the redemption of Zion City; and in this great fight in the Name of the Lord for one city of God upon this earth, every Zion officer, member and friend should have a part.

Many times during my ministry in Australia did I say that if the whole earth were one great Zion City then the devil would have comparatively very little hold of this earth; hence the reason why he is so determined to mar, and, if possible, destroy the one city that stands out firmly against tobacco, liquor, theaters, and iniquities of every kind.

A FAITFUL, consecrated band of people is toiling for Zion City's complete redemption, and their faithful efforts have been richly rewarded; but many who ought to be intensely interested and enthusiastic have stood aloof, looking at their houses, lands and money, determined to save them even if Zion City is blotted off the face of the earth.

ZION CITY not only must, but will be redeemed, by God, whether through five hundred or one.

LET TWO pictures pass before your vision, one: ZION CITY REDEEMED; and the other, ZION CITY LOST. Do you want to stand in the Day of Judgment before God and face the fact that when the call came to be a brave soldier and to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, you became a coward and ran away---looking at your houses, lands and money, all of which, at last, when death stares you in the face, you were compelled to relinquish and leave behind?

EXCUSES OF every kind are inspired of the devil. No body of people since creation's dawn has had a more glorious opportunity for service than the Zion people. Where are and who are the self-denying, self-sacrificing men and women to help establish at least one city to the honor and glory of God?

GOD HAS already given to Zion: Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City General Stores, Zion Temple Site, the Administration Building, and Elijah Hospice; and, if all will do their duty, the entire City can speedily be redeemed.

AS THE General Overseer, before God I can truthfully say I have kept nothing back but have thrown myself absolutely upon the altar for the salvation of Zion City and for the redemption of mankind.

When we come down to the close of life, we shall not want to look at our houses, our broad acres, our gold and silver, but at the men and women who have been saved, healed, cleansed and blessed through our faithful, consecrated efforts.

LET ZION everywhere awake, and go forward in the Name of the Lord to conquer and to establish, not only one city, but many cities for God!

NOTHING PUT into God's service is ever lost, no matter what men may say; and every one who put money into Zion from the right motive for the establishment of Zion City will, if faithful and true, yet be rewarded.

MY BROTHERS and sisters, think of these things.

Pray morning, noon and night.

Make an absolute surrender to God, and be as passive in His hands as the clay is in the hands of the potter.

The day is far spent, and the night is at hand.

The coming of the King is drawing nigh.

WATCH YE, THEREFORE, AND PRAY ALWAYS

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Proofs for Trusting God for Healing

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Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me and I shall be saved: for Thou art my praise.

GENERAL OVERSEER: That is a very important passage. It is easy enough to remember. What are people doing today but trusting in man—in the arm of flesh? What a glorious work Zion has before her! No other ministry in the world has the work Zion has. Zion was built up in the beginning simply by this one and that one going out and showing the people the way to God. Zion will be built up again in that way.

2 Chron. 16,12,13 "And Asa, in the thirty and ninth year of his reign, was diseased in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great: yet in his disease he sought not the Lord, but to the physicians.

And Asa slept with his fathers, and died in the one and fortieth year of his reign.

What is taught there? Asa in his disease, sought not God, but whom?

Voices: "Physicians."

I would like to know if that is not what the great bulk of church members do today when they get sick. It is the same old story. Elders, if you do not know what to preach about, preach about Asa.

2 Kings 1:2,3,4,16—And Ahaziah fell down through a lattice in his upper chamber that was in Samaria, and was sick: and he sent messengers, and said unto them, Go, inquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron, whether I shall recover of this disease.

But the angel of the Lord said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, Is it not because there is not a God in Israel, that ye go to inquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron?

Now, therefore, Thus saith the Lord, Thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die. And Elijah departed.

And the angel of the Lord said unto Elijah, Go down with him: be not afraid of him. And he arose and went down with him unto the king. And he said unto him, Thus saith the Lord, Forasmuch as thou hast sent messengers to inquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron, is it not because there is no God in Israel to inquire of His word? therefore thou shalt not come down off that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die. So he died, according to the word of the Lord, which Elijah had spoken.

That is a wonderful sermon, Zion. What about some people who go off seeking a better climate? If we are going to trust God for healing, we have got to *trust Him* for healing;that is all there is to it. I was very much impressed when I read yesterday in one of the volumes of the Leaves of Healing—I think the article was taken from a Lutheran paper—how a writer tells about Zion's work in the "Little Wooden Hut," and spoke about how Dr. Dowie demanded that all human instruments be given up, so that nothing should stand between them and God. That is necessary. That is a wonderful story about Ahaziah falling kown through the lattice work, and instead of seeking God for healing, he sent messengers to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron. The question was, Was it because there was no God in Israel? Why do people run off to patent medicines and surgical appliances and doctors and drudgs, etc.? Is it because there is no God in the Churches? You talk about Zion being a live institution, and about Zion having issues; she has got the whole field. She has got the Sword of the Spirit. Do not think that God is a respecter of persons. God will honor that 23rd Psalm if it is read by a wicked man. God's Word will not return to Him void. We have wonderful truths if we will only grasp them and live them.

Psalm 30: 2, 3—O Lord my God, I cried unto Thee, and Thou hast healed me.

O Lord, Thou hast brought me up out of the grave. Thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

The entire ninety-first Psalm should also be carefully studied.

Zion, what is the 91st Psalm called?

VOICES: "The Household Psalm."

Numbers 12: 9-13—And the anger of the Lord was kindled against them; and He departed. And the cloud departed from off the tabernacle; and, behold, Miriam became leprous, white as snow; and Aaron looked upon Miriam, and, behold, she was leprous. And Aaron said unto Moses, Alas, my lord, I beseech thee, lay not the sin upon us, wherein we have done foolishly and wherein we have sinned. Let her not be as one dead of whom the flesh is half consumed when he cometh out of his mother's womb. And Moses cried unto the Lord, saying, Heal her now, O God, I beseech Thee," etc.

That is a wonderful little story. I am impressed most of all by that last part. What a simple prayer from a great and mighty man, servant of God--Moses: "Heal her, now, O Lord, I beseech Thee." Miriam was Moses' own sister, and her sin was what some people would think was a very ordinary one. She complained at Moses because he had a colored wife. She had hatred in her heart, and she was smitten with leprosy. That was her judgment. What is our protection today? How are we protected from disease, disaster, and death?

VOICE: "Under the blood."

GENERAL OVERSEER: By the protecting hand of God. What would happen if God withdrew His hand?

ELDER RICHERT: "We should perish."

GENERAL OVERSEER: That is the plain word of God.

Numbers 21: 4:9—And they journeyed from Mount Hor by the way of the Red Sea, to compass the land of Edom: and the soul of the people was much discouraged because of the way.

And the people spake against God and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt, to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any, water and our soul loatheth this light bread.

And the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, and much people of Israel died.

Therefore the people came to Moses and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against thee: pray unto the Lord, that He take away the serpents from us. Add Moses prayed for the people.

And the Lord said to Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent and set it upon a pole; and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it shall live.

And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole: and it came to pass that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

The following passages of Scripture should also be most carefully studied, as bearing upon the subject of Divine Healing.

1 Kings 17:17-22.
2 Kings 4:18-37.
2 Kings 5:1-14
2 Kings 13:20-21.

These passages give you an idea how full the Bible is of teaching on the subject of Divine Healing. We have had twenty passages; some short ones and some long. I want all the members of this church to be well trained in handling the Word of God.. I want the little children to be well trained. Just get the plain Word of God, and you will be able to put to flight ten thousand Methodist parsons any day. Do not be afraid. Some one will say that you are a fighter. Well, you ought to be a fighter if you are a soldier of the King. He has given you the Christian armor. I do not know of anybody who has a right to wear an armor except a soldier. I do not know what a soldier is fit for if he is not to fight: that is what he is for. One of the parts of the Christian armor is the Word of God. Let us learn to use it.

Now we will pray for the sick and the afflicted. You have had the Word of God. We started out with Psalm 23, which we repeated together, and it is a lovely Psalm. I do not know how long ago it was written, but it must be several thousands of years and it comes to us with just as much freshness as though it had been penned yesterday.

"The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want." What confidence! What confidence!! God is our Creator and our Pre-

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server and our Provider. It is He who sends the rain and the warm sunshine. It is He Who gives the harvest. We "live, move, and have our being" in Him. Let us learn to trust God with childlike simple faith. Let us take Him at His Word. May God grant this afternoon that His power will come upon you and destroy your diseases and afflictions, and set you free. You sick and afflicted ones should never give up seeking for your healing. Why should a man carry a rupture all his life, and never come here for prayer? Why should some go through all their life with chronic stomach trouble, living in misery, and yet never once ask any one to pray for them? Has Divine Healing gotten to be too common? There is where the difficulty comes in. You have a right to seek to be whole in your bodies; it does not matter if you are eighty-three years old. Every member in this church ought to be seeking spiritual and physical blessings. We want you to be witnesses to God's healing and saving power. We want you to become valiant soldiers thoroughly equipped in every particular for the Master's Service.

The Benediction was then pronounced by the General Overseer.

Plain Instructions

To One and All Interested in the Redemption of Zion City.

How to Make Investments In Zion Institutions and Industries.

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

PLAN NUMBER ONE.

INVESTMENTS in Zion's Institutions and Industries may be made in any amount for one year or longer, all investments to bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum.

All investments made between April 1st and October 1st, of any year, bear 6% interest, and participate in the dividends declared January 31st following; all investments made between October 1st and April 1st, of any year, bear 6% interest, and participate in the dividends declared July 31st following.

Investments for one, two, three or five years participate in the dividends at the ratio of 5, 6, 7½ and 10. To illustrate: For the dividend period between July 31st, 1908 and January 31st, 1909, investments for one year received, in addition to their 6% per annum, 1 4-10% dividend; investments for two years, 1 8-10 % dividend; for three years, 2 2-10 %; for five years, 2 8-10 %; making the amount received by each investor for five years equal to 8 8-10 % per annum on his investment.

PLAN NUMBER TWO.

Plan Number One is for all persons who have a lump sum of money and desire to invest it all at once.

Plan Number Two is for one and all who desire to save and pay in a definite sum each month until a total amount of so much has been paid in.

All persons desiring to invest under Plan Number Two should fill in the following application form and send it to Wilbur Glenn Voliva, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

APPLICATION FOR INVESTMENT IN ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES.

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

_____1910.

I,_____ hereby make application to invest in ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES the sum of _____DOLLARS, on or before the_____day of each and every calendar month until I have deposited in the aggregate the sum of_____DOLLARS.

Name_____

Postoffice_____

State_____

All persons investing money under Plan Number Two will receive interest at the rate of three per cent (3%) per annum upon each separate monthly payment, from the date of each monthly payment until the aggregate sum is paid in, and then a note will be given for the aggregate of said payments, payable on or before five (5) years from date, drawing interest at the rate of six per cent (6 %) per annum.

Remittances should be by Post Office Orders, Express Money Orders, or by Bank Drafts payable in Chicago or New York, and all should be made payable to the order of Wilbur Glenn Voliva.

ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

PORTLAND, OREGON

Deacon Frank Robinson reports the following for the Seven days ending Jan. 2nd, 1910:

Number of Calls Made	329
Number of Messages Given	186
Number of Leaves Sold	58
Number of Heralds Sold	1
Number of Visits Made	9
Total Number Pieces Distributed	254

IOWA

Literature report from Banks and Anderson, for the week ending, Janurry 8th, 1910:

Leaves Sold	19
Messages Distributed	190

COLORADO

Report of work done in Trinidad, Colo., by Mrs. Louella Ferges, for the month ending Dec. 31, 1909:

Number of Calls Made	248
Number of Messages Given	64
Number of Leaves Sold	54
Number of Heralds Sold	29
Number of Leaves Given	12
Number of Heralds Given	11
Total Number Pieces Distributed	170

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

PATIENCE

LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

"Fight The Good Fight of Faith"

"Put On the Whole Armor of God"

(By O. L. Tindall)

Paul exhorted Timothy to "fight the good fight of faith." He said to the Corinthians that "the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds."

He said to the Ephesians, "Put on the whole armor of God." Christ said to Peter in the Garden of Gethsemane, "Put up thy sword." He needed not the carnal sword to defend Him.

These passages, with many more that might be quoted, give us an idea of what our great conflict is, and how to fight it. Many other portions of Scripture might be mentioned which would show us how the great conflict of the ages will terminate. God knows the end from the beginning; and so do we, for He has revealed it to us. This He did to encourage us when things look so discouraging all around. It was a most unequal contest when the Christ sent out His handful of disciples and told them to "go into all the world and make disciples of all nations." He admitted that they might be compared to a lot of lambs sent out among wolves. Humanly speaking, it was simply foolhardy to undertake such a campaign, and yet the order from the Captain of our salvation was to go forward into the fight and be of good courage.

Things were about as discouraging and hopeless when Paul, the old soldier of the Cross, said, "Fight the good fight of faith."

Does anyone say that Zion is presumptuous today when she listens to the old command and takes up the battle and expects to win? Let him remember the Christ and His words, and Paul and his associates and their lives. They were only men of like passions with ourselves. Their strength was not in themselves. They were strong only "in the Lord, and in the power of His might." They conquered all their foes in that power. Paul said, "We are more than conquerors through Him that loved us."

Some men are foolishly idling away their time speculating and studying on what Zion's mission in the world is, and where her place is in prophecy, etc., etc.

Zion's mission and work is plainly set forth in the texts at the head of this article. She is to put on the whole armor of God and go forth into the conflict of faith against the awful powers of darkness which are waging dire and dreadful war upon all of God's heritage, and destroying mankind on every hand. There has never been but one mission for the people of God in every age. God's plan has never changed. It was, and is, relentless war against the Kingdom of Darkness, death and hell.

It is not ours to stop and study speculative questions that gender strife. It is ours to go forward, "not ours to reason why, but ours to do and die." That is what a good soldier of his country is bound to do, and why not we who profess far better things? God is not calling for dreamers, but for men of war to "Fight the good fight of faith."

What is Our Mission?

It is different somewhat, perhaps, than the one God gave to Israel when He sent them up to take the Promised Land. He bade them drive out every foe that had taken possession of any of that land; to possess it for themselves and hold it for God and as a future heritage for His people, and to allow no alien within their borders. It was to be known as God's land and God's Government. I do not believe by any means that God ever intended His people should be shut up in that narrow strip of land forever. He expected them, later on, to conquer all the surrounding nations, which they could easily have done; had they

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been true to their trust. They might have gone on and obtained the whole promise made to Abraham and to his seed.

Abraham and his seed were not simply to be heirs of old Canaan, but Abraham was the heir of the whole world. We are the heirs of Abraham, or of his seed, as Paul argues in his Epistle to the Romans, because we are of the faith of Abraham. God is not saying to His people today, "Go up and possess Palestine and the old Jerusalem; but He says far more: "Go ye into all the world and make disciples *of all nations*." We are acting under that broader commission. God contemplates nothing short of the conquest of the whole world. "Faith is the victory that overcomes," not simply a little neck of land, but "the world." The parable of the tares, as explained by Jesus Himself, teaches that the field is the world. It is the battleground between the tares, or the children of the devil, and the wheat, or, as He said, the children of the Kingdom. That parable refers to men with flesh and blood, and not to mere wheat and weeds. Neither is it between angels and demons, but real men.

What is to be the outcome? It is plainly stated: The children of God, or the good seed, will be saved, and gathered into the garner, but the tares, the children of the wicked one, will be cast out into the furnace of fire and be burned.

The great conflict in which we are now engaged, is world-wide. We recognize no state lines, nor national boundaries. The world is the battlefield, and against it the conflict must continue until finally the world is won for God. The Bridegroom is coming. Be ye ready, for the hour ye know not.

If ye be able to stand in that great day, in the evil day, then put ye on the whole armor of God.

I desire to speak further on this subject so full of interest to us all.

[TO BE CONTINUED]

TAKE YOUR CHOICE

Live, and die as the result; or, Die, and live as the result; or Save your life and lose it as the result; or Lose your life and save it as the result. (John 12:24-25)

An Address Delivered at the Early Morning Meeting, January 16, 1910, in Zion Home Auditorium by

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General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

REPORTED BY B. M.

The meeting was opened by the General Overseer giving the Zion salutation, "Peace to Thee!" which was heartily responded to on the part of the congregation with, "Peace to thee be multiplied!"

The Hymn, "There Is A Name I Love," was then sung:

There is a Name I love to hear;
I love to sing its worth.
It sounds like music in mine ear—
The sweetest Name on earth."

The Hymn "Christ Liveth in Me," was announced, upon which the Overseer made the following comments:

The Christ Life Within.

So far as the thoughts are concerned, this Hymn is one of the most powerful ever written; and the verse of Scripture on which it is based is: "I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me."—Gal. 2:20. Nature has suggested the line of thought, or rather, the form in which the thought is put.

As lives the flow'r within the seed,
As in the cone the tree,
So, praise the God of truth and grace,
His Spirit dwelleth in me.

CHORUS

Christ liveth in me, Christ liveth in me,
O what a salvation this,
That Christ liveth in me!

Another very beautiful thought is that the life which the Christian man lives is a life hidden with Christ in God, surrounded and protected from all the darts of the evil one. In the seventh chapter of Genesis, you will find that, after Noah had finished the ark, God said: "Come thou and all thy house into the ark;" and in the sixteenth verse of the same chapter you will find the words, "And the Lord shut him in." The ark of Noah was typical of our ark, Jesus the Christ.

As to whether Christ lives in me or in you, everybody will know by our words and by our actions. The life of every Christian is simply the life of Jesus Christ repeated, in a measure.

The hymn "Christ Liveth in Me," was then sung, after which the General Overseer said:

Let all turn to the Gospel according to Saint John, the twelfth chapter. It is a wonderful chapter, and I pray that God, by the Holy Spirit, will open up to you the wonderful depth of meaning that there is in it.

Elder Carey led in the reading, following which the General Overseer continued:

Desire for Closer Walk With God.

GENERAL OVERSEER: We ought to praise God for permitting us to live to see another Lord's Day. What is the object of your life this day? So far as I can understand my own heart, my desire is to see every one of you who professes to be a Christian, get closer to God this day than ever before in your life; and if you have come to this place --- which is for the present our place of worship during a part of the Lord's Day---in the right spirit, seeking the face of God, then He will richly reward you.

The Difference Between True and False Selfishness.

It is not a selfish desire to want to be closer to God: and, therefore, see to it, first of all today, that you who profess to love the name of God do grow in grace and in the knowledge of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus.

There is a true selfishness as well as a base selfishness.

The man who desires his own and others highest good, is a selfish man. That is true selfishness; for the only way that you can really and truly desire your own highest good is to spend and to be spent in bettering the lives of others.

In the second place, we ought to desire to see, today, some one born into the Kingdom. It seems to me a sad thing to pass one Lord's Day and see no one saved. Have you thought of this today? It is my earnest prayer that, before this meeting closes, if there is one here who is not a child of God --- one who has never made a public profession --- that the power of God shall sweep down upon this audience and that the arrow of truth shall strike deep into the heart of that unsaved one, and that when we pronounce the Benediction, and God looks down upon us, we can rejoice in the fact that all go out of this place children of God.

Need of Spiritual Travail.

There must be spiritual travail before children of the Kingdom will ever be born. There must be that earnest prayer that lays hold of God and that brings Heaven to your assistance, if you want to be used in bringing some one out of the kingdom of darkness into the Light.

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What else is there to live for except to live for God and for humanity? I am trying to show you, my brothers and sisters, that the only life worth living is a life spent in God's service; and will it be said of you that you belonged to the Church for thirty, forty, fifty, sixty years and that you were never used of God to the salvation of a single sinner? We had a little foretaste during the Convocation. That was only a little foretaste of what will happen when all the people are on fire for God, and when they make it their business, and their first business, to win people to God.

As I have told you so many times, I do thank God for the wonderful progress that has been made; and I pray God, if I am not setting the right example in every particular, that He may show me, because some day you and I are going to meet, and it will be a greater day than this is. We may meet many days on this earth, here and elsewhere. but there is coming a day when you and I shall meet --- a day that will stand out prominently among all the days of Creation's existence, --- that day that Paul speaks of when we shall "all appear before the Judgment Seat of Christ" to give an account of the deeds done while here in the body.

You must not lose sight of the fact that a record is kept. It is kept by One who never made a mistake --- One who shall judge all men. He will sweep aside the judgments that have been passed upon you by other people, and He will judge you: and you will stand or fall upon your own deeds --- your own lives.

The Great Day of Judgment!

When we stand there, shall we be shame-faced? Shall our countenances fall, and shall there be fear, and dread, and trembling? or shall there be peace, and quiet, and joy?

Be Joyful in the Expectancy of Seeing Christ.

When I said, a few months ago, in a Divine Healing service, that the day of a Christian's departure ought to be the most glorious time in all his career, some people criticized that. That was in their ignorance. I would be ashamed if I did not look forward to the time when I was to take my departure, with intense joy. If you are not looking forward to that time with intense joy, then you are afraid to meet your Lord. It seems to me that every Christian desires to see his Lord and Master Who has done so much for us.

The same is true of a Church. If this Church is not looking for the coming of the Bridegroom, then that proves that this Church has apostatized—has been flirting with the world, the flesh and the devil, and does not want to see the Lord Jesus the Christ; but if you are living the right kind of life, you are always looking for the coming of Christ. That does not necessarily mean that you are looking with your physical eyes up into the literal sky, but it does mean that all the time, every day you are waiting and watching for the return of the Lord Jesus the Christ from Heaven.

Do you want to stand in the Day of Judgment empty-handed? Do you want to pass away finally, and have it said that the world is no poorer for your having passed away, and no richer for your having lived? or shall it be said, "A good man has gone;" or, "A good woman has gone." "He will be missed;" "She will be missed." If you want that to be true, then you have got to live for others.

A Picture of Selfish Greed.

Is there a more stupid thing, Zion, than to see a man, created in God's image, who has gotten fifty acres of land, a wife and nice children, a nice little home, piano, pictures and carpets; to see him get up at 4 o'clock in the morning, or as soon as it is daylight, and work all day long, with his eyes upon the farm just across the road? Then, after two or three years he gets that other one hundred and sixty acres, and then he toils harder than ever: gets up earlier, works harder, goes to bed later—because he has his eyes on neighbor Brown's farm of three hundred acres down the road. When he gets that, a neighbor comes in and says, "Well, I should think you would be satisfied." No; instead of being satisfied he is just like the man who has taken his fiftieth glass of beer—he still wants another glass; and so he goes on, and by the time he is about forty-five he is just like a man that sat in my office the other day, forty years old. Forty years old! He has an income of about $5,000 or $6,000 a year now from his land, and he told me that he had worked so hard that he would be compelled to give up working now because he was all broken down in health, and he could not stand hard work any more. I sat in my chair and I looked at him, and I thought to myself, What a stupid, foolish life you have lived! —and what for? what does it all amount to? If that man had been content, as the Word of God says he should be content, and had spent some of his time living for others, he would have better health when he was eighty-five than he has now.

Now what does it all amount to?

Learn to See and Live the Christ Life

I am trying to get this people—you people—to see the only true life that there is: the only life that is worth living.

A man comes to me after a sermon like last Lord's Day's, and says, "Well, you hit us pretty hard today." Yes, I hit you hard, and I am going to hit you harder. "Well now," he says, "I do not quite agree with you." "Well," I say, "it does not matter to me whether you agree with me or not. You and I have to meet in the Day of Judgment, and I have to give an account for the way I preached to you people down here in Zion City; and, for aught I know, I might go Home to Heaven, and some of you may stay here behind, and I may be able to look down upon you and, if I have not done my duty, my happiness is going to be marred." I have got to do my duty, and I want to hold up the Word of God before you, and in so doing I am the best friend you have got in this world.

I want to get the people of this Church to see the Christ-life, to see that the only true life is the life "hidden with Christ in God." If you will only live that life, not only will earth yield of her rich treasures into your hand, but Heaven's stores will be opened—because you will be living for God.

Then, when you come down to the close of life, you will be able to look back and see a multitude rescued from sin through your efforts, a multitude healed, a multitude brought out of the kingdom of darkness into the Kingdom of Light, out of the way that leads to hell into the straight and narrow way that leads to Heaven. That will be a good deal better than coming down to the close of life and having to look back over fifty or sixty years and not be able to see any one whom you ever did any good. You can see two thousand acres of land that you accumulated, you can see your twenty houses and lots that you got, you can see your bank account and your gold and your silver—but you will have to leave that all behind. You brought nothing into this world, and you will take nothing out; and if you have no treasures in Heaven, and have to go across the River naked, with no treasures on the other side, you will certainly be in a pitiable condition.

What Treasures Are There in Heaven?

Some people talk about going to Heaven—why they have nothing to go to. If you do not put something up there, you will have nothing to go to—you will have nothing to claim when you get there. If some people should be happy enough to enter Heaven today, they might explore the whole region for their possessions, but they would not be able to find any possessions, because they have laid up no treasures in Heaven.

The First Duty is Salvation for All

My brothers and sisters, what is the first thing? The firs·

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

By the General Associate Editor

"I MUST be about My Father's business."

THE ONE aim of the Savior of men was to do the will of the Father. To obey, with Him, was better than to sacrifice; and this principle was in Him from His youth.

THE EFFORTS of any person, unaided by Divine wisdom and power, will fail. Selfish motives always lead to destruction, whether these be exercised by individuals, or by communities, or by nations. The true man is he who subverts his own selfish desires and pleasures and expends his powers in bettering the conditions of those about him.

CHRIST CLEARLY told the disciples of the source of Life. "The Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He seeth the Father do: for what things soever He doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.

"For the Father loveth the Son, and showeth Him all things that Himself doeth: and He will show Him greater works than these, that ye may marvel. * * *

"For as the Father hath life in Himself; so hath He given to the Son to have life in Himself."

THE LIFE-GIVING power is delegated to the Son. He says, "I can of Mine own self do nothing: *as I hear*, I judge: and my judgment is just: because I seek not Mine own will, but the will of the Father, which hath sent Me."

CHRISTIAN, are you following your own inclination, or are you following God's directions? From what source do you get your marching and living orders? Do you seek light from the knowledge of this world, or have you access to the Fountain of Truth that inspires you to think and act in harmony with the great Master Mind?

"HE THAT hath ears to hear, let him hear." Have you ears? Can you hear? What do you hear? If the Son of God needed to hear the voice of God in order to know and do His will, how much more do men and women need to hear His voice after hearing satan's seducing whispers and following his allurements, in many cases, lo, many years!

CHRIST SAYS: "*As I hear*, I judge." "For I came down from Heaven, not to do Mine own will, but the will of Him that sent Me."

OH, TO have Life with God, is the Father's will! The resurrection life is the victory, and this life is in His Son.

"This is the Father's will: * * * that of all which He hath given Me, I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. * * * "That every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on Him, may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."

CHRISTIAN, FROM what source do you get faith?

"Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."

Is the Word of God a constant lamp unto your feet and light unto your pathway? If not, how can you gain a knowledge of the will of God? How else can you hear? And if you do not hear, how can you judge?

MAN'S FIRST business is to know the will of the Father and then to do it. Who will measure up to the requirement and to everyone say, "I must be about My Father's business."

ZION REJOICES more and more each day in the knowledge of the Word of God, and in the consciousnes that the plan of the ages, for man's salvation and healing, and for the uplifting of the true standard of life and action, is being wrought out in her.

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DAILY PROGRESS is being made toward Zion City's complete redemption. Hundreds of loyal citizens of the Kingdom are united in prayer, thought, purpose and might to make it possible to proclaim to all the world that Zion's position is fully vindicated. Outside of Zion Cities righteousness will never be done; but within cities and communities established for God's glory, cleanliness, health, love, joy and peace ought always to be expected.

LAST Wednesday evening the large Auditorium, the parlors, hallways and reception rooms of Zion Home were crowded by Zion people and their friends who spent several hours, in an informal way, rejoicing over Zion's onward moves, and in thanksgiving to God Who has brought to Zion so many blessings. Zion Band was present and discoursed a large number of beautiful selections. To see so many with the Christian's hope written upon their countenances was a source of great inspiration; and the hearty Zion salutation and response on every hand betokened a tie of fellowship that is witnessed in no places outside of Zion gatherings.

The devotional exercises were full of power, and the atmosphere of reverence was clearly marked.

O THAT men and women, boys and girls, everywhere, could and would say; "I must be about My Father's business."

ZION, "WATCH ye,—stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong. Let all things be done with charity."

Take Your Choice.

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thing, if you are a child of God, is the salvation of others—that is the very first thing. Why, it seems to me that the very thought ought to set a man on fire. You find a poor sinner, and you point him to the Lamb of God, and you see him repent and see him cleansed in the blood of the Lamb and made a bright and shining light, and that man will say, "There is the man that led me to Christ." It will be a joy to meet Him in Heaven.

Some people are expecting to receive a crown. Well, it would be a peculiar crown if it had not any stars in it, would it not? You must remember that the crowns which the saints and the overcomers are to receive will be crowns full of stars; and those stars will be the people that have been saved, healed, cleansed and blessed through your instrumentality.

Be Firm, but Meek; Have the Spirit of Christ.

Get more of the spirit of God into your hearts and lives; stand up for the right; stand up for principle, --- but do not be a fighting-cock. Remember that standing up for principles and truths firmly and uncompromisingly is a very different thing from the spirit of jumping right at one like you were going to kill him the minute he may differ with you just a little. That is not the spirit of Christ.

Be Wise and be Considerate of Others.

You will never do anything as Seventies if you come face to face with people and the first time you meet them you attack everything that they have been taught through inheritance and training. You must let your light shine. Let us get to the place as a Church where we can send some of you men and women into Chicago and gather up a thousand little waifs and take them out and keep them here a couple of weeks in Shiloh Park. Let us build an orphans' home,--- that will be a sermon. Let us redeem Zion City, and that will be the greatest sermon of all.

The salvation of the sinner!

Let us start out this morning to get somebody saved. I would not be surprised that right here in this congregation, right in Zion City, there is some one who is not saved---some one who has never been born into the Kingdom. May God, this morning, touch any such hearts. That ought to be our prayer; and that is what we are here for.

First Salvation, Then Healing

Next to the salvation of the sinner is the healing of the sick.

God's Word is true. There is deliverance for every one. The atonement of Christ covers all sins and all diseases: and if you are not healed, that does not disprove the Word of God.

I do not wonder that many people get no healing. If I had no more of the spirit of self-denial and self-sacrifice, if I had no greater hold on God than some that call for prayer, I would never ask God to heal me.

What a glorious thing it is to live so that you can pray and get an answer! You go to the bedsides of some who, in an unguarded moment, have been attacked by the devil, and you pray for them, and they are healed instantly. Now, I have been asked to pray this last week, and importuned to pray for some whom I know have been full of the spirit of criticism, and as long as health lasted they were not very particular about Zion --- they did not care whether they took any interest in the meetings or not; but when they come down to sickness and suffering, and they think they are going to die, then they get very good all at once. I do not believe much in deathbed repentances. I have never seen a case yet where persons recovered that they were not worse afterwards than before.

Spending Life For Zion.

I put so much life and strength into my task last Lord's Day that it took three or four days for me to recover; and yet, after that sermon, some people said to their neighbors, "Well, I do not feel under any obligation to sell any properties to put the money in to redeem Zion City." That is all right; that is their business—but probably when they get sick God Almighty will not feel under any obligation to heal them, either. This is a free country. This is a Church where the liberty of Jesus Christ obtains. You can do just as you like about that, so far as Overseer Voliva is concerned; but to God an account must be given.

One man came in on Monday morning, and said, "I will bring in $1,000 in cash. I will sell two properties: one worth $5,000 and the other worth $1,500; and I have $1,500 in paper that I will get into money, and I will bring it all into Zion." He said, "One thing that you said more than two years ago that kept me steadfast in Zion was that you would never compromise; and I have been influenced by that statement in going all the way with God, or not at all."

I want to tell you that never, in any body of people on the face of the earth, would you find any better saints than you will find right in this Church; and the spirit that is shown by hundreds of them is equal to the spirit of God's people at any time in the history of the world; and I want to tell you, by your faithfulness you will gain for yourselves a testimony in all parts of the world, and the people who rise up and redeem Zion City, their names will not only be enrolled in Heaven, but they will be enrolled on the pages of history, and multitudes will come to

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this city and call you blessed for having sacrificed to give this poor old world one city of God.

I pity the man or woman, who, after a sermon like the one preached on last Lord's Day, will say, "Well, I do not feel under any obligations to sell my piece of property and use the money to help redeem Zion City." I would like to think the people who talk like that are sprouting wings and getting ready to migrate to a sunnier clime, but I cannot think that.

God's work is not going to stop, my brothers and sisters, because you are unwilling to do anything. You are the loser, not the cause of Christ; and the day will come when such will want much from God, but what have they ever done in God's service. The man that talks like that is his own worst enemy, because the man that does the most in God's service is the man that is going to get the most. That is the plain Word of God.

Healing Follows From Heeding God's Word

Now the healing of the sick. The Word of God is full of it; and the Word of God tells us that if we will hear His voice, and will walk in His statutes and will keep His commandments, that He will keep us free from all sickness (Exodus 15:26.) That is what it says. Now the question is: to what extent do you believe it? That is just what the Word of God says precisely: He will keep sickness from our midst and there will not be a weak one amongst us (Psalm 105:37). That is the Word of God. If you will hear His voice, keep His statutes and obey His commandments, He will keep you. Some people do not begin to think about these things until the devil attacks them and they are down sick.

It is a good deal easier for me, with the light that I have, to be kept by God, than it is to get sick and then to get healed; and the same will be true of you. Men and women that have had the teaching you have had all these years—the glorious Gospel of Salvation, Healing and Holy Living—if you step aside and get away from God until you are smitten with a cancer, or consumption, or a tumor, and a great many other things, you are going to have an uphill fight to get deliverance.

Why Some Are Not Healed

Many people say, "Well, why is not so and so healed?" Well, it is perfectly plain.

I want to tell you, people that are talking about operations have not reached the place where they can pray the prayer of faith. I tell you the person that is dying, who cannot see anything but a little piece of property, and will talk about it with the dying breath, there is not much room for the Holy Ghost in a life of that kind. And then, another thing: when some got wonderful blessing, instead of praising God for what He has done, it is everything else, until it is no wonder some are not healed. But I want to tell you, my brothers and sisters, until the people learn to follow the Gospel of Jesus Christ they will never see the power of God manifested as they ought to see it.

There sits a man who has a thousand acres of land, who has a fat bank account, and you talk, and talk, and talk about the Kingdom of God and laying up treasures in Heaven, and giving and toiling for others, and he looks at a cent piece for six months. Then, when he is sick, he expects you to lay hands upon him and the Holy Spirit to come in, and he is going to be healed. I tell you, No! We have got to pay the price; and if there is not, down deep in your hearts, a desire that is burning you up for the salvation of the sinful, you have never been saved yourself.

Let there pass before your vision all the sin-stricken in this world, and see how the people are without God, and without hope; wandering hither and thither pursuing the almighty dollar and pleasure, that at last bites like a serpent and stings like an adder. Look at the poor, bent forms! Look into their faces and you will see sin written there! The masses crowd God out of their thoughts; and I tell you, we have families in Zion City today—do they talk in Heavenly places? Do you ever hear them say a word about Heaven? Do you ever hear them say anything about wanting to do something to save the sinful and to help humanity? No. The only thing is property, and the price of this and the price of that. Such people, my brothers and sisters, are far away from God. Far, far away from God.

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ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

What shall I render unto Jehovah for all His benefits toward me? I will take the cup of salvation and call upon the Name of Jehovah. I will pay my vows unto Jehovah."—Psalm 116: 12-14.

The opening of a New Year is like the opening of a new ledger. It is a favorable time for determining what should be disposed of in the profit and loss columns, and for putting into effect resolutions for the new year.

The man or woman who makes no resolutions, or vows, will make little progress in Character Building. Sit down and count the cost, then resolve with the full strength of your character, and by God's help, to pursue the way which deliberate, and thoughtful judgment tells you is the proper course to take.

A true Christian can be benefited by such vows to himself, and to his God, which should be kept, in proportion as he respects himself, and the cause he represents.

God invites you, through His Word, to make a full consecration of yourself—your business, your talents, and your all—to the Lord, and to His service.

The proposition in the words of Jesus the Christ is that you should deny yourself, take up your cross daily and follow Him." And as a reward you shall receive in this present life tribulation from without, but peace and good cheer from within, and in the future life share in the First Resurrection. That change to honor and immortality means the full enjoyment of joint-heirship with our blessed Savior and Redeemer. The terms are clearly stated—cross bearing, self-denial, service for Christ, and being faithful unto death.

The rewards are also as plainly stated, which are crowns of life, members of the Royal Priesthood, an opportunity of helping and uplifting humanity, during this present age, and also the Millennial Age.

The Lord did not urge consecration, but said rather that each should sit down and count the cost. After having counted the cost whoever chose to be His disciple did so by making a vow unto the Lord,—a consecration vow. This was to the intent that thereafter the conduct of life, the words of the mouth, and the meditations of the heart should be in accordance with God's will, and acceptable unto Him.

Let no one lightly make a vow unto the Lord. It carries with it great responsibilities; but, after having made the vow, be determined that, by the grace of God, you will "pay your vow, unto the Lord."

Why should anyone who puts his hand to the plow look back? Why should we, after having renounced the world, and received the gift of the Holy Spirit, and having tasted of the goodness of God, lose the precious blessings of God and return

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to the weak and beggarly elements of the world? Take the cup of salvation, which is a cup of self-denial (as far as earthly things are concerned,) but a cup of joy and peace, in the Holy Spirit, and carry with you the blessed tidings of salvation to those who are living in sin.

May your cup of salvation be a cup of joy which shall overflow, and be a blessing to many, is my earnest prayer.

IOWA

Literature report from Banks and Anderson, for the week ending, Jan. 15, 1910. Work done in Sioux City, Iowa:

Calls made	280
Messages given	280
Leaves sold	43
Heralds sold	5
Voice from Zion sold	1
Total pieces distributed	329

OREGON

The following is a report of Seventy work done in the City of Portland, during the week ending Jan. 8, 1910, by Deacon Frank Robinson and wife:

Calls made	226
Messages given	218
Leaves sold	62
Heralds sold	3
Visits made	10
Leaves mailed	4
Heralds mailed	2
Leaves given	14
Heralds given	69
Total Pieces distributed	382

OHIO

Deacon Earnest E. Harwood, submits the following report of work done by the Cincinnati Branch from July 24, 1909, to Jan. 10, 1910:

Messages and cards distributed	12,500
Leaves and Heralds sold and given	1,427
Leaves and Heralds mailed	253
Messages mailed	285
Total pieces distributed	14,465

Why Some Prayers Are Not Answered

By Theodore Forby, General Associate Editor.

That men ought to pray to the Father to supply their needs is everywhere evidenced in the Word of God. Christ taught His disciples to pray in that model prayer uttered in the greatest reverence and in language so simple: "Our Father, which art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD."

The thought which suggests prayer is one's needs. There is within man a yearning for things beyond his grasp, and if these things be proper for man to have, God's Word teaches to ask the Father to supply them.

Christ said: "Ask, and ye shall receive; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." But it seems plain that He meant one should ask, seek and knock, not for useless things, or to possess for extravagant purposes, but to secure needful things to be utilized for the advancement of man's Divine mission: i.e., consecrated service to God.

Jesus said: "When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye anything? And they said, 'Nothing.' "

The trouble with most men is that they are selfish and unthankful and forget that their sole duty is toward God.

The Apostle Paul pictures this class, when he says in Romans 1:21 "Because that, when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, *neither were thankful*; but became vain in their imaginations and their foolish heart was darkened * * * wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonor their own bodies between themselves."

James, the apostle, answers the question definitely why prayer is not answered when he says (James 4:1-3): "From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?

"Ye lust, and have not; ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not.

"*Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts* (pleasures)."

Why, then, are some prayers not answered. O Christian, what is your motive! If God gave to you, what would you do with His gift? Would you use it as from God, or would you consume it upon yourself?--- would you heap to yourself treasures while all about you were those in need of just the things you possessed in abundance?

Think you the love of God is there?

"But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?"

The truly rich man, and the one most beneficial to his race, is the man who looks upon all his possessions as a sacred trust, as gifts from God, and uses them in a way to glorify God.

Love is the fulfilling of the law---and in perfect love for God, mankind cannot be forgotten, neglected, or left without all the help and comfort within the power of one to give.

Every man, therefore, may help to answer his own prayers by being true to the principles which open to all power and to every blessing.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

"Fight the Good Fight of Faith"

"Put On the Whole Armor Of God."

By O. L. Tindall

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK]

How important that God's children should be thoroughly equipped for this great warfare in which we are all engaged. Men are very careful to drill and train their soldiers for the awful wars that destroy their fellowmen. They are careful to get the best weapons and to study the arts of war. They are anxious to obtain the very best equipments. Oh, the money that is spent for war purposes! See the great standing armies and the vast navies, and the young men who are sacrificed on the altar of the god of war! Should the same expenditures and energy and sacrifices be put on the altar for God for the redemption and salvation of mankind, then we would hear no more of war's alarms, and the swords would be turned into pruning hooks, and nation would no more lift up sword against nation; neither would they learn war any more.

It is the business of God's Church on earth to rise up against these abominations, and to usher in the beautiful day of peace on earth, and good will toward men. Soldiers of Christ, awake and put on your strength. Shall we not be as wise and earnest in serving men as are men to destroy their fellows?

This is why I ask you to study with me this subject of the Christian warfare and understand what God would have us do. We can well learn some lessons on this subject from the children of this world, for they are wiser in their generation than the children of Light. They know enough to organize their forces and equip them with full armor of the very best kind after the manner of the world. They learn to obey orders and to march shoulder to shoulder in a solid phalanx against the foe. That is what the children of Light have not learned. They are only bushwhackers, every man doing as he likes and going as he pleases and, worse than that, they often quarrel among themselves. Is it any wonder that the devil and his forces have taken most of the strongholds and now hold them. Who owns and works the printing press, that wonderful engine of power, either for good or for evil? Who owns the great inventions and industries, the railroads, the factories, the stores, etc? Does any one pretend to say that, for any considerable part, they are run for God and His Kingdom? Certainly not. They have been captured by the devil and are used for him. It is high time that the people of God buckled on the armor and went out to recapture those spoils and bring them back to their rightful Owner.

Has not the great arch-enemy carried away into captivity thousands and tens of thousands of your sons and daughters? Does God intend that to go on forever? Read the 34th chapter of Ezekiel, and get a picture of the awful havoc the devil has made among God's children; how the sheep have been scattered upon the mountains and torn to pieces, and been neglected by their false shepherds. Weary and worn they wander, sick, and famishing for food and drink. But God declares He will raise up a Shepherd Who shall gather the sheep, and heal the sick, and carry the lambs in His bosom, and put away those shepherds who have fed themselves and not the sheep.

God has enough people who profess His name and who honor Him, to do mighty things if they were wise and did not spend their money for that which is not bread, and waste their energies. They need to make a little more careful study of the arts of their warfare, and learn how to battle against sin and satan. They have power given them. They are quite equal to the fray when properly equipped with all of God's armor, and can chase a thousand and put ten thousand to flight. In the Name of the

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Lord, the shepherd boy, with his sling and pebbles taken from the running brook, can slay the giant clad in his armor of brass supported with his carnal weapons. God has given us a complete armor that is guaranteed against all the darts of the devil if we will put it on and wear it. No weapon ever forged shall be able to penetrate it. That one little passage written by Paul to the Ephesians is well worth our study for days. It is a description of the Christian's armor. He had tried and tested it by land and by sea, in all kinds of conflicts; with wild beasts at Ephesus; against foes without and fears within; in famines, in persecutions, in distresses, with false brethren; with angry mobs; with stones and cruel beatings with rods; with his own countrymen. No one need fear what man could do unto him so long as he had on this armor of God. It covers the whole man from head to foot.

That is Zion's teaching, that God cares for the natural man as well as for the spiritual. That is where the people of God have failed. They have protected only the spiritual man and given the devil full possession of the body; turned it over to the doctors, generally a most ungodly lot. They have not cared for the material interests of the people. These have been in the hands of the enemy. The wealth of the world has been controlled by the devil. This has given him a tremendous advantage over the people of God, and no wonder he has succeeded with all these powerful engines of war in his possession. See what havoc he makes with the printing press and its product scattered broadcastover the entire world every morning, carrying the news everywhere of his achievements. What are the daily newspapers, for the most part, but messengers of the devil. They are full of foul deeds done by his agents, and contain but the merest pittance of any good. They are the devil's advertising agents of whisky, beer, tobacco and cigarets, quack nostrums; and all the muck of the world is gathered up and distributed and devoured before men eat their breakfast.

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TAKE YOUR CHOICE

Live, and die as the result; or, Die, and live as the result; or Save your life and lose it as the result; or Lose your life and save it as the result. (John 12:24-25)

An Address Delivered at the Early Morning Meeting, January 16, 1910, in Zion Home Auditorium by

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REPORTED BY B. M.

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK]

Where There is Love of Money, There is No Room For the Holy Ghost.

What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

I want to tell you that where the love of money dwells, the Holy Ghost is crowded out. That is why a lot of people do not get their healing. When a man says to me, "I am going away off somewhere, and I am going out to make money for God and for Zion," I say, "You liar! You are not going out to make money for God and for Zion: you are going out to make money for yourself." They pile it up and pile it up, and then they sit down and look at it. There is the trouble.

Fault-Finding and Murmuring are Killing to Spiritual Life.

And the spirit of criticism, fault-finding and murmuring is causing many to perish; many to perish. The children of Israel all died in the wilderness except how many?

Answer: Two.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Only two, out of how many thousand?

Answer: 603,550 over twenty years of age.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Only two entered the promised land; and all the others perished in the wilderness; why? *Because of unbelief and because of murmuring.*

God's Word is true. When I see a person healed, I rejoice. I believe God's Word more firmly than ever when I see some people not healed. It just shows that we must obey the laws and principles of the Kingdom of God in order to get anything from God. We have got to be right. God Almighty does not vary an iota for you or for me, or for anybody else. He is not going to alter His laws, or change His words to suit anybody's case. If God were to heal some people, He would have to set His own Word aside—that is all there is to it.

The True Obect of Living.

The salvation of the sinful, and the healing of the sick, and the establishment of the Kingdom of God, ought to be the object of your being here, and your purpose of living.

"Well, but then I am working in the Lace Factory, and I make $150 a month." Well, suppose you do. It will be your damnation, too, unless you are close to God. What do you want to make money for if it is not to serve God? God Almighty never put you and me here simply to make money. He put you and me here to prepare for eternity.

There are multitudes of people that live out their sixty-five and seventy years, and are no nearer prepared for eternity then than they were the day they were born; no, not as much. The rank and file of the people are so engrossed with the cares of this life that, I tell you, they hate awfully to think of dying; and how they will go to this doctor and that doctor, to this hospital and that hospital, and to this specialist and that specialist, and they will take any kind of drug and have any kind of operation performed; and they will spend everything they have in this world trying to keep from dying. How they do love this life, and how they hate to go.

Zion's Mission to Get Humanity to Think of God.

Think of Chicago! Think of Waukegan! Think of Kenosha! Think of Racine! Think of Milwaukee! Think of all these towns! There is very little of God in them. They talk of all their great material progress, but so far as the world is concerned, the greater the material progress, the deeper the spiritual degradation. That is always true.

One's Only Protection to Live a Godly Life.

A man said to me the other day, "I have accumulated property, and I am prosperous." He said, "Every one of my brothers, as soon as they became prosperous, took to drink and now fill drunkards' graves, and I am the only one that is left." He said, "My relatives and friends tell me that I will go the same way; but," he said, "I have withstood prosperity so far." I said to him, "Your only protection is to be a true child of God;" and that is true too.

Now, we are here this morning to draw nigh to God. We are here to shut the world outside; and we are here so far as Zion City is concerned, not to know that there is anything in existence here except Zion.

Is Profession of Loyalty to God and Zion Real?

This city was launched by Zion; it was built by Zion; it was launched on a certain basis; and God Almighty is going to save this city; and if all our people will put God first, and seek first His Kingdom, in twelve months we will own this whole city. Do not say we cannot, because we can. I can do all things in the strength of God, and so can you; and, I tell you, the most

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important thing for us, as a people, is to show this old world that we meant what we said ten years ago.

Do not give the world a chance to brand you as liars, and to say that you are unworthy of the cause that you professed to have espoused; for when you might have given to this world a city to the honor and the glory of God, you chose your earthly possessions, and you said "Let her go to the devil for all I care!" I tell you that disgrace would attach itself to this city through life and through eternity. I believe the angels would point at us and say, "You were cowards and unworthy the cause that you espoused. You did not mean what you said."

Let us make good! We said, "We will stand by Zion with every dollar and to the last drop of blood! Then let us make good. We made a vow; let us keep it, and God will reward us when the time comes. When you see thousands of people streaming into this city, then you will rejoice that you remained steadfast and true: you will see your reward with your own eyes.

Work Done for Others One's Abiding Monument.

It is within the reach of every one of you to erect your own monument. I have heard of men digging their own graves. It is an old saying that many people dig their graves with their teeth. What is meant by that? They eat too much; yes. You have heard it said that he put one hundred and sixty acres of land down his throat, too, haven't you? Think of a man putting one hundred and sixty acres of land, a two-story house, furniture and carpets, down his throat, and then going and selling his wife's Bible to get another glass! It has been done.

You can erect your own monuments. If the money that is put into most monuments was only spent for the living, it would be a good deal better; but the meaner a man has lived, and the farther away from God he has lived, the costlier he wants his coffin and his monument. That is the only "show" he has got. He stands no "show" with God, and he wants a show some way; and he is sure to want his funeral service "in the Church," you know. No place else would do; and there must be a great display made and a great show made. That is because his life has been empty and hollow, and there has been nothing in it. Those things do not endure.

Do something that will endure, Zion! Erect your own monuments, and let your monuments be the saved, the healed, the cleansed and the blessed.

Zion Home a Center of Power.

You pray that God will help us to advertise this "Home" to earth's remotest bounds. Do everything you can to make this place a heaven on earth. Let the spirit of God fill it; and, what we are doing in this place, may God help us to do for all of Zion City, until the last smoker, and the last chewer, and the last drunkard will either repent or pack his grip-sack and go.

May the fear of God fill Zion City. Ah, my brothers and sisters, there are two classes in this city. The Bible recognizes but two classes, and there are two classes here. There are those that are fighting for the Kingdom of God, and there are those that are fighting for the kingdom of darkness.

God will give us the victory; but pray! I am praying every day this year that God, by His Holy Spirit, will touch the hearts of all the people who have ever been faithful, loyal and true to Zion at any time; that He will break their hearts, and that, at the next Convocation, we shall see hundreds of them returning home and taking their stand. Many of them are good people; but they are mistaken. They do not like to hear me say that, but I say it.

Evil-Doers Must Repent.

I am going to do my duty and, if you do not want to be my friend, that is neither here nor there — I will stand on the walls of Zion, and I will blow the trumpet with no uncertain sound; and I tell you, every last man and woman within the borders of Zion City who has marred this city by lifting his little finger, will have to repent before God.

I command those people to repent, or they will perish; and they will find out that the fight in Zion City is not a fight against flesh and blood; it is a fight between God Almighty and the devil. It began in Heaven, and it has been going on ever since. I will never stop until the last son of darkness that has come into this city is either converted and brought to God, or goes.

You see that you live close to God. Let us see, as God pours the money into our hands, that we use it for His Kingdom, and not for ourselves. That is the principal thing.

Zion's Material Prosperity Growing, that God May be Glorified.

We have a quarter of a million dollars worth of property in this town now, and we are going to get a whole lot more; and I say to every man and woman who has Zion in his heart and who wants to come and work under my leadership, and to be a true brother: Here is my hand, and God bless you; and I will be a true brother to you, and we will all pull together to redeem Zion City and to save the situation. It does not matter what you have done. It is the easiest thing in the world for me to forgive anybody. It does not matter what anybody has said about me, or done: that does not make any difference. They cannot say I have been on the fence, astride the fence, on the top of the fence, under the fence, over the fence, or anything else.

God's Work requires Leadership.

It is a good thing to stand and know what you believe and where you are. That is the only kind of a man that can lead a people. Some people do not believe in leadership. They believe in an army without a general; they believe in a railroad company without a president; they believe in running a factory without a foreman. Well, I do not. I believe in a leader. I believe very strongly in a leader. There is nothing accomplished in God's work unless God has called a servant and annointed him for that work. God does not leave His people without a shepherd. God does not leave His people without a servant to lead them; but just because one captain ran a boat on a rock, is no reason why you must never again sail on a boat; and because one engineer wrecked a train, is no reason why you must never ride on a train again; because one woman married a man and he turned out bad, is no reason why no other woman should ever marry. (Laughter.) That is the logic, don't you see?

Now, may the Holy Ghost fill this place—every room in it, even to the kitchen. It is a good thing to have the Holy Ghost in the kitchen, and every part of the building, and may the place be filled with the spirit of praise and testimony. It will be dedicated and consecrated to God, and may the streams of blessing flow from this place to all parts of the world. God grant it!

Now, you show the spirit of Christ. Remember that there are hundreds of thousands of people who once were loyal that have, in the time of Zion's trouble, gotten away. I want them to come back. Every one that has Zion in his heart,—I want them all—everyone throughout the whole world.

Die to Self and Live For God and Humanity.

The subject that I printed on the handbill is a sermon in itself: "Take you choice: Live, and die as the result; or, Die, and live as the result—Save your life and lose it as the result; or, Lose your life and save it as the result." There is a great sermon in that subject, and if everybody could only learn it, what a wonderful Church we would have!

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EDITORIAL NOTES

By the General Associate Editor

Unity! Oneness! Singleness of Heart!

WHAT A blissful satisfaction there is in perfect harmony whether in the home, among friends, or with associates in the daily toil! Disharmony is like a grain of sand in a delicate watch: it grits and grinds until the watch stops, ruined.

CONCORD and satisfaction have the source of their existence in the individual spirit, for, "as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

ENVIRONMENT HAS much to do toward promoting unity; and where one's environment is made by his own choice, or as the result of his own acts, his duty is to look well to his thoughts and purposes.

MAN'S THINKING must be directed after the pattern of Divine thought; for, indeed, his power to think, and to project thought into action, is a gift, a talent, a treasure to be used for the Giver. Thought is a treasure that cannot be wasted with impunity. It has a value—a tremendous force if rightly guided—a value to help redeem men out of harmony with God, and a force to stir men to right action.

CHRIST'S REFUTATION of the Pharisees by words of authority and power stung them to think. His figures of speech had no uncertain meaning, and, as in all Christ's teaching, His purpose was to win humanity to serve God. He said, "How can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart (spirit) the mouth speaketh." "A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things; and an evil man, out of the evil treasure, bringeth forth evil things.

"But I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give an account thereof in the day of judgment.

"For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned."

THE FORCE of a word not fitly spoken bounds and rebounds for evil beyond the power of recall. It falls upon harmonious surroundings as a messenger of destruction, and harrows innocence like a consuming plague. Its roots are in hell, and its repeated echoes peal with horrible fury.

"The tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth!

"And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

* * * *

"But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison."

YET CHRIST'S mission among men was to establish unity and harmony in the hearts of men in keeping with the great unity of Heaven.

"Holy Father, keep through Thine own Name, those whom Thou hast given Me, *that they may be one, even as we are.*"—John 17:11.

"That they may be one, as thou, Father, art in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in Us; that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me."

ONENESS of aim, purpose, and practice among Christians is an end to be prayed for, sought after, and attained. The Christian body, the Church, of all others, should emulate the Divine pattern in Heaven. The will of the Father in Heaven is absolute unity, harmony and peace; and the Christ taught that the same will and condition should obtain on earth. "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as in Heaven."

"And the glory which Thou gavest Me I have given them: *that they may be one, even as We are One*:

"I in them, and Thou in Me, that they may be made perfect in One; and that the world may know that Thou hast sent Me, and hast loved them, as Thou hast loved Me."

THE SPIRIT of unity which should pervade every heart, whether in private thought and act, or in thought and act which

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influences others, should be none less than the unity of Heaven —the unity of the Father, Son, and obedient children.

PAUL EXHORTS to "keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." Why? Because with unity broken there is a breach into which the enemy of righteousness is sure to come like a mighty,raging flood; and outside of the unity of the Spirit there can be no peace; and peace is one of the attributes of the Kingdom.

There is but *one* body and one Spirit, one hope, "One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of all, Who is above all, and through all, and in you all."

POWER FOR service comes through the Spirit of Unity, Strife is the sure result of being out of harmony, and wars and fightings come from lusts---the desires for self--with that spirit of mind the Holy Spirit cannot cooperate.

"BE YE not unequally yoked together with unbelievers; for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

"And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

"And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the Living God, as God hath said, "I will dwell in them and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people."

Take Your Choice.

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Activity Promotes Life and Power.

I tell you the more active you are in God's service, the more physical and mental life you will have. In the early days of Zion, the men that watched all night, and worked all day, got along just as well as many today who think they must sleep, sleep, sleep. Activity always begets life; and the Lord Jesus the Christ delivered Himself of those remarkable utterances after He had reached the place when death stared Him in the face.

Now, He had to contend with the same that you and I have to contend with. You feel led of the Spirit of God to sell a farm to redeem Zion City, and then along come the relatives and friends of the devil and they hold up before you all kinds of scarecrows; and so, when the Lord Jesus Christ approached Gethsemane, those around Him wanted Him to save His life; and when He was nailed to the cross the religious leaders tossed their heads and said, "He saved others, Himself He cannot save!" That was true; and He uttered the great truth that, "Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abides by itself alone."

Inactivity Depletes Strength and Kills.

Now, if we are going to take all the sleep we want, and have all the rest we want, and all the ease we want, and if we are going to save all the money we want, and everything else, we will never do any Seventy work, and we will never put forth any effort to redeem mankind; and we will abide by ourselves alone, and we will lose our lives. You start out today just to let the right arm hang by your side, and never use it but just let it hang there for years, and it will soon wither there because it is not used; and the same is true of every talent that God has given to us. If we do not use that talent, we shall lose it.

Christ Died to Bring Life and Immortality to Light.

The Lord Jesus Christ lost His life, but He saved it. He died, but He brought forth fruit; and you think today of all the people that would give their lives for Christ! Think of the inspiration His life has been to multitudes, and where would you and I be had it not been for the life of the Lord Jesus the Christ?

Study the Christ Life and Follow Him.

Now, so far as I am personally concerned, I am more determined than ever to study the life of Christ; more determined than ever to follow that life to the letter; more determined than ever before to follow the Word of God. It is not that we do not know the Bible. We know it fairly well. It is because we do not obey it.

Now, I wonder how many of us have reached the place where we can return good for evil?

Overcome evil with good.

There are a great many of these pointed passages of Scripture in the Word of God, that, if obeyed, will build up one's spiritual life.

Zion City to be Redeemed and Built Up by Prayer and Sacrifice.

The only way that we will ever have employment in Zion City for all Zion here, and all Zion that will come here, is for some of us to sacrifice self and to lay down all on the altar. We can establish institutions, and we can do it very rapidly, and we can get hold of every institution in sight if only the people are willing to do it. That is the only way, and everybody has got to learn this law of the Kingdom. I have to learn it and live it, and so have you. That is the way we are going to come out; and I hope and pray that the time is not far off when we shall be able, in Zion City, to have employment for every Zion man and woman; and I believe in every man and woman working.

Possession of Wealth No Excuse for One Not Working.

There is a brother who has fifty thousand dollars loaned out,and he has a nice house, and just sits around and does nothing. Why, somebody has to support him. "O," but you say, "he is rich." I do not care if he has a million dollars; whatever that fellow eats and drinks, somebody works for; don't you know that? There was never anything truer than that. I believe that, in a Zion community, everybody ought to be a producer. Everybody,— I do not care if he has this, that, or the other thing; he ought to be a producer; he ought to be adding something to the commonwealth. That is true as an economic principle. Why, if you have ten houses here in Zion City, and you sit around with your arms folded, somebody has to support you. There is the trouble with this old world today. Half are working to keep the other half, and the other half do nothing.

Be Pure and Noble of Speech.

May God help us as a people to have no profane one in our midst. O, the most stupid thing a man or woman ever did is to swear. Ah, my brothers and sisters, I have been thinking for months that I would like to preach a sermon along some of these lines. Let profanity never once be named among you.

What a Wicked and Foolish Thing to Swear.

Another thing, my brothers and sisters: you know it is not necessary to use the Name of God in order to swear—it is the spirit. Your substitutes do not go with God. Where a man of

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the world would come out and swear, you have a substitute that is a little more polished.

Again let me warn you: do not repeat other people's questionable speech. That is not right. I have heard ministers on the platform tell how some man swore, and then repeat the oaths. I would not do that—it is a foolish thing, and where a temper is shown, whether the Name of God is used or not, it is all the same thing, Zion. Guard against that. Let us have no profanity.

There is another thing that some of our people do that is destroying their spiritual life, and that is, indulging in questionable stories and jokes—telling jokes and stories that are demoralizing and that can only destroy their own spiritual life, Now, there is wholesome wit and wholesome humor, and always wholesome fun, but never indulge in anything that is questionable—never. Then you will grow in grace and in strength, and in spiritual power.

I tell you, the devil has wrecked millions through impurity, and that is the way the devil is getting the world by the throat, today; — by bad books and bad pictures and bad papers; instead of their dwelling in God, and thinking those things that are elevating and that will stamp purity in their very faces. Be on your guard and be careful; keep close to God; and if you will begin each day with the Word of God, and pray, and walk all the way with God, then you will make progress; and there is no other way.

Zion Must be Far in Advance of any other Organization.

Now, I have talked thus this morning because I know that it is getting right at the very kernel of the Christian religion. I know that we must have a Church here that is far in advance of any other Church in the world. I know that we must have a Church that God's people, as soon as they hear of it and investigate, will say: "That is the Church for me." Let us make it that kind of a Church that Jesus prayed: "that they might be one," as He and His Father were One; and He also commanded them to love one another. We must have that in Zion.

If there is one here this morning that is not saved, give your heart to God. Do it now; why put it off? Why put it off? Procrastination is the thief of time. Delays are dangerous. You know as you sit here this morning—and, if you have listened, you know that the only life worth living is the life of a Christian. You know that the life you are now living, away from God, is a wasted life. Here is your opportunity. Take the first opportunity, and make your way towards God. Let us get Zion City to be a place where there will not be an unsaved one in it: and that is what Zion City means.

I am so glad to think that God will take care of Zion City, and not I. I would despair if I had to clean it up, but God Almighty can do it, and He has His own way of doing it, too. The devil can hinder, and so can you if you do not do right. He will take care of all that, too.

Now, I want you to sing the Hymn entitled "Bless Me Now." I want you all to be blessed. Let us make this hymn a prayer:

Heavenly Father, bless me now;
At the Cross of Christ I bow;
Take my guilt and grief away;
Hear and heal me now, I pray.

CHORUS:

Bless me now, bless me now;
Heavenly Father, bless me now.

After a season of silent prayer, the General Overseer offered the closing Prayer and the

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The Power of Sacrifice

God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.—John 3:16.

The Son of God left the glory which He had with His Heavenly Father before the world was. He humbled Himself to become a man, and was tempted in all points like as we are. He was obedient unto death, even the death of the Cross, that we through "His stripes might be healed."

Jesus the Christ laid down His life as a sacrifice for humanity that mankind through Him might be saved, healed, and kept by His power Divine.

He gave the Great Commission unto His disciples to "go into all the world and make disciples of all nations."

Are you, as a disciple of Jesus the Christ, doing all you can to bring others unto Him? You who have received rich gifts from God's bountiful storehouse, are you making any sacrifice to help suffering humanity to a closer walk with God? Do you seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness? You must have an unswerving fidelity to the cause you represent. Keep your heart right, your mind free, and your conscience clear. Center your thoughts upon your work. Be determined that you will do something for the betterment of humanity. Fight the good fight of faith, and remember as you fight that

Not to the strong is the battle,
Not to the swift is the race,
Yet to the true and the faithful,
Vict'ry is promised through grace.

Ever be true and faithful to your trust. You are a steward in the Master's Vineyard, and as such you must improve your talents and render a good account of your stewardship.

Are you living so that, at the close of your ministry here upon earth, you may hear the welcome words of the Master, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," or will it be said of you, "Thou wicked and slothful servant, * * * Inasmuch as ye did it not unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye did it not unto Me."

What a wonderful opportunity we have in this twentieth century, for doing good, and helping others to scatter the good seeds of the Kingdom, and minister unto the sick. Obey the command of Jesus when He said, "Go your ways; behold I send you forth as lambs in the midst of wolves, * * *. and into whatsoever city ye enter * * * heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, 'The Kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.'"

My brother, my sister, improve your time and talents for God. The Gospel Age is fast drawing to its close. You have but a short time to work in the Master's Vineyard. Do not stand idle all the day.

"All flesh is grass, and the goodness thereof as the flower of the field." Think of the sacrifice Jesus made for you. Can you not deny yourself a few pleasures and do more to help others to come to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world?

Lift up your eyes and look unto the fields: behold they are white already unto the Harvest.

OREGON

The following is a report of Seventy work done in the City

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of Portland, during the week ending Jan. 15, 1910, by Deacon Frank Robinson and wife; also an extract from their letter dated January 17, 1910:

Calls made	367
Messages given	360
Leaves sold	54
Heralds sold	6
Visits made	10
Leaves mailed	14
Heralds mailed	14
Leaves given	50
Heralds given	123
Total Pieces distributed	631

"By visits made we mean the houses we enter into, read the Word of God and pray, and minister to the sick, sorrowing, etc.

Yesterday's meetings revealed the fact that we must secure a hall of greater seating capacity. Pray for us, that God will give us Wisdom, Patience, and Perseverance.

Faithfully yours for God and Zion,"

[Signed] FRANK ROBINSON.

IOWA

Literature report from Banks and Anderson, for the week ending, Jan. 22, 1910. Work done in Sioux City, Iowa:

Calls made	463
Leaves sold	48
Heralds sold	23
Tracts sold	4
Total pieces distributed	538

Following is an extract from a letter dated January 23, 1910, from these two workers:

"Leaves of Healing Vol. 25 No. 2 and Heralds Vol. 3 No. 38 have been received and read with great joy. There is indeed a tremendous spiritual force stored up in these papers which surely must have a very far-reaching effect, and be a powerful agent in the extension of the Gospel of the Kingdom."

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APPLICATION FOR INVESTMENT IN ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES.

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

_____

_____ 1910.

I, _____ hereby make application to invest in ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES the sum of _____ DOLLARS, on or before the _____ day of each and every calendar month until I have deposited in the aggregate the sum of _____ DOLLARS.

Name _____

Postoffice _____

State _____

All persons investing money under Plan Number Two will receive interest at the rate of three per cent (3%) per annum upon each separate monthly payment from the date of each monthly payment until the aggregate sum is paid in, and then a note will be given for the aggregate of said payments payable on or before five (5) years from date, drawing interest at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum.

Remittances should be by Post Office Orders, Express Money Orders, or by Bank Drafts payable in Chicago or New York, and all should be made payable to the order of Wilbur Glenn Voliva.

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ZION HOME

This is not a hotel, but is just what its name indicates—a "Zion Home" where Zion people and their friends may live in an atmosphere of quiet, peace, purity and Divine power. Every Christian care and courtesy will be shown to all.

The tables will contain the best of wholesome food, properly prepared and served.

Zion people may secure rooms, either single or en suite, for light house-keeping.

Everyone will be expected to govern himself or herself according to a given code of rules and regulations.

Positively no medicines, drugs, or surgical appliances of any kind, or tobacco, or liquor in any form, will be permitted on the premises; nor will any other than Zion literature be permitted to be sold or circulated anywhere on the premises, excepting approved newspapers, tracts, books, magazines, etc., at the desks in the Main Lobby.

Purity of body, soul and spirit depend as much upon purity of thought and suggestion as upon purity of food; and the purposes of Zion Home are to guard guests against every form of evil.

Regular morning devotionals are held for the employes at 9:00 o'clock, and for the guests at 9:15 o'clock; evenings, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock; other evenings at 7:30; to which meetings all are invited and expected to be present so far as possible.

Meetings for teaching God's Way of Healing and for systematic Bible study, will be held at regular intervals, and will be presided over either by the General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, or by some Elder or other officer appointed for the purpose.

Elder F. Richert resides in the Home and will respond promptly to any call for prayer.

In Zion Home the atmosphere of Christian Charity, thoughtfulness and prayer prevails and there is no more ideal place to learn God's way of Healing and the principles of Holy Living.

All who will conform to the rules and regulations of the Home are cordially welcome.

Let the Home become a place where God's way will be sought, and the principles of His Kingdom studied and put into practice.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, General Overseer
W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager

For rates and accommodations, call upon or write to H. G. RICKERT, Manager, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

PATIENCE

LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

"Fight The Good Fight of Faith"

"Put On the Whole Armor of God"

(By O. L. Tindall)

ARTICLE NO. 3.

As we study this armor of God, we notice that much of it, or most of it, is defensive. The first exhortation of the Apostle is "that ye may be able to stand." It is not to go forward to the conflict. The first thing is for a man to see that he is able to resist attacks.

This is the bulwark of an army. We must have a strong and sure defense. How often the Psalmist speaks of his " high tower" to which he can flee, and of his protection under the shadow of His wings. The Lord is his refuge, his shield, etc.

The business of a Christian is first to make himself strong in the Lord, able to resist the fiery darts of the devil and his host. Oh, the subtle temptations that come to a man from within and from without! How much work a pastor has to keep his church straight, to keep out scandal and reproach and disgrace from her ranks. One Achan in the camp defeats an entire army. Disease and epidemic waste their forces like an engagement.

One of the two things that make up the Christian life is for one to "keep himself unspotted from the world." This is the defensive part of the armor. Let us study but briefly the different parts of this wonderful armor. Every part is most important. No part can be omitted. If it is, a man will be wounded at that point. The adversary knows too well one's weak places. Don't risk anything.

There may be a logical order of this armor. It seems, as the Apostle puts it,

The Girdle of Truth

ought to come first. "What is truth?" said Pilate. So says every man. That is the first question. How many false religions and false prophets have gone out into the world. They claim one's faith and allegiance. It is God and Baal. It is Christ and Mammon. It is Mrs. Eddy and her wretched lies or the True Church of Jesus Christ and His Holy Word. It is this and that and the other thing. A man must decide whom he will serve. He must find the truth first, and then follow it. A man must first find the Christ before he can follow Him. "How," said, the Apostle, "shall they believe in Him of Whom they have not heard?"

Voices everywhere say, "I am the Way and the Truth;" but no; there is only One who can say that, and happy is the man that can say, "We have found Jesus who is the Christ, the Messiah, the Savior of the world." That is truth. Now pursue it. Shall we not say that the

Helmet of Salvation

should come next? Yes; for when a man has found the Christ he should get from Him salvation.

What can a man do before he is saved? But little more than to call upon the Lord. A drowning man must first be rescued and put on the shore.

What means this great salvation?

Why, it is life. It means salvation for spirit, soul and body. Sick men do not make good soldiers. It is called the helmet. It protects the head.

Salvation begins with the head and goes down through the entire man till every member of that body is saved for the Lord. "Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee." Take my hands, take my feet, take my voice, take my will, take my purse, take my love. That is what it means to be saved to the uttermost---spiritual, intellectual and physical man.

A man's head needs salvation as well as his heart. How

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many people are kind at heart and badly off in the head. We must learn to think right as well as to feel right.

Let a man keep on the helmet, for as a man thinketh, so is he. Our thoughts should be God's thoughts. What could better come next than

The Breastplate of Righteousness

After a man is saved he must maintain good works and walk uprightly. His life should be a bulwark that will stand against every attack of the foe. It matters not how fierce or subtle, there is his character and record before the world. He has lived it in the open; he has neither done nor said anything in secret. False witnesses could prove nothing. Investigation committees could bring "no railing accusation." They must confess that "We can find no fault in this man." So said the enemies of Daniel after they had audited his accounts with all the affairs of the king. There was no fault, nor error. All their speaking against you must be false. That is the defense of a true man; a character that stands out before the world preserved blameless. Such men do not have to make apologies and defenses. Their lives speak for them. They need no eloquence to persuade men.

All the vital parts of man are protected by this breastplate. His back needs no armor for the true man never turns his face from the foe. No one can over-estimate this virtue of righteousness, or right-doing. It covers our actions and conduct toward God and man. It is what stands out before the world and influences men. They learn to trust such people. By it we fulfil the injunction to be of good report with those that are without. What disgrace is aften brought upon the whole body by the unwise, or foolish or evil conduct of those who profess the name of Christ. One sinner destroyeth much good.

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Christ Still Conquering in China

Baptisms, - Officers Ordained. The Darkness of Idolatry and Selfishness.

10 Magnolia Terrace, N. Szechuen Road Extension,
SHANGHAI, CHINA, December 31, 1909.

REV. E. L. CAREY, Ecclesiastical Secretary,
Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois.

Dear Elder:

Peace to thee be multiplied!

Your letter of November 13th received and read to all with much pleasure and joy. We do praise God for Zion more and more.

You prayed that God would give us wisdom, strength and courage for the great work which has to be done. That truly is what is needed at this time, when I tell you of the present conditions.

On the tenth of this month I packed up for Ningpo, as it was necessary for me to go down and minister to the people, and to look over the field in other places. I arrived in the rain. The streets were very sloppy; but the people were glad and happy to see me. There were meetings at night and on Lord's Day, also the communion of the Lord's Supper was administered. The following day, in company with some of the Christians in a small native boat, I went to Ta Chi Tee, a day's journey away. The day was very cold and a terrific wind was blowing, so it was very unpleasant traveling. The following morning we arose before the dawn and proceeded on foot a few miles to get into a smaller boat so as to reach the place. The people there had also prepared a room for us to hold worship in. Fourteen were baptized and made out their applications for fellowship. Then we turned our faces back toward Ningpo. I stopped to see an old temple where there are more than a hundred Buddhist priests. The grounds and courts are large and well kept, and cost large sums of money. The massive pillars and the costly tile and the very expensive gilded idols are enough to make angels weep and the Christ of God to turn away His face. It was just at nightfall and the priests were lighting the numerous candles which gave the whole place a weird aspect. They then came out and knelt before these candles and repeated over and over their heathen foolishness. They are as hard and as cold as the mud and stone idols they worship and they said to me, "They are all false, but we must do something to get a living, and this is the best way." One priest was ashamed and said to me, "These are just for people to pass away the time to look at when they have nothing else to do--I know that there is only one true God." And these are the people who have the Chinese nation in their fingers and frighten them into worshiping idols.

After traveling all night in the small boat we reached Ningpo. It was rumored that some of the apostasy had written letters of an inflammatory nature to the Chinese officials about the Conductor of the gathering. I paid no attention to it and directed the Christians to go on with their work.

Now, I want to tell you about the Juniors. Deaconess Hosken has had the Juniors every Lord's Day afternoon. Elder Viking's children and our own, and some of the neighbors, and some Eurasians, (English and Chinese parents) and their change has been wonderful. The Christmas exercises were very interesting. Each one received as a gift an English Testament and they were all very happy. This has of course been conducted in English, and has been a blessing to many.

Tomorrow will be a very important time for Zion in China. We shall, God willing, ordain seven Deacons, or six deacons and one deaconess.

God bless Zion City. I pray God to save the City. May the new year be the most wonderful year that Zion has ever had. We shall be praying exactly at twelve o'clock as it will be in Zion City, but it will be two o'clock here, and in the day.

Here is a pause in my letter. Nellie has come in and said: "Father, I want to be baptized tomorrow." So you see it will be a glorious day.

God bless Zion. God bless the General Overseer.

Wishing all Zion a happy New Year,

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

F. M. ROYALL,
Elder-in-Charge

P. S. Jan. 3, 1910. Just received your letter telling of the glorious news of the purchase of Elijah Hospice and the Administration Building. That Zion is certainly winning there is no question. Praise God for so many victories. Faith is the victory that overcomes the world. Faithfully, F. M. R.

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And being in great agony, He prayed more earnestly: and His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling to the ground.—Luke 22:44.

Earnestness of Purpose.

In whatever vocation of life you are engaged, duty demands the best that is in you.

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In order to be successful in any calling, one must put his life into his work, his trade, or his profession.

We would do well to consider the qualities that possess men who have been true benefactors to their race--men who have left their names emblazoned on the pages of history as helpers of men.

George Washington, "The Father of his Country," was a model of earnestness and enthusiasm.

Think of the suffering and privations he and his faithful followers endured in the winter of 1777-78 at Valley Forge. They were destitute of proper clothing to shield them from the cold, wintry winds. They faced starvation and even death itself to win the cause for which they were earnestly contending.

It is said that Noah Webster spent 36 years on his dictionary. What a sublime patience, and earnestness of purpose he showed in devoting his life to the collection and definition of words.

History furnishes innumerable examples of men with an earnestness of purpose who have given their time, their talent, and their lives to the cause they represent.

God's Word gives us the best models of all.

Jesus the Christ, our great High Priest and King, gave His life for the Kingdom He came to establish.

Though foxes had holes and the birds of the air had nests, the Son of Man had not where to lay His head.

He endured physical hardships, spent the night on the mountains, alone with God in prayer, was exposed to mob violence, passed through the awful night in Gethsemane, where "He sweat as it were great drops of blood."

He passed through the mental and physical agonies of the Crucifixion upon the Cross of Calvary for the sins of the world, never faltering or swerving from the sacrifice He must make.

He was earnest in His purpose, and true to the principles He established.

Is it any wonder that under such circumstances beyond the limit of human endurance, that He prayed "more earnestly, and sweat as it were great drops of blood?"

Be earnest and do not become discouraged if you do not meet with the success which you think should crown your efforts.

Noah was six hundred years old before he knew how to build an ark.

Do not lose your grip! Have a determination to win, let come what may; face the issue bravely and courageously. Press on to victory.

"Be thou faithful unto death and God will give you a crown of life."

Sweet is the love Jesus hath shown,
Sweeter far than any love that mortals have known;
Kind to the erring one, faithful is He;
He the Great Example is and Pattern for me.

WISCONSIN

Five Seventies visited the saloons and stores of Kenosha on Saturday evening, January 29th, with Gospel messages and papers, and they sold and gave away the following:

Number of Leaves sold	24
Number of Heralds sold	45
Number of English Messages given	130
Number of German Messages given	27
Total Pieces Distributed,	226

OREGON

We are pleased to submit to our readers the following report, received from Frank Robinson and wife, representing the work for the week ending January 16, 1910, in the "City of Roses;" viz., Portland, Oregon, which is famous for its beautiful flowers, and we trust it will soon be known far and wide as a "City of God," where multitudes will be saved, healed and kept by God's Divine power. Pray earnestly for the success of the workers in this city and state.

Number of Calls made	402
Number of Messages given	275
Number of Leaves sold	72
Number of Heralds sold	7
Number of visits and sick calls made	13
Number of Heralds mailed	6
Number of Leaves mailed	7
Number of Leaves given	8
Number of Heralds given	148
Total Pieces Distributed,	536

IOWA

The following literature report showing the work of Banks and Anderson (traveling representatives for this Department) for the week ending January 29th, 1910. Work done in Sioux City.

Number of Calls made	382
Number of messages given	382
Number of Leaves sold	35
Number of Heralds sold	21
Number of Tracts sold	9
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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder F. Richert

GRACE, THE WATER OF LIFE.

"AND HE showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the Throne of God and of the Lamb."

This "Water of Life" is the Spirit of the Grace of God and the Spirit of Life.

"And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications." —Zechariah 12:10.

THE "SPIRIT" is the Holy Spirit, whose special work it is to beget in us a prayerful frame of mind, and a loving compassion for dying humanity.

"GRACE" in man stands for that which is specially pleasing to God, and secures His favor.

In the hearts of sinners the first signs of grace are repentance and prayer.

A broken and a contrite spirit leads to prayer for our own pardon and for mercy on other sinners, also.

"AND ABRAHAM drew near and said, 'Wilt Thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?' "

"And the Lord said, 'If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes." —Genesis 18:17, 33.

THOUSANDS have felt the bitterness of grief for the sins of the world against the Crucified One, made doubly keen by the sense of His enduring love, despite of guilt so black and ingratitude so vile.

This mourning for sin is as when one mourns over on only son, lost in death.

EVERY CHRISTIAN man and woman has, like Abraham, hours of visitation, deepened thoughtfulness, an intensified desire for prayer, a yearning for the salvation of the sinner, the healing of the sick, and the ultimate victory of the Kingdom of God.

WHEN THINGS of time, money, worldly pleasure, the fascinating allurements and temptations of the devil (Matthew 4:3, 11) lose their hold upon us, and the eternal world rolls nearer with all its grand and glorious realities, the River of Life is flowing into our spirit, soul, and body with God's quickening and refreshing power.

These are the springtides of regenerated humanity, every moment of which is precious and the inspired workers gather the golden harvest for eternity.

WHEN THE River of Life flows over the ever vernal pastures of Jehovah, the spiritual gales blow with quickening and refreshing power from Heaven.

The restoration of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouths of all His holy prophets since the world began, will be effected on God's part by the outpouring of the Spirit of grace and supplication, and on that of the people by contrition and repentance.

THE CONSUMMATION of the ages was reached in the crucifixion of the Son of God. (Psalm 22:16; Isaiah 53:4,5; John 19:34; Revelation 1:7).

THE FAITH in Abel's sacrifice, the covenant in Abraham; the redemption in the Passover Lamb; the sin offering in the outer court—all blend and are crowned in the Great Day of Israel's atonement.

REPENTANCE is the recognition of the fallen self of its true self in Christ.

AS THERE rises before the spirit's quickened eye the vision of Perfect Innocence in human form, of a sublime purity, a ma-

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jestic elevation and communion with God, combined with the unassuming simplicity of a child; a life of holiest fellowship with God, maintained amid incessant toil and intercourse with men, a life of persistent self-sacrifice, undimmed by one thought of personal ease or self-indulgence, a life in which love grew more fervent amidst ingratitude, waxing stronger and deeper amidst insults, it stirs up the deepest instincts of our nature to discern our own lost ideal.

"JESUS answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and Who it is that saith to thee, 'Give Me to drink,' thou wouldst have asked of Him, and He would have given thee living water."—John 4:10.

THE VEIL of the temple was first rent at Jacob's well, and Jesus went forth from that hour to consecrate all the earth as one great Holy of Holies.

BY THE Living Water is meant the Holy Spirit, Who is like the water in the bottom of a well, but living, running water.

UNDER THIS similitude, the blessings of the Messiah had been promised in the Old Testament. (Isaiah12:3;25:7;54:3-5;51; Zechariah 14:8).

THE QUICKENING and comforting graces of the Spirit, the regenerating power, the illuminating influence, the elevation and sanctification of our lives satisfy the thirsty spirit of a man who feels his own want.

THE WATER that Christ gives—spiritual life—is a fountain springing, gushing and flowing forth from within us, ever fresh, ever living.

"In the last day of the feast Jesus stood and cried, saying, "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink.' "

"He that believeth on Me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of Living Water."—John 7:37, 38.

JESUS had in Galilee invited all the weary and heavy-laden of the human family to come under His protection and they should find rest. In the Synagogue of Capernaum He announced Himself as the Bread of Life. In surpassing grace and majesty Jesus sounded forth the ancient proclamation of Jehovah: "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money, come." * * * —Isaiah 55.1.

THERE are desires, longings and aspirations in the immortal spirit of man which nothing earthly can meet and satisfy.

Not money, not honor, not power, not pleasure, and not anything that this world holds can fill our hearts. They do not and cannot quench that thirst that burns wthin.

WHEN THE water from the pool of Siloam was poured out by the altar, the whole congregation of Israel joined heartily in the song of praise: "Jehovah is my strength and my song: He also is become my salvation. Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation."

In the midst of this magnificent festal rejoicing, Jesus cried aloud; "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me."

THIS IS the cry which resounds through the whole of Scripture. In this cry the Lord reveals His readiness to save the lost, to heal the sick, and to sanctify the children of God.

HERE IS promised unto us the perpetuity of the gifts of the Spirit, as well as their abundance.

"Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born of the water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God."—John 3:5.

In respect of that spiritual life, that life of obedience, faith and love which is the inner experience of the Kingdom of God; one must become altogether a new man.

It is only when this change is undergone that the Kingdom of God is begun, and it is from the seat of this inward change that the Kingdom spreads, first through the whole man, and then through the whole community.

"JUSTICE AND judgment are the habitations of thy throne." —Psalm 89:14.

It is from the Throne of justice, justice to Christ and justice to those who are found in Him, that the River of Life and grace flows to us.

"Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: Whom God has set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God."—Romans 3:24, 25.

FROM THE Throne of the justice of God, through the Atonement of Jesus the Christ, the River of Life is flowing out of the great and wide sea of mercy that flows in His infinite heart.

"For with thee is the Fountain of Life."—Psalm 36:9.

THE CHANGE wrought in those who find mercy and rest in God is like that of a barren and waste wilderness becoming verdant and blooming: The blind are restored to sight; the deaf are made to hear; the lame are caused to leap; and the dumb to sing songs again. All shall see the manifestation of God's glory; His power to save and the infinite love of His heart, out of which all salvation flows.

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CHRISTIANITY TRIUMPHANTLY surmounted, ages ago, far greater obstacles than now lie in the way of Zion. Its whole empire has been wrested from the grasp of Paganism. The Prophets and Apostles foretell the entire regeneration of this lost world, and of the fallen human family.

The Church of God, built upon the Rock of Ages, holding forth the Banner of the Cross, steadily expands and her sheltering walls and shining gates encompass and protect the flock of Christ.

"For thus saith the Lord, Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream." —Isaiah 66:12.

THE SPIRITUAL prosperity of Zion shall be with the deep and mighty flow of a great river.

"For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon dry ground: I will pour My Spirit upon thy seed, and My blessing upon thy offspring." —Issiah 44:3.

THE OFFICE of the Holy Spirit is to inspire every Christian for his life's work; to be an inward power in his own spirit; to represent and reveal Jesus and the glorious work of redemption, till, at the end of this age, Jesus shall come in His glorious Second Advent.

THE DIVINE Comforter ever within, the Revealer of truth and grace quickening the spiritual life, ennobles and animates every believer, and lifts him up to the very Throne of God.

CHRIST IS the mirror Who reflects God's image, and the Spirit of God is the power of God within us which transforms every faithful follower of Christ into the image of God.

"But we all, with open face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord."—2d Corinthians 3:18.

AS IN clear water a man may see the reflection of Heaven, so he that stands upon the shore of the River of Life may see the Sun of Righteousness, the stars of God's unfailing promises, and the glory of God.

"And he shall be like a tree planted by the River of Water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."—Psalm 1:3.

WHEN ALL else was parched and sterile in Palestine, the brooks of water had their bright strip of verdure.--1 Kings 18:5.

The beautiful figure of a tree, ever green, thrifty, flourishing and fruitful sets forth prosperity.

The blessed man is like a tree not growing wild; pruned and brought under Divine culture, not left to the carnal mind; not left to the destructive influence of this evil world to be sapped at the roots by his vices, consumed by his appetites and passions, but planted in the Garden of the Lord by the rivers of water.

THE FRUITS are "Love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance."—Galatians 5:22.

He has comfort in affliction, strength in temptation, patience in time of suffering, faith in the day of trial, and holy joy in the hour of prosperity.

THE CHRISTIAN man will be strong, erect, and stately, affording to fallen humanity a shelter in the time of storm and a refuge from the heat of this world. But there must be a secret life hid with God. The roots of the inner man must take deep root in the soil of God's eternal truth, and absorb the moisture and nourishment of the River of Life, by meditation and prayer, by communion with Christ and the fellowship of the Spirit.

The man who loves God and keeps His statutes with His whole heart; who is in harmony with God and His laws, who loves God and Zion, and believes and trusts implicitly in the never-failing providence of a faithful God and a loving Father in Heaven, is a blessed man, and an heir of the Kingdom of Heaven.

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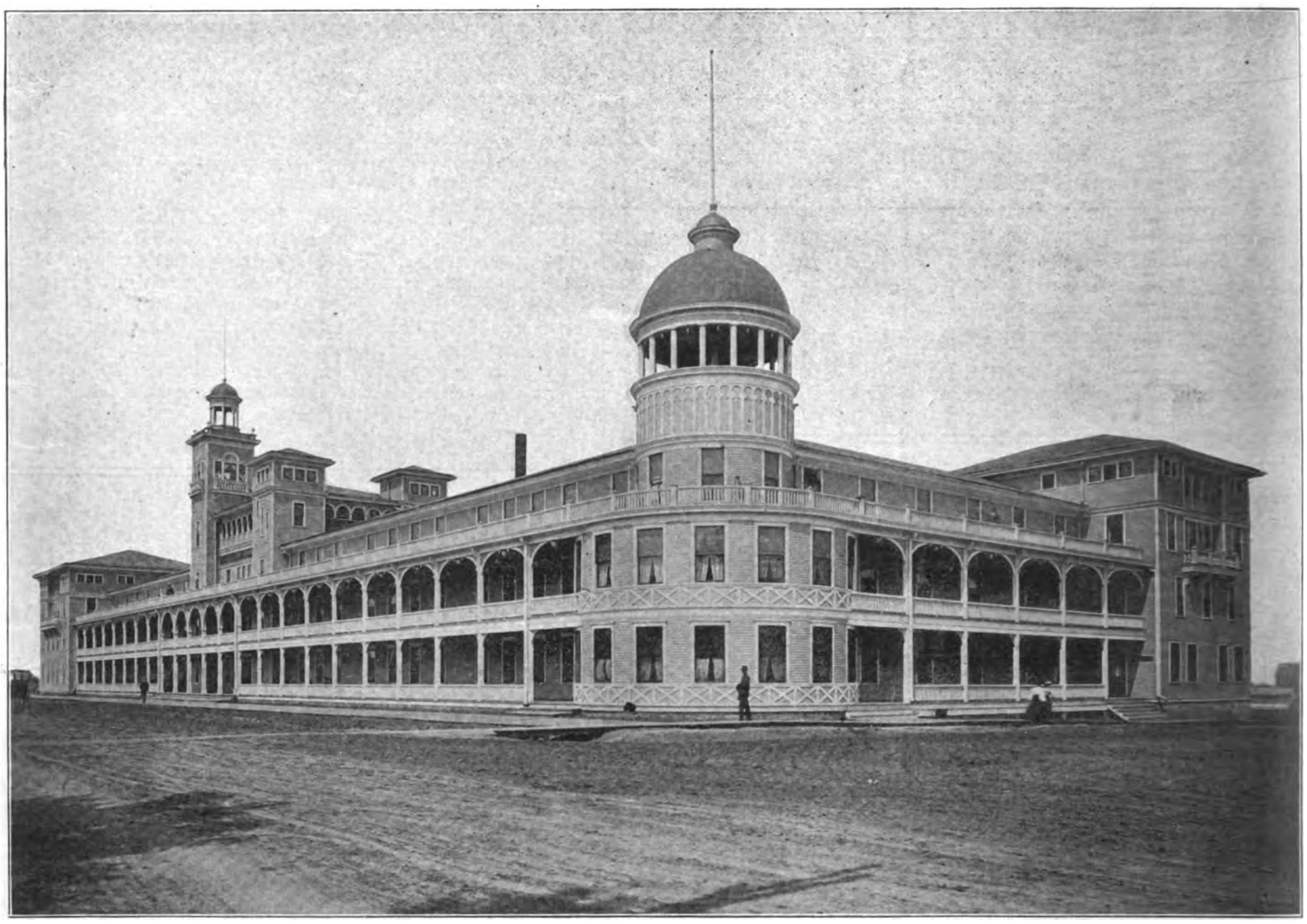
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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Zion in China Going Forward

The True Gospel Stings the Apostasy into Persecution

10 MAGNOLIA TERRACE, N. SZECHUEN ROAD EX.,
SHANGHAI, CHINA, January 4, 1910.

REV. E. L. CAREY, Ecclesiastical Sec.,
Administration Building,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear Elder:

Peace to thee be multiplied! Happy New Year and many more victories for Zion!

The night has been dark and long. The Apostasy, the world, and the devil thought Zion was dead. They joined hands and all was peace. But the thunder of Zion is rolling around the world. The Apostasy said, "Oh, 'Maskee' Dowie is dead and of course Zion is." But Zion has flashed into their doors, Repent! *Repent!* ! REPENT!!! And they are so startled that they take any measures they can to keep the people in bondage. Zion frees the people from ecclesiastical bondage.

I have no doubt now but there is a concerted action of all churches in China against Zion. The policy is to appeal to the American Consuls that we preach that the churches are apostate and that what we preach will cause riots among the people. Even now they have already started such an action. In the midst of all this Zion is going forward.

The All-Night with God in Zion City we kept in Shanghai at the same time; and at the midnight hour, when the bells were tolling and ringing out the old and ringing in the new, Zion was in prayer in Shanghai. Then, as we arose, greetings were given to one and all. It was New Year's day here and it was night in Zion City. The different stations were represented. Messengers had come from Yu Hong, Lingan, Ho Shang, Huchew, Seechew, and Ningpo. We had early morning meetings while they were here and they were a great blessing to all. It was a great time for Zion; for on that day we ordained six deacons and one deaconess. The meeting was opened by Elder Viking reading the Scripture and then leading in prayer. I gave the charge and asked the usual questions, and then proceeded with the laying on of hands and of setttng them apart as officers in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. Their names are as follows:

Deacons

Low Pah Keng, - - - Shanghai.
Tsing Tsi Ting, - - - Lingan.
Ting Sing Hwun, - - - Ho Shang.
Wu Liu Shi, - - - - Huchow.
Wu Tsa Chang, - - - Ningpo.

Deaconess

Tsing King Hua, - - Shanghai.

The Deaconess is the wife of Tsing Vong Ling. I presume you understand that the first name is the surname; for instance, the first Deacon in the list is Deacon Low and the next is Deacon Tsing, and so on.

So, you see, while the persecution is going on we are getting people ready to send out and do the Lord's work. They are now going back to their homes to take up the work. They understand a little that persecution is before all who wish to live Godly in Christ Jesus.

Of course, this is a perilous time for Zion in China, for when Christians begin to multiply and officers are sent out, that means persecution, and mistakes and blunders from many of them. It means there must be a closer walk with God—a leaning hard on Him. The Holy Spirit must lead and direct.

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God must give the Word of Wisdom and the Word of Knowledge and Faith. I have been very happy these days. In the afternoon we were very happy for there was a baptism and I had the pleasure of baptizing my oldest daughter, Nellie, by Triune Immersion. She was very brave and quiet in it all, for it was cold; the water was a little warm, but the Tabernacle was cold. The night before while I was busily engaged, she came bounding into the room and said: "Father, I want to be baptized tomorrow." I asked, "When did you decide that." She replied: "Tonight." After a few words with her and a good-night kiss she went away happy. She was born in China. She is the first Zion child to be baptized here. I trust that some day she shall be used mightily of God in Zion's work. I inclose her application for fellowship. I know you will unite with me in prayer for her and all the Zion children in China.

We all rejoiced when the news came that Elijah Hospice and the Administration Building were redeemed and the enemy put to flight. I have not been able to see Zion City in my mind since the Hospice was desecrated, but now I can see the Tabernacle, the Stores, the Hospice and the Administration Building. I trust that some time I shall have the joy of being in Zion City again and see those historic places and look into your face and see the General Overseer and all the Zion people. There are many who are scattered and have gone away whom I pray for, for it seems that they must come back. I think of some who could be of great use in China.

I was informed a few days ago that at the Baptist Church (Chinese) near Zion Tabernacle, they were preaching that Overseer Voliva is in jail for not paying Dr. Dowie's debts. Every method is being used to bring us persecution and to hinder us from giving the people the Gospel. But we go forward. When the recent trouble came up Deacon Tsing said: "It is the Apostasy; it all comes from them." The fight will be sharp and bitter. People who once spoke to us politely now look daggers at us and "freeze up" as soon as they see us. We pray for them, for they are bound by their churches and some of them think they are doing God's service. We have no ill feeling toward them. Oh God, make us a blessing to them and may some of them be awakened. Pray for us as we do for you.

The Post cards from many dear friends have come to us and we appreciate them. Please answer back to them, "Peace to thee be multiplied," and may this be the most glorious year of Zion's history. "Be faithful unto death and God will give you the crown of life."

Faithfully yours for the Kingdom of God,

F. M. ROYALL,
Elder-in-Charge.

The Christian an Overcomer

"Whatsoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God"
"Whosoever is born of God overcometh the world"

An Address Delivered at the Early Morning Meeting, January 30, 1910, in Zion Home Auditorium by

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

The Scripture Lesson of the morning was read by Elder Carey, from the First Epistle of John, the fifth chapter and the first twelve verses.

Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God; and every one that loveth Him that begat loveth him that is begotten of Him.

By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep His commandments.

For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments: and His commandments are not grievous.

For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is He that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ: not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is Truth.

For there are three that bear record in Heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

And there are three that bear witness in earth: the Spirit, and the water and the blood: and these three agree in one.

If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God which He hath testified of His Son.

He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made Him a liar; because he believth not the record that God gave of His Son.

And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.

He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

Who is Born of God.

GENERAL OVERSEER: I will read again the Scripture lesson that Elder Carey read. I think you will see a meaning in this that you never saw before.

"Whosoever—"

It does not say "somebody," or "a few," but it says "whosoever"—every one—all. "Every one who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God."

We know that there are thousands of people who say they believe Jesus is the Christ that are not born of God, and yet this says that whosoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God. My observation, now extending over an active ministry of a considerable period, leads me to say that there are multitudes who believe that Jesus is the Christ that have never been born of God; so there must be some explanation of this statement.

Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and every one that loveth Him that begat loveth Him also that is begotten of Him.

That is: Every one that loveth God loves also Jesus the Christ.

Obedience to God's Laws Proof of Love to Him.

By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments.

You know, there was a young man who came to Jesus and said, "Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said, "Keep the commandments;" and the young man asked "Which?" Then the Lord repeated to him a number of the ten commandments, and he said, "All of these have I kept from my youth up," and it is written that Jesus loved him; but Jesus said to him, "Yet lackest thou one thing." There is a world of meaning in that statement.

If the man who made the contract for the erection of this building should say to the contractor when he looks it over, "Well, this building lacks one thing of being complete." Now, as to whether that statemant would mean anything or not would depend upon the *one thing* that was lacking. If it were simply a door, it would be of little consequence. If it were simply a

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little piece of moulding six feet long in some room, it could easily be remedied, but if it should be the roof, or the foundation, that would be a very serious matter, would it not?

Now, as to how serious the statement of the Christ was---"Yet one thing thou lackest"---depended altogether upon what that one thing was. Some people lack one thing, and that is the *all-important* thing.

The young man said he had kept all the commandments from his youth up. Now, we are told here in our Scripture Lesson that we know we love the children of God when we love God and keep His commandments. The fact of the matter was that the young man failed utterly in keeping the very first commandment of the decalogue, for his god was his earthly possessions, and the one thing that stood between him and salvation was the things of this earth. Therefore Christ told him to go and sell what he had and distribute to the poor, and to come and follow Him.

Why Men Fail to Measure to the Standard.

We are told here that every one that believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God. We have all known people who were honest and truthful, who paid their debts, who were fair and square in their dealings, and who outwardly said that Jesus was the Christ, and yet every one knew, and they knew themselves, that they were not born of God.

There must be an explanation for this, because my observation shows me that every outward professor of Jesus Christ is not born of God. Go around through this country and ask thousands of people if they believe in Jesus the Christ, and they will tell you "Yes"---but they are not born of God. Here is a very serious difficulty with which we are face to face, and it is my task this morning to try to unravel it; but we will go on, and I will reach it later.

The Love of God Defined.

For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments: and His commandments are not grievous.

Here is another very difficult statement to be explained.

The Born of God Overcome the World.

For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world.

That puts a great many professing Christians in a sad plight! Here is a bold, straightforward declaration that everything "that is born of God overcometh the world."

My observation is---we had just as well face facts squarely ---some of the most honest men, some of the best men to do business with that I have ever met, do not go to church once a year---kept away by the hypocrisy of church members who will not keep their promises nor pay their debts.

A church that will fellowship a man that no merchant in the town will trust for twenty-five cents' worth of sugar---well, I can only say it is no wonder the rank and file of the people never go to church. Not that there are no good people- I have never visited any little church where I would not find some good, honest, truthful people. I want that understood, but I am simply mentioning here, incidentally, what it is that keeps the great masses of the people away from the churches.

If there is an untruthful man or woman in our ranks, or a man or woman in our ranks who will not meet his obligations, that person will be only a stumbling block. Some people are natural born liars, and they never pretend to pay anything. If they can get $10 worth of groceries without paying for them, they will never think of them again. I tell you, if a man has placed himself under an obligation, and the time comes to pay and he cannot pay it, he can be a man and he can say to the one he owes, "Unforeseen circumstances have arisen, and I find myself unable to pay this debt, but I assure you I will leave no stone unturned to meet this at the earliest possible moment," and you will always find men who are considerate. The best thing is for one not to make obligations unless he has some assurance he can meet them. That is the proper thing.

Those are things about which we are going to be very strict in this Church—very strict. It has to be so, if we are to have the respect of honest men and women.

Coming back to this statement, "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world," how do you account for the fact that you find very little difference between a great many church members and men and women of the world? This Scripture says that "whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world." My observation is that multitudes of people who profess Christianity *do not* overcome the world.

There are thousands of Church members who are just as worldly as those who do not make any profession of Christianity. They love money, and pleasure, and the things of this world just as much as anybody else. I am speaking thus after many years of experience, yet the Word says that "whosoever is born of God overcometh the world."

If you Elders, officers and other members of this church are not able to stand before this people and say, "Of a truth I have overcome the world," then you are not born of God: because this Scripture says, "Whosoever is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

The True Believer in Christ an Overcomer.

Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

Look at the fourth chapter. I will read the fourth verse.

Ye are of God, little children--

That does not refer to little children in age or experience. It refers to Christians--it may be, perhaps, Brother Duncan, there, eighty years of age.

Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world.

I want you to keep these passages of Scripture in mind, while we sing the Hymn, "Trust and Obey:"

When we walk with the Lord, in the light of His Word,
What a glory it sheds on our way!
While we do His good will, He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.

CHORUS

Trust and obey, for there's no other way,
To be happy with Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies,
But His smile quickly drives it away;
Not a thought nor a fear, not a sigh nor a tear,
Can abide while we trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
But our toil He doth richly repay;
Not a grief nor a loss, not a crown nor a cross,
But is blest if we trust and obey.

Be we never can prove the delights of His love,
Until all on the altar we lay;
All the favor He shows, and the joy He bestows,
Are for those who will trust and obey.

After the singing of the above hymn, the General Overseer spoke as follows:

On last Tuesday afternoon I spoke to you on "Man in God's Image."

God's Choicest Blessings Awaiting the Christian.

Day by day, I have come to realize more and more fully what it means to belong to the Lord Jesus Christ and to be His disciple. Many, many times you have heard me say that every

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.
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I am the Lord that healeth thee.
And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder F. Richert

"WORK OUT your salvation."

"AND FROM the days of John the Baptist until now the Kingdom of Heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force."---Matt. 11:12.

MANY NOMINAL Christians expect the establishment of the Kingdom of God, but they are indolent, unconcerned, and do not put forth any effort to prepare for it and share its blessings.

THE WORDS of our Savior denote the earnest will, the struggle and the entire devotion to God which are requisite to enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

"And the Lord said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the Ark, for thee have I seen righteous before Me in this generation."

GOD'S WORDS are true when He threatens destruction to sinful men. At the same time we may trust His mercy for salvation when, in obedience to this command, we enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

NOAH PREPARED the Ark by faith. He believed the warning given that the Flood would come soon, and he went into the Ark by faith, although there appeared no visible sign of the Flood, but all continued serene and clear.

TO EVERY age the history of Noah has been a burning and shining light; and the great lesson we learn from it is the faithfulness of God, the wisdom of simply trusting Him and complying with His commands.

CANNOT YOU see the death struggle? Do not you hear the cry of despair, the frantic agony of husband and wife, of parent and child as they flee in terror before the rising flood?

LONG BEFORE the clouds rained down death, and the earth broke up like the deck of a sinking ship, and the waters rushed to engulf a guilty world---for one hundred and twenty years before this God had been calling an impenitent world to repentance.

It was not till mercy grew weary in warning the sinful to repent that God poured out His fury upon a wicked world.

"AS IT was in the days of Noah, so shall it be at the coming of the Son of Man." Not only shall the world be full of dissipation, but the closing scene is described in Matthew the twenty-fifth chapter. "And they that were ready went in, and the door was shut."

Those who by repentance and faith come into Christ, by the power of God shall be shut in, and kept as in a stronghold, (1 Peter 1:5.)

THE DOOR of mercy will shortly be shut against an impenitent world, against the foolish virgins.

NOW ASK for pardon before the Sun of Righteousness disappears behind the heavy clouds of judgment.

Seek the pardoning grace and mercy of God, while the Lamb of God, Who taketh away the sin of the world, invites you to come to Him, and He will give you rest.

Knock at the door of mercy before the great and terrible day of the Lord that shall burn as an oven.

IN ORDER to take the Kingdom of Heaven by force, we must be deeply in earnest, and have the resolution and irresistible

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force greater than that with which an invading army presses into a country.

Every obstacle must be overcome; every stronghold seized; every opposing host broken and scattered; nothing can withstand the conquering advance of the Army of God.

"THEN SAID Jesus to His disciples, If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me."—Matthew 16:24.

THE KINGDOM of Heaven was opened through the sacrifice of Jesus upon the Cross, and ever after it is entered through the preaching of Christ crucified; "for there is none other name under Heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Hence His disciples must follow Him in the spirit of self-sacrifice—each for himself taking up his cross.

JESUS CAME into Galilee, preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand: Repent ye, and believe the Gospel."

THE ESSENCE of that repentance enjoined by the Savior is a change of life to which reflection and Godly sorrow lead; a change of the whole mind in desire, feeling, thought, purpose, action; a change in the whole spirit and intent of life as toward God.

Inasmuch as the heart has yielded to carnal, selfish worldly desires and aims, it must renounce this way of life as the first step toward the Kingdom of God.

Take up His cross daily. No member of Zion should ever be at ease, nor covet any repose before the victory is won.

The point of duty for us, as it was for our Savior, is not to seek the Cross, but by the Cross to seek the glory of the Resurrection which is found in no other way.—John 14:6.

No man can accept the Crucified One without the Cross.

OUR FAITH brings the inner man into such oneness of life with our Redeemer that He is our perpetual Passover and our Peace.

"Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able."—Luke13:24.

IN LOOKING back over life's journey, many a Christian has to deplore that he has done so little for God. Sin is still so strong; the world still so powerful; self still so dominant; prayer still so hard.

NEGLECTED opportunities have gone forever. How much money wasted for selfish vanity and greed; how little he has denied himself for Christ and His Kingdom; what will there be of actual good and finished work for God which will stand the fire, when Christ comes again.

"WHERFORE, my beloved * * * work out your own salvation with fear and trembling." Philippians 2:12.

"Let this mind be in you, which was in Christ Jesus," by putting off the old man and putting on the new.

THE APOSTLE exhorts the believers to unity in spirit as brethren, and in the faith and patience of Jesus Christ, to be blameless and harmless, the sons of God without rebuke, shining as lights in an evil world, daily being faithfully obedient; submissive to the rule of God, crucifying the flesh with its affections and lusts; straining after loftier heights and Godliness, and a purer atmosphere of devotion and love to God and to the brethren—by so doing you will win the victory and make your calling and election sure.

REMEMBERING OUR accountability to God, our helplessness without Christ (John 15), our insecurity and instability without the Holy Spirit, we should always be watchful, prayerful and dwell in the Secret Place of the Most High, and abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

"Now unto the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever and ever."—Hebrews 13:20,21.

The Christian an Overcomer

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man and woman has placed within his and her hand a cup, which God stands ready to fill to overflowing with joy unspeakable. Not only are earth's treasures at the disposal of the Christian, but so are Heaven's choicest blessings.

Man Created in God's Likeness.

God said, "Let us make man in our own image."

Paul said, "But we all, with open face, beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory."

John said, "Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew Him not." And he further said, "It doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is."

I can take only the time, this morning, in view of what I want to say on the subject of overcoming, to emphasize that each one here has been created in the very image of God Himself.

What does it mean to be in the image of God?

If I were to place on this platform two chairs, and say that the second one—pointing to it—was made in the image of the first, you would understand that the first one was the pattern and that the second one was similar in every particular to the first. But that illustration is inadequate,—in fact it utterly fails because that one chair is in the image of the other simply so far as they are the same in outward appearance.

What does it mean then to be in the image of God?

"God is love." His mercy is from everlasting to everlasting. God is Omniscient; He is Omnipresent; He is Omnipotent. God has no sin; He is unselfish; He is all that is pure, and true, and noble and beautiful in all the universe.

Man was made in God's image, in the sense that he was gifted like His Maker, and, as he left the hands of God, he was perfect: for in him was no sin, no guile, no sickness, no disease, and no lack of mercy, no hatred—nothing unlike God, his Maker. He was in the image of God.

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ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

Who then is that faithful and wise steward? Luke 12:42.

Faithfulness

Faith in every language spoken seems to convey the fundamental ideas of stability and steadfastness.

By faith we "put on" Christ. We are justified by faith and not by works. The work of salvation was accomplished when, from the Cross upon which Jesus sacrificed His life for "all men everywhere," He uttered these words: "It is finished."

Without faith it is impossible to please God.

A *living faith* will be accompanied by works.

A rose will impart perfume, and a good tree will bring forth good fruit; so one who has a real *live, working* faith, and is born of the water and of the Spirit, will lay hold on the eternal promises of God, and will bring forth fruit, and if he is sick he will be healed. The promises of God are faithful and sure. If he is well he will carry the glad tidings to others and thus be a blessing to many.

Abraham was called the father of the faithful. Unbounded trust in God was the controlling factor in his life. He believed in God with a firm and unwavering confidence "He staggered not at the promises of God through unbelief, but was strong in faith, giving glory to God. He was fully persuaded that what God had promised He was able also to perform.

Are you fully persuaded that God is able to perform His promises in you? Do not be unfaithful to your trust. If you are, God will set you aside. He can only use the faithful ones in this glorious work of preparing the Church, the Bride of Christ, to be without spot or wrinkle, or any such thing, to be ready for His coming. If you are faithful to God nothing shall stand before you. Every one has a certain influence for good or for evil. Make your influence for good to be felt to all parts of the world. You may say," I am only a poor, weak being; I cannot do much;" but do not say "I cannot;" rather say, "By the grace of God I WILL."

It is the earnest and faithful worker that is successful—one who says "I will succeed," and then backs up his talk with his life.

Put your life into your work. Nothing great is ever achieved without much earnest thought and concentrated energy. We have the grandest opportunity of any people on earth. Let us arise to the occasion.

The call to enlist in God's Army is the noblest cause one can make.

WISCONSIN

Report of distribution of literature in Kenosha, Saturday, February 5, 1910:

Number of Leaves sold	14
Number of Heralds sold	31
Number of English Messages given	163
Number of German Messages given	15
Total Pieces Distributed,	223

CHICAGO

The following report represents two weeks work done in Chicago, ending January 30th:

Number of Calls made	943
Number of Messages given	1337
Number of Leaves sold	47
Number of Heralds sold	29
Number of Leaves given	100
Number of Heralds given	93
Number of Cards given	273
Total Number of pieces distributed,	1879

For the week ending February 6th, 1910:

Numer of calls made, including 20 sick calls	533
Number of Messages given	643
Number of Leaves given	49
Number of Leaves sold	34
Number of Heralds given	40
Number of Heralds sold	23
Number of tracts sold	13
Number of cards given	1236
Total number of Pieces distributed,	2038

OREGON

The following is a report of the Seventy work done in the City of Portland by Deacon and Mrs. Frank Robinson for the week ending January 30th:

Calls made	545
Messages given	533
Leaves sold	111
Heralds sold	2
Visits made	10
Leaves given	21
Heralds given	15
Total pieces distributed	692

COLORADO

The following is a report of Seventy work done in Colorado by Mrs. Luella Ferges, 920 State Street, Trinidad. She says, "God alone knows how often the doors have been shut in the faces of his faithful messengers, but it is my earnest prayer that we may all live so that when the blessed cry is heard, "Go ye out to meet Him," that then the door will not be shut against us, and that all may have a glorious entrance, and be partakers of the Marriage Supper of the Lamb."

Number of calls made	455
Number of Messages given	95
Number of Leaves given	9
Number of Leaves sold	56
Number of Heralds given	5
Total pieces distributed,	165

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Zion Realty Department: Buys and sells Real estate, writes Insurance, collects Rents, furnishes Abstracts of Title, and does a General Conveyancing;

Zion Home: Is a three-story frame building, 340 feet long anP 130 feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms. The dining room is 60 x 90 feet, having a seating capacity of 400. The lunch room is 35 x 36 feet, and will seat 75 at one time. There are four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet. A roof garden 35 x 50 feet, and tower 70 feet high affording a view of great expanse over City and lake. The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

Plain Instructions

To One and All Interested in the Redemption of Zion City.

How to Make Investments In Zion Institutions and Industries.

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

PLAN NUMBER ONE.

INVESTMENTS in Zion's Institutions and Industries may be made in any amount for one year or longer, all investments to bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum.

All investments made between April 1st and October 1st, of any year, bear 6% interest, and participate in the dividends declared January 31st following; all investments made between October 1st and April 1st, of any year, bear 6% interest, and participate in the dividends declared July 31st following.

Investments for one, two, three or five years participate in the dividends at the ratio of 5, 6, 7½ and 10. To illustrate: For the dividend period between July 31st, 1908, and January 31st, 1909, investments for one year received, in addition to their 6% per annum, 1 4-10% dividend; investments for two years, 1 8-10 % dividend; for three years, 2 2-10 %; for five years, 2 8-10 %; making the amount received by each investor for five years equal to 8 8-10 % per annum on his investment.

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Plan Number One is for all persons who have a lump sum of money and desire to invest it all at once.

Plan Number Two is for one and all who desire to save and pay in a definite sum each month until a total amount of so much has been paid in.

All persons desiring to invest under Plan Number Two should fill in the following application form and send it to Wilbur Glenn Voliva, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

APPLICATION FOR INVESTMENT IN ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES.

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

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I,_____ hereby make application to invest in ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES the sum of _____DOLLARS, on or before the_____day of each and every calendar month until I have deposited in the aggregate the sum of_____DOLLARS.

Name_____

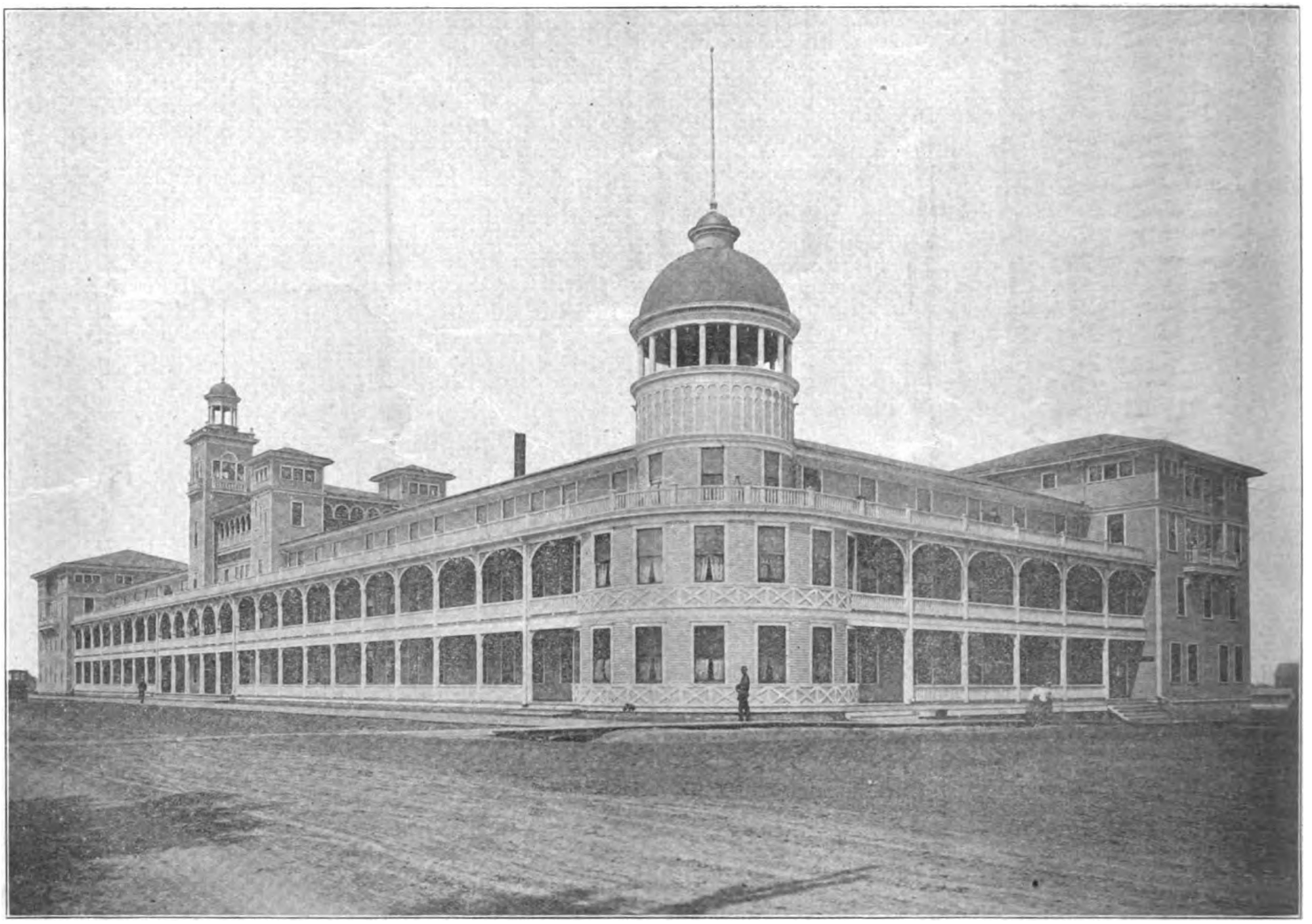
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This is not a hotel, but is just what its name indicates—a "Zion Home" where Zion people and their friends may live in an atmosphere of quiet, peace, purity and Divine power. Every Christian care and courtesy will be shown to all.

The tables will contain the best of wholesome food, properly prepared and served.

Zion people may secure rooms, either single or en suite, for light house-keeping.

Everyone will be expected to govern himself or herself according to a given code of rules and regulations.

Positively no medicines, drugs, or surgical appliances of any kind, or tobacco, or liquor in any form, will be permitted on the premises; nor will any other than Zion literature be permitted to be sold or circulated anywhere on the premises, excepting approved newspapers, tracts, books, magazines, etc., at the desks in the Main Lobby.

Purity of body, soul and spirit depend as much upon purity of thought and suggestion as upon purity of food; and the purposes of Zion Home are to guard guests against every form of evil.

Regular morning devotionals are held for the employes at 9:00 o'clock, and for the guests at 9:15 o'clock; evenings, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock; other evenings at 7:30; to which meetings all are invited and expected to be present so far as possible.

Meetings for teaching God's Way of Healing and for systematic Bible study, will be held at regular intervals, and will be presided over either by the General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, or by some Elder or other officer appointed for the purpose.

Elder F. Richert resides in the Home and will respond promptly to any call for prayer.

In Zion Home the atmosphere of Christian Charity, thoughtfulness and prayer prevails and there is no more ideal place to learn God's way of Healing and the principles of Holy Living.

All who will conform to the rules and regulations of the Home are cordially welcome.

Let the Home become a place where God's way will be sought, and the principles of His Kingdom studied and put into practice.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, General Overseer
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The Gospel of the Kingdom

"Fight the Good Fight of Faith"

"Put On the Whole Armor Of God."

ARTICLE NUMBER FOUR

By O. L. Tindall

[CONTINUED FROM VOL. 25, NO. 5]

There are yet three parts of the wonderful armor of God concerning which we wish to speak. Can we say they are the most important? In some respects they may seem to be, but comparison is difficult, for each part is important and essential. The successful soldier of Christ can dispense with none of them, as each is closely allied to the other. The portions of the armor of which we have already spoken seem to be more for one's self, while those yet to be mentioned refer to others, and are for the purpose of helping our fellowmen. A man has salvation first for himself. Righteousness is a personal matter, and each person must find out the truth for his own good and safety.

The Shield of Faith.

Volumes could be written on this great virtue, or gift—one about which so much is said in the Word of God, without which no man can please Him, with which man can do all things and triumph over the world, the flesh and the devil. By faith the fathers subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, received their dead back to life. Nothing could stand before men who had on this part of the armor. Signs and wonders are promised to follow them that believe even in these skeptical days. "Faith is the victory."

Faith is the channel through which comes divine grace and help. It is the wire, so to speak, that connects us with the battery of Divine power. Faith conducts health, as in the case of the woman who touched the hem of Christ's garment, and through her arm extended in faith, came grace and healing power from Christ. Faith in her case was the conductor. Others touched Him and thronged Him, but no help came to them. Their conditions were not right to receive aid. So it is with an Elder, when he lays his hands on the sick, if everything is right, virtue will come from God, through the ministration of the Elder, to the sick one. That is God's plan of conveying His power—the very same as in the case of electricity. Electricity must have a proper conductor, and it must also have a proper subject. You cannot conduct it into every object, no matter how powerful the current or how perfect is the conductor. These two latter conditions were perfect at Nazareth. God was back of it, and Christ was there to conduct the blessing and the health, but unbelief was in the people and no mighty works could be done.

Sandals---Gospel of Peace.

Now, one having his feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of Peace is equipped to go forth upon the mountains to preach the Word of Life. How beautiful will be his feet thus shod! Oh, what a story he can tell to this wicked, burdened and heavy-ladened world of unrest, of war, and strife and bloodshed! He can tell men, as they are tempest-tossed on the troubled and stormy sea, how Jesus can speak the word and there will come peace, how the sea will be silent, and the waves and the winds will cease their fury.

The man thus armored can preach Peace, and tell the world the Glad Tidings. The poor heathen and all the sin-cursed of earth need it. Oh, how sorely they need it! Many of them want it, too, and they are receiving it, as you see from the reports of Zion's messengers in China. How hungry they are for it after all these long centuries—this Gospel of Peace! They gladly receive it.

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The Sword of the Spirit.

There are some serious conflicts in fighting the good fight of faith. Not all will hear the message of peace and good-will. No; there are many strongholds that have to be battered down. The army must move out of the barracks and not hold forts merely. It must take forts and capture enemies and take their spoil and put many to the sword. The enemy will not surrender mildly. He fights to the limit of his strength. God's people must be aggressive and not simply defensive. Their's must be a war of conquest. The world must be conquered for Christ. Nothing short of this will satisfy the "Lion of the tribe of Judah." Our Christ is the Lion as well as the Lamb dumb before His shearers. Yes; Jesus Christ is going to fight and to conquer until all rule, and authority, and power, and principalities are subjected to His sway, and put forever and absolutely under His feet. Every enemy shall be destroyed; every knee shall bow, and every tongue shall confess, and Christ shall rule supreme. All the kingdoms of this world shall become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ.

That is the kind of warfare we are in and the fight is now on. It will be waged to a finish. Soldiers are now enlisted for life, or during the war. There are no discharges.

The great and only weapon for this kind of conflict is the Sword of the Spirit, powerful and quick, and sharper than any two-edged sword that man ever forged. It cuts to the quick and divides the soul and the spirit, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. It goes to the bottom of things. It fights all evils, and all false notions, and teachings, and thrusts through every hypocrite that comes in sheep's clothing to destroy and to scatter God's flock.

What is this Sword of the Spirit? The Spirit uses it. It is the Word of God which we preach. The Spirit applies it. We sow it everywhere broadcast as seed. That is our business, but God gives the increase. God sends the sunshine and the rain, and the dew, and the good seed grows. You need not fear for results. It will bring forth, some thirty, some sixty, and some an hundredfold. All that is necessary is to preach it. It may seem foolishness, but God said He ordained that by the foolishness of preaching men should be saved. Therefore preach the Word, the whole Word, the whole counsel of God, the full Gospel, the full Salvation for spirit, soul and body; not simply the soft part of it to please men, but preach all. God has promised to confirm the Word with signs and wonders. Peter used this Sword of the Spirit on the Day of Pentecost and captured 3,000 in one day. Whole nations have been changed by this preaching. Heathen darkness has been dispelled by the coming of this glorious light of the Sun of Righteousness.

In three hundred years after the coming of the Christ the whole world was brought to acknowledge God in Christ, and professing Christian rulers sat on the thrones of empires.

That faithful band of disciples, commissioned by their Lord to preach to every nation and tribe, went forth with this simple weapon and conquered the world; and the God that lived in the Apostles' time is just the same today.

Let us buckle on the Armor, and fight the good fight of faith.

The Christian an Overcomer

"Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God"
"Whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world"

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The Blot of Sin.

What has sin done?

Sin has obscured that image, in many people, until it is impossible to find a trace of divinity.

The Purpose of Christ's Coming.

Why did Christ come?

Christ came and poured out His blood to remove sin, and sickness, and disease, and death, and to cause the image of God to shine forth in all its beauty. So Paul says that our very faces reflect the glory of God.

Wearing the Image of God.

I ask you, my brothers and sisters, straight out this morning: How many of you know, as you sit here, that in your very faces can be seen shining out the glory of God? That is what Paul said: "We all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory." We are all sons and daughters either of God or of satan, and there is nothing at all remarkable about a child looking like his father. My brothers and sisters, your thoughts, your words, your deeds, will transform you into the image of satan.

The image of God!

Look at a man who worships material things, who grovels in the dirt, who becomes selfish and narrow, and covetous, and worships mammon; he is going farther and farther away from God.

Talk about dwelling in the "secret place of the Most High!" There is no sin there; there is no sickness there; there is no selfishness and no impurity; there is nothing that is contrary to God in the "secret place of the Most High."

I exhort you, this morning, to cease playing around the brim of God's presence, and go straight for the "Secret Place of of the Most High." If you are not, this morning, in the image of God, shining forth in all the beauty of that image, it is because you are living too far away from God.

The Face an Index of Character.

A man's face tells what he is. The impure man or impure woman does not need to confess to a man of God, who can discern the spirit that is in a person. The thief will betray his theft. The dishonest man will betray it in his face. Your faces are sure indexes to your characters. As a man lives, so he will look. It is impossible for a man to live a grasping, selfish, self-centered life, and maintain that symmetry and that beauty of a fully developed Christian character.

The Christian an Overcomer.

Now, I want to talk to you a little while about overcoming.

The Christian life may be defined simply as the life of overcoming.

In nature, there are everywhere at work two elements: the element of construction and the element of destruction. Even the giant oak of the forest has mounted towards the sky and sent its roots deeper into the ground simply because it has stood and overcome the destructive elements that have worked from the

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time the acorn was planted in the ground; and, while hundreds of other trees have withered away and died, it has lifted its head into the clouds, and stands there supreme among all the trees of the forest.

The Christian life is the life of overcoming. There are two forces at work: one dragging you down and one lifting you up; one to take you to God, and one to take you away from God. There is not a single step forward taken that is not contested by the powers of darkness—not one: whether in things purely spiritual, or in things mental, or things physical. If you have control of your bodies this morning, you have had a terrible fight, because every step has been contested.

Keep Bodily Desires Under.

There is something here for you people who are sick. Some of you are weak because you have lived in that atmosphere. Some of you are sick, and diseased, and downcast, and halt, and maimed, and afflicted in various ways, because, instead of keeping the body under and allowing the Spirit to have the ascendency, you have simply lived in the flesh. There is where the trouble comes in.

My brothers and sisters, cease talking about disease. Cease talking about your symptoms; cease talking about your frailties. Why, don't you know that a man, when approaching a problem, can sit down and say, "I can't! O, I never can do this! I never can do it!" and tell himself that so often that he makes a weakling out of himself.

Excuses Show Weakness.

You Elders should make strong characters. When a man says, "Well, it is pretty hard for me to go to the meeting," you ought to say, "Go to the meeting if you have to walk there on stilts." If you say, "I am well aware that it is quite a task for you to go forty rods from your house to the meeting, I sympathize with you, greatly sympathize with you," why you are not worth the salt that goes into your mush. You make only weaklings. You should say to that man, "Why, Christ died on Calvary for you. He had the thorns put on His brow and the nails put through His hands and feet for you. He was scourged and buffeted and beaten for your sake. The way He trod was a thorny pathway, and you can offer no excuse."

The Killing Effects of Evil Suggestion.

You can say to yourself, "I have got rheumatism—I believe I have!" And then you say to John, when he comes home at noon, "I believe I have rheumatism in my right leg." And then when the sons and daughters come home you call them all in, and say, "Your mother has got rheumatism in her leg." And then you will go down the street, and say to all the neighbors, "Hello there! I have rheumatism in my leg today!" (Laughter). That is the way the rank and file live. Everyone knows that you have rheumatism in your leg, and it will be no wonder if you do get rheumatism when you live in that atmosphere.

A little pimple comes on the cheek or neck, and you look at it, and some fool tells you that you have a cancer, and you believe it, and: "According to your faith be it unto you." You nourish that, and you keep looking at it, and keep talking about it, and the first thing you know you are scared almost to death, and you will soon have a fully developed cancer.

You say to yourself, "I cannot speak in meeting." You say, "I cannot pray." Ah, my brothers and sisters, there is only one place for the Christian to use "I cannot," and that is to say, "I cannot distrust my God." "I cannot do wrong." "I cannot stay away from God's house." "I cannot! I cannot!"—when it applies to *evil*; but, when it applies to *good* things, the word "cannot" does not belong to the Christian's vocabulary.

I want to tell you that if I had said, "I cannot get Shiloh Tabernacle," we would not have it today. If I had said, "I cannot get Zion City General Stores," I would not have it. If I had said, "I cannot get the Administration Building," I would not have it; and if I say, "I cannot get Zion City," I will never get it. But, I tell you, I WILL GET ZION CITY, BY THE GRACE OF GOD, EVERY FOOT OF IT! (Applause). The enemies can say, "He cannot," but I say, I WILL! (Amen.)

Now, if you people want to overcome, you will have to give up all your thoughtless conversation. You will have to start in and wipe out all you have said, for the most part. You will have to live in a different atmosphere. "I cannot" never did anything. It is "I WILL! 'God helping me, I will be wholly Thine.' "

The Few Real Believers.

"Whosoever"—what is it?

"Whososoever *believeth* that Jesus is the Christ, is begotten of God."

Do You Believe that Jesus is the Christ?

I want to tell you straight, this morning, that there are very few people who believe that Jesus is the Christ. The people who believe that Jesus is the Christ are so few that you can scarcely find them: and I put it straight at you this morning: DO YOU BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST?

I sat by the bedside of an almost dying husband and father, recently, and his wife and little girl sat there also. As I talked to them and tried to comfort them, quoting passage after passage of Scripture, I closed my eyes, and O, God seemed so near to me! I quoted:

> Ask, and ye shall receive; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: for every one that asketh receiveth, and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Jesus said it. Ah, yes, Jesus said it, but how many people believe it? Then I quoted:

> If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you.
>
> When ye pray, believe that ye have that for which ye pray and ask, and ye shall have it.

Then I said to them, "O, if you could only trust God this afternoon, as the little child trusts papa and mamma, everything would be all right;" but O, how few can do it!

The Childlike Faith.

As I stood a few months ago inside the door of the Tabernacle, when a terrible storm was raging, there stood a father and a wee, little child, and the little one was nestled up close to him and had her little hand in his. After a while the storm abated a little, and he said, "Dear, we will go now," and she walked along just as unconcerned, with no fear of the lightning, or the thunder, or the rain, or the wind: why? Because she had her little hand in father's hand and she knew that he would take care of her. And so, I looked at the wee, little girl, and I said, "If you can only put your hand into your Heavenly Father's hand, then all will be well." But oh, how far the people are from God! and how much do you know about putting your hand in your Heavenly Father's hand?

Have you ever been face to face with a great problem? Have you ever been where you absolutely depended on God, and if God did not hear and answer your prayer that you must sink? O, if you never were, then you have never learned what it is to trust in God and to put your hand in His.

The Gospel will either Save or Kill.

You say you believe in Christ. Do you believe in Christ? Ah, my brothers and sisters, preaching the Gospel to you will do one of two things: it will either save you or it will kill you. The preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ is "the savor of life

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.
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I am the Lord that healeth thee.
And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder O. L. Tindall

THE UNSEARCHABLE RICHES OF CHRIST

PAUL SPEAKS of the riches of Christ after this manner: "Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ."

This is certainly a wonderful theme. No one should ever tire thinking and talking about it.

SOME MEN have so great riches that it is difficult to tell how much they are worth in dollars and cents; but their riches can be ascertained; not so, however, of Christ and His riches. No one can fathom them. They are past finding out to perfection.

WHAT A thought, then, in connection with this wonderful theme, that we are joint-heirs with Jesus Christ to all of His great inheritance. After the manner of the world inheritances come to men only after the death of some one; but our inheritance from Heaven is ready now—a glorious inheritance, and what is it?

FIRST, WE inherit the grace of God. What boundless grace it is that a poor sinner who is vile and rebellious against God, who has been a spendthrift and wasted his substance in riotous living, should be taken back and made a son again, and brought into the old home and received with open arms and freely forgiven, and be clothed in a rich robe in the place of his filthy and torn rags!

DID ONE ever know such love, such boundless love?

HOW RICH is our God in grace and mercy! Can a man e'er forget the horrible pit of mire and clay from which his feet were taken? Can he forget the new song which was put in his mouth? How rich in grace--grace which helps in every time of need!

THE RICHES of salvation——to the uttermost! Salvation is full and free from sin and sickness and disease, and death and hell.

Then the depths of God's love, who can fathom? It covers all poor, suffering mankind and makes no invidious distinctions on account of birth, race, or position in the world. God so loved the world that He gave is Hdearest and most precious Gift to die to redeem the world.

THE RICHES of His wisdom! and He hath said He would be wisdom unto us.

"If any man lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not."

CHRIST IS rich in life. He is the real source of all life; and does He not say He came to bring life, and to give us life, and to give it abundantly? What life for spirit, soul and body!

SHOULD ANY of God's children be sick when "the Great Physician now is near, the sympathizing Jesus?" Did He not come "that He might destroy the works of the devil?" Is it not satan that oppresses us? Did he not afflict Job? Did he not bind the woman, daughter of Abraham, for eighteen years, as Jesus Himself said?

DOES NOT the Lord heal all our diseases now, as David said He did in his day? Does God change? Is not Jesus just the same yesterday, today and forever? Why should any of God's children be sick when they may rest under the shadow of His wings, where no evil nor plague can come?

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Do we not sing, "My Father is rich in houses and lands, He holdeth the wealth of the world in His hands?"

Does He promise His children any of these riches? Some seem to think not. They have read, one would think, that He had promised these all, to the devil and his childreu. They have claimed them at least, and gotten most of them. But this is not true. Christ said His children were heirs to them if they would pay the price, which was that they should "forsake all," and follow only Him.

Then houses and land were included in the deed as a part of Christ's riches and gifts to His people.

Poverty and rags belong to the devil and his offspring.

Riches and honor are the heritage of God's children. "The earth, the gold and the silver are Mine, saith the Lord;" yes, and the cattle upon a thousand hills.

The riches of Christ must be sought for, if we would possess them, the same as men have to go down into the deep mines and seek for the silver and gold which perish with the using. Such riches are hid away in the bowels of the earth. God made it so. They are also His treasures. A man must be willing to search for this most precious treasure hid in the field. The mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven are hid from them that are without and they must be sought out carefully and diligently. Seek, and strive to enter in, are the words of our Lord to those who find His Kingdom and enter into Life.

Will anyone be satisfiied with the mere glittering gold and silver of this world which corrupts and corrodes; is moth-eaten and stolen by thieves, when he can have the imperishable riches which Christ offers to all? Men think they are rich when they possess a few paltry pence and say as do some churches: "I am rich and increased with goods and have need of nothing." But what said God of them? "Thou art wretched and miserable and poor, and blind, and naked." That is true of most of the so-called rich men of this world.

"I counsel thee to buy of Me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment that thou mayest be clothed."

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unto life," or, "of death unto death;" and if you do not respond to the Word of God, you will wither up and die and be left behind in the wilderness; and when the Lord Jesus Christ comes, you will not be ready to meet Him, because, while you said you believed in Jesus the Christ, you did not live it.

When a man volunteers in his country's service, he leaves all behind. When the command comes to go forward, he is ready to go forward and bare his breast to the enemies' bullets if needs be to save his country; and the soldier of the Lord Jesus Christ must be willing to do the same.

Quibbling Belief.

Let us see the extent to which you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. Suppose that I believed in Him to the extent that some of you do. O, you look at that precious little forty-acre farm, and then you look at Zion City. You come around and say, "Well now, do you think that things are going to come out all right?" Look at the children of Israel before the Red Sea, when God said to Moses, "Tell them to go forward!" You see a few standing there before the Red Sea, and they say, "We will see if the rest get across, and then we will run after them." (Laughter.) That is the way some people do. They say, "Well, they are doing pretty well, but we will wait and see if everything comes out all right; and, if it does, why then I will sell that ten acres of mine."

Christ Gave All for Humanity.

I want to tell you when the Lord Jesus Christ looked down from Heaven, He saw a lot of poor miserable sinners down here. He looked at you—He saw you. If He had acted as some of you are acting today, you would still be in your diseases and on your road to hell.

"Well, but then the other fellow is laying up for a rainy day!" Some women go home and say, as a certain woman said, "It is all very well for a man to give up everything for a while, but he has got to lay up for a rainy day." Well, I tell you, when I knelt, the other morning—as I do every morning—before on open Bible, and read the sixth of Matthew, and came to the place where it says, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth," I was glad I could look up and say, "Father, I am obeying this literally. Father, I am doing just what you told me." Then, when I came down to the thirty-third verse, where it says not to have any anxiety about food, or shelter, or raiment, for God clothes the lilies of the field and feeds the birds of the air, and it states, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness," I was so thankful that I could say, 'Father, I am doing it. I am seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness,"—and all things shall be added, thank God!

Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ! How much do you believe in Him? Ah, some people say, "Well, I believe in Divine Healing just as well as you do." Do you believe in Divine Healing? How much do you believe in Divine Healing? Why, as soon as you get sick the first thing you think of is the medicine and the doctors. That is how much you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. Ah, such an one is a disgrace to the Name af Christ.

The Believer in Christ will Serve Him.

The man who believes in Christ will serve Him and be faithful even unto the end. Every compromise is dangerous. "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ, is born of God." I believe that is true.

What it Means to be Born of God.

Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God.

What is it, after all, to be born of God?

Jesus said to Nicodemus in the third of John: "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God;" and when I am preaching and holding up the standard, I often think to myself, "How many have seen the Kingdom of God?"

Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in Heaven.

How many ever saw the Kingdom of God? How many are working for the establishment of the Kingdom of God? Ah, the troubles in Zion City are just what might have been expected. I tell you, if the Republican party, in the next campaign, were to get into its ranks a thousand Democrats, and as soon as a

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proper time came they were to begin to renounce the principles of the Republican party, well there would be trouble, would there not? Similarly, some people came to Zion City who were not Zion, and because they were not "in Zion," difficulty came.

Yes, anybody can say he believes in Jesus the Christ when everything is well.

Except a man be born again he cannot SEE the Kingdom of God.

I want to tell you frankly, this morning, my brothers and sisters, God knows all about it whether or not you HAVE EVER SEEN the Kingdom of God.

What does that mean? Well, this is an illustration I often use. Now, here is a boy that was born of Republican parents. He has always been taught Republican principles. He lives and associates with people that are Republicans, and the only way you can make a Democrat out of him is to have him born over. That does not mean literally "born" as he was when he was first born into the world, but it means that before you can make a Democrat out of that boy, he has simply to be born over and start life anew.

The only way that some of you people who have been brought up as misers—yes there are misers here: there are people here now who love the dollar more than they love God Almighty. How else can you explain it? Take, for example, a man that has his tens of thousands. He has not a child—no one but himself and wife—and you appeal to him for some worthy object: clothing orphan children, or feeding a large number of poor, hungry, destitute people, and he will hum and haw around and finally will say, I will see next week what I can do. Yes, he will see next week what he can do! When you come around next week, he will make a thousand other excuses and finally he will give you twenty-five cents, and that nearly kills him. Why? Because he loves his money better than he loves his fellowmen. There is the trouble.

Now, what about some of you? What condition are you in spiritually? What about your profession as a child of God? Ah, I tell you, my brothers and sisters, to believe in the Lord Jesus the Christ means something. Are you afraid to trust Him? You can say, "Yes, I believe in God," but just to suit your convenience, see! Now, how many really believe in God after all? When I gave that heart-searching talk at the close of the meeting on last Tuesday afternoon, and I asked two questions of every one present, I was glad to have one say to me, "Overseer, I cannot answer those questions. Do not pray for me today." "Well," I said, "that is honest. There is no use to say 'Yes' to these questions when you cannot." (One was "No" and the other was "Yes.") I was glad, and sorry, too; but always be honest. "Do you believe when I pray for you that you will be healed this afternoon?" Now, there is no use to say "Yes" unless you mean it from the heart. "Are there any hindrances in the way of your being healed this afternoon?" "No." No; and what did you do this morning? You had a quarrel with your neighbor, didn't you? You sent your husband out of the house, glad to get out to get a little peace, didn't you? And then you come into the Divine Healing Meeting, and when you are asked if there are any hindrances in the way, you say, "No." Ah, God knows.

God's Word is true, my brothers and sisters, and this Scripture lesson is true. The man that believes in Christ is born of God, and he sees the Kingdom of God.

The Kingdom of God Means Doing the Will of God.

Now, you kneel down and you pray, "Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is done in Heaven." Every man or woman who prays that, and then does a thing to destroy Zion City, is a hypocrite in the sight of God Almighty. The Kingdom of God means doing the will of God.

Ah, my brothers and sisters, if you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, you are not afraid to trust Him. "Well, I do not know where the next meal is coming from!" Do not worry about that. God feeds the birds; He clothes the lilies of the field. What can you do? "But, look at my beautiful farm!" Yes, and if God were to withdraw the rain and the sunlight, your little farm would be as barren as the rocks are barren. The very air you breathe, you are depending upon God for. I tell you, a lot of people have been praying in Paris the last week that have not prayed for a long time. The only time some people pray is during a flood, or an earthquake, or a cyclone. It takes an earthquake to make some people pray, but there is no confidence to be placed in their prayers. The only man to depend upon is he who prays every day and lives his religion. Then you will have men come up and say, "I do not profess to be anything, but I admire people who profess to be Christians and live their profession."

There is not one here this morning but that recognizes in Jesus the Christ the sublimest character that ever trod the earth. There is not one of you but that, if you knew you were going to die this afternoon, would make your peace with God, and you would want to make it right now. I am going to call upon you to make your peace with God this morning. My brothers and sisters, we must be after every unsaved one here. We must not simply sing "Rescue the Perishing, Care for the Dying," but we must go out and save them. If there is one here unsaved, I want to make an appeal to him or her before I finish this morning. I am talking to those who profess to be Christians. Examine your hearts this morning. How much do you believe in Jesus? To what extent have you overcome? Have you overcome the world and the flesh? Have you overcome your appetite? How many of you can say that you can control your appetite? How many can stand up and say, today, "I have control of my appetite"?

Self-Control a requisite to Health.

You look at the man that is a victim of strong drink, and you say, "O, what an awful pity!" but some people sit down at the table and they give way to their appetites, just as much as that man does to a bottle of whisky. Did you ever hear anybody say, "Dear me! I have eaten too much dinner"? Did you ever hear anybody say that? What is the trouble? No wonder there is sickness and disease—no wonder? What do you think of a woman that will drink ten cups of tea a day? What do you think of an Englishman that will carry dry tea around with him, and when he cannot get it made, he will eat it by the handful—a slave to tea. If some women did not get their cup of coffee, they believe they would die. There are people who are tea-drunkards, and there are people who are coffee-drunkards. There is no use to pray for healing till the cause of sickness is removed.

Overcome Self.

Well, now, that is the question. We talk about overcoming—have we? We have spoken of the appetite. Let us look at some other things. What about the temper? The man is to be pitied that calls himself a Christian that has not self-control, and it is remarkable how little self-control many people have. How much can you stand? How much can you have said to you and you keep sweet over it? That is the question. Sombody says something about you, and you say, "Never mind, I will go for him."

Now do you not know that temper can ruin a man or a woman? Have you control over your temper? How do you talk of your sister or your brother? How do you treat your wife, your husband, your children? I tell you, men and women who do not do right in their own homes, and who do not let their light shine there—who are not kind, considerate and helpful, and who do not try to make home Heaven---they can sit in church and

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look sanctimonious, but how real is it? To what extent have you overcome? If you do not overcome these things, they will overcome you.

Let me tell you frankly, this morning, I would rather fellowship a drunkard than a covetous man or woman. A covetous man or woman will beat a widow out of her last dollar, and will take the bread out of the orphans' mouths.

The Curse of Covetousness.

There is more said in the Word of God against the sin of covetousness than there is against drunkenness. The Word of God has much to say about the sin of covetousness. A covetous man will rob you, and even, if it were possible, go to the extent of becoming a highway robber and committing murder. You have heard of some people dying in poor, wretched old hovels, in rags and filth, and after they were dead, a search revealed—I have known cases where $20,000 have been found, and some have even accumulated $100,000. They loved money so well that they would not spend a cent for victuals, or anything for clothes.

The Christian life is a life of overcoming. Overcome, by the grace of God!---and you can only overcome by the indwelling of God's Spirit. Now, what spirit are you of, this morning? You are all filled with either the Holy Spirit, or the Spirit of the evil one. Which one is it? "By their fruits ye shall know them." Every man and every woman is known by the fruit that he or she bears. If you are filled with the Holy Spirit, you will bear the fruits of the Spirit. If you are filled with the spirit of evil, you will bear the fruits of the spirit of evil, which are: envy, jealousy, back-biting, fault-finding, and so on, as enumerated in Paul's letter to the Church at Galatia.

Let the Christ mind be in you, and be overcomers in His strength.

ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body.

Behold also the ships, which though they be so great, and are driven of fierce winds, yet they are turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the governor listeth.—James 3:2,4.

Self-Control

Life is like the sea, and we are mariners thereon.

Storms strike us all about alike, but some mariners are weak, and frail and are tossed about by the waves, and driven with the winds.

It is when the wind blows strong and fierce, the thunders crash, and the waves roll mountain-high, that one must summon his courage, must control himself, and with strong hands and a brave heart, battle for life, or go down in the storm.

If you are courageous, and do not give up, you will stem the tide, outride the storm, and safely enter the port.

The floods will subside, the flowers will bloom again, and things will be lovely until the next storm comes.

One must control himself and overcome obstacles to be successful in life.

Conquer yourself, and the greatest battle is won.

The man who cannot control himself cannot expect to control others.

He that ruleth his spirit is better than he that taketh a city.

There is nothing which commends a man or woman to his fellowmen more than the ability to control self, and to pass a crisis, great or small, with calmness and steadfastness of purpose.

The rending of one's temper into bits and throwing it among his friends and acquaintances never gains for him any mark of great honor, or distinction, but only ridicule and dislike.

Self-control should be practised in your home more than any other place on earth. One cannot afford to lose control of his temper, and his tongue, if he would keep the respect and regard of those whom he loves and with whom he is daily associated.

It would be folly to preach to children the virtues of obedience and self-control when parents are living examples of storm and strife.

The tongue must be controlled if one wishes to retain friends.

The grief which makes the most noise is not always the deepest, neither is it the greatest joy that gives vent to the loudest expression of feeling.

Seventies, is you seem to have an excess of joy, it would be better to repress some of the hilarity, and make it up by quietly distilling some of the sunshine of your heart into the lives of those who may be living in sin and in the darkness of despair.

Be men and women of principle.

Scatter the seeds of love and sunshine wherever you may go.

It will require concentrated effort, and unremitting labor, but YOU CAN SUCCEED.

Set your face toward the goal of the high calling of God, in Christ Jesus, and do not change your course because adverse winds may toss you upon the reefs. TRY AGAIN. KEEP AT IT. You will make headway if you persevere, and soon you will be sailing on fair seas, and beautiful ports will be in sight.

May God richly bless you and give you courage always to do right, and power to control yourself, is my earnest prayer.

OREGON

The following is a report of the Seventy work done in the City of Portland during the week January 31, to February 6, 1910, inclusive, by Deacon Frank Robinson and wife:

Calls made	361
Messages given	360
Leaves sold	75
Heralds sold	10
Visits made	11
Leaves mailed	5
Heralds mailed	2
Leaves given	12
Heralds given	68
Total pieces distributed	543

CALIFORNIA

Literary report from Evangelist Darms and wife, for the first half of the month ending January 14, 1910, also an extract from their letter dated February 8, 1910:

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Number of calls made	400
Number of Messages given	1050
Number of Leaves given	22
Number of Leaves sold	36
Number of Heralds given	5
Number of Heralds sold	6
Total pieces distributed,	1119

"We have so much to thank God for this New Year. While our work is progressing slowly, yet we praise God we know the sure foundation is being laid for a permanent work as never before.

"We also rejoice in the increasing life and health the Lord is giving me, and I find great pay in laboring for a share of our support with my hands.

"The out-of-doors occupation is such a blessing—you see with our Seventy work I am almost constantly out of doors."

WISCONSIN

Report of distribution of literature in Kenosha, Saturday, February 12, 1910:

Number of Leaves sold	16
Number of Heralds sold	49
Number of English Messages given	246
Number of German Messages given	9
Total Pieces Distributed,	320

Plain Instructions

To One and All Interested in the Redemption of Zion City.

How to Make Investments In Zion Institutions and Industries.

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

The Kingdom and the Church

By Elder O. L. Tindall

A great many things might be said on the subject of the Kingdom and the Church, but we wish, at this time, to express only a few thoughts in reference to the institutions, the Kingdom and the Church, how they are related the one to the other, and the sense in which the two terms are used.

Christ used the term "Kingdom" very often, almost exclusively, and never mentioned the word "Church," except twice, in all the Gospels. This is very significant. It means much. In the rest of the New Testament the term "Church" is used very frequently, and in modern teaching and preaching we hear but little of the Kingdom, but we hear much of the Church.

Christ told His disciples to preach the Kingdom of God, and say it was nigh; that it was at hand. It was the Gospel of the Kingdom of God, or of Heaven. Christ's parables were constantly concerning the Kingdom of Heaven. It is in the parables that we can learn about the Kingdom, of its nature, what it is and what it does, how it is managed, etc. There are various phases of the Kingdom set forth in the parables, all of which should be carefully studied.

Paul gives a definition of the Kingdom of God: that it is not meat and drink; that is, it is not made up of certain acts, or a ritual, or ordinances, but it is

Righteousness and Peace and Joy in the Holy Ghost,

These are the principles that underlie the Kingdom. These a man must have in order to belong to or be fit to be a citizen of the Kingdom. Christ said that a man must be born of the Spirit "to see" the Kingdom, and of water "to enter" it.

The Kingdom of God, in the first place, is made up of a great system of Divine truths with Jesus Christ as the center, as the foundation, as the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. So that when a man goes out to preach he may rightly say, "We preach not ourselves, but Christ and Him crucified." The Gospel, then, of the Kingdom, is the Gospel of Christ. A man is to preach Jesus Christ, the Savior of men, the Healer of men, the Keeper of men. He must preach the sayings of Christ; not his own. He must say to every man as Christ Himself did: "Whosoever heareth these sayings of Mine and doeth them, I will liken him to a wise man that built his house upon a rock." Paul said, "Preach the Word."

Christ is the embodiment of the Kingdom. He is the King and His words are the laws of the Kingdom. He is absolute monarch, and His word is absolute and final on all questions. It must be obeyed. The most of one's study should be in the four Gospels. No other part of the Bible is to be compared for a moment with these four precious books.

That is the way the Kingdom of God is set up on the earth. The Kingdom of God must first get into the man—he must first accept the great truths—that is the Kingdom like leaven put into three measures of meal till the whole is leavened. A man must be leavened with the Kingdom of Heaven in the same way that one must be a Democrat in principle before he joins the Democratic party, or he will only be a hypocrite in its ranks. So a man must be a Theocrat at heart and willing to follow the laws and teachings of the Theocracy—the Rule of God—before he can enlist in the ranks of that party, as it is said, "The highways of Zion were in their hearts."

But God meant more by the Kingdom than merely sentiment,

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as important as that may be. The Kingdom is an organized body of men, not a book of abstract principles, or a mere system of philosophy. No; that would never make a kingdom among men. Christ called it the Kingdom and He meant what He said. It should be the real thing. The people knew what the kingdom meant. It was to be worldwide and there was to be only ONE in the world. It must be governed by laws and by men who would execute those laws. So Christ set officers in His Kingdom to rule it while He was absent. Jesus Christ is King, but He appoints men His servants, to look after the vineyard while the Lord of the vineyard is away.

The bringing together of such people, as described, to worship and serve God, is the Church. A church, in its simplest sense, is only a gathering, or an assembly. The old word in Greek was applied to any kind of a gathering of people—even a mob was called ECCLESIA, or, as we say, a church. You will find it so used in the 19th chapter of the Acts in reference to the uproar at Ephesus when the mob gathered to put the Apostles out of the City. The Church at Ephesus, or Corinth, or Rome, or even in the house of Aquila and Priscilla, meant the gathering of the Christians at these places. These people were children of the Kingdom, as Christ called the good seed in the parable. When they came together they made a church, or gathering of these Christians—children of the Kingdom. They were members of the Kingdom of God by virtue of their having been born of the Spirit of God and baptized into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. They became members of the the church by uniting with a body of believers. Zion makes this distinction. Zion stands for the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, and is one, and rules over all. We call them gatherings where a company of Zion people come together in different places to worship God and to help one another, and to work for the salvation of men. There may be many churches or gatherings in this sense, but there can be only ONE KINGDOM. It is universal. All the churches are under one rule.

There is One Central Government.

The term "Church," no doubt, is used in this broad and universal sense often by the Apostle when he likened it to or said the Church was the body of Christ, and every one members thereof—one body, but many members. Christ used it in that sense when He said He would build His Church on that Rock. It was to be one great and universal gathering of all His people, built into a great spiritual temple.

Man in the Image of God

An Address delivered at a Divine Healing Service held in Zion Home Zion City, Illinois, Tuesday Afternoon, January 25, 1910

By WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

REPORTED BY MISS S. J. BOOTH

The General Overseer led the congregation in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Now, let each one be in silent prayer. If we are to obtain results, then we must attend to the means of grace, and place ourselves where God can hear and answer prayer.

It seems to me that, coming into a meeting of this kind, those of you who are not in any need of healing should be thinking about the deepening of your own spiritual life. My earnest prayer to God is that if you are not nearer to Him at the close of this meeting than you are now, it will not be my fault.

I desire you to bear in mind what God said, through His Servant James, "Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you."—Jas. 4:8.

Prayer by the General Overseer.

O God, our Father, touch each and every heart here by the Holy Spirit's power. Help us, this afternoon, to be in Thy Spirit and may we, by an eye of faith, see Thy face: and those here this afternoon who are suffering in body, O grant, Father in Heaven, that they may be able to shut the world outside, and be brought closer to Thee than ever before in their lives.

Now, Father, bless us as we sing, and as we read Thy Word, and as we pray; and may this place this afternoon be none other than the House of God, the very gate of Heaven. We most earnestly pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.

The Hymn entitled "The Precious Name" was then sung, after which the General Overseer led the congregation in repeating the Twenty-third Psalm, closing with the remark, "May God help us to realize, more fully than we ever have before, the real force and meaning of the statement, "The Lord is my Shepherd."

Following the singing of the Hymns, "Take Time to Be Holy," "Hide Me" and prayer by Elder E. L. Carey, Elder O. L. Tindall led the congregation in reading the Ninety-first Psalm.

The hymn, "Souls of Men, Why will ye Scatter?" was then earnestly sung, whereupon the General Overseer delivered the following address:

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let all please turn with me to the first chapter of Genesis, and we will read a part of the twenty-sixth verse:

"And God said, let Us make man in Our image, after Our likeness.

Also please turn with me to the Book of Second Corinthians, the third chapter and the 18th verse:

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image, from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Now in Hebrews the first chapter, the third to the fifth verse:

Who, being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high;

Being made so much better than the angels, as He hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

For unto which of the angels said He at any time, Thou art My Son; this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to Him a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son?

Also in First John, the third chapter, the first to the third verse:

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not because it knew Him not.

Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that when He shall appear, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as He is pure.

The Image of God.

Now, the first verse that I read this afternoon—"And God said, Let us make man"---how?

Voices: "In Our own image."

GENERAL OVERSEER: While sitting here, I have been wonder-

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ing, in my own mind, what it really means to be in the image of God.

As we understand the expression, to have one object in the likeness of another, means that the one bears a very close resemblance to the other;and,in view of the fact that it is a man's character which really makes him what he is, and that the real man or woman is just what he or she is in character, then God is what He is by virtue of the attributes which He possesses.

That word "attributes" may be just a little difficult for some of you, but I will endeavor to make it plain. We speak of God being Love---of God being Mercy---therefore, Love and Mercy are two of His attributes.

We speak of God being Omniscient: that is, having knowledge of all things; we speak of God as being Omnipresent: that is, being in all places at the same time; we speak of God as being Omnipotent, that is, possessing unlimited power, being Almighty.

Then Omniscience, Omnipresence, Omnipotence, and Love and Mercy, are all attributes of God.

If I can only help you this afternoon to realize that you were created in the image of God the Almighty Himself, I believe it will be an inspiration to you in getting your healing; and also in living a more earnest, consecrated life in His service.

I understand the expression "Created in the image of God," to mean that man is gifted, like God, with certain powers and talents and characteristics.

For instance: God is pure; and man, being created a pure being, was, to that extent, in the image of God his Maker.

God also being Love and Mercy, man, as he was created and left God's hands, was full of love and mercy and compassion; and, in these respects, man was like unto God his Creator.

Christ the Express Image of God the Father.

Let us see, now, if the verse which we read in the book of Hebrews will help us out any. We are told that Jesus the Christ was in the "Express image of"—whom?

Voices: "God the Father."

GENERAL OVERSEER: And that He was what, as regards God's glory?

Voices: "In the brightness of His glory."

GENERAL OVERSEER: Yes, the brightness or the effulgence of His glory. And was there any angel worthy to be compared with Christ?

Voices: "No."

GENERAL OVERSEER: No; because, according to the verse that we read in Hebrews, He had obtained a more excellent inheritance—a more excellent name--than they had, as we read in Philippians the second chapter, ninth, tenth and eleventh verses:

Wherefore God hath also highly exalted Him, and hath given Him a Name which is above every name:

That at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow,of things in Heaven and things in earth, and things under the earth;

And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

If we can understand what is meant by Christ being the "Express Image" of the Father,then we will begin to understand what it means for man to be created in the Image of God. Jesus the Christ was perfect—"He did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth."—1 Pet. 2:22.

Go back and see man as he was first created—because God carried out what He had said, and created man in His Own Image. It is becoming clearer and clearer to my own mind, precisely what is meant by the expression, "Let us make man in Our Own Image," and what it means to be in the Image of God.

Meaning of the "Image of God."

To be in the Image of God, means to be pure, to be holy, to be truthful, to be honest, to be upright, and to be graced in character with all the traits—or attributes, or marks, or characteristics—that compose God's glorious and wonderful Character.

The Image of God Indestructible.

With this thought in our minds, we can very easily see how far the image which we have, born of God, has been obscured. The image which we bear to God can never be destroyed; it is indestructible.

Often, when I am preaching, as I look at some people, and see that there is not any response to the "Still, small Voice" of the Holy Spirit, it seems to me that the only spark of Divinity that is left of the image which they once bore to God, is so small that it is almost obliterated; but I am satisfied that the image which man bears to God is indestructible; it may have been obscured by innumerable sins, and almost the last traces of that image apparently may have been obliterated; but it cannot be wholly destroyed.

The Cleansing and Restoring Power of Christ's Blood All-Powerful.

I am further convinced of the indestructibility of the Image of God because the blood of Christ is sufficient to cleanse the vilest sinner, and it is sufficient for the most loathsome disease. God is able to take a man who is steeped in vice until even the body has lost almost all resemblance to a human being, and make out of that horrible object an angel of light—a bright and shining light—and develop that poor creature into a character so sweet and lovely as to constitute one of the greatest miracles that ever was wrought.

Some people fail to see that the salvation of a sinner is a miracle, but it is just as much a miracle as is the healing of any disease; that God can take a vile sinner and transform him into a beautiful Christian character, is a miracle beyond the power of man.

The Image of God Retained by dwelling in the Secret Place of the Most High.

As I am thinking about this image that we bear to God, I think of the first part of the Ninety-first Psalm:

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

Whenever one has gotten into the "Secret place of the Most High," then in the life and in the countenance of that person you will see, to a very great extent, the Image of God.

Christ Came to Restore the Image of God in Man.

My brothers and sisters, keeping these thoughts in mind, I wish to place before you some ideas that are suggested by the eighteenth verse of the third chapter of the Book of Second Corinthians, which must be linked up with the verse in the first of Hebrews:

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Why was it necessary for Jesus the Christ to come at all? What is meant by human beings being transformed? Why is any transformation necessary?—God created man in His Own Image.

Now, there is a proof of the Fall. Man wandered away from God and, through transgression, lost the Image, in the sense of its being obscured; hence the necessity for the sending of a Savior —a Restorer—and the only way in which He could be an All-Sufficient Savior, was to be in the express Image of God His Father; for in no other way could the Image which man originally bore to God be restored and brought out in its fulness, in its beauty, and in its brightness, except by sending Christ, Who was the Express Image of God—the Image of God to perfection and in its fulness—and by following the life that He lived, men

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ZION CITY, ILL., U. S. A.,
February 26, 1910

"Lord, Teach us to Pray!"

THIS SIMPLE, beautiful, and important request was made by one of the humblest disciples of Jesus, and was prompted by three things at least:

The inborn, indescribable feeling of dependence upon a higher and independent Being;

The intimate knowledge of the practice of John the Baptist;

The example of Jesus.

BUT FOR this simple request, the greatest of all the facts concerning the life of John the Baptist would not have been disclosed: for nowhere else in the Bible is there any intimation that John the Baptist was preeminently a man of prayer.

NOT ONLY here, but elsewhere is it clearly stated that Jesus the Christ found it necessary to spend much time in prayer.

"And it came to pass in those days, that He went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God."

"And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, He went out and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed."

IF JESUS, the Son of God, the Son of Man—concerning Whom it is written, "He did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth,"—found it necessary to pray while He was fulfilling His mission on this earth, how much more does poor, sinful humanity need to pray while traveling life's journey?

PRAYER CANNOT be defined.
Prayer does not consist of words.

"I often say my prayers;
But do I ever pray?
And do the wishes of my heart
Go with the words I say?
I may as well kneel down
And worship gods of stone,
As offer to the living God
A prayer of words alone,
For prayer without the heart
The Lord will never hear;
Nor will He to those lips attend
Whose prayers are not sincere."

PRAYER IS the deep outgoing of one's spirit to God---a terrific struggle within the deepest depths of one's being seeking for utterance but baffling the choicest and most expressive words.

How can the cry of the spirit of a loving mother for the conviction and conversion of a wayward child ever find expression in words?

How can the cries of the spirits of Godly children, for the destruction of the horrible cancer which is rapidly reaching for the vitals of a dear mother, be uttered?

How can a man who has a broken heart over sin-stricken, disease-smitten, and dying humanity---a man who has made an absolute surrender to God and can truthfully say, "Not as I will, but as Thou wilt, Father,"---express the agonies and the struggles of his spirit as he pleads and works for their salvation, healing and cleansing?

THE SUBJECT of prayer occupies a large place in the Scriptures. From Genesis to Revelation you will find something about prayer.

PREVAILING PRAYER is the predominant characteristic of every true and faithful servant of God.

NOTHING GREAT and good is ever accomplished except through prayer.

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PRAYER is one of the most important means of grace, and he who neglects to pray need not be surprised when he finds himself going backward instead of forward.

PRAYING is something that can be taught.

PRAYING is something that can be learned.

THE CRY of every converted spirit is, "Lord, teach me to pray!"

JESUS gave an immediate response to His disciple's request. The prayer which He gave as a model is remarkable for its brevity and comprehensiveness. It can be repeated deliberately and properly in less than half a minute.

It embraces the recognition of God as Father, and the one unto Whom prayer should be addressed; reverence of His Name; and earnest petition for the coming to pass of that most important of all things---the establishment of God's Kingdom; the doing of His will on earth as it is done in Heaven; an expression of unwavering faith in God as the Provider of all that it necessary---as shown by the petition—"Give us day by day our daily bread;" a clear statement of the basis on which every person must expect forgiveness from God for his sins, viz: the spirit of forgiveness shown towards his fellowmen; and lastly, entire dependence upon God for victory in every conflict.

THE PRAYERS of the Bible are, for the most part, very brief and earnest.

The leper simply prayed, "Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean."

The centurion said, "Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented." Jesus answered, "I will come and heal him;" and then the centurion said, "Speak the word only and my servant shall be healed."

THE DISCIPLES, during a storm on the Sea of Galilee, prayed," Lord, save us; we perish."

Jairus prayed, "My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay Thy hand upon her and she shall live."

THE TWO blind men prayed, "Thou son of David, have mercy on us."

The woman of Canaan prayed, saying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou son of David." And again, "Lord, help me."

THE NOBLEMAN besought Christ that He would come down and heal his Son; and again he said, "Sir, come down ere my child die."

THERE ARE many other prayers in both the Old and New Testaments; notably, the prayers of Hannah, and Nehemiah, and the early Christians mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles.

Jesus said:

"AND WHEN thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

"But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

"But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.

"Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of before ye ask Him."

"And Jesus answering, saith unto them, Have faith in God.

"For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass: he shall have whatsoever he saith.

"Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."

THERE IS private prayer.

There is family prayer.

There is public prayer.

WHILE THERE is no particular virtue in any attitude assumed during prayer, yet it is the testimony of a multitude of Christians that the attitude of kneeling is most conducive to close communion with God.

THERE IS prevailing prayer,---the kind which never takes "No" for an answer, and overcomes all difficulties, obtaining that for which prayer is offered.

THERE IS perseverance in prayer,---the prayer which, when once offered, is never for a second marred by fear or doubt.

THERE IS the prayer of faith which, when once offered, the petitioner believes is heard and answered -- walking by faith and not by sight.

EVERY CHILD of God should pray morning, noon and night.

Every Zion family should have a family altar, and daily read God's Word and pray.

"Pray one for another" is the admonition in the Scriptures.

"Criticise one another" is an admonition nowhere to be found in the Bible.

THE SINFUL must be saved through prayer.

The sick must be healed through prayer.

Zion City must be redeemed through prayer.

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IT WAS while Jesus the Christ was praying that He was transfigured.

It was during the hour of prayer that the lame man was healed at the Beautiful gate of the temple.

Real communion with God is the only way that a person can be transformed into the same image that Christ bears of God.

Through prayer, temptations of every kind can be overcome.

THE CONDITIONS on which prayer is answered must be complied with. The heart must be right in the sight of God before He can be approached in prayer with any assurance of an answer.

EVERY PERSON who offers a prayer has something to do in answering the prayer.

LET ZION everywhere proclaim the truth that never changes ---that He is still the same prayer-hearing and prayer-answering God that He has always been.

WATCH YE, THEREFORE, AND PRAY ALWAYS.

Man in the Image of God.

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and women might once more return to the full Image of God, their Maker. That is what Christianity does for men and women, and that is just what the Christian life means.

Now, take God's children: some are good, some are better, and some are very good. There are some who today are dwelling in the "Secret Place of the Most High," there are some who are approaching it, and there are others who, like Peter, follow Him afar off—they are dwelling on the border-line, where sin abounds, where sickness and disease exist, and where death is found; even though they have professed to be Christians, they still stand where they stood on the night or the day when they made their first profession, and that is the reason why they see so little in the Christian life, and the reason why they know so little of the joys of the Christian life.

My brothers and sisters, may God help us this afternoon to meditate upon what it means to be in the Image of God. If one chair is in the image of another, then it must resemble that other one and there is an exact likeness.

Now, I think I have explained to you what really makes God what He is.

Jesus the Christ in the Form of God.

We are told that the Lord Jesus the Christ was in the "Form of God." Now, Elder Tindall, if you know your Greek, you will know that the Greek word used for "form" refers to that which constitutes the essence—that which makes a thing really and truly what it is; but when "He took upon Himself the form of a servant," a very different word is used for the word "form," for it refers to the outward, and not to those things which constitute the character.

Jesus the Christ was in the "Form of God," and He "took upon Himself the form of a servant," and the distinction in the two Greek words is very plain and well marked.

"And being in the form of God," that is, He was possessed of the attributes that God had, they made Him to be what He really and actually was.

"And He took upon Himself the form of a servant," which is an entirely different word, and refers to the outward and not to that which really constitutes the man, or the being, or the person; but simply to the outward.

God made us in His Own Image. Perhaps you all have said, "Oh, what a horrible looking man he is!" or perhaps at some time or another you all have said of a poor man who has been steeped in vice, "Why, he has lost all resemblance to a human being;" and some have said of other people, "Why, he looks almost like an animal."

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ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God.—1 Peter 2:20.

Patience.

The impetuous Peter, the great Apostle, the one who preached the mighty sermon on the Day of Pentecost, admonishes us to be patient, saying that we do well, if, when we are persecuted for righteousness, we take it patiently.

He had, no doubt, learned the lesson of patience and humility. The Apostle Paul, in writing to the Romans, speaks of the "God of patience" and tells them, "Whatsoever things were written aforetime, were written for our learning that we through patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope."

Patience is the preserver of peace, the teacher of humility, and the guardian of faith.

Genius flutters, flashes, and often fails, while patience works, waits and wins.

Patience has wrought from the marble block the exquisite creations of genius, and given to the world our most beautiful sculpture.

It is impossible to leap, at once, to fame and success—every great triumph is the reward of patience.

Invincible determination puts difficulty under foot, and makes seeming impossibilities stepping-stones to success.

If, in your struggles to overcome the temptations of the evil one, to become victorious over some evil desire, you seem to fail, do not become discouraged. The best generals sometimes lose a battle. They do not give up the fight.

They plan, work and wait the decisive moment in patience, and then hurl, with all their strength, the mighty army upon the opposing forces, and ultimately gain the victory.

When you meet with difficulties do not give up; be patient, and persevere.

If you were defeated, perhaps it was your fault. Sit down

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and think it over. Did you neglect to say the right thing at the right time? A well-chosen word has often sufficed to stop a flying army, change riot into order, and defeat into victory,

If you failed, strengthen yourself from your experiences, and resolve never to let it happen again. Discover your weak points and make them secure against future attack.

It is said of General Grant that "he never knew when he was defeated." He is often called "The man with iron will."

The life of Nehemiah is a beautiful example of patience. In the midst of danger he went on patiently, perseveringly and bravely with his task until his work was done.

Jesus, the Christ, our Savior and Redeemer, is the most beautiful example ever given to mankind. He was patient with suffering humanity, with His disciples, with the little children, and with the sinful and erring ones. He suffered all to come unto Him and forbade none.

"He was obedient unto death, even the death of the Cross." Throughout the Gospel Age, His call and invitation is extended to all: "Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest."

Cheer up, my brother, my sister! Do not be discouraged.

God's plans, like lilies pure and white unfold,
We must not tear the close-shut leaves apart,
Time will reveal the calyxes of gold,
And patience heal the broken heart.

Plain Instructions

To One and All Interested in the Redemption of Zion City.

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(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

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(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

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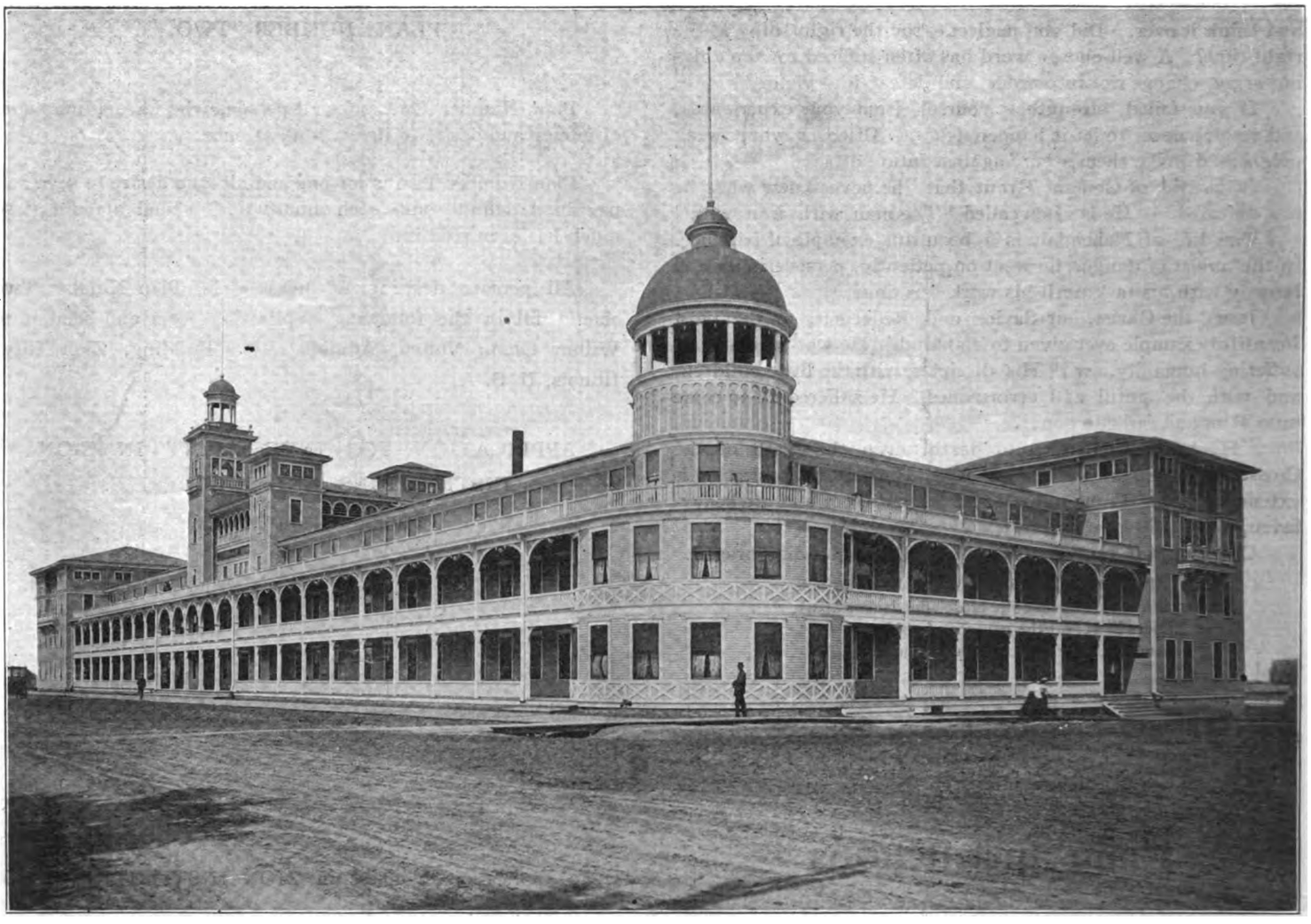
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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

PATIENCE

LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Man in the Image of God

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[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK]

Sin Destroys the Image of God.

During the past year, how many times when walking on the streets of Chicago with different persons when we have come face to face with thousands of people, I have remarked, "Do you see any of God in that face?—Oh, what a horrible face!"

Now, the fact in the matter is, that while this Image of God can never be destroyed, yet, when one is away from God, he is just like a dollar. A coin has upon it an image; but just let that coin be lost, and lie out here in the street for several years, and when you find it again, all trace of the image that it bears will have been so corroded and covered with an accumulation of rust that you cannot see the image, but it is there, just the same.

That represents the condition of a man who gets away from God and is lost in sin; the Image will be so covered, that you can scarcely detect the slightest trace of Divinity; and there is just the place where multitudes are today.

As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he.

Ah! my brothers, and sisters, if your thoughts are upon God and Heaven, and your affections are set upon things above, and you are thinking God's thoughts, and your conversation is in Heavenly places—then I tell you, you will grow in grace, and the Image in which God created you will shine forth in all its beauty and its brightness.

But, on the other hand, if your thoughts are upon earth, and your affections are upon material things, and your heart is in the ground instead of in the sky, if your conversation is upon earth instead of in Heaven—then that image will gradually disappear, until the keenest man of God, as he looks at you or talks to you, will be unable to detect the slighest trace of resemblance to God your Heavenly Father.

What Does Your Life Reflect?

Is it not wonderful how some of the Apostles expressed such wonderful truths? Of all the verses in the Bible no verse has been more familiar to me for years, than has the eighteenth verse of the third chapter of the Book of Second Corinthians. I preached a sermon upon that text twenty years ago, and I know more about it now than I knew then, and I know more about God.

We read:

But we all, with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

The Holy Spirit Works the Transformation.

"But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror—" What do we reflect?

People: "The glory of the Lord."

GENERAL OVERSEER: I wonder how many here this afternoon are reflecting the glory of the Lord.

"For we all with unveiled face, reflecting as a mirror"—a looking-glass—"the glory of the Lord, are transformed"—changed, put across into—"the same image, passing from glory to glory, even as by—" what?

People: "The Spirit of the Lord."

GENERAL OVERSEER: Who is this Divine Agent Who works this wonderful transformation?

Voices: "The Holy Spirit."

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Absolute, Willing Obedience the Price to Pay.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Yes; and the Holy Spirit will transform you, just as you let Him in. How many times do you invite the Holy Spirit to take complete possession of you? If you have done so, were you prepared to pay the price and to have the Holy Spirit as THE ONE Inhabitant of your body--the "temple of the Holy Ghost?"—because there is a price to pay, and that price is an absolute, unqualified, unreserved, willing obedience to God and all of His commandments. Yes; that is the price that each one has to pay.

Oh, my brothers and sisters, how happy I would be this afternoon if I could only know that each one of you had made a full and complete surrender to God! Some of you do not know the joys that come into a man's life when he has made a full surrender to his God and is as passive in His hands as the little three-year-old boy is in the hands of father or mother, and with the same simplicity and the same sweet trust.

Now, my brothers and sisters, when someone is healed, it strengthens my faith in God; and when someone is not healed, it strengthens my faith in God.

You wonder why I say that. I will tell you why: God is true, His Word is true and He will not set it aside, either for me or for you; and in order to receive salvation and healing and cleansing and keeping power, and to have our prayers answered, we must pay the price; and when I see how very far away from God are the majority of people, then I am not surprised that they receive so little; and it only strengthens my faith in God, and in His being true to His Word.

God is not going to heal me, or heal you, unless we pay the price and make straight for the Throne of God.

I have tried, so hard, to lead the people away from the poor, fleeting, perishing things of earth to the things of God; and I thank God that so many have responded and have made good progress; but, ah! there is yet room for vast improvement and progress.

Elders, you can get closer to God than you are, and so can I. I have felt that more than ever as I have had to face great problems and have had to look up into the face of my God; because if God did not help me, I would soon have to give up; but He has never yet failed me, but has heard and answered prayer. I look up into His face and say, "Father, this work is Your work; I never could do it, I would only run away if I were left to myself, You must sustain me, and open the windows of Heaven and send all that is necessary for the redemption of Zion City to Your honor and glory."

Humanity cannot be depended upon because some will say, and they do not; others will say nothing, and they do something; they are like the two sons mentioned in the parable which the Lord Jesus the Christ propounded.

The Importance of Dwelling in the Secret Place of the Most High.

Oh! I have felt increasingly, every day, the importance of what it means to "dwell in the Secret Place of the Most High."

Zion, I want to tell you this afternoon that in the Secret Place of the Most High there is no sin, there is no lying, there is no impurity, there is no double-dealing, there is no guile, there is no selfishness, and there is no love of the things of this world; and until a man has swept all those things aside, he can talk about having made a full surrender and about dwelling in the Secret Place of the Most High, and still be on the borderland, for he has not even had a glimpse of that beautiful place where God dwells. That is just what it means—nothing more and nothing less, and I think that everybody here understands.

How many acts of mercy have you ever performed? How many deeds of love? How often have you died that others might live?

What does it mean to be in the Image of God?

My brothers and sisters, do some hard thinking when you go home from this meeting this evening; that question will ring in your ears to your dying day; you will ever remember this meeting. I always aim to make each meeting a memorable one by some simple statement.

Ah! yes, some of you are very particular about having a home here upon the earth; but I would rather be sure of a Home in Heaven and live in a barn while here. Some people spend all of their time, their strength and their talents, for a place here on this earth, where they will stay for a little while only; but what have they in Heaven?

My brothers and sisters, I care for nothing upon this earth, but care only for a Home in Heaven.

"WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD?"

Take this entire congregation. Here sit these Elders. God looks at the heart of each one, and one of you may show more of the Image of God than another. Ah! the average life even of professing Christians, is a sham, a delusion and a snare, and amounts to nothing.

Where is the man who will throw himself absolutely into the arms of his God and trust Him absolutely, and spend and be spent in the service of humanity?

Salvation the Restoration of the Image of God.

My brothers and sisters, salvation is simply the restoration of that Image; healing is simply the restoration of that Image; it is a wonderful process, and only the blood of the Christ can accomplish it; and that Image will be restored only as you yield yourselves to God the Almighty.

"WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD?"

There is no sin in God; there is no disease in God; there is no unclean thing—nothing but that which is beautiful and holy.

Every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as He is pure.

Whose Glory is Reflected?

But we all, with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Do you know what was the event that suggested that "veil?" When Moses came down from the Mount, the Children of Israel could not look upon him, because of the glory of God that shone in his face, and they made a request; and what was their request? They could not behold the glory of God, it was too much for them; and that became a figure for the blindness of the Jews, and they had a veil over their faces; but Christians, with UNveiled faces, reflect, as a mirror, the glory of God.

My brothers and sisters, the question today is, Whose glory is reflected in your face this afternoon—whose glory? You will remember that when they were stoning Stephen, they saw his face "as it were the face of an angel." What a wonderful thing it is—what a wonderful thing!

Read the Word and See the Christ Life.

Look at Jesus the Christ! Do you read something of His life every day—every day? Do you know the Bible as you ought?

The Four Gospels can be read through in a very short time.

The man who reads his Bible—other things being equal—will be a good man, and his chief desire will be to serve God.

Why Some Do Not Grow in Grace and Get Healing.

The reason why some people do not get along as well as some others, is because they do not read and study their Bible, and feed upon the Word of God, and consequently there is not anything there for the Holy Ghost to work upon; and that is just the reason why some of you will not get your healing this afternoon; but I am trying to get as much into you as I can. "*He sendeth His Word* and healeth them."

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If ye abide in Me and My words abide in you, ye shall ask whatsoever ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

There is no use to talk; these things are becoming plainer and plainer to me every day, and I feel sure that they are to some of you.

Earnestness and Sincerity Assist to Victory.

Ah! I tell you, my brothers and sisters, you who are here for healing this afternoon, do not trifle with God and do not play with His Word. Bear in mind that you have to pay the price, and that you have to meet the conditions; and if there is not any of the Word of God in you, then you do not come under the promise of the Christ to "abide in you," for there is not anything there for the Holy Ghost to work upon.

The Pathway of Divine Faith.

You have learned in Zion that the pathway of a Divine faith, is to!

RECEIVE the Word,

BELIEVE the Word,

ACT UPON the Word.

If you will get the Word of God into your hearts and you will live it—then the power of God will come into you and God will heal you instantly.

I have received letters from different persons who have said, "If you are a man of God and you pray for me, I have got to be healed;" but that does not follow. My opinion is that they will never be healed until they learn something.

There were many lepers in the days of Elisha but only one received healing.

The Lord Jesus the Christ said to the blind men, "Believest thou that I am able to do this?" and they said, "Yes, Lord," and Jesus answered them, "According to your faith be it unto you."

On two different occasions the Lord Jesus the Christ said, "I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel."

My brothers and sisters, if you never read and study the Bible, if you never pray, if you go to the House of God only once in about three months, if you would just as soon stay away from the Lord's Table, if you do not take any interest in extending the Kingdom of God—then how can you approach God and ask Him for anything—how can you?

"What Wilt Thou Have Me To Do?"

We should ask, "Lord, what is there yet that I can do?" Not, as many people say, "Now, do I have to do this? is it necessary for me to do this? How little can I do and get through anyway?" Yes, that is just the way many people talk. They say, "I will do just as little as I can to escape hell and get through the gate into Heaven."

The only thing that God will accept is, "Father, is there yet one more thing for me to do? Show me what it is, Father, and I will do it." That is the spirit and the only spirit that will win.

Wear the Image of the Heavenly Father.

Now, you know, it is not anything wonderful for a child to look like its father or mother.

My brothers and sisters, who is your father? Ah! I tell you there is a sermon in that question, whether you see it or not. Who is your Father? Who is your spiritual Father?

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God.

Are you a son of God? Are you a daughter of God? Do you look like God? Do you act like God?

But Two Classes of People.

In the eighth chapter of John, Jesus said: "Ye are of your father the devil." But two classes of people are mentioned all the way through the Bible after sin entered into the world: the the sons of God, and the sons of satan---the righteous and the sinful---the sheep and the goats---the wise virgins and the foolish virgins---only the two classes, and you and I belong to either one or the other of those two classes; we are either sons and daughters of God, or else we are sons and daughters of the devil. Who is your father?

Does it mean anything to you, "Ye must be born again?" Have you had a spiritual birth? Are you a "new creature in Christ Jesus?" "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me." Put off the old man with his deeds.

Do all those things mean anything to you? Have you ever gotten right down into the kernel of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus the Christ?

In Christ Jesus We are Sons of God.

Now, we are the sons of God—think of it! As we look away over yonder, we cannot see what we shall be. We know what we once were, and what we are now; once we were sinners, now we are the sons of God and the daughters of God; "it doth not yet appear what we shall be" over Yonder. We know only that "When He shall appear we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is."

To be like the Christ! Well, I would love to be like Christ. I like every day to talk to Christ, and to tell Him that I want to be His true disciple; that I want to do that which is well-pleasing in His sight, and that I long to see His face. If we do right; we always long to see the face of the Lord Jesus the Christ.

Oh how very near God seems this afternoon! How real His presence! How ready He is to save, and to heal, and to cleanse, and to bless! Oh for a Church that will pay the price! Oh may God help us each to pay the price today! Pay the price!

I do want to see you healed, but are not some of you more interested in your healing this afternoon, than you are in the salvation of Zion City!

I had a conference this morning regarding a number of matters, and was up until eleven o'clock last night. It seems to me that God is saying very plainly every minute, "Are you equal to the task?"

All Things Wrought Through Faith.

All the way through the eleventh chapter of the Book of Hebrews, it is "by faith," "by faith," and it is by faith that your sons and daughters shall be saved; it is by faith that your unconverted husbands and wives shall be saved; it is by faith that your relatives will be brought into the "ark of safety;" and it is by faith that all things shall be accomplished. Yes, by faith. "O ye of little faith!"

Seek Diligently and Find Satisfaction.

If you desire to have full salvation, and if you desire to receive your healing, then you must lose yourselves; be so completely lost in God's glorious work that you will not know that you have a body. Yes; that is the way to get salvation, and that is the way to get healing—and it is the only way.

If I could only get you people to the place where you would never again think of your diseases and of your afflictions, if I could only get you so engrossed in the Seventy work—in rescuing poor, fallen humanity—then your lameness and your afflictions would all disappear.

We ought to be completely lost in God's service. Ah! yes, *lost* in God's service. Dying! What do you know about the process of dying? Jesus said, "Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth by itself, alone."

As I look at you this afternoon, how many of you are abiding alone? Are there not some of you here this afternoon who can say, "Lord, I am not abiding alone." If you are not abid-

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By Elder E. L. Carey

"Let the Children of Zion be Joyful in Their King!"

BECAUSE IT is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord.

IF THERE is any people on the face of the earth who ought to be thankful, it is the Zion people.

There are many reasons why they should be thankful and praise the Lord.

ZION PRAISES God for His Word, for the faithfulness of God in verifying all of His promises.

The Psalmist testified to the faithfulness of God and the righteousness of His Word when He said, "Thy Word is true from the beginning," "The law of Thy mouth," said he, "*is better unto me than* THOUSANDS OF GOLD AND SILVER." "I rejoice at Thy Word as one that findeth great spoil."

THIS IS the testimony of one who had made a study of the Word of God, and whose heart being right with God was able to discover wondrous things out of the law of God.

What a transformation would take place in this world if the sons of men had the same mind as the Psalmist had!

LET OUR readers reflect for a moment on the statement which we have just quoted:

The law of Thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver.

Would to God that men would say the same thing today! Then something would be done in the service of God and of humanity.

ZION, LET us praise God for His wonderful Word; let us thank Him for the wonderful treasures in His great Storehouse.

Zion should have the spirit of gratitude and praise every day, for God has dealt wondrously with us; and we would, indeed, be wretched ingrates if we did not praise our God.

"SEVEN TIMES a day," said the Psalmist, "do I praise Thee." If some people thank God once a day, they think they have done very well. We should have the spirit of praise and appreciation all the time; and I believe we ought, like Daniel of olden time, to pray to God at least three times a day—morning, noon and night.

FROM HIM comes our salvation, and from Him comes our strength.

David was a man who loved God. He trusted not in the arm of flesh, nor in princes, but in God; and his devotion and loyalty brought into his life much blessing and victory over the forces of darkness.

WE HAVE a wonderful song of his in Second Samuel, the 22d chapter. He had been delivered by the power of God out of the hand of Saul who had so mercilessly pursued him and endeavored, time and again, to take his life.

David remembered the victory God gave him when he faced the great giant, Goliath. The little stone in his hand with his sling, and with God on his side, was sufficient to overcome even the giant of strength.

He had been delivered also from four other giants. No wonder that he sang, "He is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, my refuge, my Savior."

NOTHING IS too hard for God! The man of God shall be lifted up on high, even above them that rise up against him.

"THE NAME OF THE LORD IS A STRONG TOWER; the righteous runneth into it and is safe." Let us therefore call on the Lord Who is worthy to be praised.

THE DAYS for the hanging of our harps upon the willows are gone.

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THERE WAS a time when it was hard, as in the case of the captives of Israel, to sing and to be joyful; but today we hear the Voice of our God saying: "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning; if I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth. if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy."

GOD SOMETIMES permits affliction to come to His people, for sometimes it seems we cannot learn our lessons excepting through affliction.

It is written: "It is good for me that I have been afflicted that I might learn Thy statutes," and again, "Before I was afflicted I went astray."

But now we can say, "Thou hast delivered my soul from death; mine eyes from tears; and my feet from falling."

ZION, WHAT then shall I, shall you—what should all of us render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward us?

The answer is right at hand. Let it be the answer of all in Zion: "I will take the cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord: I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all His people."

THIS WAS Jonah's conclusion after his time of testing, for he said: "I will sacrifice unto Thee with the voice of thanksgiving, *I will pay that that I have vowed.*"

THE SALVATION of God is come to everyone of us! Let us drink of its cup and be satisfied.

WE HAVE made our vows. Let us pay that which we have vowed. Let not our promises be broken, else how shall we be able to sing the song of Salvation and true Christian joy?

WHAT HATH GOD WROUGHT!

Let every Zion man and woman ask himself and herself, "*What* has God done for me?"

Count your blessings, and then can you not praise your God?

What has God wrought! Let Zion, as a people, answer.

WHEN THEY sing, let them sing with the power of God!

Zion thanks God for her beautiful Choir in Shiloh Tabernacle, for the Orchestra and the Band. They have all done well and been a great blessing. By the grace of God, they will be a greater blessing.

WE MUST become more and more a joyful people. By steadfastness in the principles which God has given to us, and which are as eternal as God Himself, the favors of God, more and more, will come our way, and so shall our joy be increased.

HE WILL not suffer our foot to be moved. He Who is faithful never slumbers nor sleeps. He will preserve our going out and our coming in.

The glorious mountains remind us of the *towering strength* of our God.

WHEN DEBORAH and Barak sang their song of victory, there were those who were able to sing with them and take a share in the honors. But there were others who, whilst they had great resolves, did not put their resolves into action when the time of testing came.

WHEN THE final stroke is made for the redemption of this City, great will be the shout from the ranks of God's Israel.

My reader, will you, will I, be in the ranks then?

This brings another question: *Where are you today?*

"AND THEY sang a new song."

It was the song of the redeemed ones!

"For the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads."

Man in the Image of God.

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ing alone, to how many people can you point, who have been saved and brought out of darkness into light through your instrumentality? If you can only say, "Not any," then you are abiding by yourself, alone. You cannot die without producing fruit.

Ah! the man who stands and preaches and pleads, until he feels that he will reel and fall—will live more than will the man who sits in a rocking-chair taking such "great care" of himself.

My hearers, the only way to live is to die for others. Jesus toiled until He was very weary; and the Apostles toiled until they were so weary, and Jesus said to them, "Come ye apart and rest awhile."

People Perish because of Unbelief.

Zion, what is the use for me to hold conferences on the saving of Zion City, unless we have an unwavering faith in the Eternal God, Who has done so much for us?

There is a verse in Jude in support of this thought, and as I read it this morning, it impressed me as never before, and I want to call your attention to it—where it tells how God brought the people out of the Land of Egypt, nevertheless He allowed them to perish, because of their unbelief. And as I read that this morning, it seemed that a flood of tears would burst from my eyes, as I saw pass before me a multitude whom God had brought out of apostasy; and had delivered them from disease and death and from sin of every kind, and had brought them into Zion. Ah! yes, what will happen to them? Some are perishing through unbelief.

I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this,

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how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not.—Jude 5.

Now, you just think of that verse. Can you think of the condition of many people who were brought "out of Egypt" into Zion. Many of the people in Zion City today would have been in hell had it not been for Zion. Is that not true in your case, Mrs. ———?

Mrs. ———: "Yes, I know it is true."

GENERAL OVERSEER: Yes, and it is true in hundreds upon hundreds of other cases. If it had not been for Zion truths and principles, where would they have been this afternoon? I know what I am talking about, and I know where I am going.

There are some terrible judgments awaiting those who, in the face of light, will lift their hands to destroy this City. Last Lord's Day morning I saw a Waukegan doctor up here; he went down in the same train that I did, and I said to mysetf, "Woe unto the Apostate who can trample the blood of Christ under his feet!" Ah! there is a judgment awaiting such people. Many people live as though there were no God; there is the trouble.

God is working wonders. And He will continue to work wonders, so long as His people are faithful.

May God help you this afternoon to meditate upon what it means to be in the image of God. Think of it! In the Image of God Himself, and in the image of the angels!

In Christ Jesus we are the sons of God. God is our Father, He hath begotten us through the Holy Ghost. Then, Zion, we ought to act like our Father: we ought to show the same traits of character and have the same characteristics.

Who Will Go to Heaven?

Many people talk about going to Heaven; but I have my doubts. I will say frankly, that if I did not live it any more than do thousands of people with whom I have come in contact, I would never have the effrontery to make the statement that I ever entertained any hope of Heaven. We were put here to prepare for Eternity, and I intend to put in every minute at it.

Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father Who is in Heaven.

I do not want to have to wring my hands and use the words of Jeremiah, "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and I am not saved."

I tell you, my brothers and sisters, if you want to be saved in forty years from now, *be saved today*; now is the day of salvation, now is the opportune time.

Prayer by the General Overseer.

Father in Heaven, we realize how very imperfectly we have talked about the image that man bears to Thee. O Father, by the Holy Spirit's power, enlighten the understanding of the people and help us to realize as never before, what it means, "Let us make man in Our Own Image."

Father, help us to be new creatures in Christ Jesus; to love the things that we once hated, and to hate the things that we once loved. O help us to keep the body under, the spirit supreme, and the Holy Spirit ruling over all; and grant that daily we may grow more like Jesus—more like Jesus in purity, in unselfishness, in self-denial and self-sacrifice, and in toiling for humanity.

Now, Father, bless those who go and those who remain. We have cried unto Thee, and Thou hast answered; but today, Father, beginning anew, with a deeper consecration, we cry unto Thee, O God, to give to Zion this entire City. O Father, we do thank Thee today for what Thou hast done; Thou hast not forsaken us. Now, help us to be true, honest, upright and faithful, even unto the end—unto death.

We ask all in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."— John 15:13.

LOVE

It is almost two thousand years since Jesus the Christ uttered the beautiful words contained in the above Scripture quotation. Countless generations have come and gone and today the human race is far from being successful followers of Jesus the Christ.

We have not learned to live, in the fullest sense, according to the standard which He gave us.

Look across our broad land and see the great American cities and you will find therein countless numbers wending their way to some place of worship on the Lord's Day. There they will sing praises to Him Who is "Lord of All" and pretend to obey the commands of Jesus the Christ; yet on Monday they are ever ready to cut each other's throats in politics, in business, and in all the other vocations of life where competition finds its way.

Who among the business men of today want the pure and bright rays of Christ's love glowing upon and transforming his business into Christian cooperation and human advancement?

How many business men think of love great enough to cause them to lay down their lives for their fellowmen and for the extension of God's Kingdom?

So great is the distance from business to Christianity, with many, that the mind of the average business man does not travel over it.

If you will take a retrospective view of human events that have taken place in the world's history you will be able to find a reason for everything. Nothing is without cause, and every cause has its effect.

Crime is always inspired by some form of selfishness which is the very opposite of love.

There is a wonderful quality about the love which Jesus the Christ taught. This love knew not cowardice, malice nor fear. It shielded the fallen woman from her accusers with the mighty rebuke which has been felt by many hypocrites down through the ages.

This love even reaches to the felon behind the prison bars confined in the death cell awaiting execution for murder. He, no doubt, remembers his mother's prayers when he was a little boy and knelt at his mother's knee, and learned the beautiful story of how "God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have Everlasting Life."

Ah, the holy, sacred influence of a mother's love! It follows her boy wherever he may go, and from the depths of her spirit she cries out with the anguish that only a mother's heart can know:

Go for my wandering boy tonight,
Go, search for him where you will;
But bring him to me with all his blight,
And tell him I love him still.

The Roman loved and held in highest esteem his wife, the mother of his children. He loved his home. It was a shrine of freedom, but the rest of the world he endeavored to enslave. He loved, but knew not that love which is greater, the love which Jesus taught, and not only taught, but lived.

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The great man Washington gave to us through love of liberty, a mighty republic.

James Watt, Morse and Edison, through love of science, have given to us many wonderful and useful inventions.

Napoleon, the mighty man of war, spurred on by a selfish love of ambition to rule the world, left in his wake a trail of blood and tears; but Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, sounded the keynote of happiness and harmony which the human heart can feel, and gave to us an abiding love, the principles of which, if carried out, will usher in the Millennium.

He made no distinction between Jew and Gentile: between the white man and the black man. He laid down His life for every man.

He Who agonized in the Garden of Gethsemane and sweat, as it were, great drops of blood, Who suffered on Calvary's tree, and Who gave His life as a ransom for all, did so because of the great love which He had for humanity.

He had the power to lay down His life and the power to take it up again. He could have prayed to the Father, and the Father would have sent Him twelve legions of angels, yet He gave His life freely for you and for me, that we might, through His sacrifice, have life, and have it more abundantly.

My brother, my sister, what are you doing to tell others of the love of Christ? Do you love to tell the story of Jesus and His love? Do not let a single opportunity for doing good pass by unheeded. Pray for wisdom and strength to put on the whole armor of God and seek for the erring ones and bring them into the fold.

Out in the highway, out in the by-way,
Out in the dark paths of sin
Go forth, go forth with a loving heart,
And gather the wand'rers in.

CHICAGO

The following notes the work done in Chicago from February 7th to the 21st.

Number of calls made	589
Number of Messages given	944
Number of Leaves given	37
Number of Leaves sold	51
Number of Heralds given	54
Number of Heralds sold	33
Number of tracts sold	5
Number of Invitation cards given	25,537
Total Pieces Distributed	26,661

IOWA

The following represents the work done in Sioux City by Messrs. Banks and Anderson, Traveling Representatives of this Department, for the two weeks ending February 5th, 1910.

Number of calls made	1230
Number of Messages given	1230
Number of tracts and Books sold	11
Number of Leaves sold	79
Number of Heralds sold	68
Subscriptions taken	1
Total Pieces Distributed	1389

WISCONSIN

Report of work done by three Seventies in Kenosha, Saturday evening, February 27, together with sales at meeting on Lord's day morning:

Heralds sold	26
Leaves of Healing sold	20
Messages given	72
Total number pieces distributed	118

A roll of Leaves and Heralds and a Bible were sent to the inmates of the jail in Kenosha last week.

OREGON

The following report shows the work done in the City of Portland, Oregon, from February 14th to 20th, 1910, by Deacon and Mrs. Frank Robinson:

Number of calls made	365
Number of Messages distributed	462
Number of Leaves sold	46
Number of Heralds sold	50
Number of Leaves and Heralds mailed	25
Number of Leaves and Heralds given	40
Number of Penny Tracts sold	16
Total Pieces distributed,	639

HELPS TO BIBLE STUDY

[Continued from Vol. 24, No. 24]

By Elder C. F. Viking (China)

LESSON ON DIVINE HEALING

Divine Healing is a very important subject in Zion. It is always in the forefront of Zion's daily life. The most valid thing about it is what God says. What God has made known on the subject in the history of His dealings with mankind as given in the Bible, should be read and rehearsed not only on the platform, but also in the Junior work and in every family circle in Zion, until even the little children know it well.

This lesson, today, comprises the most important passages in the Old Testament on Divine Healing teaching and testimony. These twelve verses, found below, lead into a rich field of positive help on the subject.

God is the Healer from the very beginning of life. Whenever the sick humbled themselves before Him, and did what He commanded them, He healed them of their sicknesses.

The king on the throne, the wanderer in the wilderness, the leprous and with divers diseases, stricken people, even at the point of death, were delivered from the curse of sickness by Jehovah, the Healer of His people.

In this connection we find some wonderful testimonies to Divine Healing. The song of Redemption, of Salvation and Healing runs through almost the whole Old Testament time giving praise to God.

The closing scene is very wonderful, for the prophet pictures the rising of the Sun of Righteousness with healing in His wings.

TWELVE CHOICE PASSAGES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT ON DIVINE HEALING.

Abimelech	Genesis 20:17
Hezekiah	2 Kings 20:5
Miriam	Numbers 12:13
David	Psalm 30:2,3
People	2 Chronicles 30:20
Zion	Jeremiah 30:17
Covenant	Exodus 15:26
Diseases	Psalm 103:3
Word	Psalm 107:20
Will	Isaiah 57:18
Stripes	Isaiah 53:5
Wings	Malachi 4:2

NOTE: Only one word is used to memorize these passages, and each word gives the key to its passage. The first six words are names of people, the last six are names of other things.

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This is not a hotel, but is just what its name indicates—a "Zion Home" where Zion people and their friends may live in an atmosphere of quiet, peace, purity and Divine power. Every Christian care and courtesy will be shown to all.

The tables will contain the best of wholesome food, properly prepared and served.

Zion people may secure rooms, either single or en suite, for light house-keeping.

Everyone will be expected to govern himself or herself according to a given code of rules and regulations.

Positively no medicines, drugs, or surgical appliances of any kind, or tobacco, or liquor in any form, will be permitted on the premises; nor will any other than Zion literature be permitted to be sold or circulated anywhere on the premises, excepting approved newspapers, tracts, books, magazines, etc., at the desks in the Main Lobby.

Purity of body, soul and spirit depend as much upon purity of thought and suggestion as upon purity of food; and the purposes of Zion Home are to guard guests against every form of evil.

Regular morning devotionals are held for the employes at 9:00 o'clock, and for the guests at 9:15 o'clock; evenings, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock; other evenings at 7:30; to which meetings all are invited and expected to be present so far as possible.

Meetings for teaching God's Way of Healing and for systematic Bible study, will be held at regular intervals, and will be presided over either by the General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, or by some Elder or other officer appointed for the purpose.

Elder F. Richert resides in the Home and will respond promptly to any call for prayer.

In Zion Home the atmosphere of Christian Charity, thoughtfulness and prayer prevails and there is no more ideal place to learn God's way of Healing and the principles of Holy Living.

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Let the Home become a place where God's way will be sought, and the principles of His Kingdom studied and put into practice.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Paul's Style of Prayer Meeting

By O. L. Tindall

It would be interesting to know how Paul would conduct a prayer meeting, or a general meeting of the whole Church. In the fourteenth chapter of First Corinthians we may learn some things, at least, as to what ought to be done and how to conduct a meeting of this kind, and what its object is.

That chapter is very peculiar, in many respects, and has given even the doctors, or teachers, some trouble to interpret.

We do not wish to enter into any of the doubtful points of controversy, but simply to notice some practical points which may lead to our own edification and help in conducting our gatherings.

Paul gives some wholesome advice for the whole church when the members come together. This does not seem to be a case where one gives a sermon and occupies the whole time as is usually done at the regular Lord's Day Services. It would seem, rather, to correspond to our week-day assemblies or what we are accustomed to call prayer, praise and testimony meetings, in which many may take a part. We may ask first,

What is the Object

of such gatherings? This is plainly stated as two things, viz:

First, to edify or to build up the Church; and

Second, to convert unbelievers if they chance to come in.

These are both important.

The church is simply a great building composed of redeemed men and women. The word "edify" is a builder's term. It refers to the act of building. Paul said he was "a wise master builder;" he had laid the foundation but other men must build thereon. So we are said to be built on the foundation of the Apostles, and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief Cornerstone,—a "great spiritual house," said Peter.

What a work to prepare the timber and put it in its place! How beautiful to see a building rise in all its symmetry, every joint fitting properly. That is the work to be done to edify the Church, or build up the Body of Christ. Every meeting that is held in the House of God should be with the view of edification. How thoroughly Paul emphasizes that point—"Let everything be done unto edification." This is the chief purpose.

The second object of meetings refers to convincing and converting the unbeliever if he should come in. But this, I should say, was not the prime object of such gatherings. Paul was an evangelist who went out on campaigns of conquest to make new converts, and break up fallow ground, and then to bring together the believers for united work. But

How Conduct These Meetings?

The principal means, Paul says, is by prophesying. This he seems to put above all the other extraordinary gifts. While they are good and worthy to be sought after, yet he says, "Seek rather that ye may prophesy." Prophecy seems to be a gift that should be enjoyed by all, and used for good both to saint and sinner. This is one of the most universal gifts of the Spirit. Paul so speaks of it here. It is of practical use, even in the week-day prayer meetings. All of God's children should have it. No man can be useful without it. It is far better, said Paul, than the Gift of Tongues.

The old prophet said that in the last days God would pour out His Spirit and "Your sons and daughters shall prophesy; and upon the servants, and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out My Spirit"—Joel 2:28.

What it Means to Prophesy.

Paul throws much light upon this subject and corrects the idea of many who suppose that "to prophesy" means simply to foretell future events. This is not true. He says of it that it means to speak unto edification, and comfort, and exhortation.

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To prophesy, then, is to teach as well as to foretell. To be able to prophesy, in either sense, a man must have the baptism of the Holy Spirit. No meeting is carried on to the edification of the Church and to the conversion of unbelievers unless the Holy Spirit is in it and directs those who take part. "I will pray with the Spirit; I will sing with the Spirit." There would be a variety in the exercises.

"When ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying."—1 Cor. 14:26.

There ought to be many prophets in the Church—men who are filled with the Spirit. The Spirit will make prophets. He made Saul, the first king of Israel, a prophet. When the Spirit of the Lord came upon him he prophesied and surprised all his neighbors so that when he went home they said in astonishment, "Is Saul among the prophets?"

Paul's prayer meeting had men in it, and they did the talking and teaching. Now-a-days the men are very scarce, as a rule, in the mid-week meetings, and generally very silent. The women have to do most of the work. For some reason, in this particular church, Paul told the women to be silent. I care not to discuss that here. He evidently allowed them to pray and prophesy at times, for in the eleventh chapter of this same Epistle he speaks of women praying and prophesying, and it is their privilege. But they are not to usurp authority.

Now, he says, if a meeting is carried on in this way instruction is given, and comfort is administered to the sad; song and praise are in the people, and tongues are rightly used, then if an ignorant man, or an unbeliever, comes in and listens he will be convinced that God is with you and "he will fall down upon his face and worship God."

How much the Church needs instruction all along the line in order to become useful and know how to do things for God; how to use their gifts to edify each other and to save the sinner.

The right kind of prayer meetings will be most productive of good. All the work does not devolve upon the preacher. Improve the gift that is within you. "Stir up the gift of God which is in thee," said Paul to Timothy, his son in the Gospel.—2 Tim. 1:6.

"Follow after charity and desire spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may prophesy."—1 Cor. 14:1.

Who is there among us who cannot tell some poor sinner the Way of Life. All can speak some word of comfort and consolation to the sad and weary, and can cheer them on their way with a glad song of praise.

The Healing of Naaman

An Address Delivered at a Divine Healing Meeting, Tuesday afternoon, January 18, 1910, in Zion Home Auditorium, Zion City, Illinois.

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

[Reported by Miss S. J. B.]

General Overseer—Can you tell me where, in the Bible, I will find the story of the man who had won great achievements, and who stood in high favor with the King of his country, but was a leper?

People—"In the fifth chapter of the Book of Second Kings."

General Overseer—Yes, in the fifth chapter of Second Kings. We will now take up the study of this wonderful chapter—not that I expect to say all that could be said, but it is a wonderful study.

Before you turn to your Bibles, I would like you to tell me the names of the principal characters who are pictured in this story.

Who is the first character mentioned?

Voices—"Naaman."

General Overseer—Who is the second character mentioned?

Voices—"The King of Syria."

General Overseer—Who is the third?

Voices—"The Captive maid of Israel."

General Overseer—Who is the fourth?

Voices—"The wife of Naaman."

General Overseer—Who was the fifth?

Voices—"The Prophet Elisha."

General Overseer—Who is the sixth?

Voices— "The servant of Naaman."

General Overseer—Who are the next characters mentioned?

Voices—"The King of Syria and the King of Israel."

General Overseer—Who is the last mentioned in connection with this story?

Voices—"Gehazi."

General Overseer—Gehazi has more descendants than any other man who ever lived—Why? Because he was a notorious liar. While I am not a pessimist, yet the older I grow, and the more experience I have, the more I am convinced that there is more lying going on today than ever at any other time since Creation's dawn.

We will now read this chapter, and see what there is in it. You follow closely as I read.

Lesson from Naaman

The word Naaman means "pleasantness," or "agreeableness" and that is a very nice name to have. You say of some people that they always bring sunshine, and of others that they always bring the "blues."

Now, when persons say to me, as they do sometimes, that they have been having the "blues," I ask them what the "blues" look like, for they are something that I do not know anything about.

Well, I never yet had an attack of the "blues," and I do not think it is very becoming for Christian men and women to have the "blues;" it must be a terrible disease. It is something that some people cultivate just as they do a geranium in a flower-pot.

Christianity Makes People Pleasant

Naaman's name meant "pleasantness," and we all ought to be pleasant. Christianity never was designed to make anybody sad; it is impossible for a true Christian to be sad; and a man or a woman who is living the right kind of life, and who is in touch with God, is always glad. No; Christianity never was intended to make people sad.

It is true that the first work of the Holy Spirit is to convict people of their sins; but the very moment that they yield themselves to God and become Christians through repentance, and faith in Jesus the Christ, then sadness disappears, and gladness enters into their lives.

Zion, let us all seek to be more pleasant.

Always scatter sunshine.

You will meet some people and say to them "Peace to thee," and they will answer "How do you do?" That may do for Chicago or New York and other places, but in Zion City we are supposed to use the Christian salutation, "Peace to thee."

Then, again, you will walk down the street and meet someone else and you will say "Peace to thee," and he will not even look at you—perhaps he ate something for dinner that did not agree with him.

Those things are very amusing. I want to emphasize to the people under my ministry, that we should speak to everybody we meet, no matter whether or not they speak to us.

Now, what kind of a spirit has a man or a woman who will refuse to speak to another? I do not care what may have been said or done, nor what the provocation, the Bible says that "if we have not the Spirit of the Christ, we are none of His;" and I do not place much confidence in the Christianity of a man who refuses to speak to people, I do not care who he may be.

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We always ought to be pleasant, and we ought to scatter sunshine and health and good cheer. All that is the matter with some of you this afternoon is that you are looking too sour —too sober altogether; you ought to brighten up a little and let the sun into your eyes, and give your eyes a chance to look out upon the world. Be bright and cheerful.

Good health and sober looks do not go together. Do not have that distressed, downcast look; but brighten up and cheer up and be pleasant.

Just because you may be sick—and no doubt there are some here this afternoon who are sick and afflicted,—that is no reason for anyone to look downcast and distressed.

Cast your diseases upon the Lord Jesus the Christ, and say, "Now, Father, this body is Thy temple, I plead with You to heal me, for Jesus' sake." And then just take God at His Word, and as you pray, believe that you will receive that for which you ask and pray, and you shall have it. But what a glorious privilege it is for us to be able to take God at His Word.

Bible Names Have Meanings

I like Bible names, and I am going to advocate in Zion that our little children be given Bible names. All Bible names mean something. The names Abram, Abraham, Isaac, Sarah, Sarai and Elijah, all meant something; and among the Hebrews the very first name given to the little babes signified something, and so did the first little garment that was put on them; and then, as they grew older, they were dressed in garments having many tassels, representing the number of precepts in the Mosaic law; and each little child was taught to count those tassels, and the number of them meant something.

God to be Given the Glory for Success

The position which Naaman held was that of Captain of the King of Syria's Army; he stood in high favor with his Master, because he had won great victories.

Now, to Whom did they give the honor and the glory for the victories?

Voices: "To the Lord."

General Overseer—Yes; and as I was reading this story this forenoon, I was impressed, as never before, that all the way through the Bible God is given the glory.

Now-a-days men are given the praise and the glory. No matter how great the victory that is won, or how great the achievements, how few people ever think of saying, "Verily, it is the Lord's doings."

Take right here in Zion City: About all that some people can see is Voliva and that there is a fight on; and they say that if they only could get rid of Voliva they could do something; but that is a very foolish position to take.

God Almighty established Zion City, and His hand is now over Zion City; and it does not make any difference who the man is, nor will it matter if ten thousand persons array themselves to destroy this City; they will have to reckon with God—but the opposers never stop to think of God Almighty.

I consider it providential that I am preaching in this place this afternoon, and I give God all the credit and the honor and glory. It is not due to any man's superior ability; but the man whom God sustains is the man who will succeed against all odds.

"There shall no man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life," was God's promise to Joshua, and it is equally His promise to all His servants.

If it is God's will to put this whole City into my hands, He will do it; and the smartest men on earth can come up and seek to prevent it, but they will never accomplish anything.

We ought to look at these things in the same way they were looked at in the days of Naaman; when he conquered and won a great victory, it was said that he did it through the Lord.

Now-a-days, when a great earthquake occurs and thousands of persons are killed, it is explained as a "convulsion of Nature," without ever stopping to think that God the Almighty has withdrawn His hand and has allowed His judgments to fall as a warning to mankind.

Zion's Mission to Exalt the Lord

People have ruled God out of His universe largely, and now it is up to Zion—as a Church, as a Movement—to fulfill the prophecy of Isaiah: that the day will come when the Lord alone shall be exalted. We must remember all those things, and not take any of the credit to ourselves; but we must give God all the honor and all the glory.

If you have not, this afternoon, an unwavering faith that God is going to give us all of this City, then get alone with God until you have that faith.

The complete salvation of Zion City will not be because I say so, but because God the Almighty founded this City, and He has not left His people without a leader.

It does not matter if you have not a cent this afternoon; the gold and the silver belong to God; and the earth belongs to Him and He will do the work.

When Zion City is completly redeemed I do not want you to give me the credit; but I want you to give all the praise and all the glory to God the Almighty. It is God alone Who must save and Who must heal, and it is God alone Who must save Zion City.

My brothers and sisters, never allow pride to enter into your hearts; do not strut around like a peacock; but just remember that you are nothing—you have absolutely nothing to be proud over.

Some people are proud of their looks, and others of their accomplishments, and they feel themselves to be above others.

Ah! yes, some people are quite willing to have the rich people come into the Church; but what about the poor drunken men, and the poor fallen women, and the poor degenerates who are almost bereft of their senses—are you as anxious for them as you are for the beautifully dressed?

The Strong to Bear the Burdens of the Weak

Ah! my brothers and sisters, it is the poor down-trodden, the weak, the oppressed, the weary and the suffering, who need the help of the strong, the vigorous and the powerful.

I know it is one thing for a man to stand and talk when he is strong and well; and another thing when disease has reached for his vitals, and his strength is gone. Ah! I tell you, what we need is more of the milk of human kindness. When you go into a sick-room and see the fevered brow, and when the heart beats irregularly and the pulse can scarcely be felt, and you are battling there, and strength is almost gone; what that sick person needs is one who is in touch with God—one who can place beneath that sick person strong arms, and can pray the prayer of faith and lift him up. Yes, that is what this old world needs.

And I tell you, my brothers in the Ministry, you will never get victory in any case, or be blessed of God in any home, unless your visit to that home is like the visit of an angel,—and unless you go into that sick room and place the responsibility upon yourself, instead of placing it upon the poor sick one.

Any spirit other than the spirit of kindness and consideration, is not the Spirit of the Christ; and if you have not the Spirit of the Christ, then you are none of His.

The Savior of Men Compassionate

The Lord Jesus the Christ was the very embodiment of tenderness and kindness to the sick and to the suffering—although He heaped vehement denunciations upon the hypocrites of His day, yet how very tender and kind He was.

Think of the Son of God standing and weeping with a woman as she sorrowed over the death of her brother!

Ah! it is all well enough when you are up and do not know what it is to suffer a pain, and when your body throbs with perfect health, to stand and tell others what they ought to do, and tell them that if they had any get-up they would do this or that or the other thing.

Some of you who are here this afternoon are entirely too rough, and you do not handle the sick properly; you are too severe; and you forget that important lesson; but never mind,

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder O. L. Tindall

God hath spoken great and good things of thee, O Zion.

It becomes Zion everywhere to make good these things, not for their good alone, nor for their glory, but first of all for the glory of God, that His Name may be honored and glorified among men.

A man must not be selfish in his religion. He must learn first of all to live for others, as did his Lord and Master.

Zion, saved, and redeemed and restored to her once high position, and calling, and mission, and profession, will make a profound impression upon all the world. She is already a City set on a hill and cannot be hid. Her name has gone out to all the ends of the earth, and all the world is watching her.

Many eyes are upon her, some, it is true, for evil, but many are saying throughout all the earth.

"God save Zion and Zion City."

When we work for Zion and her welfare we are building far better than we know.

Zion is leaving the wilderness, on her way to the Promised Land which flows with milk and honey. Israel, of old, never had such an inheritance before them in Canaan's rocky shores, as has Zion today if she will march up and possess it for God and His people. Shall we not take lessons from our Fathers? Were they not given for our example? Did not the Apostle rehearse them in his Epistle for our instruction, admonition, and encouragement?

Where are we, O Zion, today, in our pilgrimage?

We have passed the Red Sea, have we not? Ask those who were held in bondage of sin and evil of various kinds; those who were in bondage to the awful drink habit and the tobacco habit, bound hand and foot by satan. How many of you were in slavish fear of your masters?

Were not your spirits in bondage before you broke away from the apostasy?

Zion set many of us free; but that is not the whole journey to the Promised Land.

Are we at Kadesh-Barnea, on the very borders of this land? and do we hesitate and fear to go forward? Are we full of fear of the giants, of the Anakims and their walled cities, with their men, used to wars' alarms?

Are you now sighing for the leeks and onions of Egypt?

Are you asking Aaron to make you a golden calf to take you back to your bondage? Have you forgotten God and what He has done for you in spirit, soul and body, and gone back to the doctors with their poisons and their deadly drugs?

Where are we standing today?

Are you listening to your leader and the faithful Caleb and Joshua who said, "We are well able to take it; let us go up at once and possess it"? or are you listening to the cry of the cowards who are afraid and do not trust God and go forward?

How are we to take this beautiful land of promise?

One word describes it all. It is what the Lord said of Caleb and why he was permitted to go up and possess it while the others perished in the wilderness. Said the Lord:

"But My servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed Me fully, him will I bring into the land whereunto he went."

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How many, alas, follow Him afar off and are fitful in their service and when temptations beset them, and when trials and tests come they falter and fail!

It is the same old story.

God's people must follow fully if they would enter into His rest here, or hereafter.

How many of the common blessings of God's promise do men fail of getting for the same reason! They must be sought with the whole heart. The man must go into the service of God in order to be acceptable to Him.

Half-heartedness is fatal to success in anything.

Had they followed the Lord fully, their journey to the Promised Land would have been a short one. It was not far from Egypt to Canaan by the shortest route. That was God's route, too.

But man's route was by way of the wilderness, forty years long, and oh, what suffering and trials, serpents, wars, deserts, hunger, and thirst, and death!

How many take the same route now to salvation? Have they found that rest of spirit which is promised the children of God, or are they still restless and unhappy?

How many take the Wilderness road to health?

Christians, are they? Yes; but they have not yet entered into that rest which God promised and prepared for all who would enter in.

Many stagger at the promise. Some get afraid. God's time is NOW. It is always said of the sick who come for healing, and "Straightway she was made whole," or "Immediately his leprosy was healed." "Thou art made every whit whole."

"Thy sins are forgiven thee,"—when?

Why, NOW—in the selfsame hour.

Not only did fear and unfaithfulness lead the Children of Israel into untold trouble, suffering and finally death, but see the curse it entailed upon their poor and innocent children.

No one can estimate the evil that will come if Zion does not go up and possess the land, and the blessings God has promised her and her children and children's children for all the generations, till Jesus comes to set up His Kingdom on the earth.

O ZION, GO FORWARD!

The Healing of Naaman

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your day will come; you talk to others in that severe manner and show not the Spirit of the Lord Jesus the Christ, but your day will come, when you will be prostrate and when your strength will be quickly leaving you and you will be longing for a kind word; and then, perhaps, someone will come in and talk to you in that spirit; then you will be reaping just exactly what you have sown.

Ah! my brothers and sisters, if there is any place where the greatest kindness ought to be shown, it is in the sick-room.

Now, I want you to remember this story of Naaman, for this one thing if for nothing else: that his name meant "pleasantness," and that for the victory that he won for his King and the greatness which was achieved, the Lord was given all the praise and all the glory.

God will not Share His Glory

God will not share His glory with any man. The man or the woman who attempts to steal God's glory will be ground to powder. God will have all the glory for each one who is saved, for each one who is healed, and for each one who is cleansed and blessed.

Some people say, "Well, now, are there any healings now-a-days?" Why, I could stand here and tell you of scores of them quite recently.

Let Mrs. Bowers and Mrs. Buckman and Mrs. Curry and Mr. Davis tell their stories, and there are scores of others whom I could mention; and some day we will give them an opportunity to tell their stories, to the honor and glory of God.

When any person testifies to a healing which God has wrought, I do not care to have my name mentioned at all.

It does not matter in the least who prayed for you. God healed you; therefore give God the glory. Remember that the man who exalts himself shall be abased, and the man who humbles himself shall be exalted. The proof of one's ministry, is the fruit that it bears.

We do not want any labels tacked on around here. You may be somebody very great; but I do not want to know it. You will be judged by your life, and not by what you say. It does not matter what you say, for people say all sorts of things; merely what one says does not prove anything.

Self-Control and Humility Graces to be Cultivated

My brothers and sisters one of the sweetest traits of Christian character is self-control; and another beautiful trait is humility. Do you not know that truly great men and women never appear to be great? True greatness is on the inside and not on the outside.

Take some men and dress them in generals' uniforms and put swords in their right hands, but that would not make them generals nor commanders.

True Christianity is in the heart and in the spirit. Whoever exalts himself will be brought down; but whoever humbles himself, God will exalt. Give God all the honor and all the glory.

Our progress in Zion City is not due to any shrewd financiering; but we owe it all to God the Almighty.

Oh! it is such a blessed thing to trust and to rest entirely in God.

Judgments Come upon Men

When an earthquake happens, I say it is a judgment from God; and when a cyclone comes and sweeps away half of a city, I say it is a judgment from God—and that is just what it is.

As the Day of Christ's appearing draws nearer, more and more will God's judgments fall; and there have been a number of His judgments right here in Zion City. Yes, a number of things have transpired in connection with Zion, that I am just as satisfied are judgments of God the Almighty as that I am standing here this afternoon.

When something great and glorious is accomplished, I recognize the hand of God in it, and give Him all the honor and all the glory; and that is what all ought to do, and that is a lesson which all must learn.

The Separating Force of Negative Words

There is another thing that impresses me here. You know that little word B-U-T; it is a terrible little word, and you people use it a great many times; there is not one person here but who has that little word in his or her vocabulary.

Some one will say, "Now, Mrs. So-and-So, who lives across the street from me, is a good woman, and a good wife and mother, but—" and then you spoil the whole story by raising doubt or suspicion.

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There was Naaman, "the pleasant man," and Captain of the hosts of the King of Syria who had won a great victory—BUT he was a leper.

Ah! Yes, poor Naaman was just like the sick are today who know not Jesus the Christ as their Healer, and they have no hope—no hope from doctors, nor from drugs, nor from surgical instruments.

Just look at the poor wrecks of humanity all over this world today, some have spent fortunes and tried all kinds of doctors and drugs and different treatments; and they are without hope.

Zion Teaches the way to Victory

O, what a glorious mission is Zion's! for Zion's mission points them to the Lamb of God—Who not only takes away the sins of the world, but Who also takes away the diseases of the world. What beautiful teaching to give to poor, suffering, dying humanity—to teach them how to live!

The Human Body Wonderful — the Temple of God.

What a wonderful machine is the human body—"the temple of the Holy Ghost." That is the reason why I like to see people looking neat and nice about their wearing apparel—because the body is the "temple of the Holy Ghost."

This body God has given to me, is the "temple of the Holy Ghost;" that body which God has given to you is the "temple of the Holy Ghost," and we have no right to fill these bodies with drugs and unclean food and drink—no right at all.

My brothers and sisters, let us thank God every day for Zion and Zion's teaching. It should not be any trouble to grow enthusiastic over Zion's teaching.

There is no Healer but God through His Son.

Tell people the foolishness of taking drugs and tell them the story of the Christ, Who died to save them and to heal them. No one else can heal; God alone must do that.

A few days ago I heard of a certain minister down South who intends reading one of my sermons to his congregation. Well, when a minister will read a Zion sermon to his congregation, then I have some hope for him.

Why, the poor people are dying, and they do not know anything about their Healer; and the ministers do not know how to tell them about Jesus the Christ as their Savior and Healer, or how to pray the prayer of faith for them.

I have already told you the story about a certain young man who accepted Christ as his Healer. His pastor ridiculed him for the step which he had thus taken; and so the young man opened his Bible and read one portion of Scripture after another regarding Divine Healing, and as he would finish reading the various selections he would say to his pastor, "All right, you say there is not any Divine Healing, then let us tear out of the Bible all reference to Divine Healing."

And as the young man kept on reading the different selections, such as—

"Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him—anointing him with oil in the Name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save him that is sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him."

"Confess your faults one to another, and pray for one another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

"Jesus of Nazareth went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him."

"Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father Who is in Heaven."

"They shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover."

"And He said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace."

"And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond?"

"How that God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power; Who went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him."

—and the pastor said that this doctrine of Divine Healing was not true, the young man said to him, "Now, let us be consistent, and if these selections of Scripture that I have read are not true, then let us tear them out," and so, as he read each one, he would just tear it out of his Bible; and I tell you there was not very much left.

Hush every lip, close every book,
The strife of tongues forbear;
Why forward reach, or backward look,
For love that clasps like air?

The healing of Christ's seamless dress,
Is by all beds of pain;
We touch Him in life's throng and press
And we are whole again.

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ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of Life, which the Lord hath promised them that love Him.—James 1:12.

Determination.

Man's capacity for wholesome work is limited only by his own hopes and ambitions.

When once you have made a resolution to do a thing, be determined to succeed.

If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small.

Who knows what your capabilities are? Set your mind to accomplish a certain result, and forge ahead to victory, no matter what the disappointments may be.

The man with strong courage and an indomitable will is bound to succeed. Even though he may have encountered the reefs and may be driven upon the storm-swept rocks he will not despair. If a mistake has been made in steering his vessel he will take new bearings, watch the compass more closely, and ever keep his eye piercing through the gloom of the night, and looking beyond the storms unto his Guiding Star. Morning will eventually dawn for such a man, with all the beauties of a radiant sunrise.

Determination to succeed is one of the fighting qualities of a man. The determined man goes on when others turn back. Obstacles and difficulties only spur him on to a redoubled exertion, and seeming impossibilities, but to the achievement of success, and the enforcement of victory.

A man is never conquered by his enemy *until* he admits his own defeat.

The man who has courage to face the issue squarely, without flinching or swerving from the responsibilities thereof, is sure to win.

Let your motto be "I WILL," not "I can't."

Men who lack confidence in their ability to succeed confess a weakness which will hinder their success. True leaders of men are those who know how to meet and overcome difficulties. They have had hard knocks in the school of experience and have profited thereby. This has taught them valuable lessons which will never be forgotten.

It is not for the true Christian to look for flaws and faults in his fellowmen that he may hurl them at those who happen to err; rather they should pray for the erring ones and help them to overcome the difficulties which may beset their lives.

Jesus the Christ did not cast a stone at the erring woman, but said, with tender compassion, "Go, and sin no more."

Let us, as Christians, emulate the life of Jesus, our Elder Brother, and endeavor, by the grace of God, to follow in His steps.

It is easy enough to be pleasant,
When life flows by like a song;
But the man worth while
Is the man who can smile
When everything goes dead wrong.

OHIO

Report of Seventy work done from February 12 to March 1, 1910, by the Cincinnati Branch, E. E. Harwood, Officer-in-charge; also an extract from a letter dated February 28, 1910.

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"Thank God for many blessings and many answered prayers."

Sick calls and visits	31
Messages given	973
Leaves sold and given	73
Heralds sold and given	72
Tracts sold and given	217
Total number pieces distributed	1335

COLORADO

Mrs. Luella Ferges of Trinidad, Colorado, sends the following report of Seventy work done during the month of February:

Number calls made	251
Number Messages given	165
Number Leaves sold	79
Number Leaves mailed	10
Number Tracts mailed	9
Total number pieces distributed	263

ILLINOIS

The following is the report received from Stanley Murphy, for Seventy work done in the City of Chicago for the week ending February 28, 1910, eleven workers having reported for duty:

Number Calls made	256
Number Messages given	332
Number Leaves given	25
Number Leaves sold	14
Number Heralds given	24
Number Heralds sold	11
Number Cards given	38
Total number pieces distributed	444

Fifteen sick calls were made.

WISCONSIN

Report of work done in Kenosha, by nine Seventies, Saturday evening, March 5, 1910, together with sales at the meeting in Carpenters' Hall, Lord's Day, March 6:

Voice From Zion sold	3
Zion Heralds sold	38
Leaves of Healing sold	38
English Messages given	197
German Messages given	52
Total number pieces distributed	328

Plain Instructions

To One and All Interested in the Redemption of Zion City.

How to Make Investments In Zion Institutions and Industries.

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

PLAN NUMBER ONE.

INVESTMENTS in Zion's Institutions and Industries may be made in any amount for one year or longer, all investments to bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum.

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Investments for one, two, three or five years participate in the dividends at the ratio of 5, 6, 7½ and 10. To illustrate: For the dividend period between July 31st, 1908, and January 31st, 1909, investments for one year received, in addition to their 6% per annum, 1 4-10% dividend; investments for two years, 1 8-10 % dividend; for three years, 2 2-10 %; for five years, 2 8-10 %; making the amount received by each investor for five years equal to 8 8-10 % per annum on his investment.

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All persons desiring to invest under Plan Number Two should fill in the following application form and send it to Wilbur Glenn Voliva, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

APPLICATION FOR INVESTMENT IN ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES.
(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

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I,_____ hereby make application to invest in ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES the sum of _____DOLLARS, on or before the_____day of each and every calendar month until I have deposited in the aggregate the sum of_____DOLLARS.

Name_____

Postoffice _____

State_____

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The tables will contain the best of wholesome food, properly prepared and served.

Zion people may secure rooms, either single or en suite, for light house-keeping.

Everyone will be expected to govern himself or herself according to a given code of rules and regulations.

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Purity of body, soul and spirit depend as much upon purity of thought and suggestion as upon purity of food; and the purposes of Zion Home are to guard guests against every form of evil.

Regular morning devotionals are held for the employes at 9:00 o'clock, and for the guests at 9:15 o'clock; evenings, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock; other evenings at 7:30; to which meetings all are invited and expected to be present so far as possible.

Meetings for teaching God's Way of Healing and for systematic Bible study, will be held at regular intervals, and will be presided over either by the General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, or by some Elder or other officer appointed for the purpose.

Elder F. Richert resides in the Home and will respond promptly to any call for prayer.

In Zion Home the atmosphere of Christian Charity, thoughtfulness and prayer prevails and there is no more ideal place to learn God's way of Healing and the principles of Holy Living.

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Let the Home become a place where God's way will be sought, and the principles of His Kingdom studied and put into practice.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, General Overseer
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The Gospel of the Kingdom

"I Am The Lord That Healeth Thee"

By Deacon Theodore Forby

GOD has ever been thoughtful for the health of His people. Goodness and perfectness have always characterized His works. From the beginning, all His creation has been "good" and "very good;" and for man, under the influence of an evil spirit, to destroy or negative the goodness of our Heavenly Father is to commit sin and set him at enmity with the Giver of Life. But God is merciful, and for His own honor and glory His love reaches out to reclaim man and to protect him.

Therefore it was that the Children of Israel, as the beginning of God's specially called nation among men, when marching out of Egypt toward the Promised Land, elicited from their Heavenly Father the keenest interest and sympathy. They were aware of the conditions which were left behind in Egypt: of the plagues that had scourged their captors repeatedly; of the protection God had shown to Israel by giving them light and comfort when all Egypt was in darkness and its people being tested and judged for their transgressions and hardness of heart; and now, Israel, having left behind them their enemies, and the servitude the part of slaves, were facing toward a new land, new hopes, new privileges, new destiny, the way to which was hedged with some trials, perhaps some hardships, but with what possibilities, and daily manifestations of Divine favor! As a schooling for all this, God, seeing their proneness to complain, and to fortify them for every emergency, gave them an object lesson—the bitter waters of Marah—typical of their own spiritual bitterness—and, as before their eyes He caused the waters to be sweetened and their physical thirst slaked, He also extended them a promise to encourage them and sweeten their spirits and create within them a hope and a faith which would make them to know that their God was able to lead them, and use them for His glory and to their own happiness only so long as they obeyed Him. Hence His covenant of Divine Protection, Intervention, or Deliverance, as follows:

"If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will (permit to be) put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have (permitted to be) brought upon the Egyptians; for I am the Lord that healeth thee."

Here is a clear promise from God Himself that obedience will make people immune from sickness, disease, scourge, and death in its horrible aspects; and so long as Israel kept that covenant their health remained, and every time they broke that covenant, calamities, sickness, disease, suffering, adversity, and death followed as consequences; and, as God is ever merciful, every time they repented and promised in their own spirits to obey Him, health, joy, happiness and prosperity returned.

The thought, then, for Christians today, is: If they will turn away from remembering God, toward selfish ambitions and follies, God cannot, in the exercise of Divine justice, protect them from the consequences of the devil's purpose to destroy; but, if man will believe God and obey His commandments, the promises of protection are as a wall of fire about every one, and, under the tender hand of the loving Father, only blessings, life, health, joy, peace, happiness, and prosperity can come.

The Author of Life only can protect life and give to it the fruition designed for it to possess; and, out of the goodness of God in doing all things perfectly, no life will remain unadorned with the fruits of the Spirit if left wholly to the guidance of Him Who doeth all things well.

The Lord only gives health; and every mind, spirit, heart, soul and body that is staid on Him shall be kept in perfect peace and develop to the fullest capacity and beauty.

Why? The answer is: "I am the Lord that healeth thee."

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The Healing of Naaman

An Address Delivered at a Divine Healing Meeting, Tuesday afternoon, January 18, 1910, in Zion Home Auditorium, Zion City, Illinois.

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Yes, God is the Healer of His people, and He is the Only Healer; therefore we must make no compromises.

For Salvation or Healing there is no Remedy Aside from God's Remedy.

One will say, "But cannot I put a little liniment on my rheumatic leg?" No; you cannot. Rheumatism is simply caused by over-eating—over-working the body with Thanksgiving dinners and with Christmas dinners—that is the cause of rheumatism—no matter whether you have it, or whether I have it, that is the cause of it; and then some people will rub a little liniment on their foot, and think by so doing they are going to scare the rheumatism out.

God is the only Healer; but here the people are today with all of their churches, and their preachers, and their societies, and their papers; and yet the rank and file of them are in total ignorance of Jesus the Christ as the Healer, Cleanser and Keeper of His people.

Thousands Can Witness to Divine Healing.

When I look at many families in Zion City, how thankful I am to God for what He has done for them. Mrs. Ball, God has done wonders for your family. I remember the first time that I sat and talked with you in Central Zion Tabernacle, Melbourne, and I know how many times God has healed you. Why, it is wonderful!

Hundreds and thousands of people could tell how wonderfully God has saved them from their graves.

Ah! I will tell you, my brothers and sisters, if people would only quit looking at the little stock that they have in Zion, and quit looking at the defects and mistakes of John Alexander Dowie, and would look at the hundreds of people who have been saved, healed, cleansed and blessed, they would all be healed this afternoon. Just remember that there are hundreds of people in Zion City this afternoon who today would have been in hell had it not been for the teaching of John Alexander Dowie.

My brothers and sisters, nothing is ever lost that is put into God's work.

Ah! yes, money is a dangerous thing; and there are very few people who can possess money and true Christianity at the same time.

If your pocket-book has the lock-jaw, then it needs prayer; it is a very bad thing to carry a pocket-book that has the lock-jaw. Well, if I do not get the love of money out of the hearts of the members of this Church, it will not be my fault.

My brothers and sisters, I say that when God is prospering us is the time when we ought to go upon our faces before God.

Ah! yes, it was easy enough to be humble in an old tent; but we should be just as humble now when God is prospering us.

Zion, I like to see you all saved to the uttermost. There is nothing that I like to hear better than to hear a man say, "Thank God, I have been washed in the blood of the Lamb, and the stains of sin have been taken from my spirit, and I am consecrated to God." And how I rejoice to hear one who has been sick and afflicted for so long, stand up and say, "Thank God, I am healed."

Yes, I like to see you have your own homes, and to have them cosy and nice within the bounds of reason; I like to see you dressed neatly and nicely, but all within the bounds of reason, and without any extravagance.

The Power of Faithful Testimony.

Now, the little captive maid.

Oh! when I get to Heaven, I want to meet that little captive maid. Her name stands out prominently on the pages of history, and in the Word of God. Was it not wonderful that a little maid could do what she did? She did more than most professing Christians do now-a-days.

Just a little timid girl, she was not eloquent; what did she say? She said, "Would God that my Lord were with the Prophet that is in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy." Now, that is just your work today.

Do you not remember that in the days of the little Wooden Hut, they used to go and get the people and carry them on couches, and some used to carry them on their backs, and tell them of Jesus the Savior. Ah! Zion, witness for God.

How often the mistress of a house will turn you Seventies away from the door; but if you can get the girls out of the kitchen, they are glad to get the papers and to receive the message! That is true in thousands of cases.

Yes, the little captive maid said she only wished her master were with the Prophet in Samaria, for he would make him well.

Today there are thousands of people who do not know of Christ the Healer. Was there not a time when not one of you knew Christ as the Healer? Was there not a time when each one of you were in the same condition as the masses are now-a-days? And that is the reason why we should be very charitable.

The Curse of National Jealousy.

Now, the King of Syria sent letters to the King of Israel, and Naaman started out, taking with him gold and silver and a train of servants; and when he got to the King of Israel and presented his letter, how did the King of Israel act?—It made him mad, and he rent his clothes and said, "He is seeking some occasion of trouble against me." And that is just how much the King of Israel knew about the Prophet of God—or about the religion of the Jews.

Then it was that the Prophet of God heard the story and sent for him. Now follow this story; your part will come soon.

A Proud Seeker Humbled.

Naaman thought that when he drove up in front of the Prophet's house, the Prophet would come out and wave his hand over the trouble and he would be healed.

We all have notions and we all have our own way of thinking, have we not? Well, I will tell you, sometimes we have to learn by bitter experience, when our thinking and our opinions do not amount to anything. We have had to learn a great deal during the last ten years; and we have had to learn a great deal during the last three years—yes, and during the last two years; and our ways have not always been God's ways either.

Naaman thought that he was "somebody," and he had the same idea that some people have now-a-days—that they are very important and ought to be given some special attention, and in pride there is one of the great temptations.

Why—"there is a man out there who wants to see you, and he has five hundred dollars." Yes, and there is a poor washerwoman who has a cancer. And the majority say, "Let the man in who has the money—have no time to see that woman." Ah! yes; that is the way it often goes—a respecter of persons.

Now, what did the Prophet do? He did not even go out himself, but sent a messenger out to tell Naaman to dip himself seven times in the River Jordan. My! That was terrible! That was awful! To think that a man so prominent should be treated with such little consideration! And so Naaman got very mad.

Many times I have seen Dr. Dowie send people out of the prayer room, and tell them that he would not pray for them. I remember one woman who came from New York, and was brought in on a wheel chair. That morning Dr. Dowie preached

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on Triune Immersion, Obedience and Authority; and at the conclusion of his address, he said to the people, "Are you prepared to do what I tell you? Are you prepared to follow me as I follow God? Are you prepared to obey in baptism and to render full obedience to all the requirements of God's Word?" And that woman said, "Whenever God tells me to." And he said, "Take that woman out, I will not pray for her." And they took her out, and I do not think she ever was wheeled in again

Blessings Withheld Because of Stubbornness.

Now, my brothers and sisters, I believe there are many people who fail to get blessing because they are seeing how little they can do and yet squeeze through the gates. You know all the religion that some people want, is just enough to get them through, and merely that much religion does not amount to anything.

The man who has given himself to God, always asks the question, "Now, Lord, I have done this and that; is there one thing more that I can do?" Yes, a complete surrender is the only thing that counts.

When Naaman was told to go and wash seven times in the River Jordan, he became very angry, and said, "Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Why may I not wash in them and be clean?" and then he turned away in a rage to return to Syria.

Virtue in Patience and Perseverance.

Some people come to Divine Healing Service and then go away and say, "I waited there until five o'clock and was not going to wait any longer; I had to go home and get my supper." Well, when you reach the place where you will come and stay until five o'clock—yes and until midnight, then is when you will get something from God. You cannot get your healing while you are thinking about making hot biscuits; you must shut the world outside and get down to business.

Naaman's servants had more sense than he had; and they said to him, "If the Prophet had bid thee do some great thing wouldst thou not have done it?" and there is a great deal of that same kind of spirit in the world today—even in Zion. "If I cannot have such a position I will not have any at all."

Well, Zion, I am ready to scrub floors, if necessary, and that is the reason why I am where I am today; I am not above any kind of work in the Master's Vineyard. Ah! yes, we are all willing to do some "big thing" but it is the little things—and those who are not willing to do little things never do big things.

Perfect Willingness to Obey Only Sufficient.

So Naaman listened to his servants; and he returned to the River Jordan and dipped himself seven times, and was healed of his leprosy.

Why was he not healed after he had dipped himself just once? Because God Almighty, through His Prophet, had told him to dip "seven times," and therefore nothing less than seven times would do. When he dipped himself the sixth time, he was still a leper; but when he dipped himself the seventh time he was perfectly healed.

God Knows the Little Thing Which Hinders.

Ah! my brothers and sisters, there may be just one little thing yet—just one little thing—but God knows what it is; it may be any one of a thousand things, but God always knows what is the trouble.

There was no virtue whatever in the waters of the River Jordan; no, the virtue is in the obedience—doing what God wants one to do.

Now, I will tell you my brothers and sisters, pride may keep back a blessing. If God is training us, if God is disciplining us, then we have to yield to the discipline; and whatever there is about you or me that is not in accordance with God's will, we have to give it up; we have to overcome.

The Killing Effect of Pride and Temper.

Many people talk about an "absolute surrender,"—but they have not yet surrendered even the tip end of their little finger; there is too much talk and too little of the living; there is the difficulty. Ah! you know—you know what your trouble is, better than anyone else knows it; and yet some people claim to be ignorant, because they are so proud, and yet if you were to tell them that they were proud, they would deny it.

I have known people to fail to get their healing and die, simply because of an uncontrollable temper; and I have known others to die, simply because they could not get out of their minds the thought of their possessions long enough to pray and to think of God.

The Burdens of One's Possessions.

It always did occur to me as being a gruesome thing, that the last thing about which a man or a woman should speak before passing away, should be possessions and property. It seems to me that if I knew that in a short time I should stand before the Judgment Seat of God, I should then utter words of more importance than any other words that I had ever uttered. But think of a man or a woman who has professed to be a Christian for forty or fifty years, at the last moment to talk about what shall be done with the property! I tell you, it is mighty hard work to get the Holy Ghost and a house or a farm or other worldly possessions into a person's mind and heart at the same time.

Men and women who have the love of gold in their hearts will never take the stand and say, "Lord, all that I am and all that I have, all that I expect to be and all that I expect to have are on Your altar. Lord, take me as I am, and make me what I ought to be, in spirit, soul and body."

The beauty of a complete surrender of everything to God, is something that the vast multitudes know nothing about.

God's Gifts are Without Recompense.

Now, when Naaman had obeyed and had done what he was told, then he wanted to make a present of something to the Prophet of Israel; but the Prophet declined to accept anything from him.

And so I say to you Elders, if any person should ever suggest paying you for any service which you may render, and you should take that money, then I will put you out of this Ministry.

God's service is not to be sold, and a minister of God is not to work for dollars and cents—"Freely ye have received, freely give."

If any person who has been greatly blessed, desires to contribute something towards the extension of God's Kingdom, that is a different matter. The reason why Elisha refused to take something from Naaman was because Naaman wanted to pay him for it.

The Awful Consequences of Covetousness.

The sequel to this story is a terrible thing—an awful thing. I have read it many times, but never before was more deeply impressed with it than I was this morning, as I read this chapter.

The sequel: Gehazi was mad because Elisha would not take something, and so he followed after Naaman; and when Naaman saw him coming, he alighted and said, "Is all well;" and Gehazi answered him, "All is well," and then told Naaman that Elisha had sent him to take from him certain money and changes of raiment.

My! What an awful thing! And we read that story and say "Poor Gehazi!" but there are very many today who will do the very same thing for money. Naaman gave to Gehazi those things for which he asked, and when Gehazi went back and told Elisha what he had done, Gehazi was struck with the same leprosy from which Naaman had been healed, and was a leper until the day of his death.

Some Diseases Are Judgments.

My brothers and sisters, there are multitudes of people carrying around with them today diseases which are simply judgments upon them; they may not think it, but it is true nevertheless—they are judgments.

Ah! they say "I have always been a good man," or, "I have

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.
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I am the Lord that healeth thee.
And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder F. Richert

"All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth unto such as keep His covenant and His testimonies."—Psalm 25:10.

God will teach His erring, but penitent people, all the ways of Life, for His own ways of dealing with them are infinitely kind and faithful to His covenant.

The paths of God are those in which, in conformity with His own revelation, will and purpose, He walks with men.

These paths are: Grace, for the salvation of men is their goal; and Truth, for, at every step, they comfirm the faithfulness of God and the assurance of His promises.

"Surely His salvation is nigh them that fear Him; that glory may dwell in our land."—Psalm 85:9.

This promise was fulfilled when Jesus, Who was the brightness of the Father's glory, dwelt among men.

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory of the Only Begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth."—John 1:14.

This verse is the theme of the Gospel and the central truth of Christianity—the turning point of the history of the world.

When our Lord was born, He took upon Himself our whole nature. The glorified Redeemer has exalted humanity and points everyone to the very Throne of God.

John reveals to us the mystery of the Word, which was made flesh, and also the mystery of saving grace by faith, through which we partake of Eternal Life.

The glory which filled the temple at Jerusalem, and which hovered over the Mercy Seat, the glory which Isaiah saw in the sixth chapter, was the glory of Christ.

The glory of Christ was only visible to the eye of faith, revealed not only in the miracles of Christ and on the Mount of Transfiguration, but in the whole life of the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world.

"Mercy and Truth are met together; Righteousness and Peace have kissed each other."—Ps. 85:10.

The truth of God as revealed in His Word, righteousness, the free gift of God, salvation, justification and adoption, peace, redemption and immunity from all disturbing causes which imply prosperity and Divine blessings, have met in a kiss of reconciliation or affection, in Christ our Savior.

What a glorious and beautiful harmony is presented to us in these sublime words: "Heaven and earth blend and are reconciled."

Mercy and Truth, two radiant angels, linked hand in hand, coming from the holy Sanctuary of God, revealing the saving love of God and the Divine blessings, move among the sorrowful homes of suffering and dying humanity and, scattering the sunshine of Heaven's glory, lead penitent sinners to the Cross of Jesus.

Mercy and Truth, Righteousness and Peace are the eternal pillars of the Kingdom of God.

They meet together on the way, one going to make inquisitions for sin, the other to plead reconciliaton, and their mutual claims are blended in one common interest—they embrace each other.

At the fall of Adam, Truth exacted the fulfillment of God's threat, "The soul that sinneth, it shall die," and Righteousness had to give to every one his due reward. God must be true in all His ways, and righteous in all His works.

Jesus, the Son of God, reconciled all things in Heaven and on earth; upon Calvary, Truth went to Mercy and embraced her; Righteousness to Peace, and kissed her.

God's just hatred of sin was revealed with terrible evidence in the suffering and dying of Christ.

"God so loved the world, that He gave His only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have Everlasting Life."—John 3:16.

Without shedding of blood there is no remission of sin. When the penitent sinner sees the grandeur of God's law, and the lustre of God's justice, it becomes quite plain to him that he has deserved death.

What an unspeakable relief, what an inexpressible joy per-

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meates a poor, condemned and dying sinner when he learns that Mercy and Truth are met together; and Righteousness and Peace have kisssed each other.

Access to God, the return to the Father's House, is now opened at all times and from all places.

"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."—Matt. 7:7.

The sacrifice of Christ has rendered it just for Him to forgive our sins; and whenever we are led to repent and to forsake the world, the flesh, and the devil, even the righteousness of God is declared in pardon of every transgression.

The truth of God's promises may be seen upon earth in His faithfulness and love.

"Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the Lord thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed My voice, saith the Lord."—Jeremiah 3:13.

You shall be delivered from the judgment to come, and from the power of darkness, only acknowledge your sins.

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive them."

"Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am married unto you; and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion: * * * Thou shalt call Me My Father; and shalt not turn away from Me."—Jer. 3:14,19.

Jerusalem shall be called the Throne of the Lord—the Throne of His glory, for that shines forth in Zion, and the Throne of His Government; there He rules His obedient children by His Word and Spirit.

It is especially the Throne of God's Grace and Mercy; for those who by faith come to Zion, come "unto the City of the Living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels; to the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn, which are written in Heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, and to Jesus the Mediator of the New Covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling "that speaketh better things than that of Abel."—Heb. 12: 22-24.

"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.

Every miracle the Savior wrought on earth, every sentence He spoke, every pain He bore, is the eternal foundation and assurance of salvation for every returning and penitent sinner.

Whatever changes may take place in you, no matter how many sins you have committed, there, written in the Rock of Ages forever, stand the words, "Him that cometh unto Me I will in no wise cast out."

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord has anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek: He hath sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound."—Isaiah 61:1.

Open the Word of God wherever you want to with the hand of Faith. You will be thrilled by the presence of Christ. He is the Word. He is the Divine and infallible Teacher, the Savior and Healer of His people, the Source and Giver of all Grace and Life, the Conqueror of satan and death, "the same yesterday, and today, and forever."—Hebrews 13:8.

The effects of the redeeming work of Christ are wonderful. He expels sin, destroys disease and heals the sick, curbs passion, punishes and represses crimes, drives back impurity to hell, where it belongs; Christ shelters the orphan, elevates woman, and sanctifies the home.

"I, even I, am He that blotteth out thy transgressions for My own sake, and will not remember thy sins."—Isaiah 43:25.

"Sing, O ye Heavens; for the Lord hath done it: shout, ye lower parts of the earth: break forth into singing, ye mountains, O forest, and every tree therein; for the Lord hath redeemed Jacob, and glorified Himself in Israel."—Isaiah 44:23.

All Heaven and all the lowest depths of the earth; all the mountains and forest trees also are moved to one vast choral song of praise for what God is doing to redeem Jacob and to glorify Himself in Israel.

"Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His Holy Name. * * * Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; Who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies."—Psalm 103:1-5.

Unless iniquity is forgiven, redemption and healing are unknown blessings.

The Love of God not only delivers from sin, disease and death, but He makes His children kings, and weaves their crown out of His loving kindness and tender mercies.

"Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."—Matthew 11:28.

Take the yoke of Christ, which is easy, and throw off the yoke of pride, of covetousness, of sensuality, of worldliness, of selfishness, and of worldly ambition.

"Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth."—Luke 15:10.

"I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction."—Hosea 13:14.

When the Heavens wax old as a garment, God remains the same, and therefore His people shall outlast all these changes of the Universe.

The brow of Christ that bled beneath a crown of thorns, now wears the diadem of victory. Faith sees the triumph of redeeming love—the crowning work of the Son of God.

Life and immortality, the object of the believer's hope, are clearly brought to light by the Gospel; and the prophecy of Isaiah has been fulfilled upon Calvary.

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"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away."—Revelation 21:4.

In that celestial world there is neither woe nor want; nor griefs nor graves; nor sickness of body, nor sorrow of heart; nor cares, nor sighs, nor sin; where the crown hides no thorn, and the heart bleeds no secret wound; the sky wears no cloud, and the day never darkens into night.

Such blessedness has the Savior laid up for all those who love Him. Without this radiant hope of glory,—that the morning star will usher in the golden dawn of Eternal Life,—the sad world, where sin, sickness and death abound would darken into the black midnight of despair.

"I am the Resurrection, and the Life; he that believeth on Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. Believest thou this?"—John 11:25.

"Fear thou not; for I am with thee; be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will uphold thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness —Isaiah 41:10.

"Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in Thee."—Psalm 33:22.

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always been a good woman." Well, a lot of people do things that I would be afraid to do, and would consider myself foolish to do them.

I profess to believe in God; to believe in the ministry of angels; to believe in the Day of Judgment; to believe that I shall be called upon to give an account for every deed done in my body. Then, I tell you my brothers and sisters, with such professions, we cannot afford to trifle—no, we cannot.

But Oh! how very weak are some people, and how far short they fall; and then when they are down sick, and face to face with death, how frantically they attempt to put things right. But that is a very foolish way to live.

Strength Comes by Attending the Means of Grace.

Those of you who are well and strong here today, if you always want to be where you can get an answer to prayer, then live every day for God.

I tell you, my brothers and sisters, I wonder at the ease with which some people neglect the House of God on Lord's Day. Now, I know that in our membership we will always have some people who will be denied church privileges which they would love to have,and I am reasonable;but there are a number of people who have absolutely no excuse whatever, who will absent themselevs from the House of God; and then they wonder why it is that they do not make any spiritual progress.

If I had to sit at home all of Lord's Day after the way that I have been brought up, it would soon kill me. I was always taught to go to the House of God on Lord's Day. I love the House of God and I love the Word of God. I delight to go to the House of God, and always look forward to Lord's Day with intense joy.

And then there are people who have absolutely no excuse for staying at home, who will attend just one service each week; they are never seen in a prayer meeting; they never lift their voices in praise and gratitude to God; but they do not know what they are losing in this life,—no, they do not.

Spiritual Growth to be Continual.

A man can grow spiritually every day just as he grows physically; and he grows spiritually by feeding upon the Word of God, and attending to the means of grace, and by earnest prayer.

Ah! when you go to God in prayer, is He just as near and dear to you as your own husband, your own wife, or mother, or father, or brothers and sisters, or the nearest relative or friend that you have on earth?

I thank my God that I am never too busy every morning to kneel before an open Bible. Sometimes it is almost impossible to know how to manage all of my affairs and to get over here to the Divine Healing Service; but I always take the time every morning—three hundred and sixty-five days in the year, to kneel before an open Bible; and it is just as real to me as it is to sit down in a chair and talk with my nearest and dearest earthly friend.

The Lord Supplies All Needs.

Any man who would set before himself the task of redeeming Zion City, would be a lunatic unless God the Almighty had called him and trained him, and given him the strength to stand up under it; but I am not afraid; my faith is in my God; and when some little trouble comes up, it is so sweet to be able to take it to Jesus.

What is more beautiful than to see a little broken-hearted child who has broken his or her choicest toy, running to mama and crying and looking up into mama's face? Nothing could be more sweet and lovely than that; except the child of God who, when a little ailment or a little trouble comes up, runs right to Jesus and tells Him all about it. What could be more glorious than that privilege! But do not go in a half-hearted way.

You people who are in need of healing—why, just tell God all about it and say,"Father, this body is Thine, it is the temple of the Holy Ghost, and I have no use for it, except to glorify You; now I ask You to heal me, and I leave my body in Your hands." Take God at His word.

" 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus." That is such a beautiful thought.

If I could only put into words what is in my heart; but that is something which no man or woman can ever do—you cannot put your Christian experience into words, you cannot tell it; there is not any use in trying. There are times when it seems to me that all hell is let loose; but soon I feel the presence of my God, and then I say, "Another test; but, thank God, I have stood the test."

But no matter how hot the fire or how deep the water, or how lofty the mountains of difficulty, be not afraid. If we only know how to trust God we will never fear—never fear.

In Righteousness is the Secret of Success.

What I want to see in the lives of the people who sit under my ministry, is constant spiritual progress. The secret of success is to be right before God; and I do thank God today for the large number of loyal Zion men and women both here and throughout the world. God is so good to us—so very good!

God has wonderfully kept the people, all things considered; and He has most wonderfully kept the children.

When one looks at the human side of life and at the hereditary traits and weaknesses, and thinks of how far many people are away from God, how wonderful His keeping power has been! And I thank God for that more than for anything else.

I thank God, from the depths of my heart, for the beautiful spirit that prevails in this Church; and I earnestly pray that if there is any of the spirit of pride, or any of the spirit of class hatred, or any spirit other than the Spirit of God, that God will burn it out and take it all away.

God has been very good to us, and He will give to us blessings

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of which we have never yet even dreamed, if we are only steadfast and faithful, and will live a passive life.

My brothers and sisters, let nothing annoy you—absolutely nothing. We ought to be thankful to God for this teaching, and we ought to thank God for Zion.

Thank God for Zion.

Some people have said to me, "I do not like to hear the people get up and say that they thank God for Zion; why do they not say that they thank God for Christ?"

Zion, do we not thank God for Christ?

People—"Yes."

General Overseer—It is very foolish to think that some one does not thank God for Christ, just because he did not happen to say so in a particular testimony.

I might preach a sermon, and talk almost altogether about the Ministry of the Holy Spirit; but that does not mean that I do not honor and love my Lord and Savior. My brothers and sisters, I tell you that we have a right to thank God for Zion.

A few days ago a man who was in the Tabernacle said, "I do not know why Voliva talks so much about Dr. Dowie being such a Christian man and about his great teaching."

Zion, I thank God for the Book of Proverbs, and I thank God for the sweet little prayer in the Old Testament, where Solomon said, "Father, I am but a little child: I know not how to go out or come in." I thank God for the two Psalms that Solomon wrote. I thank God for the wisdom of Solomon, and for his wonderful life; and there were also many things in his life for which I do not thank God. John Alexander Dowie was only a man, and there were many things in his life for which I thank God; but there were also many things in his life for which I do not thank God. I will never thank God for John Alexander Dowie's abominable extravagance—whether it was his fault or the devil's fault, or whosesoever fault.

Tithes and Offerings Used in the Fear of God.

Ah, when I receive a letter from a member like this: "I herewith enclose you my tithes,——dollars. I have earned this money at the wash-tub, as I have a poor sick husband, who has been unable to work for three years;" I tell you, I would ten thousand times rather die than to misuse one single cent of that money.

I never did, do not, and never will stand for the extravagant expenditure of money; and anybody who does, would better repent quickly. God never gave us this money to be misused. In two years and five months the sum of ninety-four thousand dollars in tithes passed trough my hands. God did not give that money to me to be spent for diamond necklaces, but to be used for the extension of His Kingdom; and as long as I do right, nothing can stand before me, and I will go on to conquer and to win for God, and so will you if you do what is right.

My brothers and sisters, as we march forward toward the Heavenly Canaan of His glory, let us be right and be faithful, and serve our God.

The Servant of Christ Called to Minister to Others, Not to Be Served.

"Jesus the Christ came not to be ministered unto; but to minister."

Oh! that God would help the servants in Zion ever to remember that they have not been called to be ministered unto, but to minister. You people are not called to serve me; but I am called to serve you. I am your servant, you are not mine. Yes, that is the place of a Christian Minister. And I tell you, Ministers, if you have food, shelter and raiment, therewith be content. I am not bothering about a "rainy day."

This a Thoughtless, Thankless Age.

Oh! this is a sad world. The rank and file of the young people, Ah! there is not very much thought of God. Ah! No, there is very little thought of God.

Yes, as I sat here last Lord's Day evening and looked at that lovely congregation—Oh! what a lovely sight it was to behold; but, I tell you, I would have felt a good deal happier if I could only have known that they all were saved, and all in the Ark of Safety. I know that some of them are, and I know that some of them are not, and that they love pleasure more than they love God.

Some young people say, "Well, we have to have some pleasure and some entertainment." But what kind of pleasure? Well, if Zion young people will faithfully attend Choir practice and Band practice, and will go out once a week on Seventy work, and do their work as well, then they have not very much time left.

"Delight Thyself in the Lord."

Think of a son of God, or a daughter of God, with all of earth's perishing millions waiting for light and help, wanting to squander his or her time in pleasure!

Ah! my brothers and sisters, have I not stood at the bedside of some of our young people in Zion City, and sometimes I have felt Oh! if all of our young people could only see how stupid and how foolish is all this pleasure business! Let them take street cars to Milwaukee or Chicago, or somewhere else, and help to rescue perishing humanity.

We sing, "Rescue the perishing, care for the dying!"—"Throw out the life-line!"—and many other such hymns, and sometimes I wonder if any serious thought is given to the sentiments thus expressed.

Ah! my brothers and sisters, there is much to live for—yes, there is much to live for. Give yourself to God today. Be faithful stewards, and use what you have for God, and do not be afraid. The redemption of Zion City will cause multitudes here upon the earth to praise God; and it will cause rejoicing among the angels in Heaven.

Ah! I tell you, if the last act of your life were to sacrifice in order that there might be at least one City for God, well might you be the happiest man, or the happiest woman on the face of the earth.

Redemption Comes Through Sacrifice.

You know many people have died for Christ. You and I enjoy many things today because others have toiled and died. The heritage which we possess, has been bequeathed after the sacrifice of many lives. You know nothing great is ever accomplished unless some life is sacrificed, or somebody dies for it.

Abraham Lincoln gave his life to free the slaves. The assassin's bullet that cut his life short was fired because he dared to sign the Emancipation Proclamation; but Lincoln knew what he was doing.

May God bless this meeting to your good. Tonight, before you retire, may the words that I have spoken help you to have sweeter communion with God than ever you have had before. I pray that God will work mightily. My earnest prayer is that every man and every woman who has ever stood under Zion's banner, may again take his and her stand for God and for Zion; for that is the one thing that will mean their salvation. Because, when a man has once tasted of the truths and the teaching of Zion, he may wander over the earth, but he will never find any rest for the soles of his feet or be satisfied elsewhere.

I am so glad that the wanderers are coming back one by one. A few days ago I heard of one family of seven; and my prayer every day will be that God will touch their hearts and direct their steps in right paths.

ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of Jehovah forever.—Psalm 23:6.

GOODNESS.

The only way to do good, is to be good.

It is what you are—at your work, in your office, in your home, or alone among strangers. Your actions are what will

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count when your life here upon earth is finished, and you are ushered into the presence of God to have your account balanced up.

Upon which side of the ledger will your balance appear?

God's purpose is for men and women to live the kind of life He revealed in His Son, Jesus the Christ.

"Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." —Philip. 2:5.

The true Christian finds joy of spirit and peace of mind in following in the steps of Jesus.

The result of such a life is kindness and good deeds to others.

Be honest, true and loving in your innermost self.

Let your motive be pure and nothing can defeat you.

Opinions may be put on and off like clothes; words are controlled by your will, BUT DEEDS ARE WHAT COUNT.

Do not permit yourself to be troubled over the disappointments of life.

Remember the admonition of Jesus, when He said: "Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things, but ONE thing is needful, and Mary has chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her."—Luke 10:41,—and what was it: Patience and freedom from care and anxiety.

Choose the good part which shall not be taken away from you. Be good and kind to others. Seek to copy the life of Jesus. He went about DOING GOOD; He had compassion on the wayward and erring ones. No sinner was too vile for Him to save; those who came unto Him He in no wise cast them out.

"To err is human; to forgive is divine."

The sun has its spots.

Our best men have their scars.

Is there one who has been tempted and tried, yet without sin?

We must partake of the Divine nature and forgive others if we would grow in the grace and favor of God.

Do not be discouraged.

The kind and loving invitation of Jesus rings down through the ages: "Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

Let your life be filled with goodness and mercy, then you may be permitted to dwell in the house of Jehovah forever.

Deacon and Mrs. Frank Robinson submit the following report of work done in Portland, Oregon, for the week ending February 27th, 1910:

Calls made	357
Messages distributed	370
Leaves sold	52
Heralds sold	51
Leaves given	101
Heralds given	77
Penny tracts sold	33
Total pieces distributed	684

The following is report of work done in Council Bluffs, Iowa, by Messrs. Banks and Anderson, for the week ending March 5th, 1910:

Number of calls made	597
Number of Leaves sold	30
Number of Heralds sold	25
Number of tracts sold	3
Number of Penny tracts sold	138
Number of Messages given	597
Total pieces distributed	793

Mr. Stanley Murphy of Chicago sends in the following report of work done in Chicago during the week closing Mar. 6th, 1910:

Number of calls made	299
Number of Messages given	394
Number of Leaves given	140
Number of Leaves sold	10
Number of Heralds given	157
Number of Heralds sold	11
Number of cards given	80
Total pieces distributed	792

Report of disposition of literature in Kenosha Saturday evening and Lord's Day morning, March 12 and 13, seven Seventies taking part in the active work of Saturday evening:

The Zion Herald sold	48
Leaves of Healing sold	35
Penny tracts sold	18
German messages given	28
English messages given	255
Total number of pieces distributed	384

List of Zion Institutions and Industries.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer
Deacon W. Hurd Clendinen, General Manager

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion: Supported entirely by Tithes and Free-will Offerings.

Leaves of Healing: Supported by Subscriptions and Free-will Offerings;

Zion Herald: Supported by Subscriptions and Free-will Offerings;

Zion Bank: Does a General Banking Business, Solicits Commercial and Savings Accounts; Issues Exchange and makes Collections;

Zion Stores: An Institution having at present Fifteen Departments; buys and sells merchandise of all kinds; has capital invested of about $115,000.00, and does a business of over $300,000.00 per year;

Zion Printing and Publishing House: Prints Zion Herald, Leaves of Healing, Zion Tracts and Books; does a High Grade of Commercial and Job Printing;

Zion Administration Building: Occupied by the Headquarters Offices of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion throughout the World, Zion Herald, Leaves of Healing, United States Post Office, Receiver of the Zion Estate (John Alexander Dowie). Telephone Exchange, James Brister—Zion Dentist, Zion Realty Department, and Accountants of Zion Institutions and Industries (excepting Zion Stores);

Zion Realty Department: Buys and sells Real estate, writes Insurance, collects Rents, furnishes Abstracts of Title, and does a General Conveyancing;

Zion Home: Is a three-story frame building, 340 feet long and 130 feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms. The dining room is 60 x 90 feet, having a seating capacity of 400. The lunch room is 35 x 36 feet, and will seat 75 at one time. There are four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet. A roof garden 35 x 50 feet, and tower 70 feet high affording a view of great expanse over City and lake. The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

"That I May Know The Power of His Resurrection."

By O. L. Tindall.

IT is commonly supposed that a person will know nothing of the power of the Resurrection until after death. Little is ever heard of the Resurrection as being a matter of personal experience this side of the grave. We always associate the Resurrection with the next life. But Paul speaks of knowing something of the Resurrection now in this present life. Yes; and something more than a mere historical knowledge which we obtain from reading about it.

The Resurrection a Personal Experience.

Surely, were we not once dead in trespasses and sins? and have we not been made alive? Have we not experienced the quickening of the Spirit of Life, not only of our spirits, but of our bodies as well? Has not the Spirit quickened these mortal bodies?

This is only a foretaste of the glorious Resurrection which is promised to all of God's children. Paul describes this great Resurrection in most glorious terms in the fifteenth chapter of First Corinthians: when this mortal shall have put on immortality, and this body of corruption,—this weak body shall be raised in power.

This will not be altogether a surprise to those who have known of this power of the Resurrection in this life which it is the privilege of God's people to enjoy.

Our Hope is a Resurrection Life.

"You hath He quickened, who were dead." Jesus showed His power to raise the dead when He said to the son of the poor widow of Nain, already on the bier on his way to the grave, "Young man, I say unto thee, Arise. And he that was dead sat up and began to speak."

To Lazarus, four days in the tomb, He said: "Lazarus, Come forth," and the dead heard His Voice and came forth.

How good and kind of Jesus to condescend to show us this wonderful doctrine so plainly! Why should anyone doubt it?

Then the crowning miracle of all His life was His own Resurrection when He broke the bands of death and came forth victor over the grave, and so conquered, before the very eyes of both friends and foes, that last of all our enemies, DEATH.

The salvation of a lost spirit, the redemption from sin and the power of satan now in this life, is but a foretaste of that complete and perfect resurrection which awaits us who love His appearing.

Death is Prior to, and Necessary For a Resurrection.

Jesus must die before He could have a Resurrection. The seed must fall into the ground and die before it can come forth and bear fruit an hundredfold. So must a man die to the world, and the flesh, and the devil before he can live unto God. It costs something to die. What will a man not give for his life! He is a great friend who will die for another.

Death is a terror to mankind. It is called the "King of Terrors," and yet Christ died for us. He suffered death—the most ignominious death imaginable—that we might live and not perish.

There is a little death for us, but how great is the reward! "I died," said Paul, "yet I live." Yes, and I live more abundantly than ever before. A single grain of corn falls into the ground and dies and then it lives, and has multiplied an hundredfold. There are a hundred, and even more, bright grains of corn now in the place of the one that was sown. It will be the same kind of grain, but it will be raised in power. So we are sown in weakness, but we are raised in power. Our faculties and talents will be increased an hundredfold; yea, a thousand times. Now we know in part, and oh how small is it, but "then shall we know as we are known." "Now we see through a glass darkly, (or as a riddle), but then we shall see Him as He is."

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The Resurrection Should be Commemorated.

We commemorate the death of our Lord by eating the bread and drinking the cup as He taught us, and should we not ever keep in mind this greater (if possible) event and blessing—the Resurrection unto Life? Without the Resurrection, His death would have been in vain and so would be our faith in vain and our preaching; and if there be no Resurrection of the dead then why should we suffer and toil? Life would be in vain. Most lives in this world, even from a human standpoint, would be a vain show, a mere shadow, a vapor, a flower that fades in one brief day. Life would be vanity, sure enough, and a vexation of spirit. But Jesus Christ brought life and immortality to light and showed to this wicked, hopeless world that death does not end all, but that there is a glorious life beyond. This life is only the threshold to the next and better world, and death is only the doorway, the portal that leads to the Mansions on High. It is our privilege to have a part in that glorious Resurrection; but, if we do, we must have the Resurrection Life here.

Easter is set apart for this commemoration. So is every Lord's day. It should be a day of great rejoicing. How the hearts of the early disciples did burn on that glorious day as they talked by the way, of this momentous event! How their dead spirits revived! They were amazed and astonished, and almost doubted their own senses. It was too wonderful for them to believe. The greatest fact in all the Universe for poor, fallen humanity, is the Resurrection from the dead.

Christ is risen! Christ is risen! Therefore, we shall also rise with Him and live with Him if we are ready at His coming. "I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: and - - - in my flesh shall I see God."—Job 19:25,26.

Helps in Bible Study

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(By Elder C. F. Viking)

A NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ON DIVINE HEALING

The New Testament swings open the "Beautiful Gate of Divine Healing" at the very beginning of its sacred teaching.

God is visiting this world in the fulness of love and compassion in the Person of His only Begotten Son, Jesus. It was prophesied ages before that He would come to save and to heal. The wonderful Redemption Song comes down through the ages in words like these:

> "Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
> And the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.
> Then shall the lame man leap as an hart,
> And the tongue of the dumb shall sing:
> For in the wilderness shall waters break out,
> And streams in the desert."—Isaiah 35:5-6.

The New Testament teaching on Divine Healing is very simple and convincing; yes, there are thousands of Bible readers who fail to comprehend that this teaching and healing is meant also for us who now live.

One group of passages quoted below gives, most, if not all, the passages which have been misinterpreted and used as arguments for the need of doctors and drugs, wrongly declaring God as the originator of the modern art (?), the science (?) of healing (?); the mechanical system run by electrical, animal and material power.

Deliverance from sin and healing of diseases are both found running hand in hand all through the pages of the Divine record. The one is not there without the other and from their very origin in God's plan of the ages, they are inseparable to the very last.

But it is strange that, in our up-to-date age of knowledge, Divine Healing is looked upon as out of date and impracticable, and therefore left out almost altogether; whereas, salvation has been retained, at least in theory, if not in full realization.

How unwarranted and inconsistent such a dealing with God's Word is, our present Bible lesson will show. Salvation and healing and holy living are Gospel through and through—the Full and glorious Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

This lesson is divided up into three divisions with some remarks under each, which, I think, will be of help to those who have had little, if any, teaching on the subject, and who may come to read what is set forth.

A list of single words will also be found belonging to each division, being only one word from each passage, or, in a few cases, a word equivalent to the main thought of the passage, which may be of help to those who wish to commit the whole to memory.

The reader will then find, in all, 50 New Testament passages on Divine Healing in this lesson, and even if they are read through only once, together with an open Bible, or in a Bible class, my work has not been in vain.

"Give diligence to present thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth."—2 Timothy 1:15.

I. MISINTERPRETED PASSAGES.

Lord, if Thou wilt.—Matthew 8:2
He chasteneth.—Hebrews 12:6
Thorn in the flesh.—2 Corinthians 12:7
Large letters I have written.—Galatians 6:11
Trophimus I left at Miletus sick.—2 Timothy 4:20
Neither did this man sin.—John 9:3
Pouring in oil and wine.—Luke 10:34
Anointed his eyes with the clay.—John 9:7
Anointing him with oil.—James 5:14
Use a little wine.—1 Timothy 5:23
Leaves of the tree for the healing.—Revelation 22:2
They that are whole have no need of a physician, but—Matthew 9:12
Luke, the beloved physician.—Colossians 4:14

REMARKS

1. We need not now use "if" for we know that it is God's will to heal.
2. Love cannot use foul disease.
3. A thorn is not a sickness, nor does it represent sickness, but fretting over it may lead to sickness.
4. Large handwriting for their benefit.
5. Trophimus, no doubt, lacked faith for immediate healing.
6. Some other person's sin.
7. Moistening and cleansing the sores.
8. Clay was immediately washed off.
9. The oil was used symbolically.
10. A strengthening drink for a run-down constitution.
11. Leaves (words) from the Tree of Life.
12. Jesus is the Physician; we need Him when sick.
13. Praising the man, not his former practice.

FOR MEMORIZING

If, chasteneth, thorn, large, sick, sin, Samaritan, clay, oil, wine, leaves, physician, beloved.

II. POSITIVE TEACHING

Oppressed of the devil.—Acts 10:38
Spent all her living upon physicians.—Luke 8:43
Bare our diseases.—Matthew 8:17
By Whose stripes we are healed.—1 Peter 2:24
I will; be thou clean.—Matthew 8:3
Wilt thou be made whole.—John 5:6
Children's bread.—Mark 7:27
Freely give.—Matthew 10:8

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The same yesterday, today and forever.—Hebrews 13:8
Gifts of healings.—1 Corinthians 12:9
Gifts * * of God are not repented of.—Romans 11:29
The power of the Lord.—Luke 5:17
Turn again and I should heal them.—Matthew 13:15
Ask in prayer, believing.—Matthew 21:22
He had faith to be made whole.—Acts 14:9
By prayer and fasting.—Matthew 17:21
Ask anything of the Father.—John 16:23
He gave them power to cure diseases.—Luke 9:2
Healing all manner of sickness.—Matthew 4:23
They shall lay hands on the sick.—Mark 16:18
The Lord shall raise him up.—James 5:15

REMARKS

1. The devil is the first cause of disease.
2. Medicine and doctors are expensive and useless.
3. The Atonement covers healing for the body as well as salvation of the spirit.
4. Jesus also suffered in order to release us of suffering and pain.
5. It is God's will to heal.
6. You are free to choose God's Way of healing.
7. Divine Healing is the children's bread.
8. Divine Healing cannot be bought for money, but is as free as air.
9. The same Savior is also the same Healer.
10. Where the Holy Spirit is present, Gifts of Healings are manifest.
11. God cannot withdraw His blessings and His gifts, because He is Love.
12. This is the power of God and no animal magnetism.
13. The sick must repent and obey.
14. A doubter cannot receive anything.
15. Without faith it is impossible to please God.
16. God answers the prayers of a consecrated life.
17. Must not pray to Jesus, but to the Father.
18. The Gospel of the Kingdom is accompanied by Divine Healing.
19. No sickness is too difficult for God to heal.
20. God honors the laying on of hands for healing.
21. No one but the Lord can heal.

FOR MEMORIZING

Devil, spent, atonement, stripes, I will, wilt thou, bread, freely, same, gifts, forever, power, repentance, believing, faith, prayer and fasting, Father, cure, all manner, hands, Lord.

III. TESTIMONIAL FACTS

He washed, and came seeing.—John 9:7
His leprosy was cleansed.—Matthew 8:3
His ears were opened.—Mark 7:35
Healed him (a man with dropsy) and let him go.—Luke 14:4
And the fever left her.—Matthew 8:15
Felt in her body that she was healed.—Mark 5:29
It (withered hand) was restored whole.—Matthew 12:13
He (lame) leaped up and walked.—Acts 14:10
Feet and ancle bones received strength.—Acts 3:7
Found the servant whole.—Luke 7:10
Straightway the man (38 years sick) was made whole.—John 5:9
And laying His hands on him healed him (of dysentry).—Acts 28:8,9
Devil cast out.—Matthew 5:33
Many palsied and lame were healed.—Acts 8:7
They were healed every one.—Acts 5:16
God had mercy on him (Epaphroditus).—Philippians 2:27

REMARKS

In the New Testament we find almost all the sickness known to humanity, mentioned. Every person brought before Jesus, no matter how hopeless and incurable, was healed and set free from the devil's oppression. Healings took place not only while Jesus was here in the flesh, but long afterward, and in answer to the prayers and the laying on of hands of the Apostles, Elders, and Deacons in the Church. "Pray ye one for another" is an Apostolic direction to all believers. God has not gone out of business and He has no more handed over to doctors the work of healing those who suffer than He has given to the devil the work of saving immortal spirits. Beware of all doctors, and all drugs, and all devils.

FOR MEMORIZING

Blind, leper, deaf, dropsy, fever, withered, feet, lame, dying, chronic, demon, many, every one, Epaphroditus.

"He is Not Here; He is Risen."

By Elder F. Richert.

"I will sing unto the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously: - - The Lord is my strength and my song, and He is become my salvation: He is my God, and I will prepare Him an habitation;"—Exodus 15:1,2.

The wonderful and miraculous salvation of Israel prefigures with glowing and triumphant words the redemption of the human race. It is also a sublime prophecy foretelling the terrible judgment of God which will come upon the Godless nations and upon the enemies of God and of His people; the triumphant entrance of the people of God into the Promised Land of Eternal Rest; the erection of the temple of the Living God in Zion, and the perpetuity of the rule of God on earth, (Revelation 21).

"And when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary, the mother of James and Salome, had brought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint Him."—Mark 16:1.

"And the angel saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: He is risen; He is not here:"—Mark 16:6.

"The Lord is risen indeed!" Such were the joy-inspiring words with which each Lord's day morning, as they met for worship, the early Christians were wont to salute each other; and when we count over all the benefits and blessings which this rising of the Lord secured for mankind, we must praise God in the beautiful words of the Psalmist, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His Holy Name."

How rich is the heritage, which Christ has secured for us; how full our joy; how bright our hope when we behold the risen Savior; how firm a foundation for our faith! If the risen Savior is indeed the object of our faith, then our religion is the communion of our spirits with the Omnipresent and Living Savior, risen from His grave, arrayed in His glorified manhood, and seated on the Throne of God in Heaven.

He is the center of the Kingdom of God, and is in constant and intimate communication with the myriads of beings to whom, by His death, and by His enduring everlasting life, He is made Wisdom and Righteousness and Sanctification and Redemption. In the valley of the shadow of death we can now join the Heavenly Choir in the triumphant song, "Great and marvelous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are Thy ways, Thou King of saints. - - For all nations shall come to worship before Thee."

Death is abolished; let us rejoice and be glad. Angels, those spirits of purity and love, hasten to meet us here with their message of joy. They sang on the night of Christ's advent; they ministered to the Divine Sufferer in the Garden of Agony;

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder E. L. Carey.

RESURRECTION POWER.

"Touching the Resurrection of the dead, I am called in question by you this day."

These are the words uttered by Paul, the Apostle, as he stood his trial before Felix.

Amidst the skepticism and infidelity of the age, Zion takes her stand absolutely for the Word of God.

Why should it be thought a thing incredible that God should raise the dead?

WE PREACH CHRIST CRUCIFIED.
WE PREACH CHRIST RISEN.

On these two great doctrines, we as a Church, will stand or fall. If Christ be not raised, our faith is vain; we are yet in our sins, and we, above all men, are deluded and most miserable.

But with a boldness born of a Divine faith and an unwavering trust in the eternal Word of God, we declare: CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD!

Man, unguided by God, will always be falling into error. The Sadducees said there was no resurrection neither angel, nor spirit; but Jesus showed them their great error by reminding them that it was written "I AM the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. God is not the God of the dead, but of the living."

"He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."

To live in Christ, to have His life within us however, we must first die.

Jesus the Christ had to pass through the valley of humiliation, even to the death, before ascending the glorious mount of exaltation and honor.

God has made Him, Who was crucified, both Lord and Christ, and has given to Him a name which is above every name.

Lion of Judah—Hail!
And let Thy Name prevail
From age to age;
Lord of the rolling years!
Claim for Thine own the spheres,
For Thou hast bought with tears
Thy heritage.

All authority has been given to the Christ by God the Father; and so to Him will be given the power to put down all rule and all authority and power, yea, ALL ENEMIES SHALL BE PUT UNDER HIS FEET, AND DEATH, HIMSELF, SHALL, AT LAST, BE DESTROYED.

By our union with Jesus we participate in all that He has for us.

The man who calls himself a Christian must make good and follow the Christ or cease his talk and profession.

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The world calls for a practical religion.
Christ is the Author of such a religion.
It is for Christian men today to demonstrate that religion.

Men and women are wanted today who are prepared to d i e w i t h t h e C h r i s t. For such as these there awaits a glorious resurrection.

Let Zion, therefore, put on the new man.

If we are Christians, then we are risen with Christ; and if this be the case, let us prove it by seeking those things which are above.

What a wonderful work there is for the Church of God to do! HUMANITY HAS GOT TO BE SAVED.

The resurrection power of Christ must come upon us. The redemption which God has effected in Jesus the Christ is a complete one. Who can measure the extent of it?

"As in Adam a l l die, even so in Christ shall ALL be made alive." Oh, what a wonderful salvation!

We call upon every man, who will, to enter upon THIS GREAT CAMPAIGN for the salvation of poor, fallen humanity.

Let us press forward.
Let it be true in our case that old things are passed away.
Let us not look back except only to learn our lessons.
We have come out of darkness into light.
LET US WALK IN THE LIGHT.

The overcomer shall inherit all things.
"I will be his God and he shall be My son."
Therefore "Blessed are those that do His commandments that they may have right to the Tree of Life, and may enter in through the gates into the City."

We look for the coming again of Jesus.
This is the hope of the Church of Christ. We must therefore be ready when He comes, having our sheaves with us.

We must be wise, as the wise virgins, redeeming the time, for the night is far spent and the day is at hand.

"They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

And then was heard afar
Star answering to star—
"Lo! these have come,
Followers of Him Who gave
His life their lives to save;
And now their palms they wave,
Brought safely home."

He Is Not Here, He Is Risen.

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they rejoice over every sinner that repenteth, and they bear the spirits of the righteous to the Father's House above. Heaven and earth, angels and men, meet happily together at the open Tomb of the Christ. The Sabbath of the Old Covenant was over forever when the two women went to the Grave, and the first day of the week revealed the rising of the Sun of Righteousness out of the valley of the shadow of death.

Once God said, when He created all things by Jesus, "Let there be light." It was the first act of that mighty drama on which the curtain rose in chaos and fell on Paradise. Now God speaks again, "Let there be light." God is Light, and Christ is the Image of the Invisible God—the Fountain of Light enlightening every man, and, from the conquered tomb, the radiance of His life-giving glory pierces the night of death and shines forevermore to lighten the path of the believer from earth to Heaven.

As the traveler follows the light in a dark night so we must follow Christ, submit ourselves to His guidance, and in every way take directions from Him through the wilderness of this world to our Heavenly Home. And they said among themselves, "Who shall roll away the stone from the door of the sepulcher?"

Pilgrim to eternity, if you are standing at the grave of your fondest hopes, or your loved ones, with a broken mast of faith, and with torn sails of hope, and ask with a trembling heart: "Who shall roll away the stone from the door of the sepulcher?" remember that Jesus is the glorious Conqueror over death and hell. Your night of sorrow shall be turned into the light of joy, and one stone after another shall be rolled away. The empty tomb of Christ proclaims with a voice of thunder, from which sin, sickness and death shrink back into the darkness from whence they came, that Christ, the Son of the Living God, has brought life and immortality to light. His broad shoulders which uphold the Universe, are Divine.

Jesus rose, so all who believe in Him must rise; because the Christ life is their life. There is hope for every man that, if Christ be received as Savior, He will break the chains of death, and bring the redeemed at last to the eternal shore of Glory, where all may stand, the ransomed people, on the "sea of glass, having the harps of God," and in the unchanging morning of eternity, see its beams touching with golden light the calm ocean of God's providence beneath which sin, sickness, sorrow and woe, death, hell, and the devil lie buried forever, and in the rapture of that vision lift up our hearts with thanksgivings to God Who has "led us through fire and through water, and through the desert of this world to the Promised land of Eternal Life, rest and felicity.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Fourteenth Annual Convocation

OF THE

Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

will be held, God willing, in

Shiloh Tabernacle Zion City, Illinois

From July 10th to 20th, 1910

Begin your preparations now to attend.

Full program will appear later in Leaves of Healing and Zion Herald.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

(Successor to John Alexander Dowie.)

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Bible Study on "The Tongue."

(By S. A. W.)

The tongue is a little member, yet important, but hard to control; and although it has a double protection, viz: the teeth and the lips, even these are futile, unless governed by the Spirit of God.

God's Word says: "The tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things * * a fire, a world of iniquity, * * an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. No man can tame it."—James 3: 5, 6, 8.

THE TONGUE AS A SPIRITUAL THERMOMETER

"O generation of vipers! how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaketh. * * For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned."—Matthew 12:34-37.

"If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain."—James 1:26.

"If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body."—James 3:2.

A prayerful study of the following passages will enable us to decide as to whether our lives are at high or low temperature:

Foolish talking—Jesting:

"Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient; but rather giving of thanks.—Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience."—Eph.5:4,6.

Psalms—Spiritual songs—giving thanks always:

"Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ."—Eph. 5:19,20.

They flatter with their tongue:

"For there is no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part is very wickedness; their throat is an open sepulchre; they flatter with their tongue."—Psa. 5:9.

Reprove, rebuke, exhort:

"Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and doctrine."—2 Tim. 4:2.

Their tongue—speaketh deceit:

"The tongue is an arrow shot out; it speaketh deceit: one speaketh peaceably to his neighbor with his mouth, but in heart he layeth his wait."—Jer. 9:8.

Speak every man truth with his neighbor:

"Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor: for we are members one of another."—Eph. 4:25.

Thy tongue—like a sharp razor:

"Thy tongue deviseth mischiefs, like a sharp razor, working deceitfully."—Ps. 52:2.

How beautiful they that preach the Gospel of peace:

"And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!"—Rom.10:15.

The sinners in Zion are afraid:—fearfulness:

"The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites: Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?"—Isa. 33:14.

They spake the Word of God with boldness:

"And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the Word of God with boldness."—Acts 4:31.

How to get the tongue right:

BY PRAYER: "Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips, and from a deceitful tongue."—Ps. 120:2;

"Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth: keep the door of my lips."—Ps. 141:3;

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in My Name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in My Name, I will do it."—John 14:13,14.

BY WATCHFULNESS: "Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile."—Ps. 34:13.

"Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life."—Prov. 4:23.

"For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile."—I Pet. 3:10.

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BY RESISTANCE:—"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you."—James 4:7.

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary, the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: whom resist, stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. But the God of all grace, Who hath called us unto His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you."—1 Pet. 5:8-10.

BY CONFESSION:—"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."—James 5:16.

WHY GET THE TONGUE RIGHT?

The Lord hates a lying tongue:—"A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood."—Prov. 6:17.

Lying lips are abomination to the Lord:—"Lying lips are abomination to the Lord but they that deal truly are His delight."—Prov. 12:22.

The Lord heareth the prayer of the righteous:—"The Lord is far from the wicked: but He heareth the prayer of the righteous."—Prov. 15:29.

That he of the contrary part may be ashamed:—"Sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you."—Tit. 2:8.

That I should know how to speak a word in season:—"The Lord God hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary; he wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned."—Isa. 50:4.

That we may abide in His tabernacle:—"Lord, who shall abide in Thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in Thy holy hill? He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart. He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbor."—Ps. 15:1,2.

THE GLORIOUS CONSUMMATION

"As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to Me and every tongue shall confess to God."—Rom. 14:11.

"And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."—Phil. 2:11.

ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

"He is not here, but is risen: remember how He spake unto you when He was yet in Galilee."—Luke 24:6.

EASTERTIDE.

With the return of spring, Easter comes at a season when the idea of immortality is emphasized by Nature breaking into new life. The bright, warm sunshine, flooding the land, brings back to us the beautiful flowers and the green grass which have been covered by the snows of winter, and the pretty birds return, warbling their carols of praise to Jehovah, Maker of them all.

At this season of the year when all Nature seems in tune, the spirit of Easter is like the spirit of Hope in that it points us once more to the scenes of Galilee, its trials, temptations, and victories, where the Son of God dwelt among men and went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed by the devil.

When His ministry upon earth was about accomplished, and the time of His departure was near at hand, we see Him before Pilate, scourged, crowned with thorns, and wearing a purple robe, mocked, spit upon, despised and rejected of men; yet this was He Whom angels delighted to honor, and He Whom God had acknowledged as His beloved Son, in Whom He was well pleased.

Surely the sun ne'er shone on a more wondrous sight.

Never let us forget when reading this story of Christ's suffering, that He suffered for our sins, and that suffering as He did, He made the sacrifice and atonement once for all, that we, through His stripes, might be healed.

Remember how He spake unto His Disciples when He was yet in Galilee, teaching them of the principles of the Kingdom of God, and admonishing them to "Go into all the world and make disciples of all nations."

Let us follow His example of patience, in all the trials and temptations of life, and be not like Pilate, the Roman Governor, a man of rank and position, halting between two opinions, in a case as clear as any case could be, for He, Himself, had said even the third time, "Why, what evil hath He done? I find no cause of death in Him." Yet from cowardice and through fear of displeasing the rabble he consented to the death of the innocent Man.

Pray that God will give us men in all positions of life who will have grace to think right and courage to live up to their convictions.

Remember that Jesus is not dead; He is not in the grave; but HE IS RISEN, and is at the right hand of God interceding for you and for me.

Repentance and remission of sins must be preached in His Name. Therefore, let us be up and doing, and work for the salvation of the sinner, for the healing of the sick, and for the cleansing of the polluted.

IOWA

The following is report of work done in Council Bluffs, Iowa, by Messrs. Banks and Anderson, for the week ending March 12th, 1910:

Number of calls made	855
Number of Messages given	855
Leaves sold	49
Heralds sold	43
Number of tracts sold	3
Total pieces distributed	950

OREGON

The following is a report from Deacon Frank Robinson and wife for work done in Portland from Feb. 28th, 1910, to March 14, 1910:

Number of calls made	277
Messages distributed	214
Number of Leaves sold	70
Number of Heralds sold	67
Penny tracts sold	176
Number of tracts sold	1
Leaves and Heralds given	50
Cottage meetings held	6
Total pieces distributed	585

CALIFORNIA

Evangelist Darms and wife, officers in charge at Los Angeles, submit their literature report for the month of February, viz:

Number calls made	500
Number of Messages given	600
Leaves given	20
Number of Leaves sold	70
Heralds given	10
Total pieces distributed	700

ILLINOIS

The Chicago branch sends in the following report of work done for the week ending March 13, 1910, eleven workers having reported for duty.

Calls made	158
Messages given	198
Number of Leaves given	31
Leaves sold	21
Number of Heralds given	15
Number of Heralds sold	14
Number of cards given	124
Total pieces distributed	403

WISCONSIN

Report of Seventy work in Kenosha, Wisconsin, for Saturday

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and Sunday, March 19 and 20, ten Sevenites working Saturday evening:

Heralds sold	37
Heralds given	14
Leaves sold	20
Leaves given	18
English messages given	189
German messages given	17
Total pieces distributed	295

Plain Instructions

To One and All Interested in the Redemption of Zion City.

How to Make Investments In Zion Institutions and Industries.

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

PLAN NUMBER ONE.

INVESTMENTS in Zion's Institutions and Industries may be made in any amount for one year or longer, all investments to bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum.

All investments made between April 1st and October 1st, of any year, bear 6% interest, and participate in the dividends declared January 31st following; all investments made between October 1st and April 1st, of any year, bear 6% interest, and participate in the dividends declared July 31st following.

Investments for one, two, three or five years participate in the dividends at the ratio of 5, 6, 7½ and 10. To illustrate: For the dividend period between July 31st, 1908, and January 31st, 1909, investments for one year received, in addition to their 6% per annum, 1 4-10% dividend; investments for two years, 1 8-10 % dividend; for three years, 2 2-10 %; for five years, 2 8-10 %; making the amount received by each investor for five years equal to 8 8-10 % per annum on his investment.

PLAN NUMBER TWO

Plan Number One is for all persons who have a lump sum of money and desire to invest it all at once.

Plan Number Two is for one and all who desire to save and pay in a definite sum each month until a total amount of so much has been paid in.

All persons desiring to invest under Plan Number Two should fill in the following application form and send it to Wilbur Glenn Voliva, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

APPLICATION FOR INVESTMENT IN ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES.
(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

———

_____1910.

I,_____ hereby make application to invest in ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES the sum of _____DOLLARS, on or before the_____day of each and every calendar month until I have deposited in the aggregate the sum of_____DOLLARS.

Name_____

Postoffice_____

State_____

All persons investing money under Plan Number Two will receive interest at the rate of three per cent (3%) per annum upon each separate monthly payment from the date of each monthly payment until the aggregate sum is paid in, and then a note will be given for the aggregate of said payments payable on or before five (5) years from date, drawing interest at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum.

Remittances should be by Post Office Orders, Express Money Orders, or by Bank Drafts payable in Chicago or New York, and all should be made payable to the order of Wilbur Glenn Voliva.

THE LAST PAYMENT
ON
Shiloh Tabernacle
will be due
JULY 1, 1910

Amount of Principal	**$ 2,500.00**
Amount of Interest	**62.50**
Approximate cost of necessary repairs and painting of Tabernacle	**1,000.00**
Total amount needed	**$ 3,562.50**
Cash in hand, March 21, 1910	**726.13**
Balance needed,	**$2,836.37**

It is my earnest desire and prayer that this amount of money be contributed by the first day of June, at the latest.

Let every officer, member, and friend of Zion, not only in Zion City, but throughout the world, pray very earnestly about this matter; and then let each and every one, in the Name of the Lord, do his or her duty.

Thanking, in the Name of the Lord, one and all for the generous responses in the past, and praying God's richest blessings upon you,

I am,
Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name
WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA
(Successor to John Alex. Dowie)
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

The Power of Prayer.

"WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE THE PETITIONS THAT WE DESIRE OF HIM."

By O. L. Tindall

A Christian does not have to walk in the dark at all times. Although it is said "We walk by faith and not by sight," faith brings sight. A man believes first for a thing and then he sees it. Joshua believed first that the walls of Jericho would fall before Israel's tread, and in seven days' time he saw the thing take place. Some say that "seeing is believing," but, no,

Believing Is Seeing.

Prayer is a wonderful factor. If a man knows how to pray, then all the problems of life are solved, for prayer covers all of life and its duties. If anything is wanted, take it to the Lord in prayer.

"Lord, teach us to pray" was one of the most important things the Disciples ever asked of the Christ. We can ask no better thing for ourselves—just teach me to pray. Only a few people know how to pray. If they did, great things would happen. Prayer is the lever that moves the Almighty Arm.

Wonderful things are accomplished by prayer. Said James: The fervent, effectual prayer of a righteous man availeth much;" and he then cites us to Elijah who prayed and it rained not for the space of three years and six months, and he prayed again and it rained. The whole kingdom of Israel was moved by prayer. Every man and woman from the king on his throne down to the peasant in his hut, and the animals in the fields, all felt the effects of that one man's prayer. The disciples prayed at the home of Mary, the mother of Mark, and the prison doors swung open and released Peter from his dungeon. Their prayer caused the earth to quake. Prayer is the same today if it is made right.

If we know that He hears us, then we know that we have the petitions which we ask of Him. That seems a simple thing.

Not All Prayers are Answered.

Does not God hear all prayers? It would seem not. Some prayers never reach Him. They are not effectual. A man goes to Washington to make a request for a favor—a post office, for instance—of the President. Many petitions are there at all times. The first thing he does is to get an audience with the man in the White House who has these favors in his hands to bestow. If he can get no audience then he has no hope for his petition. Something is wrong; the President will not admit him at all.

God does not hear some petitions. They do not come right. They do not ask anything "according to His will." The petitioner must ask aright—for the proper thing and in the proper way.

Paul asked earnestly three times that the "Thorn in his flesh" might be removed, but he got no answer except that it could not be granted. God would not hear that prayer even if it did come from a most worthy and faithful Apostle. It was not according to His will. His will is laid down plainly in His Book; just what and just how we should ask. We must study and find out His will in these matters, and then go accordingly, or no answer will come. We must ask in faith. We must be right in His sight. It is the prayer of a righteous man that availeth much.

If Prayer Does Not Get the Attention of God, Then No Answer Will Come.

Cornelius, the Centurion in the Roman Army, was a devout man and prayed to God always and gave alms, and it is said an angel appeared to him and told him that "his prayers and alms are come up for a memorial before God."

Now he has the assurance that they were to be answered sure enough in a strange way; and so after some little delay, Paul stood on the old ship amidst the sailors and soldiers on a dark night and in a fearful storm, when all hope of safety was

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gone. Nothing but death stood before them. This was their forlorn condition, fourteen days without food, and a great tempest upon them, all in despair, and yet Paul stands up before them and says to them, "Be of good cheer; not a hair of the head of any of you shall perish. There will be no loss of life to any, and they did all eat and were refreshed." How does this happen? There were no signs of any sun or stars in sight; all was dark and black, but Paul had been with God, and He knows the issues of man's life. He sent His angel and told Paul all this, and Paul said to the men, "I believe God, although the elements and surroundings are against me."

Paul got the answer to his prayer and the assurance, and he knew it would come. He knew now that he had been heard. He did not have to wait till daylight came and the shore had been reached before he knew they would be saved. No; his prayer was answered even amid the storm and darkness.

A man must be in touch with God when he prays. God reveals His secrets to them that fear Him, and makes known His covenant.

Zacharias got the assurance also from the Angel that his prayer was heard, though not answered for months. If we know that He hears us we know we have our petitions; that is, we have within us the evidences that our desires shall be granted. The Spirit bears witness with our spirit.

"Ask, and ye shall receive: seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."

"First Fruits" The Resurrected Christ.

"I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive forevermore."---Rev. 1: 18.

Addresses Delivered in Zion Home Auditorium, Lord's Day (Easter) Morning, March 27, 1910.

[Reported by B. M.]

Opening Exercises.

The meeting was opened by the congregation singing the Hymn:

Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious;
See the "Man of sorrows" now;
From the fight returned victorious,
Every knee to Him shall bow.

Ref. Crown Him, crown Him, angels crown Him,
Crown the Savior "King of kings."

After which the following Hymn was sung:

When I shall wake in that fair morn of morns,
After whose dawning never night returns,
And with whose glory day eternal burns,
I shall be satisfied, be satisfied.

Ref. I shall be satisfied,
I shall be satisfied
When I shall wake in that fair morn of morns.

When I shall see Thy glory face to face,
When in Thine arms Thou wilt Thy child embrace,
When Thou shalt open all Thy store of grace,
I shall be satisfied, be satisfied.

When I shall meet with those that I have loved,
Clasp in my arms the dear ones long removed,
And find how faithful Thou to me hast proved,
I shall be satisfied, be satisfied.

When I shall gaze upon the face of Him,
Who died for me, with eyes no longer dim,
And praise Him with the everlasting hymn,
I shall be satisfied, be satisfied.

General Overseer—Now we will have that chorus again. Think of all the loved ones who have gone before, and of the great time of reunion! Some of you here this morning have almost run your journey. Some of you have passed your seventieth milestone; some of you have passed your eightieth milestone. What a glorious thing it is to pass away full of years and full of experience, with no regrets and with every assurance that you shall hear the beautiful words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

The Glorious Easter-time.

The Easter-time is a glorious time, and I do not know that ever in my life has Easter meant so much to me as it does this Easter Lord's Day. I have read a number of times during the last week, each of the chapters in the four Gospels on the Resurrection, and our minds should go back this morning, to the first Easter Lord's Day. You women, especially, ought to think of that Lord's Day morning, for a few women showed greater faith than the Apostles themselves; and I noticed, in my reading yesterday, that one writer makes the statement that those holy women were "apostles to the Apostles," and even when they took the message to them, they did not believe. I thought how kind, how loving, how merciful, how patient, how forbearing is our God. Although Jesus upbraided the disciples for their unbelief and hardness of heart, yet at the same time, God remembered the frailty of their frame; and "He knoweth that we are dust;" and if there is a person here this morning who has not developed the trait of mercy—the spirit of forgiveness—then such an one has fallen far short of approximating the perfection of our God and Heavenly Father.

May this Easter Lord's Day be another milestone in every life here.

The salvation of Zion City is a great deal nearer now than it was a year ago, and in our services today, as we worship God, let us add another prayer to the thousands already offered, that God will yet redeem Zion City and make it a refuge for thousands of His children from all parts of the world.

This is one of the most beautiful hymns ever written.

"I shall be satisfied
When I shall wake in that fair morn of morns."

After we have sung the chorus again, let us have the chorus of the "Glory Song." It may be coupled with this chorus; it fits in very nicely:

"When by His grace I shall look on His face,
That will be glory for me."

Heaven Not Far Distant---The Angelic Ministry.

I have often told you that Heaven is a good deal nearer than you think. I believe this room is full of angels this morning. The doctrine of the ministry of angels is one of the most plainly taught doctrines in the Bible.

"The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them."

The "fear of the Lord" is a fear to do wrong.

What did Jesus say about the little children?

"Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in Heaven their angels do always behold the face of My Father."

So there is an angelic ministry.

Last Lord's Day afternoon, in the sermon that I delivered, I placed before you the story of how all the mountains round about Elisha were filled with the Heavenly hosts who had come down to battle for God's servant.

You know, the Church is to be found part in Heaven and part on earth, and they are not so very far apart after all. Now, with these thoughts in mind, let us sing this chorus, and then the chorus of the Glory Song. The main part of the Glory Song for me, is just that one part there, "When by His grace I shall look on His face." O, how we long to see the face of Jesus the Christ, Who has done so much for us!

The Resurrection the Most important Event in Christ's Ministry.

At Christmas-time we preach sermons on the birth of Jesus,

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and we preach sermons on His wonderful life, and we deal with His crucifixion; but the most important part of Christ's mission to this world is His resurrection from the dead.

May God make this a glorious day for all of you. Pray especially for the meeting this afternoon in the Tabernacle.

Scripture Lesson.

After the singing of the choruses, Elder Carey read Colosians 3:1-17:

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth.

For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

When Christ, Who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory.

Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry.

For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

Lie not one with another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of Him that created him:

Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.

Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and adomnishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him.

With bowed heads, the congregation united in singing the first two stanzas of "Bless Me Now," after which Elders Tindall and Carey offered prayer.

Heavenly Father, bless me now;
At the cross of Christ I bow;
Take my guilt and grief away;
Hear and heal me now, I pray.

Ref. Bless me now, bless me now,
Heavenly Father, bless me now.

Now, O Lord! this very hour,
Send Thy grace and show Thy power;
While I rest upon Thy Word,
Come and bless me now, O Lord!

General Overseer—The subject of the Resurrection is certainly suggestive of thoughts to any child of God—such thoughts as will be a blessing to each and every one on the journey from earth to Heaven. The Elders will now speak:

ADDRESS BY ELDER FRED RICHERT.

Love's Reward.

Beloved in Christ: I can say, in the Name of my blessed Redeemer, that this is the most glorious Easter-time that I have ever experienced. During the past week I went in thought, step by step with my Redeemer. I realize that Jesus the Christ must rule supremely in our hearts, and everything must be taken out that is not fit to enter into Heaven. I went with Him in spirit, to Gethsemane, and to the High Priest and to Pilate; and as I have thought I have said, "My God and my Father in Heaven, I have deserved the judgment which Jesus the Christ, the blessed Son of God, had to undergo;" and so night after night I have spent with my blessed Redeemer. This morning, long before daylight, I was in prayer. My cry was, "O God, roll every stone away which is between me and the glorious Easter joy. Let the light of Heaven—the light of glory, break into my heart with the full assurance that Jesus the Christ has risen. Reveal the resurrection life in my life; and let me be wholly Thine."

The First Fruits.

I was reading this morning what God said to Moses, in Leviticus, before the children of Israel entered the Promised Land. He commanded that when they should enter the Promised Land, the first fruits should be offered to God. Then I turned to Corinthians, where Paul says that Jesus the Christ has risen and become the first fruits of them that slept.

As Jesus Christ is the first fruits from the dead, so it is our duty and privilege to present our bodies as a living sacrifice to Him Who has died for us.

The Ever-Present Helper.

It is indeed glorious to know that Jesus the Christ is the true, faithful and kind Heavenly Father and Friend, Who bears with our weakness, and in our sorrows holds our hand. In Isaiah the forty-third chapter, He has promised His people that if they go through the water He will not leave them, and even if they have to go through the flame of fire He will not forsake—the flame shall not touch; and, even in the lions' den He is there. He is the mighty Conqueror over sin, over sickness, over trials and over death.

How sweet it is to know that the mighty hand of God upholds as we travel Home to the blessed land, where sorrow shall cease, where God shall wipe away all tears from the eyes of His children, and where pain shall be no more! How glorious it is to look forward to the time when we shall stand before the sea of glass, with harps of gold in our hands, and when we shall sing the song of Moses and the Lamb! What a glorious song that will be, rolling through the arches of Heaven! What a joy it will be to see Him face to face Who has suffered, and bled and died for us!

The Force of True Love.

In my meditations, I thought of Mary as she stood at the tomb, weeping. When she saw the angel, she turned away from him. Not even the angel's company did she desire. Her heart was so filled with the longing, and with the desire for Christ, that she had only one thought—only one desire, and that was for her Savior:—and that, only, should be our thought and prayer. Not even angels can fill our hearts this morning with the resurrection glory and with the joy of Heaven. Jesus alone, the blessed Redeemer, Who has died for us, can fill our hearts with His peace, with His joy, and with eternal life.

As she stood there weeping, Jesus stood beside her and said, "Woman, why weepest thou." It is well, once in a while, to weep, and to long for our Lord and Savior. He is our very best Friend. She, supposing Him to be the gardener, said, "If thou hast borne Him hence, tell me where thou hast laid Him." Then He looked upon her with that Divine and Heavenly love, which you can see only in the eyes of the everlasting Savior of the world—the compassionate Son of God—and He said one word—"Mary."

When you are alone with God in the silence of the night, and when He speaks one word into your heart, oh, how that word fills your heart with thrilling joy! Then you know that Jesus Christ is risen indeed, that your sins are forgiven, and that you are washed in the blood of the Lamb through the sacrifice that Jesus the Christ wrought for you. Then, within your heart, there is that sweet peace, rolling like a river from the very Throne of God. Then for you the Sun of Righteousness arises over the mountains and breaks forth with the golden light of eternal life, and reveals joy, and glory, and immortality to you. Then you know that the devil is dethroned in your own heart and that Jesus the Christ reigns supremely. Then you will not fear to stand before the Great White Throne in the last day, because you know that Jesus is your Resurrection, is your Sanctification, is your Righteousness, and is your Salvation.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

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"BELOVED, LET US LOVE ONE ANOTHER."

When we start on the subject of "love" we feel as if we had launched out upon a great ocean that has no bounds.

The Apostle prays that we might know the length, and breadth, and height, and depth of the love of God.

This would be impossible for one to know entirely. It is the most wonderful subject that ever entered the mind and engaged the thought of man. It is boundless love, matchless love, past understanding.

Faith is a great thing; it removes mountains and subdues kingdoms. Hope is an anchor of the soul, and enters to that within the vail, sure and steadfast. Knowledge is a wonderful thing; it may understand all mysteries—and so with the other graces and gifts of the Spirit—and yet the greatest of all these is LOVE.

Paul was a great defender of the faith, and is often called the Apostle of Faith. He fought for the faith; he suffered for the faith; he died for the faith, and yet it was this Apostle of strong and sterling nature that paid his highest encomium to Love by saying, "BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE."

John was the Beloved Disciple; "that Disciple whom Jesus loved," said he of himself. But John was not a weak and indifferent man. By nature he was a strong character, full of ambition and zeal and fire, so much so were he and his brother James, that Jesus called them very "Sons of Thunder."

What has happened to John now? Why, it is the love of God which has been shed abroad in his heart and subdued that strong nature and melted it into a kind and gentle and loving spirit. He is none the less strong and robust and enabled to stand the fires of persecution, and even of death of a violent nature.

Love is the most sterling quality in a man's character. It will do more than any other passion, grace or gift. It is the only word used among all the graces and virtues to describe the very nature of God Himself.

GOD IS LOVE.

It would not do to say, "God is Faith, or Hope." No; but God is far more. Everything that God has done has been prompted by this one motive—LOVE. That is what sent Jesus to this cold, wicked world to die. It was love that gave Jesus to die.

He made the world for man: He made it to blossom and to bring forth its fruits for man; He made the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea for man's use and good, and to extend his happiness; and when it was all done, He gave man dominion over them all.

Greater love can no man show than the love which Jesus and the Father showed when they "so loved the world."

John, though full of affection and feeling, is very logical, and says, "If God so loved us we ought to love one another," and we will, says he, if we are Christians at all.

The test of our religion which he puts down plainly, is our love for the brethren. That is the way we know we have passed from death unto Life, because we love the brethren.

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John says a man cannot love God and hate his brother.

Love is the test of the New Birth, "He that loveth, is born of God, and he that loveth not knoweth not God."

The religion of Jesus Christ is founded on Love. All of God's dealings with men are prompted by this single motive.

All the law and the prophets hang on these two commandments: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart," etc., and "thy neighbor as thyself."

The love of God goes out towards men of all kinds, and in all the walks of life.

Law was made from Love; yes, and all the strict and severe penalties imposed because of broken law are put there for the good of man.

God's judgments are no more prompted by hate than are His blessings and promises.

The chastenings of the Lord are for those whom He loves.

If a man is a Christian he will be like Christ. If a man is a son he will be like his father, will he not? We are now called "the sons of God."

"Love works no ill to his neighbor."

You would never wrong a person that you really love, neither by word nor act. You will be as careful of his good as you would of your own. You would not take up an evil report about him any more than if it were one against yourself.

You know how careful you are to cover up any evil which might concern, or injure you or your business. His good name, which is better than his purse, will not be stolen by you, and if it is stolen by another you will restore it, if possible, the same as you would his purse.

Love is not only negative, but it is positive as well. It not only refrains from evil and injury to a neighbor, but it does positive good to him. If he is hungry love feeds him; if he is thirsty, it gives him drink; if in prison it visits him; if he is in sin it carries salvation to him; if he is sick it tells him of a Savior Who heals all his diseases as well as forgives all his iniquities.

Love is a hard worker. It never stops to count the cost.

The mother over her babe does not stop for the work or sacrifice. She toils on with no hope of reward, except love.

How different the motive of the man who loves money; he never stops for anything. He works late and early, and endures all manner of hardships, because he loves the filthy lucre.

When a man gets the love of God into him, all toil and labor and sacrifice will be given gladly and never mentioned as a hardship. It will be his joy, his "Delight to do Thy will." It will be his meat and drink to do God's will, to go to His House.

"I was glad when they said unto me, let us go up to the house of the Lord."

Selfishness is one of the worst roots of bitterness to be taken out of a man. It has no place in a Christian.

When the Love of God is shed abroad in our hearts, then good will be done to all the world, for then it will be

"THE LOVE OF CHRIST CONSTRAINETH ME."

"First Fruits"---The Resurrected Christ.

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Jesus the Christ said unto her, "Mary!" She had heard that word so often when the Lord spoke to her and taught her of the Kingdom of Heaven, when He forgave her sins, and when He filled her heart with Divine joy and with eternal peace, and with that sacred love which united her for time and for eternity to the blessed Master. Oh, what a joy was hers!

The Tender Shepherd's Voice.

Jesus tne Christs peaks that one word. He says, — "My sheep hear My voice and they follow Me, and I give unto them eternal life." When we hear the voice of God, and when we follow Him, it does not matter where we have to go, for we know that Jesus is with us. It does not matter whether we go through the desert, or through the fiery furnace, or through the deep waters, or through the valley of the shadow of death, for He is with us. The Lord said, "He that liveth and believeth on Me shall never die." May God grant that there shall be no fear of death in our hearts. The glorious thought expressed in the beautiful hymns we have sung should fill our hearts with rapturous joy on this beautiful Easter morning; and, when the day comes, Zion, that we shall be glorified,—when this imperfection shall be swallowed up in Heavenly glory, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, may God grant that we may be found of Him in peace, without spot and blameless.

Oh, I pray to God that the blessed Redeemer may give to all that beautiful, glorious Easter joy; but you cannot have it unless you are willing to die. We must die with Jesus the Christ, and the old man must perish forever, if we would rise with Him in the glorious Resurrection.

ADDRESS BY ELDER O. L. TINDALL.

Hope for Life Beyond.

We have before us this morning, the greatest subject of which a man could think—a subject, too, about which everybody thinks, whether he ever saw the Bible or ever heard a preacher or not. Everybody thinks about the Resurrection.

The Heathen think of it; and they have some very strange notions on the idea of living again.

The Indians have thought Heaven to be a great hunting ground and that they will have great times there. They bury their tomahawks with their dead, and kill their ponies and lay them on the graves, as they expect to have them in the next world.

It is just as natural for a man to think about Heaven, and to think about the next world, as it is for a hungry man to think about his dinner. It is born in man. There is no solution of this life without the solution of the next life.

Paul was absolutely right when he said, "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men (or creatures) most miserable." You might better have been born a horse, or an

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ox, or any other kind of a creature, than to have been born a man, if there be no Heaven; if there be no future. The man who lives this life without any idea of the next life, and makes no preparation for it, is hopeless and purposeless. But man cannot be satisfied with bread and beefsteak,—he craves something more than food. When a man looks back over his life, when heis seventy years old, what has he got that has satisfied?

As I have read the story about the Resurrection and the story about the disciples, I have been struck by this thought: It was very strange that they did not realize it any better than they did. Jesus the Christ constantly kept before them the thought that He had to die. They did not like that. Nobody likes that subject very well. You remember on the Mount of Transfiguration, when they were having such a glorious time, and Moses and Elijah came back from the other world, and Jesus and the disciples were there on the mountain,—what did they talk about? Why, the conversation was of Christ's decease; and the disciples did not like that. Jesus told His disciples very plainly that He must die. They had the notion that they were going to have a great and glorious time here,and that Jesus would set up a great earthly kingdom like David's, and that they were all going to be prime ministers and hold fat offices. They would like to have had Him preach that, but they did not like this subject of death,—they rebelled against it every time. They were interested in thinking of the great time and good offices they were going to have when Christ set up His Kingdom here on earth. James, and his mother, you know, were interested in that subject.

Jesus said: "Death is the first thing. That is what I came for—to die." Without death there is no resurrection, and without death there is no redemption for man.

Now, that is not a very pleasant subject, but that is an absolute necessity. We have to die first, as the Elder has told you. The carnal self does not like the idea of dying; and there is a sense in which it is bad, but it is necessary. If you keep your corn in your crib, it will stay there and never produce more; but, if you put it in the ground, and let it die, then it will come forth: and, how many kernels of grain will one kernel produce? And that is true of other things. Men have figured out what one seed will produce in some kinds of grain, or weeds, or different plants, and it has run up into thousands and tens of thousands.

Now, that is an illustration of the Resurrection. We are sown, like the wheat, sown a single grain and in the next world it will increase and multiply and nobody can tell how great it will be.

The disciples were like all other people—they did not like death. If a man is not willing to die for the purpose of living why then he does not believe in the Resurrection. I do not care how long you have been in the Church, if you have never died to self you do not believe in the Resurrection. You talk about it, but it is one thing to talk about it and another thing really to believe it.

Those disciples did not believe although Christ told them just as plainly as He could express it, that in three days He should rise again. I do not care what a man says, if he acts the other way, I take it that he does not believe at all.

When Jesus the Christ died, the disciples went off fishing. They said, in effect, "That is the last of Him." The burial of the Lord Jesus Christ, was the burial of their hopes and all their faith. They were all discouraged and disheartened. When Jesus walked with those two men to Emmaus, they told Him to His very face—of course they did not know Him—"We trusted that it had been He which should have redeemed Israel and beside all this, today is the third day since these things were done." They were all disappointed. They all doubted. They did not believe that He was going to rise again.

Now, it is impossible for a man to realize and experience the death of Jesus the Christ, without also His Resurrection. That is a matter of personal experience with us. That is our privilege, —to be dead, and to be alive again; and that is what it means to be a Christian,—that is what it means to be a "Zion" man—to be a resurrected man, to be a man who has been raised from death to life; to live again, and to live a much more glorious life than we have ever lived before: and may we live it! May we live the resurrection! May we have a taste of Heaven here! Unless we have the resurrection life here, we will never have it hereafter.

There are two resurrections: one for the just, and one for the unjust. All are to live again,—those who have done good in

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the resurrection of everlasting life, and those who have done evil in the resurrection of damnation. Now to have a part in that first resurrection, we must have that life here, and have it now.

May God give us life, and give it to us abundantly.

ADDRESS BY ELDER E. W. REDER.

Jesus, the Christ, "The Wonderful."

In the ninth chapter of Isaiah, the wonderful prophecy of the birth of Jesus the Christ,—the Prophet speaks of Him as "Wonderful;" and, as I was sitting here listening to these burning words that have been spoken to you this morning, some of these w o n d e r f u l things that are in Jesus Christ came before me.

How wonderful it was when the Angel came to Mary and spoke to her those words: "Thou shalt call Him Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins!" What a tremendous thought that is when we look out upon humanity today, and when we think of the wonderful love and grace that provided a Savior for humanity!

Those are indeed wonderful words that Christ spoke to Nicodemus upon that memorable night when Nicodemus had a conference with Christ: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." What a wonderful thought that Jesus the Christ, the only begotten of God, should give eternal life to you and to me!

I have been reading quite often, lately, the first fourteen verses of the first chapter of John. This statement appears there: "In Him was life; and the life was the light of men."—John 1:4. How wonderful that in Jesus the Christ could be wrapped up your life, my life; your welfare here upon earth, and your eternal welfare in that Life which is to come!

Did you ever think of that one Life: that Life where, since death was conquered, there is no sorrow, where there could be no pain, where there could be no disease, and where there could be no death? Truly that is a wonderful Life!—and that Life reaches down to you and to me this day and touches us in every fiber of our nature. It lifts us up when we have fallen down, heals us when we are sick, and gives comfort and blessing and joy to us when we are in sorrow. That Life touches every man, and that Life will touch every man: for, "in Him was life."

Then, as I read on through those verses, and see how He gave us power to become the sons of God,—it is so wonderful! We had lost everything; we were prostrate; we were dead: life was destroyed and our hope was destroyed, but in Jesus Christ, the "Wonderful," there was that which gave power to us for restoration and brought us back Home again to the Father.

Then, I read on and see that "He was full of grace and truth." Oh, what would all of these wonderful things profit us if it were not for that wonderful GRACE;—that grace which endureth forever; that grace to which we, this morning, are debtors; that grace which has given us the privilege and the opportunity to be here this morning in this place, and to be made partakers of these wonderful blessings in Jesus Christ, our Savior! Then, as Jesus the Christ spoke those wonderful words to His disciples, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me,"—ah, I tell you, what you and I today are permitted to know of God, our Heavenly Father, was revealed through Christ, our Savior: for He Himself said, "No man knoweth the Father save the Son and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal Him." So that wonderful revelation, this morning comes through Jesus Christ, our Savior, and what we are today is because of Him.

Ah, my brothers and sisters, how wonderful was the Christ! Then, as He went down into Gethsemane, the awful weight of our sins rested upon Him. The awful weight of our present and eternal welfare rested upon Jesus the Christ when He wept those drops of blood. Ah, there was not any one to bear that load, only the "Wonderful." He bore it for you and for me. Our sin was laid upon Him; our sickness, our sorrows, our pains, and He bore them upon Calvary; they were nailed to the cross: and the "Wonderful" said, "It is finished."

Oh, today, you and I, because of that, are permitted to enter in and to be made partakers of the Divine nature of Jesus the Christ; but, I tell you, I want to be the grain that drops into the ground,—yes, and decays there, that out of it there may come the resurrection Life through Jesus Christ, my Savior; that I may be among those who have washed their robes and made them white.

May God bless each of you this morning, and may you remember the loving-kindness of God to you. As I think of my past life, I can see now, although I could not at the time, how so many times the Angel of the Lord encamped round about me and protected me. I have often thought, "Father, why hast Thou been so considerate and so careful of me? Why have You spared my life so often?"—when, had it not been for the interposing hand of my Heavenly Father, I certainly would have gone down and satan would have triumphed over me. But the "Wonderful" has kept me, and He has some purpose in doing it; and oh, I thank God today that I can stand before you, my brothers and my sisters in Zion—in the Kingdom of God—knowing and realizing more of God's love and of His grace, and more of His Kingdom, than I could have realized if I had not had this wonderful blessing and privilege of getting the teaching of the Kingdom of God—of Zion.

How wonderful it all is! Jesus the Christ went down into the tomb, and conquered death, and hell, and the grave that you and I might have hope. We need not fear anything. "In Him was life." That Life has power over your lives and that Life will raise us up when we are bowed down, and through that Life we will be permitted to stand before the King, redeemed through Jesus Christ, the "Wonderful."

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Thanking, in the Name of the Lord, one and all for the generous responses in the past, and praying God's richest blessings upon you,

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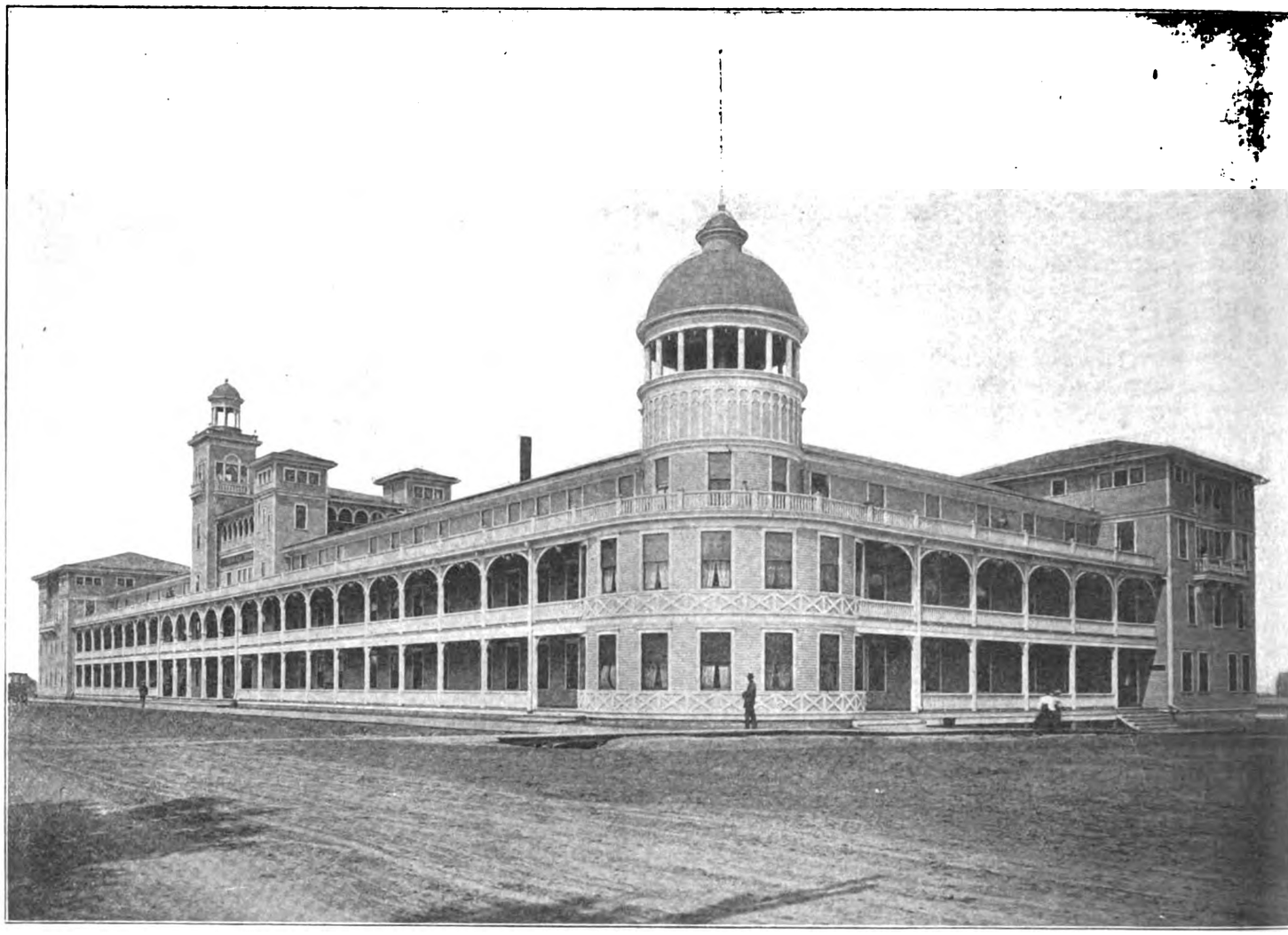
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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Alone With God.

(By Elder C. F. Viking)

JESUS knew this secret. He frequently spent hour after hour alone with the Father. He used portions of the night, while it yet was dark—the early dawn; He chose the hillsides, the mountains, the wilderness, the uninhabited places, the shores; wherever an opportunity arose where He could be alone, separated from the world; yea, even from His best friends.

He prepared Himself in secret and fought His strongest battles where no human eye could see Him. It was there that He received strength and power. It was there that His intense love for the salvation of humanity and absolute obedience to His Divine Call grew upon Him.

It was there that He faced and won victory after victory over all the temptations; where He familiarized Himself with the details of His Mission. We might say that alone with God was the school where He prepared Himself for the ordeals which He later went through.

A man may increase in efficiency in public, and in fact, it is a place without which he would lack in knowledge of the needs of humanity and the conditions about him; he may grow almost visibly on the platform as a preacher, or in the special religious work assigned to him as a Seventy, or worker among the young people; he may reach clearer and clearer thoughts and bring his readers better reading matter, but it is alone with God where he will be molded after God's pattern into the likeness of his Master and come forth a refreshed and useful being, a fit instrument in God's hand.

This separation from the throne, or from the family circle, does not mean a cessation from work and spiritual exercise. It does not mean a lazy hour of repose and indulgence, but a period of fasting and prayer, reading of the Word of God and meditating on Divine things, with a heart open to the Holy Spirit's promptings.

The individual does not need to run away with Jesus to some mountainside, or with the Prophet to some running brook, or with the Apostle to the third Heaven; nor does he, necessarily, need to seek the open canopy of the Heavens above, for in the quiet of a small room—an attic corner—he can meet his God and commune with Him. This is within reach of both the father of the house, and the mother of the home, the young people and the guest.

Active religious work does not fill the needs of the vital parts of the spiritual being. To be able to inhale the spiritual atmosphere of God to the full, alone with God, without worrying of meals and cares of this life, a forgetting of the body, is helpful.

At such times the poor body, even, begins to vibrate with a refreshing sense of new life imparted by the Holy Spirit.

"But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwelleth in you, He that raised up Christ Jesus from the dead shall quicken also your mortal bodies through His Spirit that dwelleth in you."—Romans 8:11.

At such times the Word of God becomes very sweet; and page after page of the Holy Bible becomes illuminated beyond the usual verses and chapters and books and markings lost sight of.

At such times the inner man becomes wonderfully upbuilt, refreshed and strengthened in the most holy faith and love—a putting on of spiritual flesh, adding of weights and backbone, boldness and power of endurance.

At such times the spirit soars up into the presence of the glorified Son of God where He is at the right hand of God, for the spiritual, the invisible becomes more real than the visible, the material.

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Have you been there? Do you belong to this school? Would you wish to enroll? Well, then, make the necessary preparations for a quiet hour in the day, if you can, or in the night, and seek the face of God for His sake alone.

The Risen and Ever-Living Christ

An Address Delivered in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Lord's Day (Easter) March 27, 1910

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

[Reported by Miss S. J. B.]

INVOCATION.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight and, in the Name of Jesus the Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, richly blessed unto this congregation, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

General Overseer—In the Gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-eighth chapter and the sixth verse, we find the words, "He is not here; for He is risen, as He said."

Life cannot be measured by the daily-returning sun, nor by the ever-returning seasons, nor by years. The standard by which God the Almighty will judge every life, will be the noble deeds wrought in behalf of humanity, to the honor and glory of His Name.

Many wonderful lives have been lived among the children of men, and so great have been the benefactions of many that their names have become household words.

Christ No Mere Man.

But I am to speak to you this afternoon regarding no mere Man. Therefore, although, in my efforts to describe, I were to summon the very choicest words in the English language, even then my description would be very inadequate.

Behold the Christ!

First of all, I call upon you to behold the Son of God in Heaven;

To behold the Son of man upon earth;

To behold the resurrected and triumphant Christ at the right hand of God; and,

By an eye of faith, to see Him as our Coming Lord and King.

I bid you to look into the second chapter of the Book of Philippians, and to read there the inspired words spoken by the Apostle, as dictated by the Holy Spirit, simply this: that Jesus the Christ, Whose resurrection we commemorate today in this Service, was in the form of God Himself.

Man Created in God's Image.

It is indeed wonderful to think of man as having been created in the very image of God his Maker; gifted with attributes: love, mercy, kindness, longsuffering, joy, and peace—as was his Maker.

The Psalmist said, in a moment of exhilaration at the sight of God's wonderful works in nature, "What is man!" My hearers, man was created in the very image of God Himself, and it is possible for a man, during all his life from the cradle to the grave and on through eternity, ever to approximate the perfection of God Himself.

This afternoon, if you can grasp, in a measure, man's high estate, then you will be able to see something of the beauty of the Son of God Himself. He was in the form of God, not in the sense that one material object is in the form of another, but in the sense that He was possessed of the very attributes which make God to be the Infinite One Whom He really is.

At the same time, as you look at Christ in the form of God, with all of His glorious attributes, in Heaven surrounded by all that Heaven means, look at humanity steeped in vice, smitten with disease and dying without hope.

Christ Free to Choose.

Jesus the Christ, as the Son of God, was a free moral Agent just the same as we ourselves are. Down upon earth He saw poor, sin-stricken, disease-smitten, suffering, dying, hopeless humanity. On the other hand, He saw these beautiful attributes which made Him to be on an equality with God; and, while God called upon Him to go, yet it was His own prerogative to remain, or to choose to lay aside these attributes and to take upon Himself the form of a servant and come down to this earth to live, to love, to toil, to suffer and to die.

Self-Denial at the Beginning of Christ's Ministry.

I call upon you this afternoon to behold our Great Example, Whose Ministry on behalf of mankind began with self-denial, with self-sacrifice, with humiliation, with condescension—even from being in the form of God to being in the form of a servant.

If you will just imagine a king upon his throne, surrounded by all the splendors that money could provide, in the midst of the most beautiful of earthly things, and then see him brought down from that pedestal into the meanest hovel, even then you would not have any conception of what the Christ did when He left Heaven and came down to this earth.

Jesus the Christ, our Great Example in self-denial and self-sacrifice—Who lived, toiled, suffered and died for others, is the One Whose resurrection we have assembled to commemorate this afternoon.

A Survey of Christ's Ministry.

In order for you fully to appreciate the force and the beauty and the power of His triumph over death, it will be necessary for you to follow Him in His earthly career from the time when He was born in Bethlehem until—from Mount Olivet's lofty heights—He returned to God His Father, Whom He had left when He saw poor, dying humanity.

The earthly Ministry of Jesus the Christ was bounded on one side by Bethlehem and on the other side by Olivet. Between Bethlehem and Olivet we have, as described in the four Gospels, His teaching, His miracles, His suffering, His sacrifices, His compassion, His pity and His love.

Christ All-Sufficient.

Some people have a one-sided Christ, just as they have a one-sided God.

God is love! And oh, how I wish that I might be able to burn that truth into every heart here this afternoon.

God is merciful! Otherwise, you and I would long ago have been cut off.

But while God is love, and God is merciful, He is also a God of judgment and, sooner or later, you and I will be called to stand before the Judgment Seat of God, to give an account of every thought, every word, and every deed of which our lives will have been composed; and how shall we stand then? That is the question.

It is true that Jesus the Christ was kind and loving and compassionate, and that He poured out His very life for humanity. Why, when Christ was upon earth, He lived in the very atmosphere of compassion; you hear Him saying to the poor, sinful woman, "Go, and sin no more."

You hear Him saying to the widow of Nain, "Weep not," because He had the power to restore her son to life and into her arms.

You see Him standing with the sister of Lazarus, and it is written, "Jesus wept."

The Son of God was not only One of love, of mercy, of pity and compassion, but He also hated sin and despised hypocrisy, and He had the strongest words of condemnation for the scribes

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and Pharisees who hounded His steps and finally succeeded in nailing Him to the Tree upon Calvary.

None other Spoke Like the Christ.

It is written of Jesus that "He spake as never man spake." Ah! what majestic calmness! what self-control! what an attitude towards those who persecuted Him! so that finally, upon the cruel cross, He could say, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

Jesus the Christ pointed out that there is not any forgiveness for the man who himself is not possessed of the spirit of forgiveness. Jesus the Christ pointed out that there is not any answer to prayer for those who will not imitate Him in their actions towards their fellow men.

Christ Foretold His Death and Resurrection.

The Son of God gathered to Himself the twelve, and told them that He would be put to death; that He would be betrayed and crucified. Standing in the shadows of Gethsemane and Calvary He finally said to them, "Two days more, and the Son of Man shall be betrayed and delivered into the hands of wicked men."

The Weakness and Instability of Human Character.

At that very time the scribes and Pharisees, behind closed doors, were plotting His death. Judas Iscariot—one of the twelve—had gone to them and said, "What will you give me if I will deliver Him unto you?" And then the Apostles' hearts were filled with sorrow.

Ah! my brothers and sisters, I would be ashamed of myself this afternoon, were I to offer one single word of criticism of the Apostles. It is true that their hearts were troubled and Jesus said to them, "Let not your hearts be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions."

And then, almost before they could realize it, the cruel Roman soldiers were there to arrest Him; and then all of the Apostles fled except two, and at the Cross there was only one of them, and at the Sepulcher there were none.

Ah! my brothers and sisters, it is very easy now to criticise the Apostles and to say, "Oh, what little faith they had."

But, my brothers and sisters, there have been times in your life when the sun has withdrawn its face and the dark clouds have covered your life, and hope has fled and despair has taken possession of you; when you could not pray, when you could not exercise any faith,—how did God treat you then? Ah, with love and mercy and pity, He reached out the Everlasting Arm and spoke to you—"My son, my daughter, be of good cheer."

And so, my brothers and sisters, I have not any criticism at all to offer regarding the Apostles; if you and I had been there, perhaps we would not have done so well. They forsook Him and not even one remained at His side—no, no! Ah! how often in your Christian life you have forsaken the Christ.

It is all right when there is not a cloud to obscure the sky; it is all right when there is perfect calm and there is the glow of health in the cheek, and when the nerve is steady and the form unbent; but ah, how will you stand when the storm comes and you are called upon to face some stern reality—sickness or death, how will you conduct yourself then? That is the question.

Christ's Death Darkens the Heavens and Shakes the Earth.

And so, as I look at the Apostles, and see Jesus put to death -there was only one at the Cross and not a single one at the tomb. Ah! that Sabbath was a wonderful Sabbath; it was a High Day in the Jewish Church, and the old priests were there carrying out their elaborate ritual; when, all at once, there was a terrible earthquake and darkness covers the earth, and the Son of God, nailed to the Cross, cried, "It is finished! It is finished!"

And then those who stood around said—one one thing and another something else; but one said, "Truly this was the Son of God." And the vail of the Temple was rent in twain from top to bottom, and the Holy of Holies lay exposed to the view of the vulgar crowd. Never before had anyone except the High Priest been permitted to see into that place, and he only once a year.

Ah! yes, a great change was taking place. And did you ever notice—not only in sacred history, but also in secular history—that when great moral changes take place, old Mother Earth groans and reels to and fro, as though sympathizing with poor, struggling humanity?

Why the Son of God was Crucified.

The Son of God crucified!—For what?—For your sins and for mine. Yes, our sins nailed Him to the Tree.

Jesus had told them that on the third day He would rise again. "Ah," you say, "They forgot those words;" but, in the face of the arrest and the trials and the crucifixion, their hearts were crushed; and, yes, I will admit that they lost all sight of what the Savior had said to them; but when the women—you women ought to thank your God today for the prominent part which the women took in the great work of the Early Church. The women were the last at the Cross, and the first at the Sepulcher; but for what purpose had the women come to the Sepulcher? Had they come there to witness the resurrection of the Christ? No; they had brought with them spices with which to anoint His body. Yes, they had lost sight of the promise and had come there to anoint His body—but upon their approach to the tomb they were the first to find the stone rolled away and the Christ not there, as the Angel said, "He is not here; for He is risen."

Ah! how often I have stood in a home that was darkened with sorrow, and have said to those who were mourning, "Your loved one is not here, the spirit has gone to God." But oh, how we cling to the forms of our loved ones! How it tears our very hearts when they have to be taken away from our sight!

And so these sorrowing women, who loved Jesus as their Savior and their Lord, desired to pay their last sad rites of respect, and to show their love for Him Who had been such a true and steadfast friend; and they had gone there to anoint His body, but they did not find Him there.

They were the same women who, as they were on their way to the Sepulcher (they had not thought of His words,) said the one to the other, "Who shall roll the stone away?" Oh, that was to them a great difficulty.

The Government Seal and Guard No Obstacle to God's Life-Giving Power.

You will remember that the authorities had said, "Now, you know how that Deceiver said, 'I will rise again the third day,' and therefore we must make the tomb secure, and see that His disciples do not come in the night time and steal away His body." And the Roman Governor said, "Go, and seal the tomb and make it sure, and set a watch."

Ah, yes, we say that if the Apostles had had the faith which they ought to have had, they would have looked beyond the seal and beyond the tomb, to the resurrected Christ.

My brothers and sisters, it is easy enough to believe something after it has taken place; but God wants people who will act by faith, and who will not wait for the reality before they will believe.

How many of you can believe? How many of you demand to see before you will believe? Ah, it is easy enough when everything is prosperous, and when there is not any opposition, to stand for truths, ideas and ideals; but very few are the men and the women who, in the face of disaster and of scorn, can stand—even unto death, if necessary—for that which they believe to be right. Neither the women nor the Apostles believed that Jesus would rise again.

Finally, the women reach the Sepulcher and find the stone rolled away.

Humanity Falters at Difficulties.

As I read that portion of Scripture again, I thought how true it is of us that we are always seeing difficulties, and always erecting mountains away ahead; but the man of God, who has learned fully to trust God, does not bother about the difficulties or the obstacles, for if he is truly and wholly consecrated, and when he reaches the place where he thought he would encounter difficulties, behold, they will not be there!

Just so the women, when they came to the tomb, found that

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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder O. L. Tindall.

TAKE HEED HOW YE BUILD.

These are trying times for every one. The last days are to be trying days—perilous times—when the love of many shall wax cold and faith will be put to the test.

God will have a tried people. Persecutions and tribulations will come. If a man will not endure chastening and scourging for his good, then he is not a son.

God's people have always been a tempted, and tried, and persecuted people. The apostate churches have no persecution, because they compromise with the world, and so the world does not hate them, as Christ said the world would hate His disciples.

There is antagonism between the world and God's true Church. They cannot live together and dwell in the same house any more than can light and darkness.

When light is brought into a darkened house, does not darkness flee away at once?

When Christ comes into His temple do not the buyers and sellers, and the defilers have to go? Would Christ compromise with them and say, "You may occupy one of the outer rooms, or have a billiard hall in the basement, and a drinking and smoking apartment on the side?"

That is the way many churches do today. That is the reason why there are no persecutions now as in times of yore.

Our fathers, who stood firm in the faith, suffered persecutions. They dwelt in caves; they were beaten with stripes; they were sawn asunder; they suffered the loss of all things for Christ's sake.

Christ said such would be the inevitable result of preaching His Word—they will hate you and cast you into prison and think they do God's service when they put you to death.

The reason we do not see such trials now-a-days is because the so-called people of God compromise with the devil and link up with him to help them. The devil says: "I will help you to get the kingdoms of the world if you will fall down and worship me;" and the churches do it, and then say, "We do it so as to win them to Christ."

Some of the class named are saying to the world, "Come in and help us build up Zion City. We cannot do it alone. God Almighty is not strong enough; He must have the help of the devil and his host." So said the coward of a king in Judah, and asked Benhadad to come and help him fight his battles. God permitted a curse upon him for it and rebuked him, and let him come to naught. So He ever will do.

God is always displeased with such conduct and says that He only must be depended upon. Zion must be a tried people. We are to build on The Rock. Nothing short of that will answer. Winds will blow and storms will come and floods will beat upon it; yes, and fire will try it.

Zion is built upon the Rock—the Bible. This she takes as the rule of faith and practice in everything: in home life, in social life, in business life, in school life, in political life, and in the Church or ecclesiastical life.

The Bible is Zion's standard of authority. Wherein we have departed in any respect from its teaching we have suffered; but the principles of Zion are right, and shall forever abide.

Zion is not built upon man, but upon God's truth. Men pass away, even when they are good, and acceptable to God. Men sometimes make mistakes and fail to meet the high requirements. Paul said that Christians are not to build on him nor on any other man. Christians are to build on the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, in what sense? Only in the sense that they follow their teachings and recognize them as men who spake as the oracles of God—inspired men—men sent of God to teach His Word, and make known His will to man.

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"Was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?" said he to the Corinthians, who were saying, "I am of Paul." What foundation did Paul lay? Was it himself, or Peter, or Apollos? No; but said he, "I have laid the foundation and others build on it;" but it was the only foundation that could be laid, even Jesus Christ. "We preach not ourselves," said he.

Men are to be regarded highly for their works' sake, as Paul said; they are to be followed as the servants of God and obeyed as those who have the rule over us; but men are not to be worshipped, as the heathen tried to worship and offer sacrifice to Paul and Barnabas. "No," said they, "we are only men like yourselves." "Get up," said Peter to Cornelius, "I am only a man."

Those who have the right idea of Zion and her mission, that she is sent to bring the people of God back to the great truths of God as set forth in His Word, have no trouble to know where to stand today. They stand by the truths that God gave. They remain the same.

The blessed truths of Divine Healing, of Repentance, of Restitution, of Triune Immersion, of honoring God with our substance, of paying tithes, of protest against swine's flesh for food, of spurning the idolatrous worship of Baal, are ever fundamental principles of belief and practice in Zion.

How beautiful is the thought of having one body and not being cut up into pieces, the eye saying to the ear, "I have no need of thee," etc.,—one body, fitly joined together, as Christ prayed and taught, and as Zion teaches; one member assisting another, the strong helping the weak member; cooperation in business as well as in the church.

Oh, Zion has a glorious heritage! Let her cherish it and maintain it at any and all sacrifice. Let Zion take heed how she builds. Let every man build over against his own house. Let the eye be single and do its work, and let the ear take heed how and what it hears, and let the hand be clean, and let the feet be swift to carry the glad message of peace and good will to all men.

What a beautiful temple is the Body of Christ built up according to the pattern which God has given in His holy and infallible Word.

May every Christian be a wise master builder.

May Zion build a beautiful city whose foundations are TRUTH and RIGHTEOUSNESS, whose walls are Salvation and whose gates are PRAISE.

The Risen and Ever-Living Christ.

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the stone had been rolled away and an angel was there, who said to the women, "Fear not ye, I know that ye seek the Lord; He is not here, He is risen, come see the place where the Lord lay."

The Resurrection Clearly Proved by Scripture.

This afternoon I am not going into any argument to prove the resurrection of the Son of God, for it does not require any argument. I believe the Word of God and, by the eye of faith, I can see the empty tomb. I read in the Word of God regarding His appearance on eleven different occasions, and I believe in the resurrection of Jesus the Christ. I accept that fact of history just as naturally as we accept the history of the life and works of George Washington.

Faith Exercised in the Common Affairs of Life.

Some people say, "I believe only that which I can see;" but we all believe things every day that we do not see. In this world there is a great deal of faith placed in men. Every time you board a train you place your life in the hands of the engineer, the fireman, the conductor and the brakeman; every time you board a train or a steamer you show faith in men—even to the extent of risking your life in their hands.

Ah, yes, there is a great deal of faith in men; but where is the faith in God?

Human nature is still the same today, and like the poor, weak and erring Apostles, you and I have not always stood the test.

Do You Believe God's Word?

Ah! Jesus said, "Believest thou that I am able to do this? and they answered, Yea, Lord."

Do you believe in God?

Do you believe in Jesus the Christ, His Son?

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

Do you believe in the Bible as the Word of God?

Do you believe in the resurrection of Jesus the Christ?

If Christ was not raised from the dead, then there is not any resurrection for us; then our faith is vain; then the loved ones gone before have perished and will never be raised to life again.

All Men Believe in God.

I desire to tell you this afternoon that I do not believe there is such a person as an infidel. The man who says that he does not believe in God or in Jesus the Christ, and who hoots at the resurrection of Jesus the Christ—just let that man become sick, let him come face to face with sickness and death and sorrow, and if you can get at that man's heart, you will find out every time that he does believe in God.

There is not one sitting here this afternoon who desires to think, even for a moment, that what we call "death" ends all that there is; there is not one here this afternoon who, even for a moment, entertains the thought that he will never again see loved ones who have gone before.

Immortality Brought to Light in Christ Jesus.

Jesus the Christ, the First-Fruits of them that slept, has brought life and immortality to light, and every man that hath Christ hath life—life eternal—life more abundant. It is written, "He fell asleep in Jesus."

Ah! you see the little children playing in the field in the beautiful Spring-time, in the midst of the flowers and the singing of the birds until, as the sun begins to sink behind the western horizon, tired out they wend their way home from their play; one is taken by mother into her arms and soon is fast asleep, and the others stand around and smile and say, "He is asleep." What is more beautiful than to see a sweet little child in mother's arms? Yes, there is something more beautiful, and I will tell you what it is: it is to see the child of God, at the end of his life's journey, fall to sleep in the arms of Jesus the Christ

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Fourteenth Annual Convocation

OF THE

Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

will be held, God willing, in

Shiloh Tabernacle Zion City, Illinois

From July 10th to 20th, 1910

Begin your preparations now to attend.

Full program will appear later in Leaves of Healing and Zion Herald.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva
(Successor to John Alexander Dowie.)
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Who went down into the tomb to conquer death and hell. And now there is, in our breasts, the hope of eternal life.

Oh, thanks be unto God for this beautiful Easter Lord's Day! Why, the resurrection of the dead is not a very difficult matter.

Last year, what a beautiful plant, and what lovely flowers; along come the frosts and the winter's chilling blasts, and then the flowers die and fade away and disappear; but in the ground there is a bulb. The winter comes and goes, and the warm rays of the sun and the moisture come, and soon the bulb begins to burst forth and, in a few weeks, you see the plant and then the beautiful flowers come.

Just so, you put a grain of corn into the ground, it dies and becomes soft and is rotten; but in it is a germ which springs up into a beautiful stalk of corn, which produces many scores of grains.

The body is planted a natural body and it is raised a spiritual body; it is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption; it is sown a mortal body, it is raised an immortal body.

The human body is a wonderful piece of work, and it is "The temple of the Holy Ghost." Ah, yes, you think it is wonderful, and there are many wonderful things in nature.

Do you see the waters standing up like a wall at the Red Sea and at Jordan? At Cana of Galilee do you see the water turned into wine at the wedding feast? Do you hear the Voice of Jesus saying, "Lazarus, come forth!" and all at once the body glows with health? What a marvelous change! And just so, at last the Voice of God shall speak from yonder glorious heights, and then all the dead in Christ shall hear His Voice, and shall come forth into the Resurrection of Life.

"Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first Resurrection, for upon such the second death hath no power."

Every Sinner is Dead.

My brothers and sisters, on this Easter Day I desire to emphasize that every sinner here is dead—dead in trespasses and in sins. The Word of God says, "She that liveth in pleasure, is dead while she lives." "To be carnally minded is death."

Ah, yes, last night at ten o'clock hundreds and thousands of broken-hearted mothers were leaning upon their elbows listening for the sound of footsteps—ah, yes, perhaps for the one-hundredth time; and there are the wayward sons in the saloons of the cities, spending their week's wages, losing their manhood and bereft of their senses and their reason. Ah! but a mother's love never dies; and even the most depraved man never forgets his mother.

My brothers and sisters, there are millions of people today whose hearts are not touched by even the sweetest song; no sermon has any influence upon them, and the Holy Spirit cannot touch them, they are dead—dead in trespasses and in sins.

My mission, and the mission of every other follower of the Christ, is to proclaim the Gospel and to live the Gospel, and to seek to make men and women better.

"Dead in trespasses and in sins."

Christ the Resurrection and the Life.

My sinner friend, there is power in the Word of God to resurrect you, that you may walk in newness of life. Over yonder in the Book of Revelation, we are told that "blessed is he that hath part in the first resurrection, for on such the second death hath no power."

This afternoon I thank my God that Jesus the Christ came forth a Conqueror; and I look forward to the time—and it may be nearer than you think—When God shall speak and all the loved ones shall be brought forth from their graves. Why, yes, that is not impossible, any more than it is impossible for the corn to grow from the little grain that dies in the ground.

The sweet little child whom you laid away will come forth with a glorified body and with the face of an angel; and if you are true to the end, you will be permitted to stand with all of the blood-washed throng, and sing the song of Moses and the Lamb.

"He is not here, for He is risen, as He said." And then Jesus Himself said to the same woman, "Be not afraid."

My brothers and sisters, I know that this is a sad world. There is not a person here in whose life there has not been some sad experience—not one has escaped.

Live for Others.

My brothers and sisters, the only life that is worth living, is the Christian life. Let us see ourselves yonder, down at the close of life, and let us suppose that we have reached the last

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moment: there stand around us our loved ones and we are speaking to them our last words of farewell. Ah, the whole past comes up before us and our minds for a moment wander back to our childhood days, and we think of how we have lived.

How shall we feel then? Shall we have to say, "I lived a selfish life; I had no thought of humanity; I have accumulated money; I have houses and lands and cattle and horses and sheep and gold and silver; I have made a great financial success of life?" But, ah! my brothers and sisters, will there be a single star—a saved man or a saved woman—to be placed in your crown?

Horace Mann once said, "Be ashamed to die until you have done at least one good deed for humanity."

And this afternoon, as I think about the triumph of our Lord, what about our own triumphs?

Have you triumphed over yourself?

Have you conquered that unruly temper;?

Have you conquered your selfishness?

Have you conquered your envy?

Have you conquered your jealousy?

Have you conquered your uncleanness?

Have you conquered your covetousness?

Are you building up a stable Christian character that will stand the test when trial comes?

My brothers and sisters, have you been resurrected?

Jesus the Christ brought life and immortality to light. My talk to you this afternoon will not avail you anything if you simply listen in half-hearted manner and think, "Well, he talked about the resurrection of Jesus the Christ." Yes, and I am talking about your being dead in sin; and I plead with you this afternoon to give yourselves, spirit, soul and body, to God your Father, and to be resurrected with Jesus the Christ.

My brothers and sisters, I call upon you to face the fact that another opportunity is yours this afternoon, and that you have to answer to your God for it.

Oh what a glorious sight! The Word of God tells us that the trumpet shall sound, that Christ Himself shall descend from Heaven, that the righteous dead shall come forth and the righteous living shall be translated. Yes; the imagination of a man fails him—it requires the genius, the pen, of an angelic messenger to paint the blissful scene of all the redeemed going up to meet the Lord Jesus Christ in the air. Oh, how glad we all shall be when that time comes! Then there will be no more sin, no more sickness, no more death, no more sorrow, no more crying; for God Himself, with His own loving hand, will wipe away the last tear.

Then there will be no more cruel words, no more thorns to pierce the heart; but flowers plucked from the Paradise of God to ornament the bosom; then there will be no more hands wrung for wayward sons and daughters, no more bitter tears to scald the cheek; for all those things will have passed away; and the kingdoms of this world will become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ.

All in this congregation this afternoon who desire to follow God, and at last to stand upon Mount Zion with Jesus the Christ, please stand, and let us pray together.

The General Overseer then led the congregation in repeating the following Prayer of Consecration:

My God and Father, in Jesus' Name I come to Thee. Take me as I am and make me what I ought to be in spirit, in soul and in body. O God, I think of the "Home over There," and of the many loved ones who have gone before, and I know that my time here is short. May I have my lamp trimmed and burning, and may I be ready when the call comes. Forgive me, cleanse me, sanctify me, and help me to live a lowly life. Bless Thy children everywere throughout the world. Bless Zion City, O God, to the honor and glory of Thy Name; and help me to be kind, loving and merciful, and to do all the good that I can. May God help me. Amen.

Hymn No. 338—"What a Gathering"—was then sung.

On that bright and golden morning, when the Son of man shall come,
And the radiance of His glory we shall see;
When from every clime and nation He shall call His people home,
What a gathering of the ransomed that will be!

When the blest who sleep in Jesus, at his bidding shall arise
From the silence of the grave, and from the sea,
And with bodies all celestial they shall meet Him in the skies,
What a gathering and rejoicing there will be!

When our eyes behold the city, with its many mansions bright
And its river, calm and restful, flowing free;
When the friends whom death has parted shall in bliss again unite,
What a gathering and a greeting there will be!

O the King is surely coming, and the time is drawing nigh,
When the blessed day of promise, we shall see;
Then the changing "in a moment," "in the twinkling of an eye,"
And forever in His presence we shall be.

Chorus: What a gathering, what a gathering,
What a gathering of the ransomed in that summer land of love;
What a gathering, what a gathering,
Of the ransomed in that happy home above.

ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

"And they stood every man in his place, round about the camp, and all the host ran, and cried and fled."—Judges 7:21.

STANDING FIRM

There are many instances recorded in the Bible, where men have won great victories by standing firm and never swerving from the post of duty. Take, for example, Gideon with his three hundred faithful men; they stood in their place every one of them, and won a great victory over the host of Midian, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, although armed only with trumpets, pitchers and lamps.

They had faith in the God Whom they trusted, and in Gideon their leader. They knew he would lead them on to victory.

They pressed boldly on, never faltering, and success crowned their efforts.

Joshua won a great victory when, with his followers, he marched around the city of Jericho. They trusted in God and "by (their) faith (in Him) the walls of Jericho fell down."

In order to be successful in any vocation in life one must have faith in himself.

If a man puts a low estimate upon his own value, he will never achieve any great results. If he thinks that being comfortably good, is good enough there will be no great advancement in his character.

"It is not failure but low aim that is crime."

Have high ideals and live up to them. If you attain to your ideals, then set your goal post farther out in the field of endeavor, and know no rest until you reach it.

Take a square look at yourself. There are two questions which should confront every man: "What he ought to be; and what he was meant to be."

Jesus rated Himself as King. He welcomed the praises of children, youths, maidens, men and women who hailed Him as King. He knew the way to the throne was by the way of the Cross; yet He never faltered. He knew He was to be the King.

What a heritage we have! "Sons of God—joint-heirs with Christ." What a blessed privilege! What an ideal! to know that some day we will reign with Christ Who is "King of kings and Lord of lords."

STAND FIRM for that which is right. Be patient and kind to all, but never sacrifice a single principle. Trust God and go forward to victory in His Name.

Seek the lost and erring ones, and bring them into the fold.

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ILLINOIS

The Chicago Branch submits the following report for two weeks ending March 27, 1910:

Number of calls made	524
Number of messages given	894
Number of Leaves given	113
Number of Leaves sold	31
Number of Heralds given	138
Number of Heralds sold	27
Number of cards given	363
Total pieces distributed	1566

COLORADO

Mrs. Luella Ferges, Trinidad, Colorado, sends in the following report of work done for the month ending March 31, 1910:

Number of calls made	250
Number of Messages given	175
Number of Leaves sold	87
Number of Leaves given	16
Number of Heralds sold	9
Number of Heralds given	6
Total pieces distributed	293

OREGON

The following is the report of the literature distributed by Deacon and Mrs. Frank Robinson in Portland, from March 21st to March 27th, 1910:

Number of calls made	314
Number of Messages given	307
Number of Leaves sold	37
Number of Heralds sold	37
Number of Penny Tracts sold	54
Number of Leaves given	5
Number of Heralds given	5
Number of Leaves and Heralds mailed	52
Total pieces distributed	497

WISCONSIN

Report of work done by seven Zion Seventies, in Kenosha, Saturday evening and Sunday, April 2 and 3, 1910:

Heralds sold and given	52
Leaves of Healing sold and given	25
English messages given	135
German messages given	10
Total number of pieces distributed	222

List of Zion Institutions and Industries.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer
Deacon W. Hurd Clendinen, General Manager

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion: Supported entirely by Tithes and Free-will Offerings.

Leaves of Healing: Supported by Subscriptions and Free-will Offerings;

Zion Herald: Supported by Subscriptions and Free-will Offerings;

Zion Bank: Does a General Banking Business, Solicits Commercial and Savings Accounts; Issues Exchange and makes Collections;

Zion Stores: An Institution having at present Fifteen Departments; buys and sells merchandise of all kinds; has capital invested of about $115,000.00, and does a business of over $300,000.00 per year;

Zion Printing and Publishing House: Prints Zion Herald, Leaves of Healing, Zion Tracts and Books; does a High Grade of Commercial and Job Printing;

Zion Administration Building: Occupied by the Headquarters Offices of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion throughout the World, Zion Herald, Leaves of Healing, United States Post Office, Receiver of the Zion Estate (John Alexander Dowie), Telephone Exchange, James Brister—Zion Dentist, Zion Realty Department, and Accountants of Zion Institutions and Industries (excepting Zion Stores);

Zion Realty Department: Buys and sells Real estate, writes Insurance, collects Rents, furnishes Abstracts of Title, and does a General Conveyancing;

Zion Home: Is a three-story frame building, 340 feet long and 130 feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms. The dining room is 60 x 90 feet, having a seating capacity of 400. The lunch room is 35 x 36 feet, and will seat 75 at one time. There are four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet. A roof garden 35 x 50 feet, and tower 70 feet high affording a view of great expanse over City and lake. The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

THE LAST PAYMENT
ON
Shiloh Tabernacle
will be due
JULY 1, 1910

Amount of Principal	**$ 2,500.00**
Amount of Interest	**62.50**
Approximate cost of necessary repairs and painting of Tabernacle	**1,000.00**
Total amount needed	**$ 3,562.50**
Cash in hand, April 8, 1910	**787.63**
Balance needed,	**$2,774.87**

It is my earnest desire and prayer that this amount of money be contributed by the first day of June, at the latest.

Let every officer, member, and friend of Zion, not only in Zion City, but throughout the world, pray very earnestly about this matter; and then let each and every one, in the Name of the Lord, do his or her duty.

Thanking, in the Name of the Lord, one and all for the generous responses in the past, and praying God's richest blessings upon you,

I am,
Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name
WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA
(Successor to John Alex. Dowie)
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

PATIENCE

LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD
EDITED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

The Power of The Church

(By O. L. Tindall.)

The Church of Jesus Christ is a working and warring institution in the world. A wonderful mission is committed to her. She is to make disciples of all nations. She must witness to all the world. Her parish is all the earth. What a work! to sow the precious seed. She is to contend earnestly for the faith, "the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." She has conflicts with foes without and with fears within. Her enemies are legion: the world, the flesh and the devil with all his hosts, with his wiles and cunning craftiness, deceit and open violence, like that of a roaring lion.

The Church of Jesus Christ is not composed of earth's noble, wise and mighty people. Not many noble or great are called. Christ has chosen the so-called weak things of the world. He says, "I send you forth as lambs among wolves." The contest is quite an unequal one, as the world views it. She despises the untrained soldiers, without sword or spear, as did Goliath despise David, the young stripling, fresh from his father's flock. That giant mocked the young man that he should presume to come out against him with a sling and a few pebbles taken from the running brook. The haughty Philistine disdained his antagonist and said he would soon give his flesh for food to the birds and beasts. But alas, for him! David was armed not only with a sling and stones, but with a weapon that had been forged in Heaven and made of better material than any Damascan blade.

The Church of our God must be Endued with Power

or she must be forever a failure, and go down to disgraceful defeat, as the so-called Church has in so many cases in the past. She has trusted in the wrong kind of power. She has trusted in the sword.

The Roman Catholic Church for centuries trusted in violence, to destroy heresy and the heretic, as she called her opposers. Other churches have trusted in intellectual power and have said that an educated ministry was what was needed. They have gone to the world with excellency of speech and man's wisdom, and have thought to save the world by "the tongue of men;" but they have proven themselves to be only tinkling cymbals and sounding brass.

Paul's preaching was not of that sort. It was in the demonstration of the Spirit and of power. Eloquence, when not accompanied by the Spirit of God, is a farce in the ministry of Jesus Christ.

What gave the simple Gospel sermon of Peter, on the Day of Pentecost, the power that made men tremble and cry out for help and salvation? It was not the eloquent speech of that humble fisherman. No; but it was the Power that Jesus had before promised would come upon them when the Holy Ghost was given them.

Some have trusted in the money power, the "almighty dollar," as they call it. That will build fine church buildings and hire eloquent orators, and artistic singing, musical instruments, etc., but it avails nothing with a spiritually dead preacher and a worldly pew, bent only on pleasure and ease, and what they call respectability.

Only One Source of Power.

Mere numbers count for naught. God does not need to number His people. He once rebuked King David for doing it, because David was forgetting God and trusting in the strength of his army. God conquers with the few or with the many, for "It is not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord." Numbers are often a curse, unless they be of the right sort. Gideon had to cut down his army and throw out thousands before the Lord would use him.

The Spirit of God is the Source of Power.

All the armor of God is defensive except the Sword of the

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Spirit. This is the weapon for work and aggression to fight the good fight and to overcome the wicked one. Repentance is not power; neither is purity power. They simply prepare the way for power. They are but the preparation of the temple for receiving the Heavenly Guest. The temple, (our bodies) must be clean, swept and garnished, but they must not be left empty if they be clean. They must be filled with the Spirit of God. "Be ye filled with the Spirit," said the Apostle. If we are not filled with the Spirit of Truth and of Power, then the unclean spirit will come back with seven others and will go in and occupy the house from whence he was cast out.

The Holy Ghost is Promised to All of God's Children.

The prophet Joel declares, and the Apostle Peter reaffirms that God says in the last days, "I will pour out My Spirit upon ALL flesh." Signs and wonders will be seen. Prayers will be effective. The kingdoms of the world shall tremble, and the earth shall be shaken. God will hear prayer and nothing shall be able to stand before such a people.

Spirit-filled people are what will make an Apostolic Church. It was the indwelling of the Holy Spirit that made the Church powerful and Apostolic in the beginning. Ordaining men to the Apostolic office and saying that they are apostles, when they are not, will add nothing to the power of the Church.

Zion should make good her name of "Apostolic" on these lines as well as on her many other teachings.

Zion is Many-Sided.

She believes in a genuine Repentance. She believes in good works. She believes in a true Baptism. She believes in a thorough Organization. She believes in paying her Tithes into the Storehouse. She believes in only ONE CHURCH, and she believes that Zion represents that Church. She believes in destroying evil, and in not compromising with it. She believes in the old Book from cover to cover as the Inspired Word of God, and the Infallible Guide of Life. But, notwithstanding these beliefs, she also believes that a correct theology and a right form of government alone will avail nothing unless all be filled with the Spirit of the Living God that will make her a real power in the world that can DO things and bring them to pass.

"WITHOUT ME YE CAN DO NOTHING."

Obedience to God, or Paying the Price.

An Address Delivered in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, April 3, 1910.

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva,

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

[Reported by Miss S. J. B.]

The Processional sung by Zion White-Robed Choir, was, "Come, O Mighty to Deliver."

General Overseer Voliva then offered the

INVOCATION:

God be merciful unto us and bless us, and cause Thy Face to shine upon us; that Thy Way may be known upon the earth, Thy saving Health among all the nations. For the sake of Jesus. Amen.

The Choir and congregation joined in the Hymn "Hallelujah, 'Tis Done!"

'Tis the promise of God, full Salvation to give
Unto him who on Jesus, His Son, will believe.
Hallelujah, 'tis done!

Ref. Hallelujah, 'tis done! I believe on the Son;
I am saved by the blood of the Crucified One.

Tho' the pathway be lonely, and dangerous too,
Surely Jesus is able to carry me through.
Hallelujah, 'tis done!

Many loved ones have I in yon Heavenly throng,
They are safe now in glory, and this is their song:
Hallelujah, 'tis done!

Little children I see standing close by their King,
And He smiles as their song of salvation they sing:
Hallelujah, 'tis done!

There are prophets and kings in that throng, I behold,
And they sing as they march through the streets of pure gold:
Hallelujah, 'tis done!

There's a part in that chorus for you and for me,
And the theme of our praises forever will be:
Hallelujah, 'tis done!

General Scripture Lesson;

General Overseer—Let us now read from the Inspired Word of God, the second chapter of the Gospel according to St. Mark, the first twelve verses:

"And again He entered into Capernaum after some days; and it was noised that He was in the house.

"And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive them, no, not so much as about the door: and He preached the word unto them.

"And they come unto Him, bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four.

"And when they could not come nigh unto Him for the press, they uncovered the roof where He was: and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay.

"When Jesus saw their faith, He said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.

"But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning within their hearts,

"Why doth this man thus speak blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God only?

"And immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, He said unto them, Why reason ye these things in your hearts?

"Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed, and walk?

"But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (He saith to the sick of the palsy,)

"I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house.

"And immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went forth before them all; insomuch that they were all amazed, and glorified God, saying, We never saw it on this fashion."

I desire you to give particular notice to that phrase in the fifth verse: "WHEN JESUS SAW THEIR FAITH."

May God bless the reading of His Word.

Elder O. L. Tindall offered the general supplication to the Throne of Grace, after which the Junior Choir sang the Anthem: "Open the Door for the Children," and the Congregation sang the Hymn entitled, "The Child of a King," and the Senior Choir, the Anthem: "Allelujah, O Zion that Bringest Good Tidings!"

The General Overseer then prayed as follows:

Almighty God, our Loving, Heavenly Father, through Thy tender watch care over us, we are once more permitted to assemble in this, our accustomed place of worship, to sing hymns of praise; to read and study a portion of Thy Word; to call upon Thine holy and excellent Name—rendering unto Thee praise, thanksgiving and adoration; and to call upon Thee for the blessings that we need for spirit, for soul and for body. We beseech Thee to accept the gratitude of our hearts: to bless one and all present this afternoon, and to guide in all that shall be done and said. In Jesus' Name and for His sake, we ask it. Amen.

ADDRESS BY THE GENERAL OVERSEER.

General Overseer—In the narrative that I read to you this afternoon—which you will fiend in th second chapter of the Gospel according to St. Mark, also in the ninth chapter of Matthew and in the fifth chapter of Luke—you will find these simple words: In the second verse of the ninth chapter of Matthew, it is written: "And Jesus, seeing their faith. . ."; in the fifth verse of the second chapter of Mark we have the words: "When Jesus saw their faith . . ."; and in the twentieth verse of the

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Special Notice

To all Members and Friends in and around

Chicago

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

God willing, will preach in

Central Zion Tabernacle

16th Street and Michigan Avenue on

Lord's Day, May 8, 1910, at 2:45 p. m.

On THURSDAY following,

May 12th, at 2:45 p. m., he will hold

A Special meeting for Teaching and Prayer for the Sick

This meeting will begin promptly at 2:45 p. m.

To these Meetings All are Welcome

All Seats Free Freewill Offerings Only Received

CHRIST IS ALL, AND IN ALL

fifth chapter of Luke it is written: "And when He saw their faith, He said . . ."

I desire you to follow me closely in this simple Bible study, and I trust that God will guide me in saying something that will help the sick to trust God for their healing, and the sorrowful for comfort and the discouraged for cheer; and that one and all may be richly blessed out of God's bountiful Storehouse with every blessing needed for spirit, for soul and for body.

Zion's Glorious Truths.

To me it is an intense delight to emphasize the Zion truths. This morning I spoke very emphatically in regard to Zion as the Theocracy—the rule of God in the heart, in the home, in business, in the State, in the nation and in the world.

Man's Three-fold Nature.

Another great and glorious truth, that is taught in Zion, is the tri-partite nature of man.

Doubtless, all of you have been taught earlier in life that man is composed of a soul and a body; and perhaps you have heard a great deal said about the immortality of the soul, and a great deal more, from some quarters, regarding the doctrine of "soul-sleeping," but not until recent years have you heard anything regarding the wonderful truth of the three-fold nature of man.

I desire to stir up your minds, from time to time, lest you should allow some of these truths to slip away.

Man is composed of spirit, of soul and of body; man has three parts—spirit, soul and body.

In the book of Genesis we are told that God made man out of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of Life, and man became a Living Soul.

A Difference Between Father and Maker.

In studying this narrative, it is well to keep in mind the difference between "Father," and "Maker." God is the Father of our spirits, but He is the Maker of our souls and our bodies. God is the Maker of that which is external to Him, and He is the Father of that which proceeds from Him. Let us never lose sight of the fact that God is the F a t h e r of the spirits of men, and the M a k e r of their souls and their bodies.

In the Benediction which it is our custom to use in this Church—and which you will find in the First Book of Thessalonians the fifth chapter, the twenty-second to the twenty-fourth verse—we have the expression: "And I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus the Christ."

Again in the fourth chapter of Hebrews and the twelfth verse we have the expression that the "Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow." So that the difference beween spirit and soul is plainly set forth in the Word of God.

Health Begins in the Spirit.

Those of you who are still in sin, away from God, should understand that God's cleansing work must begin with your spirit, extend to your soul, and then to your body.

Any sermon preached upon the subject of Divine Healing that does not place prominently before the hearers the doctrine of repentance, cannot accomplish very much good.

Divine Salvation Precedes Divine Healing.

There is no Divine Healing without Divine Salvation; and to those of you who are seeking healing, I would point out that if you think, even for a moment, that you are going to receive anything from God—that you are going to receive healing for the destruction of that cancer which is reaching for your vitals, or for the destruction of the tuberculosis that is rapidly emaciating you and destroying you—without first of all giving yourself to God, repenting of every sin, placing all under the Blood, making a full and complete surrender to Him, then you are simply wasting your time, for you will never receive any healing until you first pay the price.

Money Cannot Purchase Salvation or Healing.

The very moment something is said about the "price," then some people having their minds so full of the thoughts of this world, think that it means money.

There are many people under the delusion that they can purchase a first-class ticket to Glory by contributing ten thousand dollars towards the erection of a church building, or by donating a large sum of money to some charitable cause. Not so. In that Last Great Day, God will say to such, "I never knew you." God does not know them now, and in the Day of Judgment they will still be strangers to Him.

True Sorrow and Repentance only Opens to Life and Blessing.

Ah, no, you cannot purchase salvation with money; neither can you purchase healing with money. The price which you will have to pay is a genuine sorrow for your sins.

You will remember it is recorded that the Apostle Peter—simply a human being like ourselves—in the time of trouble, denied His Lord and Savior; and as the Savior looked at Peter, his heart was pierced and he saw his own weakness and sin, and in anguish he went out and wept bitterly.

Ah, my brothers and sisters, it is not any disgrace for you to weep over your sins; but it is a disgrace not to do so. The

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LEAVES OF HEALING
I am the Lord that healeth thee.
And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder O. L. Tindall.

GO FORWARD, O ZION!

This should ever be our watchword,—no backward step, even in thought.

Growth is the central thought of a true Christian life.

Stagnation means death.

It is said that when a tree ceases to grow it begins to die.

To cease to go forward in the Christian life means to go backward. There is no standing still.

Neutrality is a farce in the sight of God. Jesus said so. If a man is not for Me he is against Me. If he soweth not he scattereth abroad.

Destruction goes on constantly. A man dies daily, and hourly. Our bodies waste. Every action, or movement of any member of our bodies wastes and destroys some tissue, however small.

It is only a matter of time when the whole body will be gone, unless this waste is renewed by proper food supply. It is one thing or the other.

We must continue to eat if we would live. So with the Christian. He must feed upon the Bread of Life continually, or his spiritual life will soon ebb away.

We are exhorted to renew our strength. "He that waiteth upon the Lord shall renew his strength."

"Give us day by day our daily bread."

The writer of the Book of Hebrews exhorts us after this fashion:

"Therefore, leaving the principles of the doctrines of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment."—Hebrews 6:1,2.

These doctrines are such as, a person ought to learn at the very beginning of his Christian life. They are the A B C's. They ought not to be gone over again and again.

When a man has repented of his sins, and God has forgiven him, that should be an end of it; for God has promised to remember them no more against us forever. They are buried in the deep.

Baptism should be settled once for all. Settle it right and have no discussions about it.

Put away all wranglings over the resurrection of the dead. Do not try to settle mysterious questions that foolish men bring up in regard to it and try to determine just how the dead shall come forth.

The laying on of hands, or ordinations, are done once for all.

Judgment is called eternal, and that is with God, the Righteous Judge, and we do not have to pass upon the destiny of men.

Faith in God is a fundamental and not a doctrine that has to be taken up and discussed. It belongs at the very beginning of life, without which it is impossible to please Him.

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We are not to repent every day of dead works. Live men do not have to say at the close of every day, "I have left undone all the things I ought to have done," and vice versa. No.

Paul said, even at the close of a most eventful life, "I have fought a good fight; I have kept the faith."

That is the way for a man to live. The exhortation is based on the idea of childhood and manhood in the Christian life. He would not have a man to remain a babe in Christ all his life.

Perfection, here, means full grown—a man and not a child.

"When I was a child I spake as a child, I thought as a child, but when I became a man I put away childish things."

A child may be a perfect child, but not a perfect man. Jesus was a Child and had to grow to be a perfect Man. He did not try to do the work of a man until He became a Man.

Let a babe in Christ be a child and not try to be a man. Some men as soon as they are converted, think they know it all, and begin to teach and preach, when they should be only witnesses of the grace they have received.

Every man should be in his place. He that is called to teach, let him give himself t' teaching, to exhortation, to ministry; let him attend to these. He that is called to rule, let him do it with diligence.

The thought is, grow and go forward. This is true of Zion and her mission. She has certain foundations which have been carefully laid, and laid in Truth. A man was very foolish, or very weak, who did not consider them carefully before he began to build thereon. A wise man does that. He sits down first and thinks before he begins to build as to whether he can finish his house, else when he has laid the foundation he finds he is not able to finish it, and he becomes the laughing-stock of all men who pass by.

This is the illustration that Jesus Himself used for those who begin a work and then grow weary and turn back; who put their hand to the plow and look back.

Such men are not worthy of the Kingdom of God. He will not trust them. That is what many have done with Zion. They laid the foundation and are not now able to finish.

God and good men only laugh at such men. Said Jesus: "For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? Lest happly after he has laid the foundation and is not able to finish it, all that behold it began to mock him, saying: This man began to build and was not able to finish."—Luke 14:28-30.

May that disgrace never come to any Zion people, nor to Zion, nor Zion City. The honor of our God is at stake before all the world.

ZION, GO FORWARD!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Fourteenth Annual Convocation

OF THE

Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

will be held, God willing, in

Shiloh Tabernacle Zion City, Illinois

From July 10th to 20th, 1910

Begin your preparations now to attend.

Full program will appear later in Leaves of Healing and Zion Herald.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

(Successor to John Alexander Dowie.)

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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THE LAST PAYMENT
ON
Shiloh Tabernacle
will be due
JULY 1, 1910

Amount of Principal	**$ 2,500.00**
Amount of Interest	**62.50**
Approximate cost of necessary repairs and painting of Tabernacle	**1,000.00**
Total amount needed	**$ 3,562.50**
Cash in hand, April 12, 1910	**817.63**
Balance needed,	**$2,744.87**

It is my earnest desire and prayer that this amount of money be contributed by the first day of June, at the latest.

Let every officer, member, and friend of Zion, not only in Zion City, but throughout the world, pray very earnestly about this matter; and then let each and every one, in the Name of the Lord, do his or her duty.

Thanking, in the Name of the Lord, one and all for the generous responses in the past, and praying God's richest blessings upon you,

I am,
Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name
WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA
(Successor to John Alex. Dowie)
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Obedience to God, or Paying the Price.

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worst thing in this world is not merely the committing of sin; but it is worse, having sinned, when the light flashes upon your pathway, to refuse to acknowledge your transgression and repent before God and man and obtain forgiveness.

The first instalment of the payment which you must make to your God, is a genuine, heart-felt, inexpressible sorrow for your past wicked and sinful life.

"Except ye Repent, ye shall all Likewise Perish."

There is no use in your looking up into my face and saying, by that look, "Is there not some way by which I can get out of this?" No; there is no escape. "Well," one might say, "I am a very highly educated man, do I have to go the same way as the ignorant man? I am a very rich man, do I have to go the same way as the poor man? I had distinguished ancestors, must I condescend to get down upon my knees and acknowledge my transgressions?" Yes, my brother, my sister, there is only one way—there is only one way for all: rich man, poor man; learned man, ignorant man; the man in the palace, and the man in the hovel;there is only one way. God the Almighty has established that way; and any preacher who will attempt to condone your sins and to establish some other way, is a criminal in the sight of God.

Sorrow only, not Enough.

Sorrow is not repentance. The Bible tells us that "Godly sorrow leadeth men to repentance;" but sorrow is not repentance. Ah, the impenitent who sit under the sound of my voice this afternoon, will reach a point in their lives where they will seek repentance with bitter tears, but will not find it.

Resisting the Pleadings of the Holy Spirit.

Oh, how many there are who resist the Holy Ghost, and who do not, when prostrate upon a bed of sickness, profess repentance! While I do not say that death-bed repentance is always a farce, yet I will say, that in all of my ministerial experiences, I have never known of a case where a man professed repentance upon what was supposed to be his death-bed—and he afterwards recovered—that was genuine, and where the person making the profession did not lie. The moment such people are up from their beds of affliction, instead of serving God, they have gone back to the world and been worse than they were before that sickness overtook them.

Does it not seem to you to be a very foolish thing for a man to live for sixty years—I well remember one case where the person was over seventy years of age—to spend all of that time in the service of the devil, and then to take the last five minutes of the seventy years and seek to undo all the evil that has been done in the fifty or sixty-five years before?

Selfish Sorrow, and Real Sorrow of Heart.

Now, there are different kinds of sorrow. Here is a cashier of a bank who, during a number of years, systematically robs the institution of many thousands of dollars; and so carefully has he manipulated the books that even the state bank examiners have been unable to discover the shortage. But at last, suspicion is aroused by the fact that although that cashier has a salary of only twelve hundred dollars per year, he and his wife are living in a manner of style which only a salary of five thousand dollars a year could sustain; but soon someone says, "Where does he get his automobiles, and the money that he put into that fine house? and how does he and his wife manage to shine so brilliantly in all the social functions of the city?" And little by little, the suspicion grows that all is not right; and then, some morning, Mr. Cashier does not appear at his office, and search reveals the fact that he has gone to a "sunnier clime;" and then the experts on the books, by long, intricate search, discover money amounting to thousands of dollars, has disappeared.

Finally, the absconding Cashier is traced, captured and brought back to face the bank officials who had reposed so much confidence in him, and then the poor (?) fellow takes out his handkerchief and wipes the big tears from his eyes.

Now, that illustrates one kind of sorrow,—the thief's awfully sorry that he got caught; but he is not really sorry that he took the hard-earned savings of poor washer-women; he is not one bit sorry that he has caused untold misery; he is only sorry that, at last, his crime found him out.

Now, that kind of sorrow will not count for anything with God. Before a man will repent he must have a genuine sorrow for his transgressions. The way in which some people profess to come to God, is simply a farce on the face of it.

Ah, men and women who have served the devil and given the very best years of their lives to his service cannot come to God in a flippant, half-hearted manner; they must be broken down; they must be crushed, and they must be made to realize that they are sinners before man and before High Heaven; and when sorrow of that kind fills the heart, then repentance will come.

True Repentance Requires Restitution.

When traveling in a street car a few evenings ago, I noticed a card announcing some revival meetings, and on it were the words, "Get right with God." I thought to myself, "That is a mistake; it does not begin right."

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My brothers and sisters, I believe that my first duty towards every sinner who hears me preach, is to say, "Get right with man;" for I do not believe it is possible for any sinner to get right with God until he first gets right with his fellow men. You know that during these annual revivals that are held, there are some people who join the church every year, they are "perpetual joiners"—they join everything in sight. In a certain town I can recall the names of some people there who had joined the Methodist Church every year for about forty years, and they were among the very worst sinners in that town. Now, that kind of business does not count with God.

I remember on one occasion, when I was a boy, a series of meetings were being held in a church not far from my home, and men were professing repentance: and among the number who joined the Church during that revival, there was a certain man who owed a business man a sum of money for a grocery bill, if I remember correctly. After all attempts to get the money had failed, the business man wrote a letter to the preacher (which letter was printed in a newspaper) and in that letter the business man said, "I see that Mr. ————has professed religion and has joined the Church. He owes me ten dollars. Will his repentance towards God pay me my ten dollars? I decline to accept that kind of settlement, because I am still out my ten dollars."

Why there are Backsliders.

There is a great deal of truth in that little letter. Some people who join a church never confess their dishonesty, never confess their lying, never go and make right the wrongs of their lives; and that is just the reason why there so many backsliders.

If you are professing Christianity and at the same time have not cleaned up all the rubbish in your life, then you are attempting to erect Christian character upon an unstable foundation, and sooner or later you will find yourself in trouble.

Why does one man who was once a thief, but afterwards professed religion, fall away and steal again? Why will another man who was once a drunkard, but who afterwards professed religion, periodically fall and partake of the accursed stuff? Why? because somewhere in the life there is something that is not made right, which gives satan an opportunity to reach out and take hold of and make use of that which is not made right, and once more to drag the victim down to hell.

Conduct is Proof of Character.

The religion of any man is valueless if it does not lead him to go and clean up all the wrongs which he has committed towards his fellow men, as far as it lies within his power to make them right.

Only the Clean can Expect Salvation and Healing.

Every person must clean up his and her life, for unless you do there is no use for you to expect salvation; neither is there any use in your expecting God to heal you.

The Price is Truth, not Money.

You may come in here with a million dollars and say, "I would give a million dollars for my healing." But you would not be able to purchase your healing from God for ten million dollars. Have you not tried all of the doctors around and you are now worse off than you were when you began? Yes, far worse off. If there is anything on God's earth that the doctors can do, it is to take one's money—that is one system they have never given up, the system of "bleeding;" they have kept it up until the present day.

No; healing cannot be purchased with money. The Word of God says, of one poor woman, that she had been sick for twelve years, that she had suffered many things of many physicians; that she had spent all of her living, and then—instead of being better—she was worse.

Reliance for Healing Must be in God only.

And so, this afternoon, with some of you who are sick, the drugs which you have taken have been a thousand times worse than the diseases which you had; and your fight, first of all, is to overcome the drugs which you have taken into your system; for, I tell you, here and now, God the Almighty will never heal you so long as you put your trust in man, and so long as you are looking to drugs.

Surrender, Repentance and Reformation.

Ah, yes, there must be an absolute surrender, which is the first part of the price you have to pay. There must be a genuine repentance—which is a reformation of life.

Zaccheus said, "If I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I will restore to him fourfold." And this principle is true with every other man. No one will be on sure ground until he has made right every wrong.

Perhaps one may say, "I defrauded a man out of a hundred dollars, and have the willing heart to make it right, but I have not the means." To such an one I say, Go to the man whom you have wronged and tell him that you are sorry you have wronged him, and that you will return to him what you owe just as quickly as you possibly can; and every time you will find that he will be lenient and kind toward you.

The Confessional.

My brothers and sisters, I have already brought before your minds the subject of confession. There is a confessional in this Church—not a Roman Catholic confessional, where the people go and confess to the priest. I say, unhesitatingly, that I believe a Roman Catholic confessional is an annex of hell.

God's Word demands that you shall confess—not to a priest, but to the one whom you have wronged. You do not need to come to me, but you do need to go to the one you have wronged, and confess to him and ask his forgiveness. I do not want to hear any of your confessions.

Repentance, includes confession and restitution.

Repentance, then includes confession and restitution. There is no escape. Repentance includes confession and restitution. Ah, you may lie to man, but it is impossible for you to lie to God and conceal the lie.

Salvation, Healing and Happiness for All who will Pay the Price.

I tell you, God's Word is true; and today I feel more like enthusiastically holding up the Word of God to an unbelieving world than at any other time in my Ministry; and I feel more like saying, unto one and all, God's Word is true! There is salvation for every sinner! There is healing for every sick one! There is Heaven for every one who will pay the price!

ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

"CHRIST IN YOU, THE HOPE OF GLORY."—Col. 1:27.

It is the Christian's hope to have the Christ dwelling with him.

Without this indwelling of the Holy Spirit his life will be storm-tossed and tempest-driven.

If Christ is your hope of glory, the Voice that stilled the storm on the sea of Galilee will speak the blessed words of "Peace, be still" to your troubled spirit, the storm will soon abate, and the troubled waters of sorrow and strife upon the sea of life will become calm and placid.

There are times when one seems to be almost engulfed by the waves of sorrow which appear to roll mountain high, yet, when Christ is your Pilot and Captain, "You can surely trust His might, though the breakers rage in angry fury, He will guide your ship aright."

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Our life is a struggle from the cradle to the grave. We must all realize sooner or later that the way to the Crown is by way of the Cross.

"All that will live Godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution."

The road to success in the Christian life is rough and steep, the pit-falls are many, yet, if your hope of glory is Jesus the Christ, for you the cry rings down through the ages, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life."

It takes time, patience, and labor to achieve success.

You cannot accomplish any great results, without WORK.

The one who hangs back, has no hope of advancement. It is the one who will PRESS FORWARD, the one who can show his SCARS OF EXPERIENCE that WILL SUCCEED.

Do not become discouraged if you should make mistakes. The man who never made a mistake is the man who never did anything—a mere cipher Those who are bold enough to KEEP TRYING are the ones who WILL WIN SUCCESS, and be of blessing to their fellow men.

Let Christ dwell in you richly. Let Him be your hope of glory.

Let Him be the Anchor, that keeps your soul
Steadfast and sure while the billows roll,
Fastened to the Rock which cannot move,
Grounded firm and deep in the Savior's love.

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Twenty-five Zion Seventies visited Kenosha last Saturday evening and sang a number of hymns with great power in the street meeting held on Market Square. Ten of these workers remained and sold literature in the saloons and business houses. Literature disposed of including sales at the meeting in Carpenter's Hall on Lord's Day morning:

Heralds sold and given	75
Leaves of Healing sold and given	48
Penny tracts sold	2
English messages given	314
German messages given	34
Total number of pieces distributed	473

Plain Instructions

To One and All Interested in the Redemption of Zion City.

How to Make Investments In Zion Institutions and Industries.

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

PLAN NUMBER ONE.

INVESTMENTS in Zion's Institutions and Industries may be made in any amount for one year or longer, all investments to bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum.

All investments made between April 1st and October 1st, of any year, bear 6% interest, and participate in the dividends declared January 31st following; all investments made between October 1st and April 1st, of any year, bear 6% interest, and participate in the dividends declared July 31st following.

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Plan Number One is for all persons who have a lump sum of money and desire to invest it all at once.

Plan Number Two is for one and all who desire to save and pay in a definite sum each month until a total amount of so much has been paid in.

All persons desiring to invest under Plan Number Two should fill in the following application form and send it to Wilbur Glenn Voliva, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

APPLICATION FOR INVESTMENT IN ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES.
(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

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I,_____ hereby make application to invest in ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES the sum of _____DOLLARS on or before the_____day of each and every calendar month until I have deposited in the aggregate the sum of_____DOLLARS.

Name_____

Postoffice _____

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Remittances should be by Post Office Orders, Express Money Orders, or by Bank Drafts payable in Chicago or New York, and all should be made payable to the order of Wilbur Glenn Voliva.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

PATIENCE

LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

The Church, Its Nature, Object, and Use.

(By O. L. Tindall.)

There is a strong tendency in these days, especially among Protestants, to ignore, or to slightly esteem, church organization. Some say, "I do not belong to any church, but I am a Christian, and can live just as good a Christian outside of the church as inside. The church does not save anyone."

Some despise the church altogether and believe in no organization. This comes from a desire to be under no rule. These people despise government and law. It comes from a desire to have their own way and be put under no obligations, and have no responsibilities, only those that are self-imposed, which are generally of a very easy nature.

The Roman Catholics have gone to the extreme and made the Church the whole thing. They have said the Church is the ark and when a man is in the Church he is saved and it does not matter what kind of a life he lives—he is saved any way. They magnify the Church to such an extent that it all but takes the place of the Christ, the Savior Himself.

Zion takes the middle ground between these two extremes, we might say. We do not think the Church saves a man. He may be in the Church (so far as mortal eyes can see) and still be no Christian at all. But we believe the Church is an institution founded by God Himself, and for a purpose, and not to be despised; that it is absolutely necessary for the success of Christ's great work in the world—a means to an end; that men must respect and use it; that when we ignore it, or reject it, we despise the work and command of the Lord, and throw reproach upon Christ Himself, for the Church is the Body of Christ.

Christ said, "I will build My Church on this Rock." A man who goes around and teaches that there should be no Church is a wicked man and a false teacher. He is striking at the very vitals of Christianity. He tears down the house in which a man lives and exposes him to the cold and killing blasts of winter, and to the destructive storms that sweep over the land.

Christ provided a safe retreat for His children—a fold for His weary sheep and tender lambs. God has a fold for His sheep, as well as green pastures and cooling streams. Christ talked about His fold, a shelter for His sheep and a protection from the howling and devouring wolves that would destroy them. That is what the Church is for.

Christ founded the Church, and if He did He meant that every man, woman and child that professes His Name should belong to it, and identify themselves with it.

What is the Church?

It is the Body of Christ. It is made up of the people of God—His children, composed of men and not a code of doctrines, and is not mere sentiment. A Church is made up of human beings, of flesh and blood. It is not, as some suppose, an invisible thing made of air. Christ built His House of men, called living stones. This is the visible form of the religion of Jesus Christ on the earth. You cannot see spirit, neither of God nor of man. What is seen of Christianity is seen in men, and not in sentiment, or in doctrines, or creeds. These have their place.

Said Paul,

"YE ARE OUR EPISTLES, KNOWN AND READ OF ALL MEN." "YE ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD."

That is why Christ came in the flesh that men might see God. "He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father," for He was God manifest in the flesh.

Now we are Christ's, and this is Christ manifest in the flesh. The Church is His Body. Said Paul: Will a man despise that and yet call himself a Christian? No; unless he does it ignorantly, and by following false teachers, such as we have seen in our midst, who have blinded many. They falsely magnify the Spirit of Christ and ignore and despise His Body which

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is the Church. These men are the enemies of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Body is the Machine Which the Spirit Uses.

Christ's Body was only the instrument of His Spirit which was within; but it was essential. So are our bodies essential for the work of our spirits, our minds and wills, etc. The whole intellectual, moral and spiritual nature of a man works and manifests itself through the body and its members. The eyes and ears and mouth are only instruments of the spirit of a man, and of his mind. They are nothing of themselves. When the spirit of a man has flown away can the eye see or the ear hear? No.

That was why Christ built the Church: that He might have a place of abode for Himself; that He might have weapons of warfare; that He might have instruments through which He could work in the world. The Spirit of God dwells in the Body. The outward form must be good or the Spirit cannot do good work. If the eye is defective, then the spirit cannot see through it. We must have a good body. Faith without works, says the Apostle, is dead, as is the body without the spirit, and vice versa.

Steam is of no use unless it be confined in a boiler and have an engine to operate on. What is steam unconfined? Could it run a train of cars and carry its burdens and convey its passengers? No; the machinery must be there and in good working order, or all the power would be lost on the desert air.

It is the same way with the spiritual power; it would be wasted without a body to possess it. It must be controlled. What good are all the waters of Lake Michigan for waterworks in our cities unless you have a good system of pipes to carry it to your houses? so of your gas, and your electricity. They all require outward forms, these unchained appliances. True, they are only cold, lifeless iron, but they must be used. God uses these lumps of clay, our bodies, through which He operates and does His mighty works. That is what the Church is for. It is the Body, the outward, visible form of the Kingdom of God among men. It is "the form of Godliness," as Paul calls it, and the power is the Spirit of God "working in you to will and to do of His good pleasure."

Every true Christian should take his place in the Body and become a member of the Body and do his or her part. We are many members, but ONE BODY. Beware of the man who despises the Body of Christ, which is the CHURCH.

Obedience to God, or Paying the Price.

An Address Delivered in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, April 3, 1910.

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva,

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

[Reported by Miss S. J. B.]

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Faith is Necessary to Please God, and to Receive Blessing.

Now, following confession and restitution, we come up against this subject of faith.

In the Bible there is a great deal written about unbelief. One of the first instances that I now call to mind, was when the Children of Israel perished through unbelief; and of the hundreds of thousands who left Egypt for the Promised Land, only two of the entire number were permitted to cross the Jordan into the Land that was flowing with milk and honey—through unbelief all the others perished. "Christ did there no mighty works, because of their unbelief."

When upon the Sea of Galilee a storm arose, the Apostles awakened Jesus and said to Him, "Carest Thou not that we perish?" Jesus answered them, "O ye of little faith!" Yes, O ye of little faith!

Jesus said to the blind men, "Believest thou that I am able to do this?" They said, "Yes, Lord." Then said Jesus to them, "According to your faith be it done unto you."

The Bible tells us that "Faith is the substance," or the foundation, "of things hoped for; the evidence of things not seen."

Christ said, "When ye pray, b e l i e v e that ye have that for which ye ask and pray, and ye shall have it."

My brothers and sisters, this afternoon it seems to me that I can hear the Voice of God ringing throughout the world and saying, "O ye of little faith!"

As the Son of God looked forward to the close of the Gospel Age, He said, "When the Son of Man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?"

Where is the faith—the faith of God? Who is there here today who would dare stand up and say, "I have the faith which will not shrink from any earthly foe. I have the faith which will carry me through the waters and through the fires and over the mountains. I have no fear because I have an unwavering faith in God." Who is there who can truthfully stand up and say that? Ah, there is the difficulty!

Any man can believe that he has that which is already in his possession; but only the man of faith can believe that he has that which he is yet going to receive.

You all believe now that we have this Tabernacle; but there was a time when you did not believe it.

You all believe now that we have Elijah Hospice and the Administration Building; but there was a time when you did not believe it.

One year ago, when I stood upon this platform and shook my fist and said, "By the grace of God, we shall have it—we shall have it," did you then believe it?

Voices—"Yes."

General Overseer—Well, this afternoon when I tell you that we shall have every foot of Zion City, do you believe it?

People—"Yes."

General Overseer—All right, we will see now whether or not God will reward your faith. There was a time, not very long ago, when all that we had was an old tent, and some old bridge-planks—and they were borrowed.

Trust, the Greatest Joy in the Christian Life.

My brothers and sisters, if we have failed to learn how to trust God, then we have missed the greatest joy in the Christian life.

Oh, how sweet it is to trust in Jesus. How sweet it is just to trust God for everything. How many of you trust God for food, for shelter and for raiment? Or, how many of you have anxious thoughts?

Jesus said, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you."

My brothers and sisters, the greatest joy that could come into my heart this afternoon would be to see every sinner in this congregation saved, to see every sick one healed.

Plain Duties.

My duty is to preach the Word, to be instant in season and out of season.

Your duty is to believe the Word, to act upon the Word, and to throw yourself at the feet of Jesus, to press your way through the crowd and touch the hem of Christ's garment, and say, "If I can only touch the hem of Christ's garment, I shall be healed."

My sister, when you and I pray and ask God to heal you of that heart trouble, and there is not any doubt in our hearts, and you are right with God, and I am right with God, then the

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answer to that prayer must come, and that is all there is to it.

"All things are possible to him who believes."

Well now, judging by results, there is not very much belief. Oh that God would help me stir up each one here this afternoon, and to help you to see how very far beneath your precious privileges you are living. The reason why the battle is lost when it comes, is because the preaching is unheeded, for all through these days and weeks and months and years when you ought to be filled with the power of God—so that when the battle comes you are well prepared—you are not living up to your grand and glorious privileges in Christ Jesus; and therefore when the battle comes you find yourself without the Christian armor, unable to trust, without any faith, but only filled with fear and distrust and doubt; and there is just the source of failure.

Danger in Not Accepting God and Living For Him.

Last July during the Convocation, in fifty-four meetings—morning, afternoon and evening, when more than twelve hundred people consecrated themselves to God—many of whom came to God then for the first time—and when many others who had gone away from God, returned, and when the workers went throughout the congregation pleading with many to give themselves to God their Father--many stubbornly refused and resisted.

Ah, often I said from this platform at that time, "You may refuse today, but perhaps the next time that I shall see you will be when death is reaching for your heartstrings;" and this afternoon I could tell you of a number of cases where that has come true.

Ah, my brothers and sisters, I ask you to pray very earnestly this afternoon for a young girl—one of those people to whom I spoke. Ah, the other morning when I hastened to her bedside and listened to her pitiful request: "Forgive me for all the hard things that I said," oh, how I wished then that I could take all the young women in Zion City, and lead them in single file past that bedside. Today I have been urged to come again. Oh, how I have pleaded in private with God to have mercy upon her and to spare her young life. (Amens).

Ah, my brothers and sisters, I tell you it was an awful thing to go through that Convocation, when opportunity after opportunity was given to come to God, to resist and to sneer at it, and now, when near to Death's door, to seek forgiveness.

My heart was very deeply touched when she spoke to me, and I was so glad to say, with all my heart, "I gladly forgive it all," and I cried to God to have mercy upon her and to spare her life. She said, "If God will only heal me I will go back into the Choir, I will give up my old companions, I will do what is right, and I will serve God."

Ah, God knows all about it,—yes, God knows all about it!

Young man, young woman, sitting here this afternoon, will it come to pass in your life that one day, in the early morning hour, I shall be called to your bedside and have to hear you say, "Oh, if God will only heal me this time I will do what is right"? —May God forbid!

Now Is the Time to Accept God's Mercy.

My brother, my sister, this afternoon—NOW—is the time for you to give yourself wholly to God, your Heavenly Father. Give yourself to God today, attend the services of God's House, read and study God's Word, be earnest in prayer; and then when satan comes along to deal a blow at you, you will be possessed of the power of God to help you resist and to conquer.

My heart bleeds for every sinner here today. What can I do more than I have done, or say more than I have said, to bring you to God? There is nothing else for which I care to live but to see the sinful saved, the sick healed, and God's Kingdom established. I would much rather rescue one sinner this afternoon than I would to make fifty million dollars. I would rather see this sister, from Chicago, healed this afternoon, than I would to be President of the United States of America.

"Ye Must Be Born Again."

Oh. my brother and sister, pay the price; get in earnest; make a full surrender to God and cry to Him for mercy. You may be in health today; you may leave this Tabernacle this afternoon and go to a cozy little home; you may have a good position and be making money; and you may say, "Well, I am not a bad man," or "I am not a bad woman," or "I am not such a terrible sinner." Ah, yes, but there is only one hope for you —only one —and that is, to be "born again."

Until you are "born again" you are not a Christian, and you are without hope in this world, and what does it avail for you to stand by the bedside of that child and plead with God to hear you? God will not hear your prayers. You have heard the Gospel preached for years; you have been invited to come to Christ more than a hundred times, and you have had a loving hand outstretched to you more than a hundred times, and yet you have deliberately walked away, quite unconcerned.

Ah, but you wait—wait until sickness comes, wait until position is gone, wait until, in a little bedroom, you are lying fever-stricken at the point of death and you can scarcely whisper. Ah, then the scene is changed and you are not quite so brave as you were, or so bold; you will not talk then as you talk now.

Why be Careless and Indifferent--Future Joy Depends upon Present Action.

Ah, foolish people! foolish people!! Do you believe in God? Do you know that sometime you will be called to stand before Him to give an account for the life which you are now living? Then how do you account for your carelessness and for your indifference?

It is not any wonder that victories are lost in so many cases, and that when we cry to God, the Heavens seem as brass—it is not any wonder; the price has not been paid when God's Word is so neglected, when prayer is not practiced, when there is no real communion with God, when there is no faith to fight the battle, then I tell you, my brothers and sisters, it is no wonder that some of the battles are lost and that victory is not given in some cases.

Christ Paid the Price for all Mankind.

Even though it should happen that no one is saved, it is still true that Christ died to save all men; even though no one should be healed, it is still true that God has placed healing there for every sick and suffering one. God's Word is true, and I desire to fulfil my whole duty—will you do your duty? If so, make a full surrender this afternoon; give yourself entirely to God for time and for eternity—keep nothing back.

Let the Immortal Spirit be made Clean.

Oh, my brothers and sisters, as your shepherd, I desire to lead you into green pastures—into God's holy Book; I desire to lead you beside the still waters. God has given to you an immortal spirit, and Jesus the Christ poured out His precious life-blood in order to cleanse that spirit from all sin, and your soul from every impurity, and to heal your body of every disease.

Let Temper, Envy, Jealousy and Murmuring Depart Forever.

Christ now sits at the right hand of God—where He has gone to prepare a place for you; therefore I plead with you this afternoon to place all under the Blood. Let that hasty temper go! Let that envious, jealous spirit depart! Let that spirit of murmuring be cast out! Be possessed by the Holy Spirit—the spirit of meekness, humility, of love and of mercy.

Zion to be a Holy People.

Zion, we ought to be a holy band. God calls upon you and me today to save this City. Will we be worthy of the call? Will we prove true to the trust and, at last—looking back over our life, will we be able to say, "Father, I have done the best that I could"?

The Kingdom of God First.

My brothers and sisters, seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.

Now, this afternoon, just where you are sitting, make your reconsecration today; let the "old man" die, and the "new Man in Christ Jesus" be born. Yield up yourselves as servants to God—right where you sit this afternoon.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.
PATIENCE
LEAVES OF HEALING
I am the Lord that healeth thee.
And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
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ADMINISTRATION BUILDING OF THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION THROUGHOUT THE WORLD,
ZION CITY, ILL., U. S. A.,
April 23, 1910

PEACE!

"PEACE BE UNTO YOU!"

"PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU, MY PEACE I GIVE UNTO YOU."

"AND THE PEACE OF GOD WHICH PASSETH ALL UNDERSTANDING SHALL KEEP YOUR HEARTS AND MINDS THOUGH CHRIST JESUS."

Precious word!
Loving salutation!
Wonderful heritage!
Blessed assurance!

After many weeks of silence in the editorial columns of Leaves of Healing—made necessary by the pressure of so many other duties, which are rapidly being increased by Zion's remarkable growth and development—I again lovingly and earnestly greet, in the Name of the Lord, all of Zion's officers, members and friends everywhere throughout the world.

You are very much in my heart, and I make mention of you all often in my prayers, that you may be wholly consecrated to God and that you may receive from Him, in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, daily, every needed blessing for spirit, soul and body.

God bless Zion in Australia and New Zealand!

He alone knows the depth and warmth of my affection for all the dear ones in those beautiful, southern, sunny lands.

Across the Pacific Ocean—which, with my wife and child, I crossed in 1901 to preach the everlasting Gospel of the Kingdom—to one and all in Australasia I send loving greetings, and say, with all my heart: May God bless, guide, and keep you!

The mere mention of Melbourne, Sydney, and Adelaide, especially, brings to my mind many precious memories; and to Zion throughout Australia and New Zealand I say: Arise in the strength of the Lord, and proclaim, and live the wonderful truths which made Zion, from 1901 to 1906, to be one of the most talked of topics not only in the principal cities, but smaller towns and even country places of Australasia.

I exhort all Australians and New Zealanders in Zion City to send Leaves of Healing, Zion Herald, and other Zion literature, broadcast throughout your own countries.

Deacon George F. Garton, of 150 Lygon Street, Brunswick, Melbourne, is Zion's official representative in Australia. Supplies of literature are sent regularly to him.

Meetings are held in Protector Hall, 246 Rae Street, North Fitzroy.

Let all Zion earnestly pray that God, through the Holy Spirit, will raise up two consecrated workers to be sent to take charge of the work in Australasia. In the meantime, let every one in Australasia who has remained faithful, loyal, steadfast and true to Zion's principles, truths, ideas, and ideals, be active Seventy workers. Distribute the literature and hold the fort until help from Headquarters arrives.

To Zion in South Africa I say: God bless you and make you a blessing!

I cannot find words to express my heartfelt appreciation of the faithfulness to Zion of Deacon Simon P. Bhengu of Roosboom.

May God bless Zion in Asia!

The faithfulness, earnestness and consecration of Elders Royall and Viking, and their families, and Deaconess Hosken, very deeply touches my heart. May God richly bless Zion in China!

There are still faithful ones in the United Kingdom and on the Continent of Europe. May God bless them all, and may each and every one in his respective community be a light to bless the sinful, the sick and the dying.

To the many faithful ones throughout the United States and Canada: I beseech you, in the Name of the Lord, to accept my heartfelt thanks for your faithfulness in every particular. May God richly bless you, keep you, sustain you, and make you a blessing.

To Zion in Zion City I say: There never lived at any time a nobler and more fully consecrated people. Your love, loyalty,

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faithfulness, and hearty cooperation in every way have helped to fill my cup of joy even to overflowing.

To the isolated Zion members and friends in many different parts of the world I say: Thanks be unto God for your steadfastness! By the grace of God, be faithful!

Zion throughout the world can say:

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Before our Father's Throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

Zion people everywhere know what they believe, and are always ready to give a good reason for the positions they take.

Zion believes in God the Almighty, Creator and Father of us all,—an unchanging God; the same God that lived in Moses' time, that lived in Daniel's time; a prayer-hearing and prayer-answering God; ever ready to save the sinner when he repents; to heal the sick when the conditions are met; to regenerate, justify, purify and sanctify all who come unto Him by the One way: Jesus the Christ.

Father!
Our Father!
My Father!

Zion believes in Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, the Son of Man. Zion everywhere, at all times and under all circumstances, should exalt Jesus the Christ and point all men to Him as the Lamb of God Who taketh away the sins and the diseases of the world.

Take the Name of Jesus with you,
Child of sorrow and of woe—
It will joy and comfort give you,
Take it then where'er you go.

At the name of Jesus bowing,
Falling prostrate at His feet,
King of kings in Heaven we'll crown Him,
When our journey is complete.

Zion believes that Jesus is ever the same: yesterday, today, yea, and forever.

He is the same Savior.
He is the same Healer.
He is the same Cleanser.
He is the same Keeper.
He is the only hope of the world.

From every Zion heart goes up the prayer: LORD JESUS, COME!

How true:

"When by His grace I shall look on His face,
That will be glory for me!"

Talk with Jesus.
Walk with Jesus.
He is your truest and best Friend.
Make Him your daily Companion.
Imbibe His Spirit.
Walk in His footsteps.

At last, having overcome all enemies without and all enemies within, you will be permitted to sit with Him upon His Throne.

Zion believes in the Holy Spirit, the other Comforter.

Daily pray:

Come, Holy Spirit,
Like a dove descending,
Rest Thou upon us
While we meet to pray;
Show us the Savior,
All His love revealing;
Lead us to Him,
The Life, the Truth, the Way.

Every person is controlled, possessed, and guided either by the Holy Spirit, or by satan, and, it may be—and is true in many cases—by many evil spirits.

Zion believes the Bible to be the inspired Word of God. It is her only rule of faith and practice.

Read the Bible.
Study the Bible.
Meditate upon the Bible.
Believe it, receive it, and, by the grace of God, live it.

Zion's mission is to preach and live the Everlasting Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

Zion proclaims the THEOCRACY, and commands all men everywhere to Repent—to give up their rebellion and to submit to God. Zion has no use for a go-as-you-like and do-as-you-please Church.

AUTHORITY!—the Authority of God.

Every person who does not acknowledge the authority of God is a rebel.

Sin is sin, and no amount of soft talk will ever make it anything else.

Disease is disease—the foul work of the devil, and there is only one remedy: THE BLOOD OF JESUS THE CHRIST POURED OUT UPON CALVARY FOR THE SINS AND DISEASES OF ALL MANKIND.

God's promises are sure, and will be fully verified unto each and every one who obeys the Word.

Search your heart, reader of these Notes, in the light of God's Word.

Can God save, heal, cleanse, purify and sanctify a person who persists in smoking and chewing tobacco, taking drugs, and using intoxicating liquors? The answer is plain: Verily no!

You may be able to say truthfully: "I do not smoke tobacco; I do not chew tobacco; I do not use the filthy weed in any form; I do not use drugs; I do not dance; I do not go to theaters; I do not countenance intoxicating liquors."

This is certainly a noble profession, and to be commended; but face the questions:

Do you lie?

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Are you proud?

Are you envious?

Are you jealous?

Do you backbite with your tongue?

Are you full of the spirit of criticising and murmuring?

Are you covetous?

Are you trying to worship God and mammon at the same time?

Do you love money?

Are your affections upon earthly possessions, and are you spending your time, using your talents to add house to house, lot to lot, farm to farm? In brief: Are you daily violating the teachings of Jesus the Christ by laying up treasures for yourselves on earth?

Are you trusting God fully for salvation, healing, cleansing and keeping?

Is your life filled with worry, anxious care, fretfulness?

My brothers and sisters, think of these things, and see to it that your lives are fashioned in accordance with the teaching in the Sermon upon the Mount.

The Zion Movement was called into existence by God for the fulfilment of many of His purposes and for the working out of many parts of His wonderful plan.

The Zion Movement has been opposed by the devil from its inception, and many times has satan circulated the report: "Zion is dead!"

How often has satan believed that he had disposed of God's work and workers!

He threw the three Hebrew children into the fiery furnace. God protected them and they came out alive.

He cast Daniel into the lions' den, but God closed their mouths and Daniel escaped unhurt.

He slew all the male children in Bethlehem and the borders thereof who were under two years of age; but the infant Christ, through Divine interposition, was protected.

He nailed the Son of God upon the Cross, sealed the Tomb, and placed a guard around it; but Jesus came forth, a mighty Conqueror over the grave and death.

Many times in Chicago was the report circulated: "Zion will soon see her finish;" but every time, when the smoke of battle had cleared away, Zion emerged stronger than ever.

Times without number, during the last four years, has the statement been made and the report widely circulated: "Zion is dead and Zion City is destroyed!"

Look at Zion today—all honor and glory be to God!

As a Movement, she is emerging from a terrible conflict, and from many quarters can be heard the saying, "Surely God established Zion."

From the old tent, back to Shiloh Tabernacle.

From the little store, back to Zion City General Stores.

From small, poorly furnished offices, back to the Administration Building.

From Zion Home in a small dwelling house, back to Elijah Hospice.

From darkness that could be felt, into marvelous light!

From apparent defeat, to glorious victory!

From temporary despair, to wonderful hope!

Zion sees the sinful, the sick, the suffering, and the dying, and thanks be unto God! she will soon be better able to preach to them the Everlasting Gospel than at any time in the past.

God's workers pass on to their reward, but His work goes on forever.

Seasons of fasting and prayer have been observed for the salvation of Zion City. Thousands and tens of thousands of prayers, from men, women, youths, maidens, and little children, have gone up to the Throne of God that everything which has come into Zion City to mar and to destroy might be completely uprooted and destroyed.

An unwavering faith fills the hearts of the Zion people today, in Zion City and throughout the world, that Zion City will be saved.

The salvation of Zion City means self-denial, self-sacrifice, a willingness to give up all that there may be on this earth one clean city—a place of refuge for the oppressed of God's people.

The work of Zion embraces four great departments: the Ecclesiastical, the Educational, the Commercial, the Political. These divisions are simply for the sake of convenience, for Zion does not recognize anything secular, but to her all legitimate things are sacred, and she knows no line of division between religion and education, between religion and business, between religion and politics.

Ecclesiastically, Zion is going forward, and it cannot be repeated too often that Zion's mission is to preach the Gospel, save the sinful, heal the sick, cleanse the unclean, and establish the Kingdom of God.

Zion has suffered many set-backs Educationally. The Public schools have been substituted for the Parochial schools. Many prayers are being offered to God that He will hasten the day when Zion again may have her Parochial schools, where the Word of God will be made the principal text book.

Zion Commercially, as it exists today, has all been created in the last three years. The progress has indeed been wonderful.

Zion Politically has had to fight, in Zion City, a vicious element, bent on the destruction of everything that Zion holds dear. They have labeled themselves the "Independent Party."

Any man who talks about being "independent" is a fool. The originator of the Independent Party was the devil. He rebelled against God and set up a government of his own.

The fight in Zion City is the same old fight that began up in Heaven, which resulted in the devil, and all the angels that followed him, being cast out.

At the School Board Election held in Zion City on Saturday, April 6th, the Theocratic Party defeated these so-called "Independents" by a majority of one hundred and one.

At the City Election, held on Tuesday, Aprill 9th, the Theocratic Party defeated the "Independents" by majorities ranging from twenty-nine to forty.

By faith in God I say that never again shall these so-called "Independents"—Zion traitors and would-be destroyers—win in any contest against the faithful Zion people. God is our Helper, and in Him do we trust!

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GO FORWARD, O ZION!
Live for God!
Retain His love and favor, and ultimate success is assured.

Zion City must be saved!
Zion City can be saved!
ZION CITY WILL BE SAVED!!

Leaves of Healing and Zion Herald must now be given a wider circulation.

There is no more effective way for Zion people everywhere to preach the Gospel and to do good than by circulating Leaves of Healing and Zion Herald.

Subscribe by the year for yourselves.
Subscribe for others.
Send for them in quantities.
Hand them out to your neighbors.

On Lord's Day, in places where there are no Zion meetings, do not waste your time fooling around with apostate Churches and Sunday Schools, but get into the homes, find the sinful, the sick and the dying, and give them the full Gospel of salvation, healing and holy living.

"The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few."

Earnestly pray to the Lord to send forth laborers to minister to the sinful, the sick and the dying.

Orphans' homes must be established.

Homes of rescue must be established.

Homes for old people must be established.

Take your stand! Be firm, loyal, steadfast and true!

The Methodist Church is not "just as good" as Zion.

The Baptist Church is not "just as good" as Zion.

No Church in the world is "just as good" as Zion.

Zion is either right, or she is wrong.

God either called the Movement into existence, or He did not

Have convictions.

Have the courage of your convictions.

Be courteous and kind, but never compromise.

God saved you that you might save others.

God healed you that you might tell others the story of Jesus the Healer.

Every Christian is a worker.

Idleness is a curse.

Hard work kills no one.

Indifference and carelessness are the sure forerunners of spiritual decay and death.

Where there is life, there is activity.

Where there is activity, there are results.

Zion has the issues.

No issue, no battle.

No battle, no victory.

No victory, no crown.

Stand up!—stand up for Jesus!
The strife will not be long;
This day, the noise of battle,
The next the victor's song:
To him that overcometh,
A crown of life shall be;
He, with the King of glory,
Shall reign eternally!

WATCH YE, THEREFORE, AND PRAY ALWAYS.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Fourteenth Annual Convocation

OF THE

Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

will be held, God willing, in

Shiloh Tabernacle Zion City, Illinois

From July 10th to 20th, 1910

Begin your preparations now to attend.

Full program will appear later in Leaves of Healing and Zion Herald.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva
(Successor to John Alexander Dowie.)
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

(Contributed by Deacon Frank Robinson.)

"For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward; how shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard Him;"—Hebrews 2:2, 3.

SALVATION

What a wonderful theme! Oh, how beautiful the thought! How the word breaks through the gloom, and fills the heart with hope, and expectancy!

Like the morning sun that breaks through the mists of the mountain and fills the valley below with a flood of beautiful light and warmth, so the message of Salvation breaks through the gloom of our earthly cares and sorrows, and fills our hearts by faith and hope with the sunshine of Righteousness, Peace and Joy in the Holy Spirit which a loving Father has sent into this, a world of sin, sickness and death.

Oh, how we all need salvation, and need it all the time! How we need to be saved from our sins; from sickness; from hunger and thirst, and from evil of every kind; also from him who goes about as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour, and yet sometimes changing himself into an angel of light so that, if possible, he may deceive the elect.

Oh, how may we get this Salvation of which God's Word is so full? Only through Jesus Christ, the mighty Son of God, Who said, "All power is given unto Me in Heaven and on earth,"—only through Him Who went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil, and said "Follow Me."

There is no other Name given under Heaven whereby we may be saved.

Seventies, how our hearts ought to go out in deep gratitude to our blessed Redeemer Who left His lovely home in Heaven and came to this earth with all its sins and sorrows to reveal the Father's Will. How we ought to thank our Heavenly Father for sending Jesus to pay the price of our salvation which we could not pay ourselves; for the wonders of His love in providing for our needs and pleasures; the sun to rule by day, and the moon by night; the beautiful landscape with its mountains and valleys, its streams and flowers; the birds which fly about in their gorgeous dress and sing the praises of God; for the sweet and beautiful prefumed flowers which gladden our hearts as we look into their beauty and smell their delicate fragrance. Surely our God has supplied every need of ours through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Let us, then, by His grace, go forward and tell this wonderful story to the sin-stricken, disease-smitten and sorrowing of earth, laying aside our own pleasures that we may lift others into the Life, Light and Love of God.

What a privilege to go to each home and say, "Peace be to this house!" then to be able to read the Word of God and offer prayer in some of these homes where, perhaps, the Word of Life has never been read, thereby giving God an opportunity, by His Spirit, of bringing conviction of sin, and repentance to Life through our Lord Jesus Christ.

OREGON.

Deacon Frank Robinson and wife, officers in Charge of Zion's work in Portland, submit the following report of work done during the week ending April 10th, 1910:

Number of houses visited	179
Number of Messages given and sent	379
Number of tracts sold	3
Number of Leaves sold	28
Number of Heralds sold	28
Number of Penny Tracts sold	51
Number of Leaves given	4
Number of Heralds given	6
Number of Leaves and Heralds mailed	18
Total pieces distributed	517

WISCONSIN.

Report of work of three Seventies in Kenosha saloons and business houses, Saturday evening and Lord's Day morning, April 16 and 17, 1910:

Tracts sold	2
Heralds sold	34
Leaves sold	16
English messages given	96
German messages given	51
Total number of pieces distributed	199

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Why Did God Put Officers in the Church?

(By O. L. Tindall)

THERE can be no questioning the fact that God has set in the Church certain officers. He appoints them. God is high over the Church. If not, then it is in vain that we talk about any Church.

Christ is the Head of the Church

and must rule it—but how? His plan or method of government is plain; for it is said that He has set men over it, and has given them authority and directions just how to manage His affairs.

The Church is of Divine authorship. It is the Church of Jesus Christ. Its polity is not after the pattern of the world. It is not democratic, neither is it republican in form. It is Theocratic—Divinely appointed. Therefore, men can never elect its officers by ballot. When Paul and Barnabas were appointed to go out to preach and to act as Apostles it is said that the Holy Ghost sent them forth. The Holy Ghost chose them for the work, but the appointment came through other men; and God works through men in His spiritual Kingdom the same as He does in the natural kingdom. Men sow and plant and water the seed, but God gives the increase.

Self-Made Men are a Farce.

There are none. Men do not live unto themselves. No man is independent. The so-called self-made man is indebted to his parents, in the first place, probably, for a good, sound physique, and for mental caliber and sound mind and moral stamina, without which he could have done nothing; and others have contributed to his make-up.

Humanity is as a great network, linked and interlinked together, the threads being more or less dependent upon one another.

Independence is a Delusion of the Devil.

Independence is the cry of the self-centered man or woman. Men are dependent the one upon the other, and all are entirely dependent upon the great God Who made them and gave them being, and ever keeps them. The withdrawal of God's protection would mean death to every man. Every one would be like a branch severed from the life-giving Vine.

The Church is the great body of redeemed humanity. God has appointed officers over the Church for a purpose—and why? It is plainly stated: to train them and discipline them, and educate them and bring them up just the same as a father and a mother are placed in the home to bring up the children of the household in the nurture and admonition of the Lord—to the full stature of manhood and womanhood.

The human race, the world over, however, is a sad spectacle of failure to be obedient and to respond to instruction. Leaders who have been sent of God who would train and teach people the Truth, have been lacking. The leaders in the world have been of the earth, earthy. They have been only such as corrupt or selfish men have chosen.

God's plan detailing just how to build up the Church of His own creation, is plainly stated in His Book.

God Set in the Church Certain Officers

as stated by Paul in his Epistle to the Ephesians, and in other places, "for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the Body of Christ." To what end? To bring them "into the Unity of the FAITH, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the fulness of Christ."

That is God's object, and the only way to attain unto it is to have men qualified to teach the people in the faith, and to teach the same thing; to have men who can train soldiers and disci-

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pline them—officers who know the arts of their warfare, and the tactics of their high calling. Every such officer must have the same military manual or code and follow the map of the campaign, or what confusion there would be in the orders! Officers must be trained in the same school and they must give the same instruction to the soldiers or there can be no unity in their operations, but only confusion in the time of battle.

One word must go all along the line. So says the old Captain of the Lord's hosts. "Let every man speak the same thing."

The political party must have one platform and every issue must be clearly agreed upon, or there soon will be a split-up and the opposing party will win. The political leaders must be right. "Insurgents" and "kickers" must be rooted out or the party is doomed. How quickly they see it. One party cannot favor high protection and free trade at the same time and survive.

God insists on having Unity in His ranks. His people must believe the same thing. There is only ONE FAITH, ONE LORD, ONE BAPTISM. We should all teach the same things. That is why God has selected men to teach and not every man to teach himself or try to teach others. Let there not be many teachers, said the Apostle. A father and a mother must agree in their instruction and training of a family or there will be untold trouble. In order to have union and harmony, God has set one as the head of the household.

Unity must be maintained in order to accomplish anything, and the only way order and unity can be maintained is to establish authority and require all parties to submit to it.

God has set officers in the Church for this purpose: to bring all into the Unity of the Faith.

The Works of the Flesh

VERSUS

The Fruits of the Spirit

An Address Delivered at the Early Morning Meeting, Lord's Day, March 6, 1910, in Zion Home Auditorium.

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

REPORTED BY B. M.

General Overseer—Let us unite in singing Hym No. 586:

My Jesus, I Love Thee.

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine!
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign;
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou,
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee, because Thou hast first loved me,
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I will love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;
And say when the death-dew lies cold on my brow,
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore Thee in Heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow,
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

General Overseer—In this meeting, this morning, I want all of the important passages of Scripture on the subject of Prayer and Faith, so let us bear this in mind from the very first song we sing. Let all sing this hymn from the heart.

After the singing of the hymn, the General Overseer continued:

Pray for Self and For Others.

Let all bow their heads in silent prayer. Pray for yourselves; first of all, for spiritual blessing. Let those in need of healing cry to God. Those who have requests for others, bear them up before the Throne of God on the wings of your earnest petitions. Let everyone in this congregation shut the world out, and draw near unto God with a true heart; and may this meeting indeed be a feast to every spirit.

Let all repeat after me, "Lord, teach me to pray." (The congregation repeated same after the General Overseer.) May God grant it.

After a moment of silent prayer, the congregation sang reverently the beautiful hymn, "I Need Thee Every Hour."

Elder Carey then led the congregation in reading in concert Luke 11:1-13:

And it came to pass, that as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, one of His disciples said unto Him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

And He said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in Heaven, so on earth.

Give us day by day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins: for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

And He said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves;

For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him?

And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee.

I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.

And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh, findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?

Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?

If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?

General Overseer—I desire you to read together the twenty-third hymn, and then I will give you the opportunity to request prayer.

My exhortation every Tuesday in the Divine Healing service is to get down to business. That includes the spirit of earnestness so that you will go straight to God to supply every need. Now, for a few minutes, I will give you the opportunity to state your requests for prayer.

Requests for Prayer.

A great number of requests for prayer were then made on behalf of husbands and wives, fathers and mothers, sons and daughters, relatives and friends, for their conversion, healing, spiritual quickening, etc.

General Overseer—My brothers and sisters, no one in this meeting can help being deeply impressed. I find it necessary, oftentimes, to pray to God to help me as I read the numerous requests that come in by letter, and telegram, and telephone, because it would break a man's heart if God did not sustain him. These requests show the conditions of humanity, and all this in the face of the fact that Jesus Christ tasted death for every man, and that He was manifested to destroy the works of the devil.

God does hear and answer prayer. This meeting reminds me very much of some of the first meetings I attended in Zion Home in Twelfth Street.

Enemies Within and Enemies Without.

I want to point out to you here, that a man's enemies are the enemies within himself as well as the enemies without. I wonder if all of you present here have reached that place, spiritually, where you have conquered all the enemies within.

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The very act of standing up and requesting prayer is, to my mind, a very important matter. Asking is the starting place for an answer, and is an indication of earnestness. I remember a request sent in a week ago Tuesday from a certain person, asking prayer that God would deliver him from pride. I am interested in the spiritual progress of every one. My work, as is the work of every Christian, is to help get a people ready for the coming of the Lord. Now, have you victory over pride? Is there any pride still in your hearts? It was pride that helped to bring this work to where I found it. Now that we are getting it all back—and we will get it all back, for God will put this entire Estate back into our hands for His honor and His glory. Of course, anybody can believe that after it is done, but God requires men and women who can believe things before they are done. "When ye pray, believe that ye have that for which ye ask and pray, and"—what is the promise? "Ye shall have it." Has every one victory over pride? Is there never anything in any heart of envy or jealousy?

The Folly of Pride, Jealousy, and Uncontrolled Temper.

One of the most foolish persons in this world is a person that is jealous of another. There is only one bigger fool, in my mind, and that is the person who thinks somebody else is jealous of him. Is there any pride in you? Is there any envy in you? Is there any jealousy about you? What about that temper of yours? Have you victory over that? If not, why not? Why don't you stand up and say, with tears running down your cheeks, "Pray for me that God will give me victory over my temper"? What about your tongue? Have you victory over that? Is there one here this morning who would stand up and say that he has tamed his tongue? The Bible says, "The tongue can no man tame."

Criticism, Murmuring and Fault-finding to be Cast Out.

What about the spirit of criticism of your brethren? Have you victory over that? Criticism ought not once to be named in the Church. What about the spirit of murmuring and fault-finding? I would rather have a rattlesnake in this Home than a gossiper—far rather.

Enemies to be Overcome.

It is my duty to remind you of these things; and it is my duty to point out to you that while, in years gone by, Zion could say, "We do not smoke nor chew tobacco; we do not use intoxicants; we have nothing to do with secret societies; we are not yoked up with the things of darkness," yet there were some things in Zion far worse.

Pride is a far more terrible thing than smoking a cigar—and I abominate tobacco with all the power of my being. Envy and jealousy are far more destructive to spirituality than chewing tobacco. A gossiping tongue is far worse than taking a glass of whisky; and, while Zion was witnessing against these things, the devil was coming in here like a flood, and, before you were scarcely aware of it, he had stricken at the very foundation: because the Psalmist says, "When the Lord shall build up Zion." No man can build up Zion, and if the Lord is not pleased with you and with me, He will warn us—He will deal with us, and, if we do not get right, He will set us aside. God is no respecter of persons. I am not indispensable, and neither are you. God could dispense with me and with you, and raise up His sons out of the stones in the streets.

You can see a cigar, but these other things I would especially warn you against this morning: envy, jealousy, criticism, murmuring, and a hundred other things; the spirit of covetousness—why, there is fifty times as much, if I know my Bible, in it about covetousness as there is about drunkenness.

This Life a School for Eternity.

God will never prosper this work with a people that have the love of filthy lucre in their hearts. God, the Almighty, put us here to prepare for eternity. He did not put us here to make money,—He didn't put us here to accumulate money. If God puts into your hands, Deacon Irvine, $50,000, build an orphans' home, an old people's home, a rescue home; help clothe and feed the naked and the hungry. That is what God put us here for.

Self-indulgence is a crime. Self-denial and self-sacrifice are two of the sweetest things in the Christian life. My cry to God every day is for this Church, that it may grow spiritually. What do I care for Zion City, materially, unless the people are right. Ten thousand dollars, Deacon Irvine, might be your damnation.

Deacon Irvine—"I have thought, sometimes, that that is the reason why He did not trust me with it."

General Overseer—You ought to be thankful He never has.

Deacon Irvine—"I thank Him every day that He has not."

General Overseer—Let me impress upon your minds that in building up Zion this time, people are going to come into it for what they can g i v e and not for what they can g e t.

If we had a hundred million dollars today, we could soon find places to do good, to put every dollar of it.

It is the Heart that Pollutes.

Now, you know the Pharisees were greatly shocked because the disciples ate with unwashed hands, and then it was that Jesus spoke about that which comes out of the heart of a man. What did He say? Find that passage, somebody. I want you to read what Jesus says about what comes out of a man's heart—those are the things that will destroy.

Elder Tindall read Matthew 15:18-20.

But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the things which defile a man.

Elder Moot read Mark 7:20-23:

And He said, That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.

For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,

Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness:

All these things come from within, and defile the man.

General Overseer—Now, which is worse: smoking a cigar, taking a chew of tobacco, a drink of whisky, or those things?

Voices—"Those things."

General Overseer—There you are. A lot of people got the notion that because they could stand up and say, "I do not smoke; I do not chew; I do not go to theaters; I do not believe in secret societies," they were, therefore, all right and ready for Heaven. A man might say all that, and yet be full of the devil. It is quite possible for a man to say all that, and yet go to hell. Is not that true? What do I care for a man that tells me he does not smoke, when he is a liar, when he is dishonest, when he is envious, jealous, covetous, and full of pride? What do I care for him? He has no Christianity; he has not the spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Elder Carey, you find the enumeration of the fruits of the flesh.

Works of the Flesh.

Elder Carey read Galatians 5:19-21.

Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these: Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations (competitions), wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God.

General Overseer—I tell you, that is a solemn portion of Scripture.

Deaconess Boyd read 1 Peter 2:1,2.

Putting away therefore all wickedness, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, as newborn babes, long for the spiritual milk which is without guile.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder O. L. Tindall.

What is your life?

This is an important question, and one that should be answered properly before you begin really to live.

Why live at all?

How do you consider it? said the Psalmist, also the Apostle. "What is man that Thou are mindful of him, or the son of man that Thou visitest him?"

A man should get his viewpoint before he starts.

There are many ways of looking at this question.

From one standpoint we say, with the Psalmist, Man is as a vapor; he is only as the grass; today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven.

He is like the flower which flourisheth in the morning and is cut down in the evening.

What a frail creature!

The lifestring is only as a brittle thread, snapped in an instant. Yes; man is but a lump of clay. It soon molders and returns again to the dust. This is all true, but is that all?

No; he is an immortal being. Life is continuous. It does not end with this life.

This life is but a mere beginning.

Man is made in the image of God. He is divine as well as human, and vastly more so. Should he then live for his lower, or for his higher nature? Should he live then only as the animal lives to eat and drink? Is the life only for food, and the body for raiment?

Many men do not know why they live. If you ask them they would not know how to answer you. They have not stopped, either to ask or to answer the question, What am I here for?

In conversation with a man the other day this question was brought forcibly to my mind. He had amassed means and money enough for himself a livelihood during the rest of his days, as he supposed. His family also was provided for.

He was studying now as to what he should do. He did not care to accumulate more, or at least to work much more.

The question seemed to be only whether he should retire and do nothing, or go on and make more money.

He seemed to have reached the end of life, or living—enough money to keep him in food and raiment, and shelter, and nothing now especially to live for.

What a goal for a man to reach! It is but a little higher than the ox or the horse. They attain unto that from the beginning. The birds of the air toil not nor spin, and yet they get a good living and all their needs are supplied, and they are happy and entirely above suspense, worry or care.

This is not true of the man who has enough laid up in store for many years.

When a man has a competency for his natural life, he is only then ready to begin to live. He begins now on his true life work, which is to do good and benefit mankind, and to be useful in the world—to do something really for himself.

What a man does for poor suffering humanity is the only thing that will count for himself in the ages to come.

What have you done for my poor children? "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one the least of these, My disciples, ye have done it unto Me."

Have you helped any weak brother over the hard places in life?

Have you lived only for self?

If so, you have no treasures in Heaven. They are all laid up on earth, and that, too, for yourself.

As soon as death strikes you, you are bankrupt

Your millions will count for naught.

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Let a man fix in the very outset of life his object for living. Is it for self, or is it for God and humanity?

A selfish life is a curse to the man, for he is never satisfied. He gets no real comfort. His happiness is always just ahead. It never is reached.

The man who lives for pleasure never gets it. It is like the mirage in the desert; it is a delusion. He thinks he sees it just before him, but it is like the end of the beautiful rainbow; it goes on before him and allures him on in his vain chase. It is like a man's shadow, he cannot catch up with it.

The richest men in the world are just as far from their ambition as is the young aspirant with his first thousand, or five hundred dollars. It is a delusion and a snare, a "Vanity of vanities, and vexation of spirit."

Will men never learn to be wise? Why will they not seek God's beautiful plans and work with them? There is only ONE WAY.

What shall I live for?

There is only one answer: To glorify God in my spirit, and my body, which is God's.

Let a man decide first his destination then he will know what train to take.

Is he going to New York, or New Orleans?

He must decide. There are many trains and tracks going out from this great station. Where are you going?

Have an object in life, then pursue it.

Paul knew where he was going and he kept his eye on the great prize set before him.

Everything must bend to this one thing.

What a beautiful and symmetrical life it makes. But oh, my brother, or sister, how important that your goal is the high and lofty one that God has set before you, your high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Zion has set it before all the world. It is the one Jesus gave us:

"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you."

May Zion ever live it and demonstrate it to a dying, unbelieving world.

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Wilbur Glenn Voliva

(Successor to John Alexander Dowie.)

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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The Works of the Flesh vs. The Fruits of the Spirit.

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Fruits of the Spirit.

General Overseer—Now, let us have the fruit of the Spirit. What is the use for a man to call himself a Christian unless he bears the fruit of the Spirit.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

Man's Three-fold Relations.

The first three relate to one's self: love, joy, peace.

The second three relate to our fellowmen,—our attitude towards our fellowmen: longsuffering, gentleness, goodness.

The last three relate to God: faith, meekness, temperance.

You see we have our relations to ourselves, our relations to our fellowmen, and our relations to our God.

Elder Carey—It says:

And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

General Overseer—I tell you, it means something to be a Christian, doesn't it. "They that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts thereof."

Man Needs to Know and to Heed the Word.

I believe, my brothers and sisters, it is true of all who profess to be Christians, that this is just the exhortation they need, and this is just the line along which you and I need to be very careful. Another thing, remember that the Apostle Paul makes the statement that he beats the body and keeps it under, lest when he has preached to others, he himself should be a castaway.

Resist the Devil's Advances.

Is not there a passage somewhere in the Bible that says: "Neither give place to the devil." Find it, some of you Elders. There is too much giving way to the devil to suit me. Some people may think that I am expecting an impossibility, but I am not. I am working for a Church that will be a living embodiment of these eternal principles of right:—not only here and there a man or a woman, but a Church.

What was it that caused the fall of him who is now satan?

Voice—"Pride."

General Overseer—Where is your proof for that.

Voice—"Paul's instructions to Timothy."

"Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil.

Elder Carey—Ephesians 4:27: "Neither give place to the devil."

Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.

Be not ye therefore partakers with them.

For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light.—Ephesians 5:6-8.

The Devil Has No Claim upon Christ.

General Overseer—Jesus Christ has said, "The prince of this world cometh and hath"—what?

Voices—"Nothing in Me."

General Overseer—Has not the devil a right to his own? Has not he a right to foreclose his mortgage? Can you object to the devil taking his own property? If a man will serve the devil by drinking, and smoking, and chewing tobacco, and living an immoral life, and serving the devil day and night, what else can he expect—unless that man will repent and turn to God—than that the devil will come along and pay him off: and he will pay him off in sickness and in death.

God's Word and Promises are Sure.

I tell you, my brothers and sisters, I believe the Word of God with all my heart, and I have never found it false. When the Lord says, "The angel of the Lord encampeth around about them that fear him," and again, "He keepeth all his bones, not one of them is broken," and a hundred and a thousand other beautiful promises, I say, I have never proven them false yet.

Elder Tindall read 1 Peter 5:5-10.

God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:

Casting all your care upon him: for he careth for you.

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

But the God of all grace Who hath called us unto His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

Elder Moot read Romans 12:19:

Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

General Overseer—Paul says, "But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection; lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway." It is possible for a man to have been a mighty man of God for forty years, and to have led fifty thousand people out of sins of all kinds and have started them on the road to Heaven, and then to go to the devil himself. That is just what Paul meant by that.

2 Corinthians 2:9, 10, and 11, was then read:

For to this end, also did I write, that I might know the proof of you, whether ye be obedient in all things.

To whom ye forgive anything, I forgive also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave it, for your sakes forgave I it in the person of Christ;

Lest satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.

Deacon Irvine read Ephesians 4:30-32:

And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

Let all bitterness and wrath, and anger, and clamor, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

The High Standard Imperfectly Imitated.

General Overseer—How far short the Church falls of living it! I tell you, my brothers and sisters, I know that many of our people fall short. We have members that have sinned, and they have grievously sinned. They have not smoked cigars, nor chewed tobacco, nor been drunk, but they have lost their temper.

There is too much friction for us to be God's children,—too much friction. There is too much of this "flying off the handle" over every little thing that comes along. There is too much of the love of money left,—too many that are willing to turn their hand over if there are so many dollars and cents coming their way. I tell you, those things are a great grief to God. They must be.

Instructions to Govern Conduct toward Others.

Elder Moot read Colossians 3:12-17.

Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him.

General Overseer—Well now, our Scripture lesson is taking

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a little different turn from what we started out, and we are seeing how rich the Word of God is. I tell you, do not we all fall far short of living it? Yes; we do. There is room for vast improvement.

Wisdom Comes from God.

Elder Tindall—Here is a passage relating to the subject of prayer and faith:

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways. —James 1:5-8.

Christians to Have No Concourse with Dis u'ers.

1 Timothy 6:3-5, was also read.

If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness;

He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,

Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.

The Spirit Contends Against the Flesh.

General Overseer—That is a very good one. It is remarkable the number of striking passages there are on the works of the flesh.

You see, there is the spirit, and here is the flesh: and in a great many, the flesh is uppermost. You have said things in a fit of temper, and you knew when you said them that you were sinning against God, and you have regretted it five minutes afterwards.

I tell you, it is a shame, a burning shame, the way some people talk. I tell you, it means something to save a soul from death, but a very little thing can drive a soul to hell; and this giving way to a fit of temper is a shame and a disgrace. We live for each other, brethren. Let us pin a flower on the breast of every person, instead of sticking a sword through it. I tell you, we have some people that ought to stand up and ask God to take a half inch off their abominable tongues.

Now, the General Overseer knows nobody. I am partial to none. When it comes to discipline, I know no living soul, and I treat all absolutely alike; but, I tell you, my brothers and sisters, these beautiful Scripture lessons, condemning the works of the flesh, ought to burn into every spirit here.

It is the spirit of the devil that gets into a lot of people; and then the day comes that he forecloses his mortgage, and you wonder where he got in. He gets in somewhere. When the devil gets hold of a person, he can say a lot of mean things—a lot of nasty things; but, I tell you, when the time comes that you see your wife or little child in the clutches of the devil with a horrible, racking fever, you will use your tongue in a different way, but you may find it too late. Now is the time to control your temper, and now is the time not to offend or give place to the devil.

If we had a man in this Church that went off and got drunk, as soon as I could get hold of him I would take him in my arms and I would make him feel that he had a friend. That is Christianity.

Every Person in His own Proper Place.

I desire to say right here, my brothers and sisters: when something transpires that demands attention, who are you to set yourself up as a judge? You are not capable of trying these cases,—don't you know that? Then why do you want to create division and to disrupt the Church? Why do that? Because a few people have made a little mistake, why, bless your life, they are not the only people that have made an error. Hundreds and thousands have made their mistakes. Find me a man or a woman who has never offended in word or deed,—who has never made a blunder. There is where trouble comes in: some people do not attend to their own business.

I wish to say another thing: People have no right to put persons occupying official positions in unpleasant situations. Let each one attend to his own buisness. A person that listens to gossip is as bad as the one that gossips, and people are not going to gossip very long unless there is somebody to listen to it.

Room for All Believers in Christ's Church.

I want to see everybody remain in the Church, from the least to the greatest, from the youngest to the oldest; the poor as well as the rich, the educated as well as the uneducated. Let us not permit the devil to pluck one out of our hands, Zion. You ought to be in earnest in keeping everybody and in not losing anybody.

Now, every man to his work, and every woman to her work: and everybody attend to his own business; and everybody at work to save Zion City and to establish the Kingdom of God. That is the proper thing. You say, my brother, "God helping me, the devil shall not get in a lick at Zion through me." That is the thing to say: and, "I will do everything I can."

(To be continued.)

Items of Interest

Concerning

Shiloh Tabernacle

1. *There is just one more payment to be met.*
2. *The amount needed is $2,633.00.*
3. *This amount should all be in by June 15; or, from this date, within the next FIFTY DAYS.*
4. *Every Zion officer, member and friend throughout the world should have a part in this work.*

With Christian love, and praying God's blessing upon you, I am,

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
(Successor to John Alex. Dowie)
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

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ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."—Mark 16:15.

PREACHING THE GOSPEL

After the Resurrection, and before the Ascension, Jesus gave His Disciples a Divine Commission to go into all the world and make disciples of all nations.

He did not give this command to those who were living in sin, but to those who had listened to His teaching and who had renounced the world and had become His obedient followers.

If you want to get sinners saved, you must get out and hustle. In the commercial life, firms who want orders send out ambassadors, or salesmen, who will WORK. If they do not hustle they do not get orders.

In the establishment of God's Kingdom, Jesus the Christ sends out ambassadors—men and women representing His Kingdom. He wants men who are not afraid to hustle—men who will DO THINGS.

Personal labor must be a leading feature in the Seventy work. Launch out into the deep; be fishers of men; back up your profession by your life.

If you want your prayers answered, get out and hustle; do something for God; bring precious souls to Jesus the Christ; point them to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world.

Are you a successful worker in God's Kingdom? How many sinners have you brought to Jesus? What are you doing to help others?

Take upon yourself the responsibility of DOING SOMETHING for your fellow men.

Send out the LEAVES OF HEALING, THE ZION HERALD and TRACTS; scatter the Literature throughout the world; do personal work in your community.

The Seventy who gets out and hustles for Christ is the one who will return with joy. He will bring to himself and others the sweetness of the Christian life.

Go after the sinner as a successful salesman goes after orders. Be in constant communication with Jesus the Christ; let the joy of the Lord be your strength.

Study God's precious Word; meditate upon it; seek to know more of the blessed truths which are contained therein; let it be a lamp to guide you, and when in need of counsel, go to your closet and commune with your Heavenly Father in secret. He will reward you openly and give you grace for His service.

Go forward in the Name of Jesus; God wants you to act promptly. Delays are dangerous. Do not neglect a single opportunity for doing good.

The greatest thing of your life will be the leading of some sinner to Christ.

Be earnest, enthusiastic and consecrated to your work; be filled with the Holy Spirit; trust God; He will never fail you; do all you can for the extension of His Kingdom, and pray for the success of Zion Seventies throughout the world.

CHICAGO.

The following is the report of Seventy work done in Chicago for two weeks, ending April 17, 1910:

Number of calls made	328
Number of messages given	755
Number of Leaves given	42
Number of Leaves sold	25
Number of Heralds given	41
Number of Heralds sold	13
Number of Cards given	200
Total pieces distributed	1076

WISCONSIN.

Despite the bad weather, three faithful Zion Seventies worked in the saloons and stores of Kenosha, Saturday evening last, and their sales, together with the sales by E. J. C. Jensen at the morning service, Lord's Day, April 24, 1910, were as follows:

Number of Heralds sold	32
Number of Leaves of Healing sold	17
Number of English messages given	122
Number of German messages given	1
Total pieces distributed	172

Does Jesus See in you Faith or Doubt?

"And Jesus, seeing their faith . . . "

I wonder what Jesus sees as He looks down upon us this afternoon in this congregation. Does He see fear and doubt and distress?—or, as He looks at us, does He see faith?

"Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."

Oh, the precious Bible! How precious is God's Word, and how we ought to read and study it! Then we would have faith in God.

Special Notice

To all Members and Friends in and around

Chicago

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

God willing, will preach in

Central Zion Tabernacle

16th Street and Michigan Avenue on

Lord's Day, May 8, 1910, at 2:45 p. m.

On THURSDAY following,

May 12th, at 2:45 p. m., he will hold

A Special meeting for Teaching and Prayer for the Sick

This meeting will begin promptly at 2:45 p. m.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

The Ordinances of the Church

Their Use and Abuse.

[*By O. L. Tindall.*]

WE have spoken heretofore of the Church and its object and nature, that God founded the Church for His glory and for man's spiritual good.

We have also spoken of the officers in the Church, and why God put them there; that they were ordained and appointed by God to look after the flock the same as a shepherd is put in charge of a flock of sheep to guard and to feed and fold and care for them.

Officers are put in the Church, or rather over the Church, for the same reason that officers are set in command of an army to drill and train and educate it in the arts of war.

So the Army of God, soldiers of Jesus Christ, requires officers, generals, captains, etc., to train and fit it for service to save men. Let no man despise these officers, for they are ordained of God and put in command in the Church for His glory and man's good.

Ordinances are from God.

Ordinances have their place in God's economy. They are for a purpose and must be carefully observed by God's children —used and not abused. I am aware that they are not so numerous under the New Dispensation or Covenant, as under the Old, but that is no reason why they should be neglected and despised. Because Jesus said to the woman of Samaria that the time had come when it was no longer necessary for men to go up to Jerusalem to worship, but that men could worship God anywhere in spirit and in truth, He did not mean to do away with worship in the House of God and that men could neglect to assemble themselves together for worship.

Because men have abused the ordinances and sacraments and sacrifices, rites and ceremonies, is no reason why men should abandon them altogether. The Jews, no doubt, made the observance of ordinances their whole religion and righteousness, and supposed, because they fasted twice a week and gave tithes of all they possessed that they were therefore righteous and holy before God.

Circumcision was a sure seal to them of Eternal Life, and to their mind there was no hope for the uncircumcised. They washed their hands in a basin of water before they ate and supposed that they thereby washed away all filthiness of spirit and body. They sacrificed their innocent lambs and supposed that they were making all the sacrifice that was necessary on their part, and that the blood of bulls and rams was sufficient to wash away their sins and to make them perfect as pertained to the conscience.

Their righteousness was of this outward kind, as Paul argues; and Jesus said that our righteousness must exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees or we could in n wise enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

The ordinances today are few and simple. Some men abuse them.

Rome Abused the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper;

So did Luther, the great Reformer. He insisted on the literal translation of the passage, "This is My Body." Rome says still that the bread and wine are changed into the real body, flesh and bones and blood of Jesus Christ, and that the participant does really and literally eat and drink the body and blood of Christ. This is a gross error. Rome is full of these abuses of the ordinances. She has seven so-called Sacraments. Her religion is of much the same character as was the old Pharisees' religion, made up only of rites and ceremonies and outward form, while they neglect the weightier matters of the law, as justice, and mercy, and truth. Their lives, for the most part, are corrupt.

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The Episcopal Church teaches Regeneration by Water Baptism.

Ordinances are not salvation. They do not, by any means, make up pure and undefiled religion before God; and yet they have been given us for a wise purpose and have their place in the religion of Jesus the Christ, and they should be carefully observed by God's children. The abuse of them, as Paul says in his Epistle to the Corinthians, is the cause of many being weak and sickly among Christians, and why many sleep.

These simple ordinances which Jesus left us should be much better observed than they are at present in the Churches. Great good should result from their observance in the proper manner.

In future articles I desire to speak of the only two, as we believe, that are given us in the New Testament, viz: The Lord's Supper, and Baptism by Triune Immersion.

What do they mean and teach?

The Works of the Flesh

VERSUS

The Fruits of the Spirit

An Address Delivered at the Early Morning Meeting, Lord's Day, March 6, 1910, in Zion Home Auditorium.

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(Continued from last issue.)

You know, we are all human beings. Some people can be very sweet until certain things cross them, and then they will turn around and abuse you with everything they can lay their tongue to, and then they will turn around and have a good bawl ten minutes after they do it. They are good people; they love Zion, and would give every cent they have to save Zion City. They will say the meanest things—possibly it is a husband to a wife—while the spell is on them, and there is no person or thing sacred to them,—why? Because satan has taken control and not the Holy Ghost. There is the difference. Then they recover and are very nice people.

Make Your Home a Heaven.

You have your own little corner, and you attend to it. We would get along beautifully and accomplish much more if everybody would attend to his own little garden corners. I'll tell you one thing, my brothers and sisters, if any of you ever come into my home to make a call, and you begin peddling around gossip, I will order you out at the door. When I go to my home, I go to Heaven, and I sit down for a pleasant time and talk things that will lift us up towards God: and I want my child brought up in that atmosphere.

God's Rich Blessings Upon Zion.

Let us dwell in the secret place of the Most High.

Zion is a great institution, my brothers and sisters. The growth of Zion has not dawned upon you. The fact of the matter is, God has given us so much that it nearly makes a man's head swim to undertake to go around and look at it. It is a big contract,—no question about that: and it is just what we should expect of our Heavenly Father—to pour out blessings that there would not be room enough to receive them. He is so good, and a good deal better to us than you think.

Reconsecrate Everything to God.

Just turn over a new leaf this morning. I do that very often. Reconsecrate yourselves to God. Every time I do that I read the thirtieth chapter of Deuteronomy. I did that first when only a little boy, kneeling at the roots of an old oak tree. There was the first time I ever read the thirtieth chapter of Deuteronomy. If I find that I have varied the least little bit from the right, I am going to reconsecrate myself to God. If I find I have given way to the devil in one particular, I am going to get back to God right away; and that is the only way to do. There is no other way. Husband, if you have, in an unguarded moment, said an unkind word to your wife, never let the curtains of night fall until you humble yourself and ask her forgiveness, and seal the forgiveness with a kiss: and then you will start out the next day all right. Have your homes that way, and have your conversation in Heavenly places.

My brothers and sisters, let us get rid of all the spirit of envy and jealousy. There is a place for everybody. I hope and pray that God will give us the wisdom to use all the material He sends to us. We will all find our places sooner or later. Let us not criticise each other.

Let us have the Spirit of the Christ,—that is what I desire—"In honor preferring one another." Ah, we are only human, and if we do not keep close to God, and ask God to keep us in the hollow of His hand, we cannot stand.

Now, I am not finding fault with anybody. The Lord God of Heaven, when He comes to judge you is not simply going to look at your weaknesses and shortcomings. That is the way men judge, but God does not judge that way. "He knoweth our frame, He remembereth that we are dust,"—that is the way God will judge us.

My brothers and sisters, if, in your position, you do wrong towards any brother or sister, God will deal with you. If you lord it over God's heritage, if you are unjust, if you are cross, if you injure some one spiritually, God will hold you accountable for that. Let us do right and let us be patient.

I desire to tell you that very great care is exercised to have everything right, but men and women are only human. If a brother makes a mistake I treat him as a brother, and remember that he, like myself, is only human.

I am in favor of everything that is right for everybody in Zion. I would not, so far as the young people are concerned, rob them of one legitimate joy. If some people had their way, they would deprive every child of a smile. This should be a glad world, and a happy world, and a world full of joy. We should be gleeful and happy.

The Killing Consequnces of Anger.

You take a man that has a family quarrel and loses his temper: the effect of it upon him physically will be such that he will not recover from it very soon. The moment a man loses his temper, the pulse shoots up and the heart beats faster, and it will take days for his body to resume its normal condition. Why, you know, if some people get mad they will throw a knife at you, or a cup of boiling water, or anything else. That is worse than a good many other things, Zion.

Be Examples for Others.

Now, we ought to set the example. We ought to show the world that we are not a lot of fools and fanatics, but that we are God's children—that we are men and women of sound sense and business, and that we are living our religion.

When strangers come here, we must show them every courtesy. Some people do not know how to be pleasant. We must have men and women in all these institutions that are the very embodiment of kindness and of wisdom and of courtesy. Suppose some one does cross you a little bit, there is no use for you to growl back at him. Strangers would say, "I do not profess to be anything, but I have more sense than to act like that." Every man and every woman in every position, from the kitchen on up to the chambermaid, the manager, general manager, and everybody else, ought to say, "This is the King's business.

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I will develop, and I will improve my time, and I will increase my strength and power, and I will put it all on the altar for God,"—and God then will withhold no good thing from you, if you will only do right. I tell you, kindness and courtesy go a long way. A discourteous clerk in Zion Stores or elsewhere might cost us thousands of dollars. It does not cost anything to be courteous. Give up this cross cut saw spirit that some of you have, and cultivate a little gentleness. Respect everybody. Get the Spirit of God into you.

Now, if you people here,—and you must be the cream of the Church or you would not be here,—if all you people will just say "Amen" to what I have said, and spread this spirit, it will spread throughout the whole city.

Why Cottage Prayer Meetings are Held.

These cottage meetings that we are holding are held for prayer, and the reading of the Word of God. They are not held for criticising. They are held to help the weak, to lift up the fallen. When a man is spiritually sick, pray for him, and help him,—do not kick him. Whenever you are tempted, pray.

The True Church to be without Spot or Wrinkle.

I am trying to rub the wrinkles off this morning. You see, the Church has to be a glorious Church,without spot or wrinkle. I would not be surprised if I would die as a scrubber. I would not be surprised if my work as a scrubber killed me. I tell you, there is a lot of scrubbing to be done. These spots are hard to get off. I have not been able to discover any soap and water that will take them off,—the blood of Christ alone can do it. Then, when you get the washing done, you have to do the ironing. It is hard work. Perhaps no work about the house is any harder than washing and ironing.

I am willing, so far as I know my heart, that God shall let the fire burn. I have no boast to make except in the Name of the Lord,—none whatever. I know that should God withdraw His hand, I would not last twenty-four hours. You are only what you are by the grace of God; and I tell you, humanity, when away from God, not only descends to the level of the brute creation, but lower than the brute. It is an awful thing to say, but you know that there are those today who are lower than the brutes that roam the field. That comes from the fact that man is the crowning work of God's hands. A good woman is the best being on earth; but the woman who wants to be wicked can be lower than any man. That is because woman is the highest of God's creatures and has further to fall. In driving piles, as many of you have seen, the higher up the trip-hammer, the harder the blow and the further down sinks the pile. That is a good illustration. A man can never lead anybody nearer to God than he is himself, and the higher you live, the more powerful will be your work.

Let the glory of God shine in your face, and let us not be afraid to do anything in the Master's service.

All Should be Workers.

Everybody be willing to work,—that is what we need. It is disgraceful the way some people throw up their jobs. They take a job and work at it a few hours, and, "It is too hard; I cannot stand it." Oh, it is the spirit of the age,—weaklings! You know, it is developing weaklings. I tell you, I would fall down on the floor right at my job rather than to give up, and if I did fall, I would get up and go at it again. Let every man and woman get down to his or her business and stick to their jobs,and make something out of themselves. What is the use to fall down?

God within, the Source of Growth.

Get God in the center of your being, and you will be surprised how you will develop and round out. Health comes from the inside. Your looks come from the inside. You can be a little old screwed-up, wrinkled, squinty-eyed, pucker-mouthed, ugly thing, if you make yourself that. A happy, peaceful, cheerful heart will soon paint itself on your countenance. Just as you live you will look, exactly. Oh, it is wonderful! Wonderful!

The Beauties of Home. Obedient Children Crowns of Joy.

Ah, I tell you, Deacon Brister, I envy you with those children; and I envy you, Deacon Peterson. I think the more children there are in a home the nearer Heaven it can be. I remember a certain family by whom I was entertained in Atwood, Illinois. There were twelve sons and daughters, and at the time they were all at home; and I thought it was one of the prettiest sights I had ever witnessed. They were all lovely Christians with the exception of one boy. Eleven of them were earnest, sterling, Christian characters. The father was at the head of the table and the mother at the foot, and the children on either side. What a beautiful sight! What a lovely sight!

Teach the Children to Attend Church Meetings.

Why not have all the little children attend Church? What a lovely thing to have the little children come on Lord's day and say to papa and mamma, "Are you going to Church this afternoon?" If you leave them at home they will run wild, and then when they get to be fifteen or sixteen years of age, they will not desire to go to Church; they would rather go to the lake. Why? Because you never put into their little hearts that burning desire to go to the House of God. I tell you, the time to do that is while they are little. Do not wait till they are twelve or fifteen, for, if you do, you will never do it. Suppose they do make it a little unpleasant for a while,—let them come: they ought to come. God's House is as much for children as for grown people.

Now, I am going to keep at this, because, I'll tell you, it will never do for fathers to lie around all of Lord's day and not go to the House of God. Some of them sleep all day, and while they are sleeping those little boys and girls are out in the back yard, and the Lord only knows what they are doing. The next Lord's day the mother stays at home all day long; and there are mothers at home twenty-six Lord's Days out of the year and fathers at home twenty-six Lord's days out of the year, and many of them never get to the Lord's Day morning and Wednesday evening meetings at all. How can they be expected to grow spiritually and to become powers for God? I tell you, I would rather give up Lord's day morning meeting, and the junior meeting, and the Lord's day evening meeting, if everybody would come Lord's day afternoon.

The Lord forbid that there should be any break in our ranks. We do not want any lost, either among the children or the older people. The united family should be in attendance at services in the Lord's House. It does my heart good to see some young men and women here this morning. Why not? They need this meeting just as much as anybody else, don't they?

Treatment in the Home.

Then, look how some men treat their wives. O my, if another lady calls, it is bow and scrape, "Yes ma'am," "No ma'am;" and then, when talking to their wives, it is, "What is it?" Is not your wife as good as any other woman? Is not your husband as good as any other man?

Here is a wife that will go around looking like an old harum-scarum; but just let a knock come at the door, and she will fly up that stairway at a terrific speed and fix herself all up, and get the powder and make a few puffs (laughter), and go down and she is, oh, so nice! Don't you think your husband likes to see you look nice as well as anybody else? Zion, you ought to live for each other.

Praying for Divine Power.

I am praying to God that on Tuesday afternoon the services will increase, and that wave after wave of divine power will sweep across the people. I have waited patiently. Dr. Dowie wrote that for more than a year he stood there in Chicago, and nobody would come. Friends begged him to leave; but he stayed. It was a long, dark, weary night. Sometimes it seemed almost impossible to bear it any longer; but he waited and he waited until, at last, the light broke in, and that Little Wooden Hut was filled to the doors and crowds stood outside eager for entrance; and then it was that God healed the afflicted by the score, and Zion was born; and so the time is coming—I cannot say whether in a month, or three months, or a year—when again God will see the time is ripe, and waves of power will

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.
PATIENCE
LEAVES OF HEALING
I am the Lord that healeth thee.
And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
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ADMINISTRATION BUILDING OF THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, ZION CITY, ILL., U. S. A., May 7, 1910

OVERCOMING!

THE ENEMIES WITHOUT:
- The World;
- The Flesh;
- The Devil.

THE ENEMIES WITHIN:
- Appetite;
- Covetousness;
- Pride;
- Temper.

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE is the life that overcomes all things that are not of God.

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE is a battle—fierce and terrible, against the arch-enemy of God and man.

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE is a voyage—across a tempestuous sea.

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE is a journey—along a stormy pathway.

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE is simply a repetition, to a greater or lesser extent, of the life of Jesus the Christ Whose destruction was persistently sought by the devil from the moment the Wise Men from the East asked, "Where is He that is born King of the Jews?" until it was actually accomplished in His crucifixion through the hypocritical religious leaders of His day.

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE is not a life of ease and never, in a single instance during His ministry, did Christ conceal from those to whom He preached that to be His disciple meant the sternest self-denial, the greatest self-sacrifice, the inveterate hatred of the world, persecution, and death.

To be a CHRISTIAN means something.

To be a member of the average Church at the present time means nothing.

John the Baptist demanded repentance, and did not hesitate to brand the Pharisees and Sadduces as a "generation of vipers."

Jesus the Christ demanded repentance.

Peter, on the Day of Pentecost, demanded repentance.

The Apostle Paul preached repentance towards God.

Present-day preaching, for the most part,—with soft soap, downy pillows and velvet slippers, walking around the Ten Commandments, minimizing the awfulness of sin, apologizing for card-playing, dancing, theater-going,—calls upon sinners to "BELIEVE!" "ONLY BELIEVE!" "Signify your intention of becoming a Christian by holding up the right hand, or by standing, or by signing a card."

To Simon and Andrew, Jesus simply said: "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." It is written: "And they straightway left their nets, and followed Him." He called James and John: "And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed Him."

Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about Him, He gave commandment to depart unto the other side.

And a certain scribe came, and said unto Him, Master, I will follow Thee whithersoever Thou goest.

And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man hath not where to lay His head.

And another of His disciples said unto Him, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.

But Jesus said unto him, Follow Me; and let the dead bury their dead.

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To the Apostles, Jesus said:

Behold,I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.

But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues;

And ye shall be brought before governors and kings for My sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles.

But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak; for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak.

For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.

And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against their parents, and cause them to be put to death.

And ye shall be hated of all men for My name's sake; but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.

But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of Man be come.

The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord.

It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more shall they call them of his household?

Fear them not therefore: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known.

What I tell you in darkness, that speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, that preach ye upon the house tops.

And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father.

But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.

Fear ye not therefore; ye are of more value than many sparrows.

Whosoever therefore shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before My Father which is in Heaven.

But whosoever shall deny Me before men, him will I also deny before My Father which is in Heaven.

Think not that I am come to send peace on earth; I came not to send peace, but a sword.

For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

And a man's foes shall be they of his own household.

He that loveth father or mother more than Me, is not worthy of Me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than Me, is not worthy of Me.

And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after Me, is not worthy of Me.

He that findeth his life, shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for My sake shall find it."—Matt.10:16-39.

The Apostle Paul wrote to Timothy: "Yea,and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution."

In the light of the above Scriptures, it means something to be a follower of Jesus the Christ.

Sin is sin, and no amount of gloss over it by mealy-mouthed professing ministers will ever make it anything else.

There is just one way to Heaven, and there is certainly a heavy judgment awaiting those who, by soft talk, deceive people into believing that they are Christians, when, in fact, they have not, in the least degree, complied with the very first conditions of the Gospel.

Sinners must be pricked to the heart by the arrows of Divine truth.

There is no forgiveness of sin without genuine repentance.

God, Himself, cannot and will not forgive an impenitent person.

It is a fact, apparent to all observers, that the vast majority of professing Christians really have never been converted, and to call them Christians at all is a farce. They are, as is abundantly proven every day, worshipers of mammon instead of worshipers of God.

"I do not like a fight."

"I do not believe in fighting."

These are expressions heard almost every day from those who have the audacity to call themselves followers of Jesus the Christ.

The Word of God teaches that a Christian is a soldier.

Paul said to Timothy: "Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ."

"Fight the good fight of faith."

"I have fought a good fight."

To the Ephesians, he wrote:

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might.

Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all to stand.

Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the Breastplate of Righteousness:

And your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of Peace;

Above all, taking the Shield of Faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

And take the Helmet of Salvation, and the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God:

Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the Gospel,

For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.—Ephesians 6:10-20.

How does it impress you when you listen to a poor, miserable parson with a little weak voice, read the hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers," to a lot of card-players, theater-goers and dancers who, while professing to be Christians, seldom, if ever, go to the mid-week prayer meeting, do not study the Bible, never testify, and never pray?

Surely we are living in the Laodicean period!

Surely God has spewed the apostate Churches out of His mouth!

Babylon—so-called Christendom—has fallen, and is now the habitation of devils and the hold of every foul spirit, and the cage of every unclean and hateful bird.

God is forever done with Churches that are on good terms with the world, the flesh and the devil, and to all of His people in them He says:

"COME OUT OF HER, MY PEOPLE, THAT YE BE NOT PARTAKERS OF HER SINS, AND THAT YE RECEIVE NOT OF HER PLAGUES."

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The ZION MOVEMENT is the place of refuge for all of God's people.

Do not be deceived by such silly talk as:
"The evangelization of the world in this generation!"
"The world is growing better!"
"A world-wide revival is at hand!"

The Bible plainly teaches that in the last days—and these are the last days—the world shall be as it was in the time of Noah and in the time of Lot: that there shall be almost universal unbelief, as indicated by the question: "When the Son of man cometh shall He find faith on the earth?"

Christ is coming!
The Bride must be gotten ready!
A Church without spot or wrinkle must be prepared!
"When the Lord shall build up Zion, then will He appear in His glory."
"Zion" in the Bible means the Kingdom of God.

From our childhood days we have prayed: "Thy Kingdom come."
What have we done and what are we doing to establish the Kingdom of God?
We must overcome the world, or the world will overcome us.

We must overcome the flesh, or the flesh will overcome us.

We must overcome the devil or the devil will overcome us.

Swearing, smoking and chewing tobacco, and drunkenness, are indescribably terrible, but what about pride, covetousness, a gossiping tongue, an uncontrollable temper?

"For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.
"Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?"

How are we to gain the victory?

"Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is He that is within you than he that is in the world."

WATCH YE, THDREFORE, AND PRAY ALWAYS!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Fourteenth Annual Convocation

OF THE

Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

will be held, God willing, in

Shiloh Tabernacle Zion City, Illinois

From July 10th to 20th, 1910

Begin your preparations now to attend.

Full program will appear later in Leaves of Healing and Zion Herald.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva
(Successor to John Alexander Dowie.)
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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The Works of the Flesh vs. The Fruits of the Spirit,

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sweep across the people, and Zion will shake the world again, and far more than ever before; and then, when God favors us again, let us do right and keep His favor.

Keep the Favor of God.

The fear of God is in this place,—you will hear it on every street corner. Zion's opposers know there is something up: they feel it in their hearts. They have the spirit of a slavish fear that something is going to transpire, don't you know that? Some of them will repent and get back into line, but some of them will not repent. Some of them will never quit in this fight until God hurls His thunderbolts of judgment, and that will be the end of them.

God will have His way; and, I tell you, Zion, prayer will conquer; and I say to you, every time you go to God in prayer, ask yourself the question, "How about my life?" You see, there is not much use to go to God in prayer, when you take your sins there and haven't repented of them: they will be a barrier between you and your God. Remember how kind and how merciful God has been.

Have a Definite Purpose, and Push toward it in God's Fear.

Ah, you see that very sick one there, almost dead? "Yes, five years ago, ten years ago I was dying, and God raised me up, but I got away. I am so sick." Oh what did Jesus say, in the fifth chapter of John, to the man at the Pool of Bethesda? "Sin no more lest a worse thing come upon thee." I say to myself, "After what God has done for me, and the healing that I have had, if I were to go and sin, I would expect God (in a sense which I think you can understand) to refuse to answer: for I would be sinning against great light."

My brothers and sisters, let us stick to it, and never give up, and God will give us e v e r y t h i n g. I believe that with all my heart: how, I do not know, and when, I do not know: but that is what I believe. Look at what God has done. The salvation of Zion City is, to my mind, the greatest thing that could be accomplished. What do I care, if I can only look back upon a multitude of saved, healed, cleansed and blessed. That is worth more than all the farms in the United States; worth more than all the properties. Let us see that we have in us the mettle of the martyrs. Nothing can stand before us if we are true.

Not Try, but Trust

Not saved are we by trying,
From self can come no aid;
'Tis on the Lord relying,
Once for our ransom paid;
'Tis looking unto Jesus,
The Holy One and Just;
'Tis His great work that saves us,
It is not try, but trust.

'Twas vain for Israel bitten
By serpents on their way,
To look to their own doing,
That awful plague to stay;
The only way for healing,
When humbled in the dust;
Was of the Lord's revealing,
It was not try, but trust.

No deeds of ours are needed
To make Christ's merits more;
No frames of mind, or feelings,
Can add to His great store;
'Tis simple to receive Him,
The Holy One and Just;
'Tis only to believe Him,
It is not try, but trust.

Items of Interest

Concerning

Shiloh Tabernacle

1. *There is just one more payment to be met.*
2. *The amount needed is $2,633.00.*
3. *This amount should all be in by June 15; or, from this date, within the next FORTY DAYS.*
4. *Every Zion officer, member and friend throughout the world should have a part in this work.*

With Christian love, and praying God's blessing upon you, I am,

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
(Successor to John Alex. Dowie)
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend
General Recorder

[By Evangelist A. Darms.]

"He that winneth souls is wise."—Prov.11:30.

WINNING MEN.

How wonderful that God has chosen us for service!

We know that it was the mission of our beloved Lord to go about "teaching and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness, and all manner of diseases among the people."

He did not depend upon certain places and certain times set apart for the carrying on of His ministry. He used every possible opportunity to reach the unsaved, the sick, and the dying.

The Gospels are filled with narratives where He made occasion to win the people back to God.

Was it on a journey—He took time to speak to the woman of Samaria at the well; was it in a home—He raised up Peter's mother-in-law, and healed her of a fever; was it in the public

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market place—He called Matthew to follow Him; was it in the high priest's house—He turned and looked upon Peter; was it upon Calvary—He extended mercy to the thief at His side.

He said: "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me, and to finish His work." And when His work was completed He gave His last testimony: "It is finished."

Have you been truly saved from sin? Have you been healed in your body? Are you a true follower of the Christ? If so, there is only one way to prove it: "Lord, what wilt Thou have ME to DO?"

Look about! Think of the nations everywhere, who know not God!

Think of the large cities filled with sin and iniquity!

Think of your own neighbors, friends and loved ones, far away from God!

Have you done your duty?

Is your spirit on fire for God's work?

Have you a desire for winning men?

Are you using every opportunity to reach the lost, the sick, and the dying?

Oh, how many idle hands there are in the churches everywhere—how many drones?

Zion! God is looking down upon you, and He is saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?"

What is the answer? What is YOUR answer?

Before you give it, take your Bible and read in earnest prayer:

"Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me, and to finish His work. Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together. And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth. I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labor: other men labored, and ye are entered into their labors."—John 4:34:38.

"And they all with one consent began to make excuses * * * So that servant came and showed his lord these things. Then the master of the house, being angry, said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled."—Luke 14:18,21-23.

"They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."—Ps. 126:5,6.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."—Matt. 28:19,20.

Have you read these commands? What is the answer?

Oh, may Zion everywhere answer: "Here am I, send me."

Read Matthew 10 and Luke 10 and you will see how wonderfully God will use you to be a real soul-winner.

Enter the ranks of the Seventies! Get a good supply of the LEAVES OF HEALING and TRACTS of ZION. TAKE THE MESSAGE OF PEACE TO EVERY HOME. Let the Holy Spirit guide you. Tell others the story of God's redeeming love.

It requires wisdom; it requires love; it requires faith and courage, but God will give you all these, and even more, He will supply your every need, through Christ Jesus.

"Let us be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

Let every one in Zion be a winner of souls.

CHICAGO.

The following is the report of work done in Chicago for the week ending April 24th, 1910, nine workers having reported for duty:

Number of calls made	201
Number of messages given	448
Number of Leaves given	29
Number of Leaves sold	17
Number of Heralds given	36
Number of Heralds sold	9
Number of Cards given	121
Total pieces distributed	660

WISCONSIN.

Five Seventies worked in saloons and business houses in Kenosha last Saturday evening despite the fact that the day had been all but pleasant, and the result of their work, together with sales at the 10:30 service in Carpenter's Hall, Lord's Day morning, shows as follows:

Number of Heralds sold	32
Number of Leaves of Healing sold	21
Number of English messages given	75
Number of German messages given	4
"Voice From Zion" sold and given	3
Total pieces distributed	135

What Obedience Will Do.

God's Word says of His people that if they will hear His Voice, and keep His commandments, and walk in His statutes, that He will take away all sickness from their midst. All sickness has not been taken away from our midst yet, and some are falling far short. We have a perfect right, as a people, to claim the promise: "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High, shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." God's Word is true.

Special Notice

To all Members and Friends in and around

Chicago

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

God willing, will preach in

Central Zion Tabernacle

16th Street and Michigan Avenue on

Lord's Day, May 8, 1910, at 2:45 p. m.

On THURSDAY following,

May 12th, at 2:45 p. m., he will hold

A Special meeting for Teaching and Prayer for the Sick

This meeting will begin promptly at 2:45 p. m.

To these Meetings All are Welcome

All Seats Free Freewill Offerings Only Received

CHRIST IS ALL, AND IN ALL

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

PATIENCE

LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Ordinances of the Church
Their Use and Abuse.

The Lord's Supper.

(By O. L. Tindall)

ARTICLE TWO

THE object of this Ordinance, as Jesus set it forth in Luke 22:19 was as a Memorial, a reminder—"do it in remembrance of Me," and how necessary!

How forgetful are men of their best friends and of their greatest benefactions. Men forget God, the great Giver of every good gift. How earnestly Jesus sought to teach men and to help them and to impress great truths upon their minds. It was not enough simply to give them precepts.

Men want, and need to be helped by their natural senses. God reaches man by sight as well as by ear. So Jesus came to live the True Life and to manifest the Father in the form of man. He said: "He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father." He not only taught Divine Healing by precept, but He taught it by example. We must do the same thing now.

The Lord's Supper is an Object Lesson.

We need it as do children.

There are only two Ordinances left us to observe, we may say. This one of the Lord's Supper, and Baptism. Why these and no more? They must be very important. The Lord's Supper shows forth His death till He comes, said Paul.

The death of Christ was most important. Without it no man could live, says the Word. No sin could be forgiven without the shedding of blood; there can be no cleansing from iniquity but by the blood. The purification of all mankind is through the Blood of the Lamb, we are taught.

In the olden times nothing was purified but by the sprinkling of blood. Morning and evening the blood was shed and poured out on the altars, for all the centuries till the Christ came. What did it all mean, and why this awful sacrifice? It meant only one thing: it was the constant reminder of just what we have when we pour out the fruit of the vine of which Jesus said, "This is My Blood of the New Testament, or Covenant." They showed forth His death in the slain bullock and the lamb without blemish. All was typical and pointed forward to the Lamb of God slain from the foundation of the world.

Yes, those broken bodies and that shed blood were daily reminders of this one most important event that man has ever known. It was by the blood on the doorpost that Israel was saved in Egypt. The angel of death dare not enter such a home. It protected every fireside.

It does the same thing today. We are under the Blood, or we are in imminent danger. You say

It is a Mystery.

Yes; so it is. You do not see the relations nor understand it. No; but God has said it. The Israelite simply had to obey and put the blood on the post. God did not stop to explain. He says the same thing today, "Do it in REMEMBRANCE of ME."

Do you lightly esteem the Ordinance? This is a vital doctrine. It is the Atonement. It is being attacked by the enemy in a most vigorous way. The Unitarian mocks it and calls it a religion of blood, and ridicules it. Many ministers say but little about it, and many say, "Men are no more saved by the blood. It is mostly by their own morality. Their lofty characters;" and they think that their own rotten righteousness of filthy rags will carry them through.

Christ Put His Death Above All His other Teaching.

At the last He declares that it was for this end that He came forth. He only could satisfy the demands and open the Fountain of Life.

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The blood of bulls and rams availed as nothing in the salvation of men. Other men died as did He; tens of thousands of men have died before and since, but all of their deaths combined were as nothing when compared with His death. All Nature went into mourning when the Son of God died. The sun was darkened, and the earth did quake. Redemption was at hand. The bars of death were broken asunder; and many bodies of the saints which slept, arose.

Christ died that we might live. It was no death of a mere mortal man—it was the death of the Son of God, for Whom the worlds were framed and in Whom all authority over them is vested. There was something far more than the moral effect of a good example and human sacrifice of devotion to a principle, as the modern scoffers and infidels, and many so-called orthodox preachers declare and teach. The doctrine of the Atonement through the blood of the Lamb is but little preached now-a-days.

The neglect of this Ordinance and the unworthy eating and drinking was the cause of many being sick and many sleeping, or dying, among the disciples at Corinth, said Paul in his Epistle to the Church there. We are to discern in it these great lessons of Redemption. It is not a mere hollow form. Great blessings are promised with its rightful observance.

God told the Children of Israel that wherever He saw the blood on the doorpost that the death angel would pass over that house. He made to us the same promise, if we take refuge under the Blood of Christ. We may not understand, but that matters not, for God has said it. It means a sweet communion and fellowship with Him as the breaking of bread always does. It means the eating of His flesh and the drinking of His blood, in some way, as He Himself said that a man must do:

"I am the Bread of Life."

"My flesh is meat indeed, and My Blood is drink indeed."

"Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His Blood, ye have no life in you."

It was these "hard" and mysterious sayings of Jesus that offended many and made them turn back from following Him.

The same thing is true today, and you do not hear them much from the pulpits.

O Zion, let us hold fast these precious truths and remember them, and teach men to "observe all things" which the Christ has commanded, that we shall not be sickly and sleep.

(Next article will be on Baptism.)

The Standard of the Christian Life

An Address Delivered at the Early Morning Meeting Lord's Day, April 10, 1910, in Zion Home Auditorium

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

[Reported by B. M.]

General Overseer—Let us unite in singing the Hymn entitled "Take My Life and Let it Be." The hymns this morning will all bear on the subject of Consecration. Like many others, this hymn is written in the form of a prayer.

Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love.

Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee;
Take my voice and let me sing
Always—only—for my King.

Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in endless praise;
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it Thine;
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love, my God, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure-store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee.

After the singing of the hymn, "'Nearer the Cross!' My heart Can Say," the General Overseer said:

Zion's Household Psalm.

Let all turn to the Ninety-first Psalm. This Psalm has been designated in Zion for many years as "Zion's Household Psalm."

I know from experience that very good people often read the Word of God and get very little out of it. We have repeated together this ninety-first Psalm in our services scores of times, and, I suppose, ever since this Church was organized. Perhaps some in the Church have repeated it hundreds of times. We have read it at the family altar, we have made use of it in our private devotions; but the real and most important question is: how much of its force and beauty have we, in all of our reading and studying and meditating, gotten out of it?

A Difference Between Reading and Studying the Bible.

It is one thing to read the Bible, and another thing to study it.

It is one thing to know the Bible, and another thing to live it.

A hungry man might be near by a richly laden table, but if he did not reach forth and partake, he would die of starvation. How many are there, with the Word of God within their reach—with the table of the Lord bountifully provided with the Bread of Life and Water of Life—who are famishing and perishing,—dying every day? And there are people who occasionally take their Bibles into their hands and read a chapter, who have no life,—there is in them none of the power of God. The Bible says that the man who hears the Word and does not do it is like a man looking into a glass, and then turning away and straightway forgetting what manner of man he is.

I desire you to listen and I will read this Psalm to you. I think, perhaps, for the purpose that I am reading this Psalm, you will get more out of it. It is always a great temptation to me to stop and spend an hour or two in commenting when I read the ninety-first Psalm, but I want to bring before you a number of selections of Scripture in order to show you, however good you may be, how far short, as a people, with all the light that we have, we fall of reaching the standard which is set up by God Himself.

The Possibilites of Following Bible Teaching.

The Bible is not talking about impossibilities. These things that the Bible talks about are within the reach of every child of God. It would be a very cruel thing for a mother to place upon a shelf food of different kinds, and expect the little child four years old, to reach the food when it was an impossibility because it was entirely beyond its reach. That would be very cruel. God does not place His promises beyond the reach of the simplest and the humblest of His children. The promise of salvation is within the reach of every person. The promise of healing is within the reach of all; and Heaven is for every one who will repent and meet the conditions as set forth in God's Word.

Take Heed How You Hear.

A Church once advertised for a preacher that would "draw," and a preacher advertised for a Church that would "hold;" and he said it was just as important that a Church should be able to "hold" as that a preacher should be able to "draw." Now, as to how much you can "hold" will depend, first of all, upon the

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way that you listen. It is possible for people to sit in an audience and hear a man, and in half a minute after he has finished speaking not to know a single word that he has said.

The Shadow or Protection of the Almighty.

God says in this Psalm:

"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall"—what?

Audience—"Abide under the shadow of the Almighty."

General Overseer—Then it follows that the person who is not abiding "under the shadow of the Almighty" is not doing what?

Audience—"Not dwelling 'in the secret place of the most High.'"

General Overseer—Every person who is not abiding "under the shadow of the Almighty" is not dwelling "in the secret place of the most High."

"I will say of the Lord,"—

Audience—"He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust."

Most Men Prefer to Trust Worldly Wisdom Instead of God' Promises.

General Overseer—The rank and file of the people, not only of the world but in the Churches as well, instead of saying, "I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust," say, like Asa, of the doctors and the surgeons, of the drugs and the knives: "They are my refuge, and unto them will I flee in sickness;"—and to that extent they are idolatrous worshipers. If it was wrong for Asa to seek a physician, and if God permitted him to die because he did it, how about a professing Christian today that does it?

Asa was diseased in his feet, "yet in his disease he sought not the Lord but to" whom?

Audience—"The physicians."

General Overseer—And Asa died.

The Bible Everywhere Teaches Divine Healing.

The man who says he believes the Bible, and does not believe in Divine Healing, is either speaking ignorantly, or his profession is false and he does not believe the Bible.

The Deceiver, the Snare-setter, the Devil.

"Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler."

Now, who is the "fowler," so far as God's chilldren are concerned?

Audience—"The devil."

General Overseer—The devil. As "nice" people say, "The E v i l One;" but I say plain "devil," and then the people all understand. A great many preachers have gotten "so nice" that they have dropped the word "hell" and they call it "hades." Some people pronounce it "Had-es." I remember one time in our Hebrew class, the professor said, "I never feel at 'ease' when I hear a fellow pronounce Hades, Had-es (short a; long e)."

Now, we say "devil." Some one says, "You would not say 'devil' before these little children,would you?" (Pointing to two little boys on the front seat.) Yes; I would.

I want these little boys here to know that the Supreme, most loving Being in the universe is, Who?

Voices—"God."

General Overseer—And I want them to know that there is some one that is not loving, that is the great tempter, that goes around as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour; and who is that, boys?

Little Boy—"The devil."

General Overseer—The devil; and the little boys ought to be on the lookout for the devil, shouldn't they? and never yield to him. Now, when a little boy disobeys mamma, who is it that gets him to do it?

Little Boy—"The devil."

General Overseer—But when he obeys mamma, who is it that inspires him to do that?

Little Boy—"God."

People are Not Properly Taught and Warned of the Devil.

General Overseer—The reason why many people are ensnared by the devil and are in his clutches today is because preachers and parents have not done their duty. A mother sees a four-foot rattlesnake under the children's bed, but she would not think of polluting their little minds by using the word "snake," so she just leaves the snake there to crawl up in the night and bite those children and kill them: and that is just the way many preachers and parents are acting today. If the Church and the home would each do its duty, you would not see the mental and physical wrecks that you see all around you today.

What the Devil has Done.

The Bible tells me a great deal about God, and it has a good deal to say about the devil, too. In fact, among the very first persons mentioned in the Bible is the devil, who entered the body of a serpent and beguiled Eve, and dragged her and Adam down to death. It was the devil who afflicted Job. It was the devil who tried to kill Christ when He was born. It is the devil who is opposed to every good, holy, pure thing; and the Church that is "so nice" and "so modest" that it has dropped the proper name of his majesty of the infernal regions and substituted a mere nicety, is simply drawing the poor people down to ruin,and is no relation to the true Church of Jesus Christ.

God is Almighty,—the devil is only mighty; but it is the devil who causes people to sin; it is the devil who causes people to be sick; and we ought to learn to say these words. You preachers (addressing the Elders) ought to know how to say them. We ought to know how to say: "God," "Home," "Mother," "Heaven."

The Devil's Various Names.

In the Word of God, Satan is called: The devil;" he is called, "Leviathan;" he is called, "The prince of the powers in the upper air;" he is called, "The messenger of the bottomless pit." He is called by a great many other names, all of which truly designate his character.

The Curse of Pride.

I think the Bible makes it quite plain that he who is now the archenemy of mankind was once an angel of a very high order. He was in Heaven, but he fell through the sin of, what?

Audience—"Pride."

General Overseer—Pride has slain vast multitudes of people, and is keeping vast mutitudes of people away from God today.

The Devil Cast out for Pride and Disobedience.

Why did not God keep the devil in Heaven and convert him? Instead of doing that, He cast him out; and the devil and the fallen angels are now the inhabitants of the upper regions, —above the earth. Between Heaven and the earth the devil and the fallen angels live. As the time for Christ's second coming approaches, and Christ leaves His Throne and begins to descend with all His saints, and the Holy Ghost is withdrawn from the earth, then the devil and these fallen angels that are in the upper air will come on down to the earth. The Word of God is very plain on that point. (Eph.2:2; 6:12)

Now, I like to be nice, but God forbid that I should ever get so "nice" that I will not desire to tell the people that the devil is their archenemy. I have had mothers say: "I would not take my children to hear a preacher that would use the word devil.'" No; you will allow your false modesty to keep you from doing your duty, and, before you are aware of it, the devil has got your children in his clutches and he is dragging them down to ruin. My Bible says: "Resist the devil and he will flee from you."

God Delivers from Pestilence.

"And from the noisome pestilence."

Now, what is that? What is meant by "pestilence" here? When the cholera visited London and when the people died so fast that they had to heap the bodies up on wagons and take them out, and dig great holes and put them in: that was a "pestilence," was it not?

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.
PATIENCE
LEAVES OF HEALING
I am the Lord that healeth thee.
And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder E. L. Carey.

"THE VOICE OF REJOICING AND SALVATION IS IN THE TABERNACLES OF THE RIGHTEOUS: THE RIGHT HAND OF THE LORD DOETH VALIANTLY."

ZION HAS great cause for thankfulness and rejoicing.

GOD IS on her side.

BECAUSE ZION stands for righteousness.

The great thing for Zion to be always sure about is to be right with God.

Can any man, who is a close observer and acquainted with the facts, say honestly and truthfully that the religious organizations outside of Zion are right with God? We are acquainted with numbers of God's own dear children in the various organizations, and our heart goes out to them today in great love, knowing the struggles which they are experiencing, and the opposition with which they have to deal in their efforts to have a pure Church.

Every true child of God longs for and looks to the time when there shall be a Church which is predicted in Scripture and described therein as being without spot or wrinkle.

Every true child of God longs with an intense longing, for that union foretold by Jesus, of all who truly love the Lord Jesus Christ.

What kind of union have the different religious organizations effected, such, for instance, as the Methodists and the Presbyterians?

In Australia, for example, there was a great struggle in connection with the matter of Methodist Union. There were those who were very ardent for the union of the various branches of Methodism, believing that such a union would be a step in the fulfilment of the prayer of Christ. There were those who believed it were better for each denomination to stand by itself. The Unionists won in the contest.

But I repeat the question, What kind of a union was it after all? We, who are in Zion, can see things today in a far different light to what we did in those days that are gone, when we stood in the ranks of the denominations. Up to our light those of us who fought for union, did what we thought was the best thing.

But God has opened our eyes regarding many things since that time, and has shown us Zion which He undoubtedly has established.

The union of Methodism was a union of organizations in which all kinds of evil were tolerated.

I am aware that a statement of this kind will make some, at least, of our Methodist friends very angry; but the truth must be told, and we must be honest with one another. If our friends referred to are really desirous of having a Church conformable to the teachings of Jesus the Christ, a Church of which it can truly be said that it is not sitting in the lap of the world, then let them say whether the Methodist Church can claim to be such a Church.

This brings us in thought to the question of Authority.

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If the Methodist Church, or the Presbyterian Church, or the Church of England, or any of the other churches (so-called) have Divine authority, the evils which this day are eating out their very vitals, would be seized upon and rooted out.

The various unions referred to have been unions of organizations in which such things as tobacco smoking, tobacco chewing, dancing, card-playing, affiliation with unchristian and antichristian secret societies are tolerated right along.

Yet it is written, "BE YE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY."

Why don't the Churches clean up?
Answer: Because there is no Divine authority.

Why is Zion emerging steadily but surely from the clouds which have been round her, and leaving behind the troubles with which she has been visited?

Because in her ministry there has been authority; and deliberately and intelligently we can say, D i v i n e a u t h o r i t y, for the tree is known by its fruit.

The same thing would happen to the (so-called) churches, or any one of them, if they had the power to bring about such a condition. There is the trouble.

There are those in the ministry of the churches who long for such authority, before whose power the unclean things would flee and by which Righteousness and Truth would be set up.

The events that have transpired in Zion City since the close of May, 1907, and the way in which Zion has come up out of her sea of troubles have certainly been very wonderful.

The signs ought to be sufficient for every one who seeks Truth.

How can any man or woman in Zion doubt but that God intends to give back to Zion the whole of the Zion Estate?

When Zion was compelled, about three years ago, to vacate Shiloh Tabernacle and the Administration Bldg., she started out with nothing, no place for her people to worship in; no offices for her administrators; nothing, not even pen and ink, thrust out into the cold to face the winter blasts without a covering for her people except a tent.

B e h o l d, n o w w h a t G o d h a s w r o u g h t, Z i o n, a n d r e j o i c e! for it is your right and your privilege to do so.

G o d h a s b e e n g o o d.

We are led in our thoughts back to the times of Zion's early persecutions. How the devil raged then against Zion and God's servant! How the allies of evil and darkness gathered together and fought Zion! But God brought all their devices to naught and cut the bars of iron in sunder.

The question that every man must decide about Zion is this: H a s G o d e s t a b l i s h e d Z i o n, o r h a s H e n o t?

An enemy of Dr. Dowie's, in the days when God's favors were being bestowed richly upon him, once said, "Either Dr. Dowie is right or he is wrong. If Dr. Dowie is right, then, in my opinion, we are pretty near the time of the Millennium, and we stand a fair show, without any great delay, of establishing the Kingdom of God on earth."

Dr. Dowie, in commenting on this utterance, replied as follows: "True, O thou persecutor of the Christ and of His servant. His Gospel is the Gospel of the Kingdom of God; and the time is fulfilled, for the time of the restoration of all things which God hath promised by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began, is nearer than many suppose, if, indeed, it has not, in a measure, begun."

As we have already said, the tree is known by its fruit. It was certainly apparent to any man who was seeking the truth and who was acquainted with the work of Zion at the time just referred to, that the work was a Divine one and that Zion was of God.

We ought not to be unduly disturbed because of the evil things that came to Zion. The Children of Israel, as a nation, many times turned from their God and, of course, suffered the consequences. They were ultimately scattered because of their hardness of heart.

God is merciful and full of loving kindness and forgiveness; and if any man who has sinned, or if any community or people or nation who have sinned, will but turn to God, He will forgive them—and he does. The ways of such men or people will be re-established in truth, in righteousness and in peace.

B r e t h r e n, G o d i s w i t h u s.

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It can be truthfully said that there is no people on the face of the earth who are so devoted to God and who are so anxious for the establishment of His Kingdom on earth as the little company in Zion today.

The remnant is a true and faithful one; and with this remnant, the walls of Jerusalem are being built up again.

Just as in the early days of Zion, so, during the last two or three years, it is true that satan, the enemy of all righteousness, the opposer of God's Kingdom, has endeavored to obstruct and thwart Zion in every way, hoping to destroy her.

While the leaders of the (so-called) churches have tried to belittle Zion, and have scoffed at her, the devil has always been wide-awake enough to observe that Zion, small as she was and is, was more to be feared by him, and is more to be feared by him today, than all the other religious organizations combined.

Zion stands for the Theocracy—the Rule of God, the Authority of God, the Kingdom of God on earth.

The claims of Christ must be recognized, and Zion declares those claims, and demands the enforcement of them.

While the churches, in their apostasy, have lulled themselves to sleep, Zion has arisen and declared, and does now declare the Theocracy, the rule of God and the Coming of the King!

"In Judah is God known; His Name is great in Israel. . . . . and His dwelling place in Zion."

"When the Lord turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream.

"Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, The Lord hath done great things for them.

"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad."

"Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy Name give glory, for Thy mercy, and for Thy truth's sake."

Zion, let us go forward.

Press on!
Work!
Pray!
Watch!

There is much to be done.
There are many people to be saved.
Now is the time for toiling. By and by the crown will be given.

"HE THAT GOETH FORTH AND WEEPETH, BEARING PRECIOUS SEED, SHALL DOUBTLESS COME AGAIN WITH REJOICING, BRINGING HIS SHEAVES WITH HIM."

Shiloh Tabernacle

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A few weeks ago, when the call was first made for offerings toward the **LAST PAYMENT** due on SHILOH TABERNACLE, the amount needed was **$3,562.50**
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Leaving a balance of . . **$2,018.08**

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Let every officer, member and friend of Zion throughout the world respond as guided by the Holy Spirit, and much more than the balance needed will be in hand by JUNE FIFTEENTH.

Faith is the substance (ground or confidence) of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe th t ye have them, and ye shall have them.

If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

With Christian love, and praying God's blessing upon you, I am,

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
(Successor to John Alex. Dowie)
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

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Lord's Day, June 12, 1910, at 2:45 p. m.

The Standard of the Christian Life.

(Continued from page 147.)

"He shall cover thee with His feathers."

Has God got feathers? What kind of language is that sentence? Is it literal or figurative?

Audience—"Figurative."

General Overseer—Do you know what it is that suggests the feathers?

Voice—"A hen covering her brood with her feathers."

General Overseer—Does not a hen take good care of her chickens? (Laughter.)

This is a very beautiful and powerful figure of speech. As a hen careth for her brood, so God will overspread and protect His children. You watch an old hen when a rat comes around. Now, that is the way God takes care of His children when the enemy is near.

God's Word a Shield and Buckler.

"His truth shall be thy shield and buckler."

What is a shield? A shield is a protection used in war, to ward off the thrusts of the spears, or other weapons that are used by the opposing forces.

"Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night."

What is meant by "the terror by night?" It does not necessarily refer to disease. It refers to any danger.

"Nor for the arrow that flieth by day."

Of course that refers to satan's work. It does not refer to some fellow standing on the corner with a bow and arrow. It refers to satan's cunning, subtle, under-handed work,

The Lurking Dangers of Disease.

"Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness."

What is meant by "the pestilence that walketh in darkness?" You will often find it in your cellar; you will often find it in your kitchen sink; you will sometimes find it in the dish cloth, or in some sink-hole where you throw your dish water. I have known whole families to be stricken down with typhoid fever simply through the carelessness of the housewife in throwing greasy dish water out of the kitchen door. Somebody is too lazy to go away from the house with the dish water, so she just throws it out from the kitchen door. Then the sun ferments that, and there is a stinking hole created there, from which typhoid fever poisons emanate, and the people breathe that; and sometimes seepage gets into the well and the water is poisoned.

The principal assistant of the devil is dirt. That is the way he works; so I tell you my brothers and sisters, we have got to be a clean people, and we have got to keep our premises clean. That is the reason why I am offering a prize, or a series of prizes, for the best kept lawns and premises in Zion City. If we desire to be a healthy people, why, we must become a clean people.

God the Protector.

"Nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday."

"A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand;"—

What about the man that dwells in the "secret place?"

"But it shall not come nigh thee.

"Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked."

What is the "reward of the wicked" that you see? Sickness and disease, and pestilence, and death.

Fight for Health which is God's Will.

How often you hear people say, "So-and-So has been sick for fifteen years. You ought to go over and see her. She is the dearest, sweetest saint that I ever saw in my life. If there was ever an angel, she is an angel: she is so patient, so sweet, and so kind." Now, that is all nonsense. I do not know of any place in the Bible where God requires you and me to be patient with disease, or with any of the devil's work. I think that is the reason why some people do not get their healing: they are entirely too contented and too patient. There is where the difficulty comes in. You ought to wake up and have a little more stamina. If you wish to get your sick one healed, you ought to put him on a cot, and get a man to help you, and bring him down the middle of the street. That is the way to get results. You will never get results lying around home and never putting forth any effort at all. Just remember what was said here last Lord's Day about the man whom they were determined to bring to Jesus, and they broke up the roof and let him down through a hole in the roof—right down at Jesus' feet. That is the spirit we need.

The fact of the matter is, some people are not worth healing for they are cowards. Just like a farmer often says about an old horse: "Well, I have put him out there in the pasture, but I am not going to bother any more with him; he is not worth bothering with." Now, there are some people that are not worth healing,—isn't that true? They have lost all interest; they have given up the fight; they just drift, drift and eke out their existence, complaining of their lot, and do not strive to better their condition.

These people who on election day haven't interest enough to get out and cast their vote for God and Zion,—are they worth healing? No; they are not. A man or woman that will come down here next Saturday and die right over here, I will say that person will have a bright and shining crown. We need men and women that will do their duty, if they have to die in the doing of it, not men and women that allow every little difficulty to prevent them from doing their duty, and they do not care. Why, a man that has to be exhorted to do his duty, is dead. There is the difficulty. There is no life there; none whatever. The reason why some people are weak and sickly and have no life, is because they do not put forth any effort. I would be ashamed if I needed any exhortation to do my duty in the Master's vineyard. Some people are always asking, "Lord, do this!" and "Lord, do that!" and what do they ever do for the Lord? Absolutely nothing. Many a man has risen and gone out and done his duty, and died; don't you know that? If the last thing that you ever did was to come down here and cast a vote for the salvation of Zion City, it would be a mighty good time to die. It would be a very fortunate time for some people to die right at that time. God would catch them at the right time.

I remember a man in a Church where I preached at one

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time: one Wednesday night he would get up with his face covered with smiles, and say, "Thank God, brethren! I have been on the mountain top all week—never was happier in my life." Next week you would see him sitting with his upper lip hanging down over his mouth, and along about the middle of the meeting he would get up and say, "I have been down in the valley all week. I never was so unhappy in my life." The next week he would be on the mountain top again. One night a brother got up and said, "Brother————, what a pity if God would let you die when you were down there in the valley." That would be true. That is the way with a lot of these people that have revivals once a year. If they could only die during the revival, they would be all right, but if death should catch them during the summer, they possibly would not amount to much.

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ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

[By Evangelist A. DARMS.]

SOWING THE SEED.

"Behold, a sower went forth to sow."—Matt.13:3.

As Jesus sat by the seaside, great multitudes thronged Him, eagerly listening to the precious words that fell so tenderly from His gracious lips. They crowded upon Him so much that He was compelled to enter a small boat, and therein He sat and taught the multitudes many beautiful truths concerning the Kingdom of God. Upon this occasion He spake many parables unto the people, and in one of these parables He told them about the "Sower going forth to sow."

"The seed is the Word of God."—Luke 8:11. The field is the world, and the SOWERS OF THE SEED, in this Dispensation, must be the ZION SEVENTIES; those who will take up their cross daily and follow Jesus; those who will deny themselves many so-called pleasures; those who will brave all obstacles, who will overcome difficulties, and press forward, undaunted, to victory. This is a rough old field (the world) in which we have to labor.

You must take to yourself the Helmet of Salvation and have on the Breastplate of Righteousness, having your loins girt about with Truth, your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of Peace, and above all taking the Shield of Faith, and the Sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God, then you are prepared to go forth to conquer the World for God.

Do not let a single opportunity for doing good pass by. Scatter the Messages of Repentance, Salvation, Healing, and Holy Living to earth's remotest bounds.

Send the Leaves of Healing broadcast throughout the land. Let all the Nations know that "Jehovah hath founded Zion and in her shall the afflicted of His people take refuge."

Make a special effort to get these papers into the homes of your friends and relatives, thereby sowing the seed of the Kingdom of God, and eventually winning many to Christ.

SEVENTIES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD: Let me again urge upon you the importance of personal work. Take an interest in your friends and acquaintances and work for the SALVATION of the SINNER, with as much earnestness and enthusiasm as the commercial man works for orders for the firm he represents. You are ambassadors of Jesus the Christ, and as such you should labor for the extension of God's Kingdom. When the battle seems hard, and you are almost discouraged go to your kind Heavenly Father and commune with Him. He will strengthen you and give you Overcoming power.

"Take time to be holy,
Speak oft with thy Lord;
Abide in Him always,
And feed on His word;
Make friends of God's children,
Help those who are weak,
Forgetting in nothing
His blessings to seek."

COLORADO.

The following report shows Seventy work done in Colorado by a faithful Seventy during the month of April, 1910:

Calls made	462
Messages given	82
Leaves sold	107
Tracts, Leaves and Heralds mailed	15
Methodist Apostasy sold	1
Calls to read and pray	7
Total pieces distributed	205

A sister bought and mailed 16 of the Leaves, thus assisting.

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The following report represents the work done in Chicago on Lord's Day, May 16th, 1910, by Seventy No. 1, Deacon T. R. Becker in Charge:

Number Messages given	2,469
Number Notices given	3,850
Number of Leaves sold	108
Number of Heralds sold	97
Total Pieces distributed	6,524

WISCONSIN.

Fourteen Seventies went to Kenosha last Saturday evening, and the rain preventing them from holding a meeting on Market Square, Deacon Hammond secured the permission of Sheriff Gunter to sing, speak and pray in the jail, where ten men are retained at present, who listened attentively and requested another visit.

Sheriff Gunter, at the Deacon's request, very kindly gave permission to hold a service there each Saturday evening between seven and nine o'clock, which, with the street meeting and the saloon work, will keep the Seventies busy, and is a blessed privilege.

Two went from house to house Lord's Day afternoon, and the total sales including sales in Carpenter's Hall meeting, were:

Number of Heralds sold and given	62
Number of Leaves of Healing sold and given	47
Number of German messages given	30
Penny tracts sold and given	487
"Voice From Zion" sold and given	7
Total pieces distributed	633

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Ordinances of the Church
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BAPTISM

By O. L. Tindall

ARTICLE THREE

CHRIST'S command was very plain in regard to Baptism. He put it alongside of "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature"—i. e., make disciples,—and then "baptize them into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."—Matt.28:19; Mark 16:15.

Peter, on the Day of Pentecost, answered to those who said "What shall we do?" "Repent, and BE BAPTIZED, every one of you * * and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

As soon as Paul was converted he was baptized and received the Holy Spirit.

Jesus was our example of the same thing. He was baptized in water and then came the Holy Spirit upon Him to fit Him to preach the Gospel. Said He at His first preaching: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me. He hath anointed Me to preach the Gospel to the poor; He hath sent Me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord."—Luke 4:18,19.

Paul, at Ephesus, asked of those who had believed on Jesus if they had received the Holy Ghost since they believed. When they answered "No," he asked them about their baptism, and when they said that they had received the baptism of John the Baptist he commanded that they be baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus. Then he laid hands on them and they received the Holy Ghost as did Jesus Himself, and as Peter said they would.

Baptism is very essential. Jesus Himself said it was necessary in order to fulfil all righteousness. It does not make a man righteous but it "fulfils righteousness." Christ was righteous, but He had to be baptized. There is an inward righteousness and an outward righteousness. The ordinances represent the latter, but in order that they may be efficacious, inner righteousness must exist.

A man is righteous before God, or in his heart, when he has been born of the Spirit and has become a new creature in Christ Jesus, but he must fulfil this outward righteousness by being baptized. This is an outward form, or an outward sign of an inward grace. It is a public confession of the Christ. It is an outward profession before the world. It is a sacrament, the Latin "sacramentum" or covenant. It is the seal to the covenant that man makes with God. God puts His seal to the covenant on His part by giving the Holy Spirit.

To refuse to be baptized would be to refuse to put one's seal or name to a solemn agreement or covenant.

All of God's children in Israel received the sign or seal of circumcision. That was an outward mark of their covenant known to all men. It did not make a man a Jew; but it was his badge.

Baptism is an Outward Sign of an Inward Grace.

It means a consecration to God and His Christ. We are "baptized into His death." We die to self and to sin and to the world, and live unto Him. We are "buried with Him in baptism." We are made alive also with Him in His Resurrection. We are buried in the water and we rise again as did our Lord.

How much does this mean? It is our pledge to follow Him wherever He may lead. It is a most solemn vow or covenant made before all men. Men take upon themselves a most solemn vow when they are baptized into that most holy Name. They then bear His Name. They are Christians.

The Door Into the Visible Kingdom.

Christ, in His conversation in the Wilderness, made the distinction between "seeing" the Kingdom of God and "entering" it.

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He said that a man must be born of the Spirit "to see" the Kingdom, that is,to understand it; and he must be further born of water in order "to enter" the Kingdom.

Dr. Dowie used often to make this distinction. He said, "Zion may be in you and you not be in Zion,"—so of the Kingdom. The Kingdom of God may be "within you" and you not be "in" the Kingdom, the same as a man may be a Republican in principle and live in a Republican nation, but he is not a citizen of the Republic until he has taken out his papers of citizenship. This is true of the Kingdom of Heaven. It has its rules and conditions of admission and membership.

A man must be inwardly righteous and he must also observe the outward forms of Righteousness, and keep the laws and rules of the Kingdom.

Baptism is by Triune Immersion.

We do not care to enter upon the arguments in favor of Triune Immersion. Zion has given them often. It is simply a command from our Lord. It is the most evident meaning of the words. "To baptize" is to immerse. It has no other meaning. The translators of the Bible have never dared to give it any other translation. They have been afraid to translate it, so they transferred the word from the Greek into English, hence the confusion on this subject. The word means "to dip or immerse repeatedly." It is a frequentative verb, and that is its common use. We must take the Scriptures as they read unless we are compelled to change them. The command is to baptize into three names. To fulfil the command we have to baptize three times just the same as if God had said,"Give a talent or a dollar to James and to Peter and to John." No one would suppose for a minute that to give the money to James and not the same amount to Peter and John could be what the order meant. He must give the same to each one separately.

This is exactly what Jesus meant when He said, "Baptize them into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." This was for the purpose of honoring the Triune God and pointing out the three distinct persons in the Godhead —teaching men to honor the Son as well as the Father. That was where the fight was in those days, and where it is today. How many claim to hold to the Father and reject the Son.

This act of baptism puts them on an equality and pledges every disciple to honor and worship and serve the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the Triune God.

Baptism is a Triune Unity—THREE IN ONE AND ONE IN THREE.

The Standard of the Christian Life

An Address Delivered at the Early Morning Meeting Lord's Day, April 10, 1910, in Zion Home Auditorium

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

[Reported by B. M.]

[continued from last week]

A preacher once preached on the text, "Go to the ant, thou sluggard," and he said that the only difference between the ants and the Church members was that the ants froze up in the winter and the Church members froze up in the summer. Well, I tell you, God expects us to be alive three hundred and sixty-five days in the year, and to be up and doing something, ready to respond to every call. That is what God expects. I would like to see a Church composed of soldiers who were ready at a word to march forth, even to the sacrificing of every dollar and every drop of blood. Then we would accomplish something in this life.

Faith, a Wall of Protection.

"But it shall not come nigh thee.

"Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.

"Because thou hast made the Lord, which is thy refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling."

Is this true?

Audience—"Yes."

General Overseer—Well, there are very few who live up to it, are there not? There are not very many in Zion, with all the teaching on Divine Healing. I tell you, they fall far short.

What Angels Do.

"For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways."

Now, if you desire to have the ministry of angels, how must you live in order to have them? Well, that is an easy question to answer. Any child in the Zion Juniors ought to be able to answer it in a second. What have you to do if you desire to have the ministry of angels in your life? You have to dwell in the "secret place of the most High," and live for God with all your being. Angels are sent forth to minister to whom?

Audience—"To those who shall be heirs of salvation."

General Overseer—Yes. They are not sent forth to minister to children of the devil, or to men and women who live careless, criss-cross lives; but to people who live for God.

There is a great thought in that line: "To keep thee in all thy ways."

"They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone."

There is the watch-care of God.

"Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet."

That means that you shall trample upon iniquity of every kind. God will give you victory over all opposition. You will be able to keep satan and all his work underneath your feet; he will never have any power over you.

Why Satan Shall be Defeated.

"Because he (the child of faith) hath set his love upon Me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known My name.

"He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.

"With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation."

Man's Wonderful Possibilities Under God.

God's Word is true, no matter how far short you and I may be of measuring up to its standard.

If you die at forty-five, that does not disprove God's Word that with long life will He satisfy the man that dwells in the "secret place of the most High."

What a wonderful thing the spirit of a man is! and what a wonderful thing the body of a person is! Look what the body can stand! See how people abuse their bodies, and how far away from God they live, and yet see what the body can stand. The stuff that most people put into their stomachs would wreck a fan mill or a wind pump, and yet the human stomach stands it. How long would a machine last that was worked twenty-four hours a day for seventy-five years? The spirit of man is wonderful; and so is his body wonderful.

Before we go to God in prayer, I want to have some passages read.

Walking with God.

Why was Enoch translated?

Audience—"Because he walked with God."

General Overseer—Yes; because he walked with God; and Enoch was the type of the saints Christ desires on earth when He comes. He walked with God, and he was not, for God took

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him. You say there is nothing in the Old Testament that interests you? I find it intensely interesting.

What the Bible says Regarding Disease and Sickness.

(The General Overseer then had the following passages of Scripture read).

And the Lord will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all them that hate thee.—Deuteronomy 7:15.

Now Elisha was fallen sick of his sickness whereof he died. And Joash the king of Israel came down unto him, and wept over his face, and said, O my father, my father, the chariot of Israel and the horsemen thereof.—2 Kings 13:14.

General Overseer—So Elisha died of sickness, didn't he?

The Lord will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness.—Psalm 41:3.

The writing of Hezekiah king of Judah, when he had been sick, and was recovered of his sickness.—Isaiah 38:9.

General Overseer—How many years did God add to Hezekiah's life?

Audience—"Fifteen."

General Overseer—When Hezekiah was told to set his house in order for he was going to die, what did he do? He cried and he prayed to God, and God had mercy upon him, and He lengthened his life fifteen years. I wonder if God ever does that now with anybody.

And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and He shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.—Exodus 23:25.

General Overseer—"He shall bless thy bread and thy water."

And Asa, in the thirty and ninth year of his reign, was diseased in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great: yet in his sickness he sought not to the Lord, but to the physicians.—2 Chronicles 16:12.

And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.—Matthew 4:23.

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.—Matthew 8:17.

Now, that is a passage to show that Divine Healing is in the Atonement.

And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.—Matthew 9:35.

General Overseer—Where was that read from before?

Audience—"Matthew 4:23."

And when He had called unto Him His twelve disciples, He gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.—Matthew 10:1.

And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils.—Mark 3:15.

And Ahaziah fell down through a lattice in his upper chamber that was in Samaria, and was sick: and he sent messengers, and said unto them, Go, inquire of Baalzebub, the god of Ekron, whether I shall recover of this disease.

But the angel of the Lord said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, Is it not because there is not a God in Israel, that ye go to enquire of Baalzebub the god of Ekron?

Now therefore thus saith the Lord, Thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die. And Elijah departed.—2 Kings 1:2-4.

Now, you notice the question of the prophet, there: "Is it not because there is not a God in Israel, that ye go to inquire of Baalzebub the god of Ekron?" What kind of a god was Baalzebub?

Audience—"He was an idol."

In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And the prophet Isaiah the son of Amos came to him, and said unto him, Thus saith the Lord, Set thine house in order; for thou shalt die, and not live.—2 Kings 20:1.

If thou will diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee.—Ex.15:26.

Is the Evidence Believed?

General Overseer—These are some very straight passages of Scripture that we have had this morning. The question is: Am I living up to them? Are you living up to them? Are we, as a people, living up to our privileges? There is the standard as it is set forth in the Word of God. Are we all making an honest effort to live it?—that is the question. Who is in the ascendency in your life, this morning: the Holy Spirit, or the flesh?

We will go to God in prayer. I want you to sing that hymn with the chorus, "Deeper Yet." The Lord knows that we all ought to get lower down at the feet of Jesus.

In the blood, from the Cross,
I have been washed from sin;
But to be free from dross
Still I would enter in.

Chorus—Deeper yet, deeper yet,
Into the crimson flood,
Deeper yet, deeper yet,
Under the precious blood.

Near to Christ, I would live,
Following Him each day;
What I ask, He will give,
So then with faith I pray.

Now I have peace, sweet peace,
While in this world of sin;
But to pray, I'll not cease,
Till I am pure within.

Why All Need to Pray.

General Overseer—My brothers and sisters, in this season of prayer, how can any sit here and not pray? You expect somebody else to do it all. There is not a perfect life represented in this entire congregation. Some people need to cry with a cry that only the Holy Ghost can utter: "Lord, deliver me from that awful temper that is the curse of my life!" "Lord, deliver me from the spirit of pride!" "Lord, deliver me from the love of money!" That is the devil that I am after harder than any other devil that there is out of hell—the love of money. If there is anything on this earth that is cursing the people, rooting the last vestige of divinity out of their being, it is this love of money. Some of you are afflicted with this disease. It is worse than cancer—far worse. I do not know of any disease worse than the money-disease. I'll tell you, it is hard to find any one in the Church that is not afflicted with it.

"Ye cannot serve God and mammon,"—is not that the Word? Well then, what is the use to try to do an impossible thing? God has given you talents and He has given you money. He has given these things to you to do good with in this world. It is either God or mammon.

Some need to cry, "Lord, cast out the spirit of envy—the spirit of jealousy!" Some need to cry, "Lord have mercy upon me, a miserable sinner!" "Lord, heal me of this disease that is daily reaching for my vitals!" I tell you, when in the Sanctuary there is real prayer, God will stretch forth His hand and grant deliverance. "Lord, burn out of me all dross!" "Lord, purify me and sanctify me!" "Sanctify me wholly!"—"And I pray God, your whole spirit, soul and body be preserved entire, without blame unto the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ."

I can not say what each one of you shall pray for,—I do not know enough about all of you to say; but you know. The one cry of my heart is, "Thy Kingdom come! Lord Jesus, come quickly! Lord, save Zion City! (Amen.) O God, forgive this people!"—because, if you would have been right, Zion City would have been saved long ago.

I want to tell you, when you pray for your healing here today, God's Word does not say, "I will heal you next summer, or in five years from now." Now, is the time that God will heal you, if you are only right in His sight. You do not have

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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder O. L. Tindall.

"Lord, what wilt Thou HAVE ME TO DO?

That was the first prayer of the great Apostle Paul when, on the way to Damascus, he had met the Lord Jesus Christ.

As soon as he found Christ, his question was: "What wilt thou have ME to do?

Some people are afraid to ask the Lord that question for fear He will have some work for them, or for fear He will have some unpleasant task for them.

Some do not desire any work. They come into the Church of God simply to get help themselves—to get and not to give.

In such cases they are sadly disappointed, for the Lord will soon come and ask them, "What have you done with the talent I gave you?"

If one answers that he hid it in a napkin, or buried it in the earth, God will say, "Thou wicked and slothful servant, why didst thou not put it in the bank, and then save something to render unto Me?"

Work is God's law of service. There are to be no idlers in His Vineyard; all men are to work, and they are to be always at it. We must do this or die ourselves. Not only will the people as nations perish, but we, ourselves, individually must die if we do not work out our own salvation.

"Why stand ye all the day idle?

"Work while it is day, for the night cometh when no man can work."

The world must lie in darkness forever unless men and women who have the Light let it shine out before men.

OH, HOW DARK IT IS!

What darkness prevails over all the earth!

What sadness and sorrow fill all the corners of this sin-cursed and disease-smitten world!

Where is there a home, even, that is entirely free?

How shall the Light come into this darkness and dispel all this gloom?

Is there no hope left?

"Is there no balm in Gilead?"

"Is there no physician there?"

"Why, then, is not the health of the daughter of My people recovered?"

The answer is plain.

It is because God's children have not let their light shine as they should.

The churches have said there was no physician except these homeopaths, and allopaths, and all the other almost innumerable "paths," all of which lead to death and the grave.

They have always been a curse since the time Job said, "Ye are all physicians of no value."

Christ said to His disciples, "YE are the Light of the world;" But the disciple must shed forth the true Light.

Zion has the Light as no other organization has. She carries to the people Christ as the Great Physician Who heals all our diseases as well as forgives all our iniquities.

No one can estimate the value of this teaching and this practice of Divine Healing in helping poor, suffering mankind back to God.

It works today as it did in Christ's time, and in the Apostles' day. It is this Full Gospel that is needed.

The Kingdom of God here on the earth, so far as men are concerned, is a good deal like this world is when the sun has gone down. Christ, the Light of the world, has gone away. The world is in great darkness because professing Christians will not shine for God, although Christ said, "Ye are the Light of the World."

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How do men light up the world when it is night?

We make light. Every little hut in the land has a light, if nothing more than a flickering lamp or a candle, or a pine knot.

There is the light of the home. The father provides it in some way. He would not think of leaving his home in the dark.

Then what beautiful and brilliant lights we see in the palaces of the rich.

Yes; they provide light for their bodies, but their spiritual self is as dark as a dungeon.

Then the streets are lighted up. Mark the inventions of men to obtain light for their homes and their highways. Go view that great lighthouse on the rocky coast where the vessel must come with its great cargo of living freight. What a gross neglect it would be if a light was not provided for their safety!

The lower lights are kept burning for the mariners.

But what about the Light of Life to guide these voyagers over the Sea of Time to their Haven?

Are these lights burning?

Is your light burning so that it gives light to all those in your home?

If not, you are guilty of a great neglect.

If your household fall in the darkness, who will have to answer for it?

God expects every home to have its own light. That is your part.

Paul was a great light. He was sent to carry the Light to the Gentiles—to all nations. He was a great light.

Zion is building a great Lighthouse that will shine and throw its beams of light out over all the world.

It is Zion City—God's City set on a hill which cannot be hid.

All the nations of the earth will look to her.

She will be the only city in the world that will be a real Theocracy in action—where God rules supreme, where everything is done for His honor and glory, and according to His law and the Gospel.

Business will honor Him with its substance and pay its tithes into the Storehouse.

The Schools will honor God and study His Book above all books.

Politics will have no graft; only righteous men shall rule.

It will show the world how to do all things for the glory of God and the good of mankind.

The labor question will be settled without a walking delegate.

Labor will be rewarded. Every laborer is worthy of his hire.

We will dwell together as brethren in Unity.

"LORD, WHAT WILT THOU HAVE ME TO DO?"

The Standard of the Christian Life

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to wait for six months, or twelve months, or two years. When Christ touched the leper he was instantly made well. When He stood by the bedside of Simon Peter's wife's mother and rebuked the fever, she was instantly healed.

Get right with God! Who are you, my brother, my sister, to set yourself up and say God's Word is not true? Who are you to say, in a complaining spirit, "Well, why does not the Lord heal me? I have done everything I know to do." It is a wonder to me that God does not strike such people dead that talk like that. The thing for me to do when I do not get an answer is to say, "Look here, Voliva, there is something wrong with you somewhere. You have not measured up to the standard. There are some flaws in you; there are some wrinkles to be rubbed off; there is some crookedness somewhere; there is something wrong somewhere." As you cry to God, God sees the thing, and He will never hear you until you learn your lesson. You are sick because you have an uncontrollable temper and you haven't got the victory over it. You are sick because you are a money-grabber—a miser. You love money, and you will hang on to your money and let Zion City be damned. There are people in this Church, and there may be some in this audience, to whom a $5 bill is more than the salvation of the world.

People are Saved and Healed for a Purpose.

God saves people for a purpose and God heals people for a purpose; and some of you are living here today because of God's mercy upon you ten years ago. If it had not been for God's mercy when the devil instituted proceedings to foreclose his mortgage on you, you would not have been here today; but God called for a stay in the proceedings, and it was entered on the records: "The foreclosure of this mortgage is stayed for five years,"—and it may be that the five years are about up in some cases.

The True Church.

I'll tell you, I would like to see a true Church. I have never seen one yet. I would like to see a body of people truly converted, truly saved, and following the Word of God. I would just like to see them. I'll tell you, they would shake the world. Whenever this people reach the place where, as a body, they will say to God, "Here, Lord, is all I have—even my last drop of blood,—to found a Zion City on this earth," then He will save it.

"Well, how much can I make out of it, Lord? What do you think I can come out with at the end?" My opinion is that if a man of that kind got into the New Jerusalem, he would begin to chip the gold off the golden streets before he was there five minutes. Some people love money to the extent that they will deny themselves of the actual necessaries of life.

Man the Image of His Father.

You know, everybody looks either like God or like satan. A

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child looks like his father,—there is nothing very strange about that. If God is your Father, you look like your Father. If the devil is your father, then do not wonder that you resemble your parent.

The Christians' Privilege is to be Not Sick.

Ah, I know you and love you all, but, I tell you, there are some of you a long way from being what you ought to be,—a long way. If we were where we ought to be as a body of people, there would never be any sickness in our midst. No; there would not. Do you believe that?

Audience—"Yes."

General Overseer—With all your heart?—that if, as a people, we were where we ought to be, there never would be a sick child or a sick man or woman in this Church? That is the Word of God. That is what it says, and I believe it, and I am going to work year after year to have a people that will measure up to it. I love you too much to be afraid of you. I am not a bit afraid of any of you. My success does not depend upon numbers. God can give me this city with one hundred and fifty people. When a man said to me yesterday, "I do not know what in the world is going to become of this city." I said, "I do. I know what is going to become of it. I am going to get it. By faith in God it is mine now."

Put All Things Right, then God will Hear One's Cry.

What is the use for a person to come up here on Tuesday afternoon to be prayed with when that person will not even pray for himself? What is the use to draw nigh to the Throne of God when you know that you are not right,—when you know there is an obstacle there between you and God? What is the use for you to travel in a pathway where there is an obstacle that you have to spend your strength and your time, days and weeks, trying to climb over, when in fifteen minutes you can put that thing out of the road and have a straight, level path.

Many are Spared Because of God's Mercy.

Ah, I'll tell you,my brothers and sisters,it is true that some one in your family was sick and God did not permit that one to die: but I'll tell you, in many cases, it was only God's mercy; it was not because you were right, or got right. When the Overseer, or an Elder, or a faithful man or woman cried, God said, "Bless your heart, you are in earnest. I will have mercy and I will spare this time." Yes, some of you are sitting here this morning, not because you deserve to sit here, but because God extended mercy to you; that is all. You served the devil, some of you, for forty years. You gave him all your substance. You drank whisky, and chewed, and smoked tobacco, and served the devil faithfully and well, and you are only living today because of God's great mercy,—that is all. It is just like a father acts who has a wayward boy. He will say, "Well mother, I will help him out of his trouble this time, but I will not do it any more:" and he helps him out and saves him from the penitentiary. The next time he gets into trouble the father says, "Let him go now and pay the penalty of his folly." Then the mother begins to cry, and they have a sad time there for a few hours. Finally the father bends and says, "Well, I will spare him this time, mother. I will spare him this time. My heart is touched by your pleas. I will help him out this time." Later on this son gets into trouble again, and the father and mother both say, "We will let him go this time." That is the way. Ah, you can be careless now, but when you get sick and are nigh unto death, Oh, how you can cry then and plead with God; and God says, "Well, I will spare him this time; I will spare him this time." But, I'll tell you, the next time you get into trouble, God will not spare you again. While, in some cases, God may save the spirit, He will say, "Let him die,"—and he dies.

I wonder how many of you, this morning, believe the Word of God? I wonder how many of you believe, without wavering, with faith in God as you pray, that God will give you the victory?

If you haven't the Spirit of Christ, ye are none of His. That is what the Word of God says. Just listen now for a few minutes:

Jesus said: "Blessed are the poor in spirit," for what?

Audience—"For their's is the Kingdom of Heaven."

General Overseer—"Blessed are they that mourn,"—for what?

Audience—"For they shall be comforted."

General Overseer—"Blessed are the meek,"—for what?

Audience—"For they shall inherit the earth."

General Overseer—"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness,"—for what?

Audience—"For they shall be filled."

General Overseer—"Blessed are the merciful,"—for what?

Audience—"They shall obtain mercy."

General Overseer—"Blessed are the peacemakers,"—for what?

Audience—"For they shall be called the children of God."

General Overseer—"Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, it"—what?

Audience—"Abides by itself alone."

The Wages of Sin.

General Overseer—"He that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap"—

Audience—"Corruption."

General Overseer—Look at the horrible cancers and the horrible tumors! Look at the Bright's disease and tuberculosis! Look at the horrible corruption!—gallons of it from some people. They have sown to the flesh! They have sown to the flesh!! There are people in Zion City digging their graves every day. I want to tell you my brothers and sisters, the preacher does not live that can lay down any hard and fast rules for you; but I know, and you know every time we sow to the flesh. You know it! You know it!! Every time you eat what you ought not to eat, you know it! Every time you drink what you ought not to drink, you know it! You know it, and you pay for it!

The Word of God is true. The man that is dying of tuberculosis today is reaping what he sowed, and that is all there is to it.

Zion City to be God-Ruled.

The Word of God is true! Where are the men and women that will live it? That is what Zion City was established for. It was to be a city where God should rule. How many of you acknowledge the authority of God? How many of you take this Bible as the rule of faith and practice? I'll tell you who rules for the most part: it is the "o l d man" and the o l d woman," and all you need to do is to step on somebody's toes and you will see the "old man" assert himself in very short order.

What an awful thing swearing is! What a fool a person is to take the name of God in vain! I hope the day is not far distant when Zion will control Zion City and when every profane man can be arrested and fined. What an awful thing vulgarity is! What a dirty, disgusting thing this chewing-gum habit is! My brothers and sisters, you fathers and mothers, guard your children. There are some people in this city, who, like the children of Israel that fell to worshiping the golden calf, have gone back into every form of sin that there is in the world. It takes a man to walk up hill,—anything can roll down to the foot; and a man may have taken twenty years to reach his place before God, and in two years he can lose it and be at the foot of the hill: and that is just where some people have gone, precisely.

Now, what a spectacle to see millions of men and women, created in the image of God, spending all their time thinking of dirt, and of gold and silver, bending every energy simply for this life and for this old earth; and it is only a little while until there will be a hole dug and the earth will have them in its clutches, and they will go back to it, and they will be nothing but dust. Get to where the three Hebrew children got when they said to the old king, "Our God is able to deliver us, and whether He delivers us or not, we will not bow down and serve you."

Now, I can hear some one say, "Well, what difference does

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it make even if there should be a sinner in the camp?" Well, what difference did it make down at Ai that Achan was in the camp? They lost the battle. What difference did it make that Ananias and Sapphira were in the camp?

Some of you people that hobnob with some of these fellows that are doing everything they can to damn Zion City, if you go to the devil, remember that I said so this morning. There is where you will go.

The God Who Founded Zion Will Save Her.

Look at Shiloh Tabernacle! Will you commit the sin of saying that that is not a sign from God? Look at Zion City General Stores! Will you dare say that that is not another sign from God? Look at this property and the one across the street! Will you dare say that this is not a sign from God that He will give us this city? If you do, you are one of the greatest sinners that ever lived.

Oh, how it encourages my heart to know that victory is written on Zion's banner! The day will come when Zion's flag will float over every foot of Zion City. God will bring it to pass, and it does not make any difference what the opposers say; and I'll tell you my brothers and sisters, when the history of Zion for the last three years is written, it will read equal to the history of the Children of Israel. The story of Joseph is no more thrilling than many things that have transpired in the history of Zion.

Now, where is the Achan this morning? Let Achan stand up. Let old Mrs. Sapphira stand up. Would you like to see Sapphira? You would, wouldn't you? Well, go home and look in the glass. (Laughter.)

God is a God of order; but it is very amusing how they come around and want to see me, and they say, "Well now, we will all be united some day." They are shaking in their boots and just wondering how they are going to crawl back. Well, there is only one way, and that is right through the front door; and, as they come in, I will say: "My brothers and sisters, there is John Brown returning to the fold! Come up here Johnnie. Get down on your knees. You have been fighting Zion, haven't you?" "Yes, sir." "Will you ever do it again?" "No, sir." "You voted the Independent ticket, didn't you. God have mercy upon you, you miserable sinner." I will put him through a trial like that, until he will cry out, "Lord, have mercy upon me! I will never do it again!" Then I will say, "All right, here is my hand. Take my hand for God and Zion City, and let us go forth and build up Zion City."

A man said to me yesterday (he has been one of Zion's enemies), "Say, I want you to buy my property." I replied: "I don't want your property. Why do you want to move out of here? Come up to the Tabernacle and take your stand. You do not know what you are missing by staying away from the Tabernacle." He said, "Well, I am going to move out." I said, "That is very sad to me to see any family go away from Zion City, off into the world." Yes, it is. When I saw Mr. ———— and his wife and those little children sitting in the Northwestern Station waiting for their train to go to Colorado, I thought to myself, "What a sad sight to see that family leaving Zion City!"

Is Zion City something you can play with? Is it something you can fool with? Is it something you can do just as you like about? If it is, then there is nothing in it.

My God, I believe that You established Zion City. I believe that, by the Holy Ghost, You laid your hand upon me and brought me to Zion. That is what I believe; and I have got to stay by it if everybody else goes. If anybody would have any excuse for running away, I would be the one that would have it.

Now, I wish to help you. If there is a stain upon your spirits, I desire to be used of God in erasing that stain. If there is any disease in your body, any pain or suffering, I wish to be used of God, this morning, in having that disease killed and having that pain destroyed. If there is any unhappiness in your life, I desire to be used of God in banishing it, and I desire you to go away from this place full of joy, praising God in your heart. Then I can say, "Lord, I have done a little good today." That is all I live for, is to do good,—nothing else.

Now, pray!—but, I'll tell you, there must be repentance on the part of every one. What about your life yesterday? What about your life during the last week? How many cruel words have you spoken? How many times have you lost your temper? How many times have you made your household a purgatory instead of a Heaven? How have you talked? How have you lived,—not so much your profession, but how have you lived? What about the family altar? What about the prayer service at the House of God? What about remembering your God daily? —for every good thing comes from God. What about your children—your sons and your daughters? What do fathers and mothers mean by permitting their girls to take the 1:50 train down here every Saturday and go down to Waukegan? Such fathers and mothers ought to be thrashed! They ought to be ashamed of themselves for having no control over their daughters. Why does any Zion girl wish to leave Zion City every Saturday? What do you think they desire to go to Waukegan for? To serve the devil, and for nothing else. They will pay for it, and with compound interest. Parents, control your children. Better take that girl and send her to the Reform School, if you cannot control her at home. I'll tell you, my father used to say to us, "If you boys stay here till you are forty years old, you have got to obey me or I will thrash you,"—and he would do it, too.

Here we are today with boys, ten and twelve years old, and the parents have no control over them. Such parents are not fit to have children. I do not know,—well, yes, I do know, too: I know what they go to Waukegan for. They go there to serve the devil,—that is what they go for, and nothing else. To anyone who is a child of God, Zion City is a Heaven on earth; and if you could see some of the letters we get from some families that used to live here and have moved out, how they want to get back here, then you would begin to realize something of the worth of Zion City. Why, when I came back, the other evening, from Chicago, I had to take two bowls of water to wash my hands, and the water looked as though a hog had been wallowing in it. I said, "I wonder if my face is just as dirty." Then I got a bowl of clean water to wash my face. What about a person's nostrils, and bronchial tubes, and lungs? Yes, they need washing, too, but the difficulty is to get at them. Then you think of people living and breathing that kind of atmosphere all the year round! See what pure atmosphere we have in Zion City! and think how thankful to God we ought to be! And then, for the moral atmosphere that is still better! I'll guarantee that my overcoat which I wore down to Chicago last week will not get the tobacco stink out of it for a month. Think of poor little children living in an atmosphere of that kind!

The Great Need of Zion Cities.

The greatest thing on God's earth is a Zion City as an object lesson for practical Christianity. We are here on this earth, and we have to stay here until God calls us home,—unless we let the devil destroy us. You see, we ought to ripen for Heaven. As wheat ripens for the granary, so ought we to ripen for Heaven. The greatest thing on God's earth is a Zion City. The greatest sermon that can be preached is a sermon preached by a Zion City. How I would love to tour the world and preach on Zion City—a city of God. Why, the grandest theme a man could have is: "The Gospel in action—the Kingdom of God demonstrated."

The Way of the Wicked shall be turned Upside down.

There are some very significant things happening. I'll tell you, Zion's enemies are sorely distressed. They are sorely distressed because they make no headway. One thing I am thankful for, among many other things: I can see a little hope. Some of the people that were with that Independent gang last year are ashamed to be with them this year; and there are others whose consciences are pricking them. As one of them told me the other day: "There are a number of fellows that are running that side that are a disgrace to any decent community; and so they are. But thank God, people are beginning to awake and get their eyes open.

Now we will pray, and I expect you to pray for yourselves.

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After we have spent a season in prayer, then I will dismiss you, and I want you to read this forty-fifth chapter of Isaiah. It is a very good one for Zion at this time and it is a very encouraging one. God says in that chapter to His own children: and God says it to Zion, "Fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God."

Let us all pray.

ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

"Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."—Matthew 11:28.

COMING TO JESUS.

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, there came wise men from the eastern country to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is He that is born King of the Jews?"

When they saw the young Child they worshiped Him, and presented unto Him of their treasures, gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

When Jesus grew to manhood, He was led into the Wilderness, and there tempted of the devil.

The evil one not only appeared ONCE, but TWICE, yea, THRICE, and each time Jesus met the wicked one with the Sword of the Spirit,(which is the Word of God). After the third attack, the devil left Him, but only for a season, and behold, angels came and ministered unto Him!

Angels will minister unto you if you are faithful and overcome the evil one.

Even though you are victorious, and by the help of God, overcome temptations, you must continually WATCH and PRAY because the devil will try in many ways to overcome you.

Soon after the baptism of Jesus, when John was standing with two of His disciples looking at Jesus, he said, "Behold the Lamb of God!" They followed Jesus. One of the two was Andrew. He went after his brother, Simon (Peter) and brought him to Jesus.

Can you not find your brother and bring him to the Christ?

The next day Jesus saw Philip and said unto him, "Follow Me;" then Philip found Nathaniel and brought him to Jesus, and as Jesus saw Nathaniel coming to Him, He said, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no guile."

What a wonderful testimony! A man in whom there was NO DECEIT!

Upon a certain occasion we find Jesus "arose a great while before day, and went into a solitary place and there prayed." Many followed Him, and when they had found Him, they said, "All men seek Thee."

Jesus went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil.

What a blessed privilege the Zion Seventies have of preaching the Gospel, and bringing sinners to Jesus the Christ.

One can do no greater work than the rescuing of some unfortunate sinner from the error of his way, and helping him to come to Jesus.

There are many men and women almost crushed by the load of sin and sorrow—if they could hear the blessed invitation, "Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest; take My yoke upon you and learn of Me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and you shall find rest unto your souls," perhaps they would accept the loving invitation and come unto Jesus and thus find peace and happiness.

What are you doing to bring others to the Savior Who has done so much for you?

Seek to do God's will and help others into His Kingdom, and thus be a blessing to mankind.

Work while it is day.

Grasp every opportunity you may have for doing good.

Be cheerful, earnest and enthusiastic, and do all you can to scatter the good seed of the Kingdom.

Remember that Andrew brought Peter to the Christ.

Philip brought Nathaniel.

Whom have you brought to Jesus?

"Go ye into the highways and byways and COMPEL them to come in," that God's House may be full.

Point them to the "Lamb of God, that taketh away the sins of the world."

Jesus, the very thought of Thee,
With gladness fills my breast,
But sweeter far, Thy face to see,
And in Thy presence rest.

CHICAGO.

Report of work done for three weeks ending May 16th, 1910:

Cards given	688
Notices given	30,058
Messages given	1,550
Leaves given	150
Leaves sold	99
Heralds given	189
Heralds sold	42
Tracts sold	71
Total pieces distributed	32,847

OREGON.

Report of work done in Portland, for month of April, 1910:

Leaves sold	78
Heralds sold	65
Penny tracts	73
Leaves given	17
Heralds given	13
Leaves and Heralds mailed	48
Penny tracts given	4
Messages given	486
Calls made	477
Total pieces distributed	1261

203 messages were distributed in Warden, Washington, and 3 "Voice From Zion" sold there.

WISCONSIN.

Saturday evening, May 15, 1910, 22 Zion Seventies visited Kenosha, and a meeting was held in the County jail with gratifying results, some of the prisoners manifesting a strong desire and determination to give up worldly ways and become earnest Christians. Zion, pray for these men!

After the meeting which lasted until nine o'clock, Seventies went to the saloons and stores, with the following result:

Leaves sold and given	57
Heralds sold and given	64
"Voice from Zion" sold and given	3
Penny tracts sold and given	247
German Messages given	7
Total number of pieces distributed	378

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And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Divine Healing

Why Believe it? Why Teach it?

Questions and Objections Answered.

(By O. L. Tindall)

DIVINE Healing is quite an old story with Zion people; but the love, or faith, of some has waxed cold because of temptations and trials. The doctrine is a most important one for Zion, and for all the world. It is vigorously opposed and assailed by the enemies of God and true Christian people.

One says, "Oh,

It is not as Important as Salvation."

We may admit that, and yet it must go hand in hand with Salvation of the spirit. God joined them together, and let no man put them asunder. Christ put them together. He said: "Thy sins be forgiven thee," and, "Arise, take up thy bed and walk. That ye may believe that the Son of Man hath power on earth to forgive sins, I say unto this man, Arise and walk."

That is the Divine logic of Divine Healing. It is a proof of Divine Salvation—of the Divine Savior. Jesus used it constantly for this purpose to prove His divinity and Divine Authority. He appealed to His works as evidence. "Believe Me for the works' sake." It was not on His mere "Ipse Dixit" that He demanded faith in Himself. He never does; neither should we today.

Bring forth your evidence, your witnesses, your works. Deliver the goods or keep still. Men do not care for words, and never more so than now. This is a skeptical age—a material age—an age of cold facts, of laboratories and experiments—theoretical religion has had its day. The churches are dead. They give no evidence of being anything more than clubs—Divine evidence is wanting in them. God is not in them. They are entirely of the earth, earthy. The devil is far more than a match for them. God must be in the people who will overcome the wicked one. The churches are doomed.

Zion Comes With a New Method of Fighting the Devil.

That method is new for this Age, but it is old. It is like that which existed in Moses' day and in Elijah's day, and in Elisha's day, and in the days of all the other old Patriarchs who by Faith wrought Righteousness. It is the same method which existed in Christ's day when He preached the Gospel of the Kingdom and healed the sick, and cast out devils. It is the same that Peter and John had on the Day of Pentecost and which Peter said was for them and their children, and for all that were afar off, "as many as the Lord our God shall call." That means us. It is what Christ gave to all who should preach the Gospel of God to a dying world. Said He;

"These Signs Shall Follow."

We use the same plan and preaching and practice that Paul and Barnabas used, the same that the Deacons, Philip and Stephen, used. Signs and wonders followed.

Zion says the same method must be followed today, for Christ has not changed, neither has the Gospel changed.

"The Power of God is Just the Same Today."

The only hope of the Church today is that she shall maintain Divine Healing as a part of the old Gospel.

Zion was built on that foundation, and nothing like it has been seen since the days of the Apostles. John Alexander Dowie's ministry had signs and miracles of healing that equaled any of the Apostles. The results were the same. The fame of it went abroad into all the earth. Dr. Dowie's name was known in every corner of the world. People came to his ministry and crowded his Homes and Tabernacles. The sick and the sorrowing came also and were healed. Sinners were saved. God was glorified, as it was said so often of Christ's ministry when the people saw the miracles, "All men glorified God."

Nicodemus said, "No man could do the miracles which

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Thou doest except God be with him." Zion must wring the same confession from the wicked and gainsaying world today. Nothing will do it but Divine Healing and mighty deeds. Eloquent speech, though it be with the tongues of men and of angels, will never do it. Logic and reason will not save men nor convince men. It is not God's order.

Divine Healing Helps the Spirituality of the Church.

The enemy says, "Oh, you give too much attention to the body: the soul, or spirit, is the principal thing for men to look after." True, Divine Healing is based on the spiritual. No man is healed, or can be healed, unless he be right with God. It is his spiritual condition that decides his physical healing. It is according to his faith that it shall be done unto him. He is kept well in body on the condition that he hearkens to the Voice of the Lord and keeps all of His commandents, and walks in His statutes. Divine Healing is not for the sinner unless he repents of his sins and trusts in God for his healing. He has to dwell "in the secret place of the Most High" before he can claim the promise that "no plague shall come nigh his dwelling."

Sickness and sin are put in the same list. Sickness is the consequence of sin. Had there been no sin there would have been no sickness and no death. Death came by sin, said Paul.

Zion must maintain and teach and live and practice this most precious truth which she has received, and which can be found in no other church. She must contend earnestly for the Faith once delivered to her. It is being assailed. The Pharisees fought Divine Healing and said if that kept on those men would soon have the whole world going after them. So says the devil today.

I desire to contiue this subject in some future articles, if the Lord wills.

The Word and Its Witnesses.

Report of a Typical Mid-Week Zion Meeting. Zion Officers, Members and Friends Feast upon the Word and hear Encouraging Addresses and Testimonies at the Mid-Week Rally, Wednesday evening, April 27, 1910.

(Reported by S. J. B.)

The presence of the Holy Spirit impressing the hearts of those present was very noticeable. With deep reverence the Hymn "Abide With Me," was sung, as follows:

Abide with me! Fast falls the eventide,
The darkness deepens—Lord, with me abide!
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me!

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou, Who changest not, abide with me!

I need Thy presence every passing hour,
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, oh, abide with me!

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
Smile through the gloom and point me to the skies;
Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee!
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

With bowed heads, the audience then joined in singing the Hymn—"Come, Holy Spirit."

Come, Holy Spirit, like a dove descending,
Rest Thou upon us while we meet to pray;
Show us the Savior, all His love revealing;
Lead us to Him, the Life, the Truth, the Way.

Come, Holy Spirit, every cloud dispelling,
Fill us with gladness, through the Master's Name;
Bring to our memory words that He hath spoken,
Then shall our tongues His wondrous grace proclaim.

Come, Holy Spirit, sent from God the Father—
Thou Friend and Teacher, Comforter and Guide—
Our thoughts directing, keep us close to Jesus,
And in our hearts forever more abide.

With an earnestness and confidence betokening implicit trust in the Foundation of the Christian hope, the audience also sang the Hymn, "Arlington."

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
In a believer's ear;
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
And drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole,
And calms the troubled breast;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
And to the weary, rest.

Dear Name, the Rock on which I build
My shield and Hiding-place;
My never-failing Treasure filled
With boundless stores of grace.

Jesus my Shepherd, Savior, Friend,
My Prophet, Priest and King,
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,
Accept the praise I bring.

I would Thy boundless love proclaim
With every fleeting breath;
So shall the music of Thy name,
Refresh my soul in death.

Declarations and Promises of the Word.

As has always been true in the Christian experience, the Word of God is very bread to the hungry soul; hence Zion reads God's Word, expecting to receive strength for man's every need.

On this occasion Elder O. L. Tindall led the congregation in reading the entire second chapter of the Book of Ephesians.

And you hath He quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins:

Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

But God, Who is rich in mercy, for His great love wherewith He loved us,

Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved);

And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus;

That in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace, in His kindness towards us through Christ Jesus.

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.

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands;

That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:

But now, in Christ Jesus, ye who sometimes were far off, are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

For He is our peace, Who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

Having abolished in His flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in Himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

And that He might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby;

And came and preached to you who were afar off, and to them that were nigh.

For through Him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father;

Now, therefore, ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but

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fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone;

In Whom all the building, fitly framed together, groweth into an holy temple in the Lord:

In Whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

As an appropriate expression of praise to God for His great love and mercy in providing salvation and hope for all mankind, the Hymn "At the Cross" was then sung.

Alas! and did my Savior bleed,
And did my Sovereign die?
Would He devote that sacred head
For such a worm as I?

Ref.—At the cross, at the cross, where I first saw the light,
And the burden of my heart rolled away,
It was there by faith I received my sight,
And now I am happy all the day.

Was it for crimes that I had done,
He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity, grace unknown,
And love beyond degree!

But drops of grief can ne'er repay
The debt of love I owe;
Here, Lord, I give myself away,
'Tis all that I can do!

A Prophecy Concerning The Christ.

Elder Reder then read the entire fifty-third chapter of the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?

For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him.

He is despised and rejected of men; a Man of Sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from Him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.

All we, like sheep, have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid upon Him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and He was afflicted; yet He opened not His mouth: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He openeth not His mouth.

He was taken from prison and from judgment; and who shall declare His generation? for He was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of My people was He stricken.

And He made His grave with the wicked, and with the rich in His death; because He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in His mouth.

Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He hath put Him to grief: when thou shalt make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand.

He shall see of the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied: by His knowledge shall My righteous servant justify many; for He shall bear their iniquities.

Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong; because He hath poured out His soul unto death: and He was numbered with the transgressors; and He bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Prayer by Elder Richert:—

Our God and our kind Heavenly Father, we praise Thy Most Holy and Most Glorious Name for this another opportunity of drawing nigh to our Blessed Redeemer and to the Throne of Grace, to bring our sacrifices and our offerings unto Thee, O God, Who hast given Thine Only Begotten Son that we may be set free from sin, redeemed from death, and may live to the honor and glory of our Father in Heaven.

We do thank Thee, dear Father, for Thy guidance during this day. Thou hast been with us dear Lord, as we have traveled another day's journey toward Eternity. We do praise Thee, O God, that Thy protecting care has been over us, and that Thou hast supplied all our needs and hast kept us well, and hast given unto us the blessed assurance that we are in the right way toward our Heavenly home. Thou hast sustained us in the conflicts against sin and against satan, and hast kept us within the Secret Place of the Most High, and abiding under the shadow of the Almighty—safe and secure. And therefore, dear Father, our hearts are overflowing with praise and gratitude to Thee—especially for the revelations of Thy boundless love toward us. We have been reading, from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, of Thy never-ceasing love toward us; and we thank Thee for the grand and glorious truth of this wonderful revelation of the salvation of our God.

O God, we do thank Thee that Thou art our Father, and that we can draw nigh unto Thee as Thine own children, and can partake of the rich blessings which Thou hast revealed in Thy Word.

We thank Thee that Jesus Christ came down from Heaven from a land of Light, where there is no sin and no sickness and no death, where there are no troubles and no battles to fight; we thank Thee that Jesus came down to this sin-cursed earth to take our sins and to bear our sicknesses; and, O God, we do thank Thee that we can take our loads of guilt and of sickness—and even of death, and lay them down at the foot of the Cross of Calvary.

We do thank Thee that Jesus the Christ is here present in this evening hour; and we pray Thee, O God, to grant that our hearts may be opened, and that the Lord may enter in with the fulness of His glory, and reveal eternal life and the blessings from God the Father, in every heart; and grant, O God, that Thy glory may fill us with boundless hope, and with that conquering faith which Thou hast promised to each and every believer.

Dear Father, we do thank Thee for the Gift of the Holy Spirit. O Lord, fill every one in Divine presence with the power of the Holy Spirit; and grant, O God, that the prayer of faith may arise from every altar to Thy Throne, so that Thou canst open the windows of Heaven and pour down the blessings which Thou hast promised in Thy Word—from Genesis to Revelation.

Father, we are Thine own people; we are a peculiar people bought with the blood of Jesus; and we must be kings and priests, for Thou art willing to crown us with tender mercy and loving kindness; and so we pray Thee to grant, O God, that each one may receive the wedding-garment—the robes of Righteousness; and as we draw nigh unto Thee, dear Father, grant that we may stand upon the holy Hill of Zion, for we realize that Thou art a Burning Fire, and that no sin can stand and abide in Thy presence. Therefore, give us clean hearts, for those alone can see Thee who have pure and clean hearts.

We pray Thee, dear Father, to grant that Thy glory may be revealed in the reading of Thy Word, in the singing of hymns, and in the silent prayers which may arise to Thy Throne; and grant that each one may be strengthened, and may leave this place with the purpose and determination to serve Thee, and to be true and faithful even until Jesus comes.

We pray Thee, Father, to bless the General Overseer; fill his heart with Divine fortitude and courage, and grant, O God, as he leads the hosts of our Lord forward, that Thy Divine Spirit may guide him; and, dear Lord, wilt Thou fill him with the blessed assurance that Thou dost fight for him, as Thou didst for Thy people when they conquered the enemies and crossed the Jordan and took possession of the Promised Land.

Father, we pray Thee to bless the sick tonight. There are some who are suffering, and some who are in the valley of the shadow of Death; there are some, dear Father, who are looking for the dawn of the morning when there will be no more tears, nor sighing, nor death, for all those things shall have passed away. O Father, let the light of Thine eternal life break through the gloom and heal them; and bless all who are looking unto Thee,—in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

With voices of assurance that God had heard the Elder's prayer, and the prayers of all present, the audience sang the Hymn, "Revive Us Again."

My God I have found the thrice blessed ground,
Where life and where joy, and true comfort abound.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.
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I am the Lord that healeth thee.
And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder O. L. Tindall.

"Perfect Love casteth out Fear."

Love is the highest of the graces.

It is the grace which makes us like our Father Who is in Heaven.

Love moved Him to give His only Son to die for mankind.

Love is a sterling grace. It is a vigorous plant. It should grow.

It must be cultivated as a grain of wheat or corn in order to come to full development.

John speaks about "Perfect Love."

Most people have very imperfect love.

We are to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Love is above all the gifts, said the great Apostle Paul; better than the gift of Healing or the gift of Miracles, or the gift of Speaking in Tongues.

Love is the fulfilling of the law.

A man is made perfect in love when he loves God with all his heart, and with all his mind, and with all his strength.

Everything in earth and in Heaven is below love.

How we love our families: father and mother, and children, and wives and husbands.

Men will give their lives for them—gladly die for them.

How men love money!

They show their love by their works. They toil and endure hardness and sacrifice everything to make money, and then to make more money, and the more they make the more they desire. It is like a fire, the more fuel put on it the harder and brighter it burns.

Fire is not satisfied with fuel, neither is a man satisfied with money, if he loves it. It makes him dishonest. He will cheat his neighbors and defraud and lie and steal, and even murder for money.

Think of the various and numerous things on which men constantly set their affections. They are driven in life by this hidden fire or power within.

This is all human and earthly. It is much the same as the animal instinct which impels the brute mother to defend her offspring.

But there is a Divine Love that overshadows all these, and if it is as it should be it will dominate all these. It must be greater, said Jesus, than the love for father or mother, or children, or houses, or lands. If it is not, then God does not accept it.

He is a jealous God He says. As a man forsakes father and mother and cleaves to his wife and forsakes all others for her, so says God, must a man forsake all else and love and follow God and he must do it from love and not from policy or for gain; not for the loaves and fishes which he may expect to get by serving God Who is so gracious and good and liberal.

The love of Christ must constrain us in our actions toward Him and toward one another.

God has given many tests whereby we may know whether we love Him or not. Some men say that they love Him when they do not. How shall we know that we love Him?

One says, "Oh, I feel it in my heart." Very good, but feelings are very fickle and not always to be trusted; therefore God has given us something more substantial. He says: "We know we love Him when we keep His commandments and do those things which are pleasing in His sight;"—when we obey Him—and again, "when we love the brethren."

If we hate our brother the love of God is not in us, nor if we shut up the bowels of our compassion to him: if we do not give him help—when naked, clothe him; when hungry, feed him; when thirsty, give him drink.

Further, perfect Love will cast out all fear. This is a good and a sure sign,—no fear of anybody, or of anything, even when the storm howls and the sea is angry, and the waves grow

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boisterous, it is all the same—no fear.

"Wherefore didst thou fear," said the Master to the terrified Disciples in the ship on the sea at night.

"Oh, ye of little faith!"

It was natural to fear under those circumstances, but it was not Christian.

"There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear." Love and fear do now dwell in the same breast.

Christian, are you afraid of this and that and the other thing? If so, then you are not made perfect in love.

Wife, are you afraid of your husband so that you do not do your Christian duty to God?

Husband, are you afraid of your wife and falter in the discharge of your duty?

Are you afraid of the world and of men—afraid of what they will say of you—afraid they will harm or injure you?

Are you afraid you will fail in business if you stand for your colors?

Are you afraid of what men will do to you?

Is the man-fearing spirit in you?

Are you afraid to own your Lord before men, as was said of the old rulers:"They confessed Him not because of the Pharisees lest they would be put out of the synagogue, for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God."

Are you afraid of failure if you start?

Are you trembing for the safety of the Ark of God, even?

Some men are afraid the cause of Christ will fail even when they are at work.

Are you afraid of death, that great King of Terrors, which keeps so many men all the days of their lives in bondage?

No! we shout in triumph over the grave and say, "O Grave, where is thy sting?"

"Thanks be unto God Who giveth us the Victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Fear hath torment. "He that feareth is not made perfect in love."

"Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not; behold your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompense; He will come and save you."

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The Word and Its Witnesses.

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Ref.—Hallelujah! Thine the glory!
Hallelujah! Amen!
Hallelujah! Thine the glory!
Revive us again.

'Tis found in the blood of Him Who once stood
My refuge and safety, my surety with God.

He bore on the tree the sentence for me,
And now both the surety and sinner are free.

And though here below 'mid sorrow and woe,
My place is in Heaven with Jesus, I know.

And this I shall find for such is His mind,
"He'll not be in glory and leave me behind."

ADDRESS by ELDER CAREY.

Elder E. L. Carey—Now, if you feel as you have been singing, perhaps some of you will be ready to stand and tell your story to others. Thank God, He IS reviving Zion, and there is hope, and there are good days before us. Press forward and onward. This Movement will be just exactly what you and I make it to be.

Where there is a people, a leader is needed. The leader may be all right, and the people may not be—although it does not usually happen to be that way. History shows us that where the leader is right the people are right. And, thanks be unto God, today we have a leader upon whom the Spirit of God is resting—a leader who is leading Zion's hosts onward to victory.

God never leaves nor forsakes His people. God brought Zion into existence and, in so doing, gave to her a leader; and under that leadership wonderful things were accomplished—great things were accomplished;hundreds and thousands of people were saved and healed; and today there are many people in all parts of the world who are ready to testify to the wonderful healings and blessings which they have received—you will find them almost everywhere and anywhere.

The God Who led Zion of old is Present Today.

My brothers and sisters, that same God is here with us today—this evening; and Zion is fast rising to occupy a most prominent place. God has given unto Zion a wonderful mission, and she must fulfil that mission. We sometimes wonder just what is the exact work which Zion must perform; but we do not need to bother about that.

However, I do believe—and I think you, too, believe—that we are nearing the end of the Age, because we have many signs to show that this is so; and with this thought in mind, and the thought of Zion's unique and wonderful mission in this world, we cannot but look forward to the future with great expectations.

Jesus is coming! Yes, He is. When He will come, we do not know, we cannot tell; but we are living in strange times—and, for you and for me, we are living in wonderful times.

Many Ignorant of God's Plan of the Ages.

My brethren, I believe that the angels in Heaven would like to be in our places today—helping in this glorious fight. There are many people today who do not understand the conflict in this City, but the day is coming when they will understand it; and oh, methinks they will then wish that they could have seen it before, and that they might have had a part in this work.

A true soldier of Jesus the Christ—a Christian—a man with spiritual vitality, cannot keep out of any good fight. When you were in the churches, before you heard of Zion,some of you were good fighters. I sometimes used to enjoy being in the midst of a fight against the saloon, and so did some of you.

People Came to Zion for the Love of Righteousness' Sake.

Some of you will remember that away back in the good old days of Methodism there were glorious times, and you were happy—even though some others who did not feel as you did were not; because you were fighting for God, and because your whole spirit, soul and body desired to be where there was a fight

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for God and for Righteousness. And now you are in Zion today, and God brought you to Zion because you loved Righteousness and Truth and were opposed to the ways of wickedness and the ways of the world, and you have found Zion to be the best place; and, as the days pass by, that conviction will deepen and strengthen, and you will thank God, more than ever before, for having called you into Zion, and bestowed upon you the honor of being in the ranks of Zion which are being led by our Great Commander, even Jesus the Christ.

Fighting for Righteousness a Glorious Privilege.

Brethren, what a glorious fight this is in which we are engaged! It is worth fighting for God; it is worth fighting for Jesus; it is worth fighting so that the Holy Spirit may find an entrance into the lives and hearts of men and women,—is it not? Oh, yes it is! It is worth all the fighting and all the sacrifice, so that into some poor life of misery and of sorrow—of whom there are many around us everywhere today—there may come a gleam of light and some ray of hope and happiness.

Joy in Directing People to Noble Thought.

Yes; it is worth the fighting, when one sees the eye lighten with joy, and feels the grasp of the hand in thankfulness to you and appreciation for some little word spoken or some kind act performed—in taking that one and pointing him or her, by that kind word and act, to a life that is far above this sordid life—for that is just what many people make this life to be: a life in which they grovel in the things of this word, and are satisfied only with the "muck-rake." It is worth the fighting, to take their thoughts away from such things, and lead them up to something better, higher and nobler; to take a man or a woman whose only thought has been of a life of selfishness, and to get that one to live an unselfish life, and to live for the good and blessing of others.

Faithfulness Certain of Reward.

And so your influence for good will increase and increase and extend; if you are faithful, somebody else is going to be faithful also; but if you are unfaithful, the probability is that your unfaithfulness will cause somebody else to be unfaithful; if you are inactive in God's service, the probabilities are that somebody else will get that same spirit and will also be inactive; but if you are filled with the Spirit of the Living God, and your life shows that God is dwelling therein, then that spirit will go from heart to heart, and from life to life, until many—even through your humble instrumentality, will learn to know God.

Zion, let us praise our God tonight! I, myself, cannot but feel very thankful for what God has done for me and for my brothers and sisters in the Lord. As we read letters that come from many people how glad we are to think, for a moment, that God is able to use us in some little way to help humanity.

Zion Seventy Work Urged.

You do not know how much good you may do with your little Seventy work. It may sometimes seem but small to your vision, the face may be turned away from you; but, my brother, my sister, you cannot tell what fruit may be produced from the little tract that you left at the home—time alone will tell. Do not think that any act or service, no matter how small, is too small or insignificant to be noticed, for HE notices it—even God your Father—and there will be some fruit from your labors, for the Word of God shall never return unto Him void—never, never return void; but God's Word will always accomplish that for which it was sent, and men and women will learn to know the right way.

Oh, think of the millions who tonight are in the wrong way—how many there are! Some of them do not know any better; but you and I know better. Then let us each one be filled with the Spirit of God, and give ourselves fully and completely to Him; let us all reconsecrate ourselves to Him tonight, here in this building, and He will bless us.

Now, is there one of you here who feels thankful for what God has done for you? Are you glad because Zion is here? Are you glad for what God has done for you? What blessings have you received this week? If you have received blessing, get up and tell it to others. If you have received healing, if God has blessed you in body, get up and tell it. Speak for Christ, for Jesus' sake.

Thanks and Praise by Deacon Irvine.

Deacon Irvine—I want to thank and praise God for the many blessings that I have received. I thank Him for Zion and Zion City, and that He is saving this City for His people and for His honor and glory.

Deacon Robinson Praises God and Exhorts to Faithfulness.

Deacon Frank Robinson—I thank God tonight for this privilege of once more meeting with you, and for the many blessings I have received since returning to Zion City a few days ago. One thought that has been especially close to my mind, has been the thought of PEACE—that wonderful Peace which God gives to His own people. Having just come in from the world, that Peace is very marked in Zion City. Outside, one sees men and women, young and old, rushing and surging from one end of the Continent to the other seeking Peace—not that Peace which comes only through Jesus the Christ, but what the world calls "peace"—and they are not finding Peace.

Blessed are the Peacemakers.

During the past months, how often I have carried a message of peace to sad and sorrowing hearts, and I thank God for such opportunities.

At this moment I think of a certain person whom I met in Portland. A few months ago, while crossing one of the bridges in that City, I saw a young man standing on the side of that bridge, weeping as though his heart would break—that poor man had not any peace in his heart. I asked him what was the matter, and for some time he would not answer me. Then, showing me a letter that he had received from his mother, he said, "Oh! my God, what shall I do?" That poor man had gone away from home and left his mother, and he ought to have been at home taking care of his mother; but the peace of God had gone out of his heart, and the torments of hell were surging there, and causing the tears and the heart-aches.

I spoke to that young man of the words of Christ and, from the Gospel, of the wonderful peace of God which passeth all understanding. He promised me that he would do better and would serve his God.

Another scene which arises before my mind, is that of an old man, seventy-two years of age, who has a terrible sore on his face, and in whose heart there is not any of the peace of God.

Men and women are seeking peace by every means and in every way but the right way. They do not know Jesus the Christ; they do not know the One Who was born in Bethlehem when the angels sang that beautiful song: "Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Zion Has and Proclaims the Gospel of Peace.

I thank God tonight that Zion has the Gospel of peace; but we know, that before there is peace there must be a war, Zion has on the armor and we are going forth to war; but it is a warfare that will bring peace. I thank God that it is our privilege tonight to have this peace within our hearts and lives.

My brothers and sisters, have we that peace in our own hearts as we should have it? If we have, then as we come into contact with our fellow-men we will instill hope into their hearts and inspire them with confidence in Jesus the Christ Who alone can give us that peace—that blessed peace which the world cannot give and cannot take away.

A Hymn of Confidence.

With an assurance born of deep spiritual conviction, the audience then joined in singing the Hymn "It Is Well With My Soul."

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

My sin,—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought—
My sin—not in part but the whole,

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Is nailed to His cross and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, oh, my soul!

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
"Even so,"—it is well with my soul.

Exhortation of Deacon Friend.

Deacon J. W. Friend—I thank God for the health and strength which He has given to me, and for His wonderful keeping power and for the many blessings which He has bestowed upon me. I thank God also for the success which I have had during the past few weeks. It does my heart good to return to Zion City. After all, there is no place like Zion City—it is the dearest spot on earth, and we should all do everything within our power to help build it up. Let us go forward to do all that we can for the betterment of humanity; and if you and I are faithful, we can make this to be the greatest work on the face of the earth for the salvation of humanity. Therefore, let us buckle on the armor of God and go forward, in the days that are coming, and scatter the seed broadcast; put the Zion literature into hundreds and thousands of homes and scatter the Zion papers throughout the world. You who are visiting in Zion City, when you return to your homes, do personal work and in this way you will be helping to bring others into this work and into the Kingdom of God. Just as you and I are faithful we will inspire others who will see our work, and thereby will be encouraged, and press forward to do more work for the Master. Let us go forward, conquering in Jesus' Name. Pray for the success of the Seventies throughout the world, and do everything within your power to help make this a mighty Organization, and then I am sure that God will richly bless our efforts.

Now, I desire that all of you who have Bibles to spare, kindly to send them in to our Department, because we need them to send out to the various branches, as we are constantly receiving requests for them; we shall be glad to receive all that you can spare.

Elder Moot Speaks on the Everlasting Gospel.

Elder Silas Moot—I feel that I have much for which I desire to praise God this evening. Since the last time that I addressed you, I have been called upon to pass through an experience which has brought to me the realities of the Gospel as they were never brought to me before. Elder Carey chose this beautiful Hymn, which starts with the words:—

"My God I have found the thrice blessed ground,
Where life and where joy and true comfort abound."

Thanks be unto God, in the Gospel we have that "thrice blessed ground, where life and where joy and true comfort abound."

It is—and has been—sad to me when I have seen young people not caring to submit themselves to the rule of the Christ. To have their eyes fixed upon Jesus on the Cross and to realize that He has died for them is something they do not desire to consider; and when such is the case I always feel that there is something radically wrong, and that they are not converted; and there is no happiness, no joy and no peace in the heart of a person whose eyes are not fixed upon the Lord Jesus the Christ.

When looking over my letters and thinning them out, I saved a couple that had been written to me from Cleveland, where I had had the privilege of baptizing a husband and father. I remembered having noticed the tears coursing down the cheeks of the wife and the daughter when they realized that he had submitted himself to the Lord Jesus the Christ; and this letter told how that husband and father had, for the very first time in his life, asked for the Bible; and how, when the time came for prayer, he told them that he wanted to pray his own prayer; and oh, what joy they had in hearing him pray—which seemed to them to be beyond anything they could expect.

And so, it is one thing for us to enjoy Christ and the Christian religion, and to enjoy a Zion City, when we are full of life and vigor; and it is another thing to enjoy Christ when these mortal bodies of ours decay—and they will decay, and they will pass away—yes, it is another thing then, to realize that joy and comfort.

Oh, how beautiful it is to know that Christ is with us all the time, and that the holy angels are with us, and that this blessed Gospel is something that is never ended—it is the EVERLASTING GOSPEL: it begins here, and fills our hearts with joy; it goes with us in our dying hours; and in the Beyond it is ten thousand times more beautiful, even, than it is here. We can enjoy God and enjoy the Savior right on throughout Eternity.

Brethren, let us strive to have this a beautiful City and to make it more beautiful all the time. I do thank God for Zion and for Zion City. I do thank God for the way in which He is leading, and for the leader whom He has given unto us; that He is protecting and leading us forward; and that the prospects are so bright and encouraging. May we, with greater humility and with greater comfort and with renewed energy, put forth every effort within our power, and may we all be filled with the Spirit of God, so that there may soon be one City the inhabitants of which shall fear the Lord and honor the Name of Jehovah, and where the Name of our God shall be praised unto the ends of the earth; so that the time may soon come when the kingdoms and nations of this earth shall become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ. May God grant it!

The Hymn "Jesus, Lover of my Soul," was then sung.

Jesus Lover of my soul,
Let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high;
Hide me, O my Savior hide,
Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide,
Oh, receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none,
Hangs my helpless soul on Thee:
Leave, oh, leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me.
All my trust on Thee is stayed,
All my help from Thee I bring;
Cover my defenceless head
With the shadow of Thy wing

Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
More than all in Thee I find:
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy Name,
I am all unrighteousness:
Vile, and full of sin I am,
Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found—
Grace to cover all my sin:
Let the healing streams abound:
Make me, keep me, pure within;
Thou of life the Fountain art;
Freely let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity.

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CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION

will be held, God willing, in

Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois

Beginning LORD'S DAY, JULY 10th, and Closing WEDNESDAY NIGHT, JULY 20th

Three Services will be held each day

ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

"If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you."—John 15:7.

ABIDING IN JESUS.

Every Christian throughout the world, should be familiar with the above selection from God's Divine Word. Yet how few know and realize what the "Abiding in Jesus" means.

Jesus said, "As the Branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the Vine; so neither can ye, except ye abide in Me."

To abide in Jesus means to live in Him; to have Him as your daily companion; to walk with Him as He walked with the two Disciples on their way to Emmaus when their hearts were burning within them while He spake to them and taught them the Scriptures.

What a blessed privilege to walk and talk with Jesus!

What a joy to the Christian!

Yet this joy may be yours if you consecrate your life to His service.

If you love Jesus you will keep His commandments, and your Heavenly Father will love you, and the Father, Son and Holy Spirit will come unto you and make their home, or abiding place with you.

Let your spirit be filled with a burning desire for the redemption of mankind.

Seek the lost, and bring them to Jesus.

Will you stand before God, when your work upon earth is finished, without a single jewel? or will you have many precious sheaves, shining jewels, won for God's harvest field, gathered from the depths of sin, and transplanted by yo tender, loving care, into God's Vineyard, there to grow, and to blossom, into bautiful, Christian character, asbranches abidinng in the Vine, bringing forth precious fruit for the Master's service.

You can do this by doing a personal work. Send the Leaves of Healing—the "Little White Dove" of Peace—into the homes of your friends.

In a sermon delivered by the late Rev. John Alexander Dowie in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Lord's Day, September 20th, 1896, speaking about the Leaves of Healing, he said, in part, as follows:

"It goes into kings' palaces in Europe, and into the homes of the Boers in Africa; it is read in the Sou h Sea Islands, and in Australia, and we praise God it is being blessed everywhere it goes.

"Every week brings us a story, which is repeated now so frequently; this week of people reading it and believing it, and going to God and praying and getting the healing where they are. That is what I care for. On the very top of it and on either side of the Dove, we have the words, 'HE SENDETH HIS WORD AND HEALETH THEM.'

"We are putting the Word of God into that paper, and it is becoming a power that leads to the healing of people as well as to their salvation.

"Now, I want you to send it abroad. I want every man and woman in Zion to be an agent for this paper, and volunteer agents, buying it and sending it to your friends.

"Be my fellow-workers with God in this matter, and every week send to some friend somewhere, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine and ten copies. It does not cost you very much—a few cents, a little trouble—and it may be the means of saving husband and wife, and child, and of spreading glad tidings and of winning many to God, because that is often the result. Now, I say that because it is much on my heart."

OREGON.

The following is a report of the work done in the city of Portland by Mrs. Robinson from May 1st to May 15th:

Leaves sold	53
Heralds sold	9
Penny tracts	5
Leaves given	24
Heralds given	9
Leaves mailed	6
Messages given	203
Calls made	209
10 week's subscription	1
Total pieces distributed	519

WISCONSIN.

Despite the rain of last Saturday evening, three Seventies from Zion City worked in Kenosha, and the result, including sales at the meeting in Carpenter's Hall Lords' Day morning, are as follows:

Leaves sold and given	25
Heralds sold and given	42
"Voice from Zion" sold	1
Penny tracts given	2
English Messages given	51
Total number of pieces distributed	121

100 Invitation cards—for special service in Carpenter's Hall—were distributed.

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LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Divine Healing

Why Believe it? Why Teach it? Questions and Objections Answered.

(By O. L. Tindall)

ARTICLE TWO

WHY do I believe in Divine Healing?

I answer, first, and foremost, because the Bible teaches it. That should settle all questions, especially with professed Christians, and more especially with professed Zion people. They have had more light and teaching than anyone else on this subject, and for them to deny it is worse than for other people.

The Bible is the Word of God, and therefore it must be true, for it is impossible for God to lie. Whatever that Book teaches is absolutely true and right, and must be obeyed. It is our Rule of Faith, or Belief, and Practice.

Leaving all objections and difficulties in abeyance, let us see whether the Good Book does really teach Divine Healing through Faith in Jesus Christ just as it was taught and practiced by the prophets of old, and by Jesus the Christ, and by the Apostles.

If we can show that all of these taught and practiced it, we surely have good grounds for doing the same thing now, for are we not as a body of Christians, the Church of Jesus Christ, built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Cornerstone?

The statement of this proposition ought to be enough to carry conviction with Christians without any arguments.

Nothing can be plainer than that God was the Healer and Keeper of His people in olden times. His Covenant was absolutely plain with the people, and could not be mistaken. He told them in Moses' day that if they would keep His commandments and walk in His statutes and do them, that He would suffer none of those diseases to come upon them which came upon the Egyptians.

This you read in Exodus 15:26. The same thing in a more extended way, is repeated in the twenty-eighth chapter of Deuteronomy.

We have the very remarkable healing of Naaman, the Captain of the Syrian Host. It was wrought by God without the use of any medicine or human help. David repeatedly says in his Psalms that GOD IS THE HEALER.

The 103d Psalm says, "He forgiveth all our iniquities and healeth all our diseases."—"He sendeth His Word and healeth them."

Isaiah Puts Divine Healing in the Atonement

in that remarkable chapter of his prophecy, the fifty-third chapter. Christ interpreted it as referring to the healing of the body. He said that prophecy was fulfilled when He healed all their sick. (See Matthew 8:16,17.)

King Asa was severely rebuked by the Lord for going to the physicians when he was sick in his feet, instead of seeking unto the Lord, and he paid for it with his life, just as thousands do today. This story you will find in 2 Chronicles, chapter sixteen.

To go to the doctors then was evidently an offense in the sight of God, and an evidence of a man's departure from God, and showed a great lack of faith. God has not changed.

Christ followed the same plan in His life work on the earth. He preached the Kingdom of God, and healed the sick everywhere. He said plainly that was His misson to mankind. He carried Salvation in one hand and Healing in the other. No one can dispute that.

He told the Twelve to go and do the same thing—preach the Gospel of the Kingdom and heal the sick. He told the Seventies to do the same and they did it through His power. When He was about to leave the world He gave His Disciples a wonderful commission: to go into all the world and preach the Gospel, and baptize believers, and He said that signs would follow, and that they should lay hands on the sick and they should recover.

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That is recorded in Mark 16. That was His final commssion. Has He ever revoked it? Has any man or body of men, a right to revoke, or cancel that declaration or change it?

Divine Healing is a Part of the Gospel

just as much as is Baptism. Why do the preachers continue to say, "Go, preach the Gospel" and make so much ado about their great missionary work among all nations and yet carry the Gospel and all the promises to these poor, deluded people?

Why don't they read and believe and teach the whole Commission?

Did not Christ say that His people, (those who believe) should do the works that He did, and even greater works, because He was to go to the Father; that the Holy Ghost should come and then they should be endued with power from on High?

When did those promises cease and become null and void as a part of the Gospel?

Who cut them out of our economy?

Why, the devil, through false and faithless shepherds who would not heal the poor, sick sheep and the lame. So said Ezekiel in the thirty-fourth chapter of his remarkable prophecy. That was a charge against those shepherds. They left out Divine Healing.

Divine Healing a Reality in the Time of the Apostles.

The success of their ministry depended largely upon healing and other miracles. These things confirmed the Word which was preached. Divine Healing is so interwoven with all the teachings of Christ and the Apostles and with all their work, that to attempt to cut it out would mean to destroy the whole woof and warp of the beautiful fabric.

This is why I believe in Divine Healing, because the Bible teaches it, and says we should preach it as a part of the Gospel. No student of the Bible can deny this. They must resort to some other weapon besides the Sword of the Spirit—the Word of God—to destroy it as a doctrine and as a privilege of God's people—a promise to all believers.

The Arguments Against Divine Healing are Never Taken From the Bible.

They never answer us on this question as Christ answered the devil in the Wilderness, "For it is written." No; it is always something else. If it be so wrong and does not belong to the Gospel as a present-day experience and privilege as all the preachers say, then they ought to be able to destroy the heresy by the plain Word of God. The Word ought to be against it directly, or indirectly, at least. But

"HE SENDETH HIS WORD AND HEALETH THEM."

(To be continued.)

The Word and Its Witnesses.

Report of a Typical Mid-Week Zion Meeting. Zion Officers, Members and Friends Feast upon the Word and hear Encouraging Addresses and Testimonies at the Mid-Week Rally, Wednesday evening, April 27, 1910.

(Reported by S. J. B.)

(Continued from last week)

ADDRESS by EVANGELIST A. DARMS.

"I do not think there is anyone here this evening who has more for which to thank and praise God than I have; and I do thank Him this evening for the blessings which He has given unto me, and that He spared me from going down into the grave; and I have realized how true are the words of the Apostle—"All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to His purpose."

When I was taken down sick, and had to give up my work in Cincinnati and go to California, together with my beloved wife, I often wondered what it all would mean to me, and what would be the outcome of all this affliction.

But there were many lessons which I had to learn, and I believe that the most important lesson I had to learn, was to lose sight of everything else except God—to be shut out of everything else, and to be shut in—hid with Christ in God.

Studying to Learn God's Way.

For six months I was unable to go anywhere—never attended a church service—alone with my wife here and there in different places, and yet every day was a blessing—and what brought that blessing? We took the Word of God and started in with the first chapter of Genesis and read through the Sacred Pages until we had well nigh read through the entire Bible; we had had a new revelation of God's wonderful love toward us, and His Word has become to us a living power in our lives.

Then we took the "Leaves of Healing," that brought their sweet messages from God's Throne—and from this place—to our lonely hearts; and each week my dear wife read the messages of our leader, and of these beloved Elders, and those messages brought such comfort to our hearts, and hope and blessing to us.

I will never forget the beautiful sermons that were delivered in connection with the teaching on the Holy Spirit. Oh, how we thanked God that the Comforter had come, and that He had found His place in Zion in a larger and fuller measure than we had ever known before; and I believe that the blessings of those sermons will go down to us in history in years to come, in welding our hearts together and preparing us for the great onward movement of Zion.

And then we took "Gospel Hymns," and started with the first hymn in the book and went clear through and sang every one of them, and they have become more precious to us than ever before.

And so God has blessed us through all these days of training, when we were shut in just as Noah was in the Ark; but we were brought out without danger and with an earnest desire to carry this beautiful message to any others. Almost every day these words are ringing in my ears.

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!" (Isaiah 52:7).

So, with all of these great blessings, we found ourselves in a field that was filled with those who were in need and in sorrow and want, and we went right to work there for God and for Zion.

Many had Apostatized Because of False Shepherds.

In the years that had passed there had been many members there in Los Angeles; where used to be a good branch of Zion but, I must say, through the unfaithfulness of unfaithful officers—particularly the last one who was sent there—the entire work went to pieces, as it has done in many other parts of the world. It was not the fault of the teaching nor the fault of Zion that the work was destroyed, but through the unfaithfulness of unfaithful servants that it went to pieces, and that we found ourselves surrounded by a number of former Zion members.

We tried to get them to come back to Zion, but found that impossible, and although they were willing to attend our meetings in the beginning and promised their support—financially as well as in other ways—yet we found that it would mean to lower the beautiful standard which God had given to us in Zion; and that it would mean to compromise with the ways of the churches in general and with the manner in which their missions are conducted.

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Zion's Banner Kept Floating.

We told God that we would not do that, and that we would not compromise; and whatever we have not done in our work there, I can say that we have kept the banner of Zion floating, lifting the standard higher than ever it was before there; and the people have come to learn what Zion stands for.

We received many offers of various kinds; but I think it would perhaps be better not to tell of them, as it would seem rather an insult to receive such offers—as this one, for instance: we received one offer to be provided with funds to start a work; and from another Movement we received an offer to go to foreign fields; and we have received various other kinds of offers.

But I thank God that not at any time was there any other thought in our hearts than to stand firmly for Zion, even though we had to stand alone; and I am so glad to be able to say that our labors have not been in vain. I thank God that He has given to us a few who have come to see eye to eye with us in Zion.

There is Brother and Sister Fisher, in Los Angeles, who, in answer to our prayers, have been brought—after many sorrows and afflictions and sickness—to God and taken their stand boldly and firmly for Zion. And there are also many others.

So while we toiled alone for several months in that great City, we now have two or three Seventies who will go with us in our work.

God Blesses in Seventy Work.

God has wonderfully blessed us in our Seventy work. We have encountered a great many difficulties and opposition; but I could spend a great deal of time tonight telling of marvelous healings wrought through our ministry, and blessings that have come to many.

Just to mention one or two: My wife entered a home where a woman was lying in bed suffering with terrible convulsions. She had been in a hospital, and because she was a Jewish woman and had absolutely no money, and they could not do anything for her, they threw her out upon the street without even some one to take her home.

However, she was taken to her home and put to bed; she could not understand a word of English, but her husband could. After a few moments, my wife came out and called me in. I at once realized the situation—that they were Hebrews, and cared nothing for the Church of Christ and God's people, and they had even gone back upon their own belief; and yet I saw her need, for she was suffering terribly. God put it upon my heart to have her husband read to her in the Hebrew language, the Covenant of Divine Healing. He did not want to do it; but I said, "You have to repeat this to your wife; she is dying;" and he did so.

Finally we got to the One Hundred and third Psalm, and when we reached the words, "Who forgiveth all thine iniquities, Who healeth all thy diseases," I stopped and made him repeat that to his wife, and he repeated it in the Hebrew language. That woman was instantly healed and the convulsions left her. A few days later we went there and found her well. I tried to interest them further in the Gospel of the Kingdom, but they were perfectly satisfied to stand still.

Healed of Rheumatism in Answer to Prayer.

At another home where we called, a woman stepped to the door, and I handed to her a Zion message. She looked at it and said, "That is from Dr. Dowie, or Zion City; I will have nothing to do with it, so you do not need to bring that message around to me." I said to her, "Now, Sister, I did not come to you in the name of Dr. Dowie, but I come to you in the Name of the Lord Jesus the Christ, to bring salvation to your home; is all well? are you all well?" She said, "No; I must say that I am very sick; I have a terrible time with my Rheumatism." I said, "That is what we are here for, to bring peace to your house; we will pray for you." She said, "I do not know that that will do any good, because I am a Free Methodsit and our preachers have prayed for me and it does not do me any good, but you may step inside."

So we stepped in and read to her a portion of the tenth chapter of the Gospel according to St. Luke, and prayed with her.

On the following Sunday that lady attended our meeting, and after we had proclaimed the Gospel she stood up and told how she had abused us and would have nothing to do with Dr. Dowie or Zion City, for which she was very sorry; she said that while she had not had any faith for her healing, yet she had been instantly healed in answer to prayer, and that every bit of her Rheumatism had left her, for which she gave God all the glory.

We have had more wonderful healings than these.

Wonderfully Healed after Being nearly killed, and Given up by Doctors.

One other case I will mention: of a woman upon whom a doctor performed an operation for rupture; he made an incision in the bowels and all the bowels gushed out, and the food passed out of that opening, and she was in a dying condition.

The nurse happened to know us, and asked the lady whether she would not like to have us come and pray with her. She had heard a great deal about "mental healing," etc., but nothing about Divine Healing.

When we went to see her I said, "Trust God and you will live, for God is able to heal you, no matter what they have done to you." And so we committed her to the Lord, and called to see her occasionally, and by and by she dismissed the doctors and took no medicine, but only looked to God for her healing, and she was healed.

In the meantime, however, she began to lose her mind and hey said that she was going insane, as she was unable to remember anything. I told her again to trust God and He would restore her mind and she would get well and strong. We again prayed for her, and in a few days her mind was clear again, and she was in her right mind. She was getting along fine; but after a few more weeks, when she seemed to be improving very much, dropsy set in in both feet and extended up to her knees; and she was soon in such a terrible condition that it seemed as though death was setting in. The nurse thinking that the woman was soon to die, came and called for us. I said, "Trust God, and you will live; God will destroy this dropsy and make you well." We commended her to the Lord, and in

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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Elder O. L. Tindall.

"THE WAY OF THE WICKED SHALL PERISH."

That is the declaration and decree of God.

It should make all good men and women to rejoice and be exceeding glad.

The way of the wicked SHALL perish.

This would be a glorious world were it not for sin and iniquity.

All the evils of this earth come from sin, or the transgression of God's Law.

God has pledged Himself, and confirmed it with an oath, that He would make all things to abound for man's good and happiness if he would not sin.

He would stop all these destructive storms as Jesus did on the Sea of Galilee.

Jesus rebuked the winds and the waves, and they obeyed Him at once. God can do the same thing now.

Earthquakes can be used of God, as for instance in the case of Paul and Silas. The earthquake shook the foundation of the prison and all the doors flew open and the bands of all the prisoners were loosed.

The rains are God's sprinklers for our gardens and fields, and He has promised to send the former and the latter rain on His people.

When Zion becomes a holy people and lives up to her privileges, and dares to claim these exceeding rich and precious promises, as Peter calls them, then she will see fulfilled all these things which have been spoken concerning her.

Prosperity on every hand will come to her just as fast as she is worthy of it, and will use it for the glory of God and not upon her own lusts, or pleasures.

Why is God slow in giving us more?
Simply because we are slow in accepting it.

The thirty-fifth chapter of Isaiah is our ideal and this world has got to work up to it.

We should live the ninety-first Psalm, then no plague would come nigh our dwellings.

We would have no need of doctors.

Doctors were never made by God. He has no use for them. He never made any place for them in His Kingdom. They only belong to the Kingdom of darkness.

Some men who use them and their poisons, admit that they are only for the unbelievers. They and their whole business are only a concoction of the devil.

A Pharmacist, in the New Testament, is a sorcerer, and his lot is placed with the unbelievers and the adulterers, whoremongers and idolaters.

They, themselves, admit that their practice has been wrong from the foundation of the world up to the present time. They have only been going from one experiment to another.

This Age repudiates all the old practice of the cult in the past. The next generation will do the same thing. As fast as they are exposed they move on to another fad and work it for a time.

Learned physicians say they haven't a book in their libraries ten years old that is of any use at present. Why should they go on deceiving the people and destroying them, and robbing them of their money and their health?

"SUFFERED MANY THINGS OF MANY PHYSICIANS —SPENT ALL HER LIVING—was NOTHING BETTERED, but RATHER GREW WORSE," is the old story sent down to us from Christ's own day, and still it goes on.

Why will not men learn God's Way of Healing?

Is it not plain?

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"Is any sick among you, let him call for the Elders (not doctors)of the Church; and let them pray over him; * * and the Prayer of Faith shall save the sick, and the LORD (not the doctors or drugs) shall raise him up."

Do you need any plainer instructions than that, as to your duty when you are sick?

Does the weak-kneed preacher tell you that that passage does not mean what it says?

Believe him not. He is working in the interest of the physician who shares with the parson some of the "tainted" money that he gets for his service to you.

It is a case of where the birds of the air steal away some of the seed (the Word) which was sown in your heart by the Son of Man Himself.

The birds represent the devil, said the Christ in the Parable, and the devil's agents are the false shepherds and the physicians. They have stolen away that good Word. They have made it to read, "Send for the doctors instead of the Elders," and you and all the people have been foolish enough to believe their lies.

The Bible speaks of people being fed on lies.

Divine Healing is the bread of the children of God. So said the Christ as He talked to the poor woman of Canaan as she came with her tormented daughter, vexed with the devil, to Christ for healing.

"Is it meet to take the bread of the children and give it to the dogs?"—trying and testing her.

Well, may we change the question and ask, "Is it meet to take the food of dogs and give it to His children?"

But thanks be unto God, He says the ways of the wicked shall perish.

Ultimately all these evils will be done away with. God hath said it, and that settles it.

God has begun His work now.

He will begin with you and with me.

Let all our evil ways perish.

Save only the good.

God will destroy the tares.

He will root out every plant that the Father hath not planted.

He will destroy every tree that bringeth not forth GOOD fruit.

What a glorious day that will be!

We are God's stewards.

We are His husbandmen.

How are we caring for the little patch, or garden spot which He has given us to look after in His great Kingdom?

Are the weeds and the thistles all cut?

Have we cleansed our hands and purified our hearts?

He made provision for that: "In that day there shall be a Fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness."

"The Blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin."

ALL sin shall be destroyed, and Righteousness shall fill all the earth.

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The Word and Its Witnesses.

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a very short time every trace of that dropsy had left her; and when we left there she was being taken around in a chair.

Last fall we returned to see her, and when we stepped into the house, instead of being taken around in a chair, she had gained forty-five pounds, and was glorifying God for her wonderful deliverance.

And so I could go on this evening relating a great many wonderful cases. Our meetings are not large, but we go on working for God; and I trust that God will put it upon the hearts of some workers in Zion City to come out to California and push the battle to the gates of the enemies.

My wife has worked very hard and very faithfully, and is more earnest for Zion and for God's work in Zion than ever before; and God has made her a great blessing. And now we want to go forward. Remember us in earnest prayer, that God may continue to bless us.

Testimony of Mr. Joseph Friend.

I thank God for His goodness to me, for He has blessed me many times. A year ago this Winter I had a severe spell of the "Grippe," but it was only a few days until I returned to my work, perfectly healed; but the devil got another blow at me, and I fell over upon a box. My son came and helped me up, and wanted to send for a carriage to take me home, but I said "No; God will see me safely home; I do not want to be hauled home; I will walk home." After reaching my home I became very sick and they sent for an Elder; but it seemed that just at that time the Elders were all busy, and so a Deacon came to see me, and we prayed together. In less than one minute every pain and ache had left my body, and from that day to this God has protected me and kept me. All through this Winter, whenever I would take a cold my wife would say to me, "Now, you have a severe cold, you must be careful and take care of yourself;" but I said, "Never mind about that, by morning God will have healed me;" and the next morning I would rise, perfectly well, with no cold in my body. I thank God for His goodness and mercy to me, and I give Him all the glory.

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And the King shall answer, and say unto them, Verily, I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me.—Matthew 25:40.

WORKING FOR JESUS.

The Kingdom of God is made up of workers, men and women who have increased their talents which God has so graciously given unto them.

When the Son of Man shall come in His glory, and shall gather all nations before Him, there will be a separation: those who have ministered unto the poor, the sick and the sorrowing, will be permitted to remain forever in the presence of the King, while those who have not improved their time, their talents, and their opportunities, will be banished from His presence.

Where will YOU stand?

How are YOU building for Eternity?

You are molding a character day by day, and every hour draws you nearer to the Judgment Seat of God.

It is for YOU to choose whether you will stand or fall in that day.

How can you appear before God with the excuse, "I have had no opportunity"?

In Zion you are given an opportunity to DO SOMETHING for Jesus.

The Seventies are being sent out into the cities, whither Jesus Himself will soon come, to take from the world His own.

Will you be ONE that will "Inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world"?

Have YOU visited those who are hungering and thirsting for Righteousness, and given them spiritual food?

Are YOU visiting those who are sick, praying for them and telling them of the Atonement that Jesus made for all; how He was bruised for our iniquities—"The chastisement of our peace was upon Him, and with His stripes we are healed"?

Seventies! You must BE WORKERS in God's Vineyard.

NEGLECT NO POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY FOR DOING GOOD.

While on your visitation from house to house, do not pass a single one by, for nine cases out of ten in the one which you pass by there will be some one whom you could bring to Jesus.

Expect to be successful in your work. MAKE EVERYTHING YOU DO COUNT. Avoid foolish and unlearned questions, for they only gender strife, and cause you to lose valuable time.

GET RIGHT TO THE POINT. Deliver your message in a straightforward, business-like manner. Do not hesitate; the man who hesitates is lost.

Look your man squarely in the eye when you say, "Peace be to this house." Do not be afraid. Remember YOUR MISSION IS TO SAVE THE SINNER—TO BRING HIM TO JESUS.

It requires work to do this, but you can do all things through Christ Who will strengthen you. Abide in Him and let His words, or His teaching, remain in you, then ask what you will and it will be given unto you.

In the harvest field there is work to do,
For the grain is ripe, and the reapers few;
And the Masters' Voice bids the workers true
Heed the call that He gives today.

Crowd the garner well with its sheaves all bright,
Let the song be glad, and the heart be light;
Fill the precious hours, ere the shades of night
Take the place of the golden day.

Labor on! labor on!
Keep the bright reward in view;
For the Master has said, He will strength renew;
Labor on till the close of day.

WISCONSIN.

Forty-five Seventies went to Kenosha Saturday evening and Lord's day morning. A special musical service was held in Carpenter's Hall Lord's day evening. The Seventies sold and distributed the literature as follows:

Leaves of Healing, sold and given away	149
Zion Heralds, sold and given away	159
"Voice From Zion" sold	1
Penny Tracts given	180
English Messages given	2375
German messages given	137
Invitation cards for the Special service	1842
Total number of pieces distributed	4843

The Fourteenth

Annual Convocation

of the

CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION

will be held, God willing, in

Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois

Beginning LORD'S DAY, JULY 10th, and Closing WEDNESDAY NIGHT, JULY 20th

Three Services will be held each day

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God Sends Showers of Rain in Answer to Prayer.

Eleva, Wisconsin, May 26, 1910.

General Overseer of the C. C. A. C. in Zion,

Dear Brother in the Christ:

Peace to thee!

Enclosed please find P. O. order for ——— dollars,——— for the renewal of my subscription to Leaves of Healing and the Zion Herald, and ——— dollars to be applied on the Tabernacle fund.

I wrote you requesting you to pray for rain as it had been very dry here for some time. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, we had a bountiful rainfall on the 17th of the month, and also on the 21st.

I am so thankful that we know our kind Heavenly Father to be a prayer-answering God.

I thank you for your prayers. I pray daily for Zion throughout the world. Oh, may God richly bless His faithful children!

Faithfully yours in Jesus,

Mrs. Lucinda S. Adams.

Appreciates Leaves of Healing.

Cuddalore, N. T., Gavilan Bridge, India,
April 5th, 1910.

To the Rev. Wilbur Glenn Voliva,

Editor of Leaves of Healing,

Zion City, Illinois.

Dear Reverend Sir:

I thank you most heartily for the Leaves of Healing which you have been so kind to send to me week after week.

I am sending by this mail money order for ——— shillings which please accept toward the paper.

May God bless you and all your helpers in the holy work of extending the Kingdom of God everywhere.

Kindly remember me in your prayers.

Yours in Christ,

Miss A. Shunmurgen.

Praises God for Healing of Mumps in Answer to Prayer. God Answers Prayer When Obedience is Shown.

Olathe, Colorado, May 24, 1910.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to thee!

I do thank God that I can send in my testimony, for He has healed me.

I was taken sick with mumps. The first day, as they were coming on, I worked, and I kept praying, and God answered. At night I told mother and we both prayed. I got up the next morning feeling as well as ever, but the mumps were not entirely gone as there was still some swelling. I was so well that I went out and started working, which I know now was very wrong. This caused the mumps to go down, and I had a high fever, and also considerable pain, but God delivered me from this in answer to prayer.

I then had an attack of stomach trouble. This is an old chronic trouble I have had, and which put me in my bed for two months before I accepted Zion's truths.

After accepting these Truths God accepted me and healed me. This time I sent a request to you for prayer for my stomach. God has answered your prayer and my stomach is as well as ever. I can eat anything and the food does not hurt me.

I do want to thank God, and tell others what He has done for me, and what He has done for me He will do for anyone that will repent of his sins and seek the Lord.

I found in this trial of sickness that God will not answer our prayers if we have not repented, or forgiven anyone. I feel if I had been right in God's sight I would never have had the mumps.

So far, my wife has not taken the mumps, neither has our little girl eight months old; for this I do thank God. My wife was with me all the time while I was sick, yet God has kept her, and she has never had the mumps.

I do love to see and read the testimonies as they appear in the Herald. They show forth the love of God. I pray that mine may be of some help to someone.

I am sending my tithes and Redemption money, also an offering for the Tabernacle. I pray that God will speedily give us Zion City.

Oh, that they might see that it is God's hand that they are rejecting and not man's! What can man do? Nothing. Praise God! He does draw men unto Him.

I pray God that He will richly bless you and all Zion all over the world, that they may be faithful till the end.

Your Brother in the Christ,

W. D. Leitch.

Receiving Reward for Her Labors.

Clarendon, Texas, May 23, 1910.

Elder E. L. Carey,

Dear Brother in Christ:

Peace to thee!

Please send me some application blanks as I am beginning to see some fruits of my work among the colored people. One woman wants to apply for membership. She also wants to come to Zion City with me in July. Poor old soul! she has had a hard time. She was working at a place to get money to come to Zion City, and just as soon as they found out what she was going to do they made it so hot for her that it was hard for her to stay, but God let her stay till she got the money she needed, and now she is staying with me till we are ready to go in July to attend the Convocation. She has been wonderfully healed of the snuff habit.

I gave the presiding Elder (Negro) some Leaves and Tracts and when he came back he came to see me and asked for more. I know it is hard to work among the apostates, but I never waver. I make no compromises and I feel that the gaining of this one soul has paid me for years of toil.

* * *

We are trying to sell our homes so we can come to Zion City to live. Pray for us that God will send us a buyer, and pray for me that God will reward my labors among these poor, downtrodden colored people.

I thank God more and more for Zion and for her glorious teaching, and my daily prayer is for the salvation of Zion City, that there may be one clean spot on this earth for the children of God.

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May the blessings of our God rest upon you and all true Zion everywhere. Pray that nothing will hinder us from coming to the Feast as I have been working to that end for the last two years.

Mrs. G. C. Hartman.

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Plain Instructions

To One and All Interested in the Redemption of Zion City.

How to Make Investments In Zoin Institutions and Industries.

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

PLAN NUMBER ONE.

INVESTMENTS in Zion's Institutions and Industries may be made in any amount for one year or longer, all investments to bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum.

All investments made between April 1st and October 1st, of any year, bear 6% interest, and participate in the dividends declared January 31st following; all investments made between October 1st and April 1st, of any year, bear 6% interest, and participate in the dividends declared July 31st following.

Investments for one, two, three or five years participate in the dividends at the ratio of 5, 6, 7½ and 10. To illustrate: For the dividend period between July 31st, 1908, and January 31st, 1909, investments for one year received, in addition to their 6% per annum, 1 4-10% dividend; investments for two years, 1 8-10 % dividend; for three years, 2 2-10 %; for five years, 2 8-10 %; making the amount received by each investor for five years equal to 8 8-10 % per annum on his investment.

PLAN NUMBER TWO

Plan Number One is for all persons who have a lump sum of money and desire to invest it all at once.

Plan Number Two is for one and all who desire to save and pay in a definite sum each month until a total amount of so much has been paid in.

All persons desiring to invest under Plan Number Two should fill in the following application form and send it to Wilbur Glenn Voliva, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

APPLICATION FOR INVESTMENT IN ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES.
(Wilbur Glenn Voliva.)

_____, 1910.

I, _____ hereby make application to invest in ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES the sum of _____ DOLLARS on or before the _____ day of each and every calendar month until I have deposited in the aggregate the sum of _____ DOLLARS.

Name _____

Postoffice _____

State _____

All persons investing money under Plan Number Two will receive interest at the rate of three per cent (3%) per annum upon each separate monthly payment from the date of each monthly payment until the aggregate sum is paid in, and then a note will be given for the aggregate of said payments payable on or before five (5) years from date, drawing interest at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum.

Remittances should be by Post Office Orders, Express Money Orders, or by Bank Drafts payable in Chicago or New York, and all should be made payable to the order of Wilbur Glenn Voliva.

List of Zion Institutions and Industries.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer
Deacon W. Hurd Clendinen, General Manager

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion: Supported entirely by Tithes and Free-will Offerings.

Leaves of Healing: Supported by Subscriptions and Free-will Offerings;

Zion Herald: Supported by Subscriptions and Free-will Offerings;

Zion Bank: Does a General Banking Business, Solicits Commercial and Savings Accounts; Issues Exchange and makes Collections;

Zion Store: An Institution having at present Fifteen Departments; buys and sells merchandise of all kinds; has capital invested of about $115,000.00, and does a business of over $300,000.00 per year;

Zion Printing and Publishing Hous: Prints Zion Herald, Leaves of Healing, Zion Tracts and Books; does a High Grade of Commercial and Job Printing;

Zion Administration Building: Occupied by the Headquarters Offices of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion throughout the World, Zion Herald, Leaves of Healing, United States Post Office, Receiver of the Zion Estate (John Alexander Dowie). Telephone Exchange, James Brister—Zion Dentist, Zion Realty Department, and Accountants of Zion Institutions and Industries (excepting Zion Stores);

Zion Realty Department: Buys and sells Real estate, writes Insurance, collects Rents, furnishes Abstracts of Title, and does a General Conveyancing;

Zion Home: Is a three-story frame building, 340 feet long and 130 feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms. The dining room is 60 x 90 feet, having a seating capacity of 400. The lunch room is 35 x 36 feet, and will seat 75 at one time. There are four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet. A roof garden 35 x 50 feet, and tower 70 feet high affording a view of great expanse over City and lake. The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

EDITED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Divine Healing

Why Believe it? Why Teach it?
Questions and Objections Answered.

(By O. L. Tindall)

ARTICLE THREE

WE have said that we believe Divine Healing because the Bible teaches it, and we are commanded to teach it the same as any other Truth in the Gospel. It is a part of the Gospel.

Every true minister of Jesus Christ is bound to declare "the WHOLE counsel of God," or he is guilty of the blood of those who perish.

Witnesses.

What part do witnesses play in this subject?

Is our faith founded on them?

Do they prove that Divine Healing is of God and for all of God's children?

Do we preach it and insist on all men believing it because we show witnesses?

I answer No; not primarily, but secondarily, as Jesus Himself put it, that signs would confirm the Word.

When we base our arguments upon the statements of witnesses we weaken our case. We have something far better than that. We have the testimony of God Himself. He says, "I am the Lord that healeth thee."

God says in His Word that if any is sick he should send for the Elders of the Church and that they should pray over him, and that

"The Prayer of Faith Shall save the Sick, and the Lord shall raise Him up."

That declaration from God's own Word is better than a thousand testimonies from men. It is simply God against man. "Let God be true and every man a liar."

Men are liars, but not all and always. Christian Scientists are all liars. Old Mother Eddy built her whole system of healing, and all the rest, on lies. She taught people to deny, in the first place, and ever to stick to it, that they were not sick, even when death had fastened its fatal grip upon their very vitals.

There are thousands of Christian Scientists, so-called, testifying to healings which are altogether false. They are taught to say, "Oh, we are not sick; we are healed," when they are full of disease.

Many false witnesses have gone out into the world. We do not depend upon them, especially on their word. Patent medicines have their testimonies, which are also false. Medicine does not heal. The patient recovers in spite of the poisons. This is often proven to be true where the doctor diagnosed the disease wrong, and gave medicine for a complaint that his patient had not at all. A half dozen doctors examine the same case and all pronounce the disease as different. This is often done.

The testimonies of doctors and drugs are in no wise reliable. The best physicians admit readily that

Medicine does not Heal.

It only assists Nature, they say; but this, even, is not true. Medicine has killed more men than war and famine. It has been a veritable curse, doctors themselves, being witnesses.

Why has Divine Healing come into Disuse in the Church

for all these years, and even centuries?

I answer for this very reason that the preachers have brought the Gospel down to men instead of bringing men up to the Gospel standard. They have said and allowed men to say, "Oh, no one is healed nowadays by faith in Christ as they used to be, therefore Divine Healing is not true now. It used to be, but it has gone from the world now." They have tested the Word of God by mere sinful man.

They quit preaching the Word, and, as Christ said of the Pharisees, they have substituted the traditions of the elders for the commandments of God.

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If no one were Healed would not be Proof that Christ is not the Healer.

The Apostles themselves failed to heal a certain case, but it was not because there was no healing for him. It was because they lacked faith, as Christ told them. He stood by and when the man was brought to Him He was ready and able to heal him. So is it ever the case. Men may fail, but God never fails. As John Wesley said of the nine gifts recorded in 1 Corinthians 12,

"The Gifts are Still in the Church, but are not used

because of the lack of faith."

Zion takes this stand, that it is the bounden duty of the Church of Jesus Christ to preach the Gospel as it is whether men heed it or reject it. Divine Healing stands just the same as does Divine Salvation. Christ is the Savior of all mankind whether they accept or reject His Gospel.

What use then Shall we Make of Witnesses?

Much every way.

"Ye are My witnesses," saith the Lord.

The Gospel is built up by witnesses to a very great extent, only as I have pointed out. A man must not pin his faith to that, for there are five thousand witnesses against it to one for it, if it were put to a popular vote.

The Gospel of God does not succeed by majorities, but by God Himself. We have to discriminate between the false and the true. The witnesses did a vast amount of good. The miracles confirmed the teaching. They were of a character that even the old hypocrites themselves could not deny them. They were not mere testimonies of words, but of facts. Blind eyes were opened. Deaf ears were unstopped. Lame men were made to leap for joy. Dead men were raised up to life. No ground was left for dispute. The skeptic could not help but believe. Nicodemus must admit that God was with Him. Yes; "they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony."

(To be continued.)

Firmness; or, Perseverance Unto the End. With Bible References

Early Morning Meeting Lord's Day, March 13, 1910, in Zion Home Auditorium

Conducted by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

(Reported by B. M.)

The meeting was opened by the singing of the Hymn "What a Friend We have in Jesus," after which the General Overseer said:

General Overseer—I want the central thought of the meeting this morning to be suggested by the second chapter of Hebrews:

"Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip."

There are three hymns which come up before me: "Stand up, Stand up for Jesus;" "True-hearted, Whole-hearted, Faithful and Loyal;" and, "Be Ye Strong in the Lord."

Let us now sing "Stand up, Stand up for Jesus."

After the singing, the General Overseer continued:

General Overseer—Now, before we sing the next hymn, let us have some of the most striking passages of Scripture on the subject of FIRMNESS.

History of Israel Paralleled in Zion.

You know, the Children of Israel were led out of Egyptian bondage. It is very interesting to read from the first word that Moses spoke to them, the entire history all the way along. The history of the Children of Israel is, in my opinion, being repeated in many of its most important points in Zion.

It is not sufficient for a person to begin the Christian race.

How many people left Egypt and started towards the Promised Land?

Voice—603,550, from twenty years old and upward.

General Overseer—Over six hundred thousand persons left Egypt to go to the land of Palestine, and how many out of the 603,550 ever got to the Promised Land?

Voices—Two.

General Overseer—So then there were 603,548 that failed to reach the Promised Land;603,548 that died in the wilderness. It is a very remarkable statement.

Now, how many people do you think, from the time that John Alex. Dowie began preaching in San Francisco down to the close of his active ministry, were led to give up doctors, drugs, surgeons,tobacco, liquors, theaters, dancing, gambling, life insurance, secret societies, competition, and so on? Who can tell me approximately? How many do you think?

Elder Richert—The Doctor himself said over two hundred thousand.

General Overseer—Well, it is safe to say that during the time of his active ministry, from 1888, when he landed in San Francisco, down to, say, 1904, scores of thousands;—the fact of the matter is, you really cannot tell, and I would not be surprised that a couple of hundred thousand throughout the world would be a conservative estimate of those who professed to leave "Egyptian darkness" and start on the way towards the "promised land,"—and we are traveling towards a far better land than did the Children of Israel. Now, how many out of that vast multitude have simply "perished in the wilderness," and how many have gone back to secret societies, to life insurance, to doctors and drugs and surgeons, and to the devil in general? It is almost as bad as the Children of Israel.

I want to review some of those things this morning, so that God through the Holy Ghost, can strengthen you in the faith.

How much Love and Service God Expects.

God says that we are to love Him, how?

Voices—With our whole heart and mind.

General Overseer—Does God accept any half-hearted service?

Voices—No.

General Overseer—Well, let us have some passages of Scripture on this subject. Be sure when you read a passage that it bears on this subject. It is the Word of God that I want to get into your spirits.

Let us have some of the most striking selections of Scripture on this subject of persevering unto the end.

The following passages were read:

And ye shall be hated of all men for My name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.—Matthew 10:22.

For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end.—Hebrews 3:14.

Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth and having on the breastplate of righteousness.—Ephesians 6:13,14.

Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.—Galatians 5:1.

There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.—Joshua 1:5.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable,

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always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.—1 Cor. 15:58.

Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.

Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses My servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.—Joshua 1:6,7.

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His Throne.—Revelation 3:21.

Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of Mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock.

And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not; for it was founded upon a rock.—Matthew 7:24,25.

Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us.

Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

For consider Him that endureth such contradiction of sinners against Himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds. —Hebrews 12:1-3.

General Overseer—Would it not be an interesting thing to have everybody tell what is the sin that doth so easily beset? It may not be the same in two cases. What is the one sin that attracts you, and ensnares you, and causes you to fall down?

But that which ye have already, hold fast till I come.

And He that overcometh, and keepeth My works unto the end, to him will I give power (authority) over the nations:

And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of My Father.

And I will give him the morning star.—Revelation 2:25-28.

But cleave unto the Lord your God, as ye have done unto this day.

For the Lord hath driven out from before you great nations and strong: but as for you, no man hath been able to stand before you unto this day.

One man of you shall chase a thousand: for the Lord your God, He it is that fighteth for you, as He hath promised you.

Take good heed therefore unto yourselves, that ye love the Lord your God.—Joshua 23:8-11.

For every house is builded by some man; but He that built all things is God.

And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;

But Christ as a Son over His own house; Whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.—Hebrews 3:4-6.

Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, which is New Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from My God: and I will write upon him My new name.—Revelation 3:12.

Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit ye like men, be strong.—1 Corinthians 16:13.

Who can count the dust of Jacob, and the number of the fourth part of Israel? Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his!—Numbers 23:10.

Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,

I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.—Philippians 3:13,14.

Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)—Hebrews 10:23.

Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness.—Isaiah 41:10.

Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.

But exhort one another daily, while it is called Today; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.—Hebrews 3:12,13.

Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:

Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled.—Hebrews 12:13,14.

Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.—Revelation 2:10.

For now we live, if ye stand fast in the Lord.—1 Thess.3:8.

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.—Joshua 1:9.

His ways are firm at all times.—Psalm 10:5.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.—Romans 8:35-39.

But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the Lord charged you, to love the Lord your God, and to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments, and to cleave unto Him, and to serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul.—Joshua 22:5.

A Terrible Sentence.

And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the Kingdom of God.—Luke 9:62.

General Overseer—Listen to that passage, and see where some people are today. What an awful thing for God Almighty to have to say, "Well, I cannot make any use of you."

But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him.—James 1:4 and 12.

Sin Defined.

Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.—James 4:17.

General Overseer—Now, there is another verse that ought to pierce every person's heart. Those two verses are very striking: the one, "No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the Kingdom of God;" and then this verse that has just been read, "To him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin." What about a person that knows Divine Healing who will call in a doctor and take drugs? What about families in Zion City that will bring doctors into Zion City? What does God Almighty think of such people. What is going to happen to such people?

And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the Kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony: and they loved not their lives unto the death.—Revelation 12:10,11.

Seeing then that we have a great High Priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

For we have not an High Priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.—Hebrews 4:14-16.

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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General Overseer's Notes

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING OF THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, ZION CITY, ILL., U. S. A., June 11, 1910

TO ALL OF THE OFFICERS, MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS OF THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION THROUGHOUT THE WORLD:

"PEACE BE TO YOU!"

After nearly four months of almost entire silence in the Editorial columns of both Leaves of Healing and Zion Herald, I am once more, through the goodness of God, in a position to address you; and with unspeakable praise and thanksgiving unto Him Who established Zion, and Who has so wonderfully blessed His faithful people in Zion during the last three years, I am able to make an announcement at this time which will fill every Zion heart throughout the world with unspeakable joy.

All readers of this paper will remember how Zion's faithful people and their General Overseer were, three years ago, deprived of the use of all buildings in Zion City, and were compelled to worship in a tent outside of the city limits.

For thirteen months, through summer's heat and winter's cold, the people under my leadership remained faithful and true to Zion's truths, principles, ideas and ideals. No one considered it a hardship to sit for hours upon a bridge plank and listen to the everlasting Gospel of the Kingdom of God, but considered it a privilege and an honor thus to be persecuted for righteousness' sake.

Less than two years ago, SHILOH TABERNACLE was purchased for the sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars.

Looking back to the Fourth of July, 1908, and reviewing all that has transpired since then, well may Zion exclaim, "What hath God wrought!"

In August of 1909, the ZION CITY GENERAL STORES property was purchased for the sum of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars; and a little later, ZION TEMPLE SITE for Eight Thousand Three Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars; and in the latter part of November, ELIJAH HOSPICE and the ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, together with twenty-seven lots, for Ninety-two Thousand Dollars.

Four months ago, ably assisted by Deacons Clendinen, Thurston, Pugh and Forby, negotiations were begun for the purchase of the entire ZION ESTATE. These brethren and myself have spent a good part of the time for the last three months in Chicago.

On May 19, 1910, I made an offer of Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars for all the assets in the hands of the Receiver. This offer has been denominated the "Time Offer," inasmuch as the proposition involves the payment of the sum of Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars during a period of eight years.

On May 24th, the Company with whom we have been negotiating for four months past, made a proposition to the Court to buy the entire Estate for the sum of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars in cash,—this Company to purchase the Estate, and, under contract previously signed by the representative of the Company and myself, to sell the Estate to me.

The Receiver, Mr. Gus D. Thomas, has already mailed to all Investors, a circular letter, together with a form of ballot, and an envelope addressed to the Clerk of the United States Circuit Court, Federal Building, Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A. In this circular letter each Investor is asked to indicate which of the propositions, as submitted by the Receiver, he prefers, by placing an X in the square immediately following the proposition accepted.

For various reasons, the Cash Offer of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars is the best offer for all concerned, and should be supported by all the Investors.

Your prayerful attention is called to the forthcoming Convocation, which, God willing, will begin Lord's Day morning, July 10th, and close Wednesday night, July 20th.

As a part of the special preparation which will be made for the Convocation, a prayer service, lasting one hour—from 6:30 to 7:30 a. m., will be held every morning, beginning Monday morning, June 13th. These meetings will be held in Zion Home Auditorium, and all are welcome to attend. The General Overseer will either preside himself, or designate some officer to conduct the meetings in his absence.

Extensive preparations are being made for the meeting in Central Zion Tabernacle, Michigan Avenue and Sixteenth Street, Chicago, on Lord's Day next, June 12th, at 2:45 p. m.

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The General Overseer will be accompanied by the Zion Council, Zion White-robed (Senior) Choir, and Orchestra, and the Zion Band.

Fifty thousand notices have been distributed by the faithful Seventy workers, and notices will also be inserted in the Chicago Record-Herald and in the Chicago Daily News.

Let all earnestly pray that Zion throughout the world may have a mighty spiritual awakening.

Few, if any, religious movements have ever gone through the same struggles as Zion has during the last few years. Wonderful indeed are the signs that God has established Zion and that she is emerging from darkness into light, and, from what many thought was her death, purer, stronger, better able and more determined than ever to preach the everlasting Gospel to earth's remotest bounds.

God's goodness has been so great to me personally and as the General Overseer, and to the faithful, loyal people who have cooperated with me, that words utterly fail to express my gratitude.

God is faithful.

His Word is true.

His promises never fail.

It pays to do right at all costs.

All compromises are dangerous.

God is with Zion.

Let all be faithful.

Judging the future by the past, who can tell what God will do for Zion in the next two years?

To God be all the glory!

"BE THOU FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH, AND GOD WILL GIVE THEE THE CROWN OF LIFE."

Firmness; or, Perseverance Unto the End

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Who resist steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

But the God of all grace, Who hath called us unto His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.—1 Peter 5:8-10.

Friendliness with the World, is Enmity with God.

But if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.

For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.

But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.—2 Peter 2:20-22.

General Overseer—Is not that a terrible thing? Is not that a terrible arraignment of people that name the Name of Christ and then apostatize?—and it is true, too. You will have some people come into a Divine Healing meeting for the first time in their lives, and who have never heard a sermon on Divine Healing before, and they will sit and listen for half an hour, and come down for prayer, and they will be healed.

Then you take some people that have had Divine Healing for the last fifteen years who have gone back to doctors and drugs. For such, you might just as well pray for a gate-post. They will get no healing, for they have crucified the Son of God afresh,—they have trampled the Light underneath their feet.

Have the Same Mind and Avoid Divisions.

Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.—1 Corinthians 1:10.

General Overseer—Now, in no other way can we ever have a true Zion City. If you are going to have one man advocating one thing, and then another man something else, and have half the Church preaching "competition" and half preaching "cooperation," you will never have a Zion City. All I have to say to people who do not agree with Zion's position is: the world is large, and the thing for them to do is to have an auction sale, nail up the doors and windows of their houses and move out.—go where they belong, for they do not belong here.

What will Happen to the Disobedient.

And the Lord saith, Because they have forsaken My law which I set before them, and have not obeyed My voice, neither walked therein;

But have walked after the imagination of their own heart, and after Baalim, which their fathers taught them:

Therefore thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will feed them, even this people, with wormwood, and give them water of gall to drink.

I will scatter them also among the heathen, whom neither they nor their fathers have known: and I will send a sword after them, till I have consumed them.—Jeremiah 9:13-16.

The Awful Consequence of Falling Away from God.

For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,

And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come.

If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.—Hebrews 6:4-6.

General Overseer—I have been waiting for that passage to be read. What a terrible thing that is! and there are people right here in Zion City that come right under that selection of Scripture; and, I tell you, there is no repentance for them,—

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absolutely no repentance for them. Why, who is going to sit on the Throne with Christ, and reign with Him? "He that overcometh." Well, I tell you, it is high time some people got down to business and went to work at this matter of overcoming, and they would better start in with themselves,—that is what they would better do. Some people forget that we are free moral agents, and that we always will be free moral agents. What about the angels in Heaven,—are they free moral agents?

Voices—Yes.

General Overseer—How do you know they are? Have you ever met one of them? Have you ever had a conversation with one of them and found out?

Voice—Because it was possible for one to fall.

General Overseer—That is it exactly. Even the angels in Heaven can fall. Now, when the Lord Jesus Christ comes to reign for a thousand years, who will be taken upon His Throne to reign with Him?

Voices—The overcomers.

General Overseer—Will they be free moral agents then?

Yes. Will it be possible for them to fall? Why, certainly; it will always be possible. Well now, is God Almighty going to take upon His Throne (for Christ was simply God manifested in the flesh),—is He going to take people on His Throne to reign over this earth for a thousand years that are in favor of drug stores, and hospitals, and secret societies? I do not believe it for a minute,—not for a single second. Now, some one asks, "What about all the myriad saints of the past that have died that believed in doctors and drug stores, and in secret societies, and in a hundred and one things that we know are of the devil? What about them?

Voice—I think we will just have to leave them with God.

General Overseer—You and I do not have to give an account for them.

Voice—They did not have the light we have today.

General Overseer—That is true, but they had the Bible; and, suppose they did not have the light: how can they sit on the Throne of the Lord Jesus Christ? I know only one answer to that question, and that is that they have been going to school all this time, and perhaps they are fit now.

Christ to Reign on Earth.

Christ has to reign upon this earth, has He not? What has He to reign for? To subdue it and to put His enemies under His feet.

I have a good many thoughts concerning Zion and Zion City that I do not express. "God knoweth them that are His." Now, you start out to build a city for God. You take the Zion City lease and read that paragraph prohibiting certain things; —a lot of people got into Zion City by professing that they accepted it, and after they are in and get a chance, they turn around and trample under their feet every last restriction in that lease. What does God Almighty think of such people? Would the Lord Jesus Christ ever trust such men and women to sit with Him on His Throne? Why, if such people got into Heaven as they got in here, they would turn Heaven into a hell in forty-eight hours.

The Bible is not an idle tale; it is not meaningless. When the Lord said, "To him that overcometh," He meant what He said. He is not going to take a miserable old miser on His Throne, for the first thing he would do would be to take out his penknife and go to whittling up the golden streets. (Laughter). I do declare, the more I observe and the older I get, the more I am convinced that about nine hundred and ninety-nine out of every thousand professing Christians are hypocrites, and when it comes to the almighty dollar and God Almighty, they will take the dollar every time. That is my observation; and, is it not an awful thing that the vast majority of people who profess to be Christians do it from a selfish motive? You just let Zion City be redeemed, and let us begin to go up grade and begin to prosper, and a lot of people will begin to flock back if they can see a good job somewhere, or a chance to pick up a piece of land and make a few hundred dollars; and then God Almighty will have to vomit them out again. Zion is just like the human stomach: whatever it cannot digest it throws off. Deacon ——— in a talk down at the Lace Factory, one time, said that Zion was like a boiling caldron,—that it brought the scum to the top. Little did he know then that he would come to the top, but he did, and the Lord skimmed him off.

Why, the conception of a Zion City is a glorious conception. I noticed yesterday a piece in a newspaper regarding a statement made by the mayor of Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania. They wanted to run nickle shows on Sunday, and the mayor said, "This town is going to hell as fast as it can go. It is high time that all decent citizens rose up and tried to stem the tide,"—and that is true of all these cities of the world. They are only ripening for judgment. Talk to the average man about the judgment of God, and he laughs at it.

Do you believe the time will come that all the cities of the world will fall? Do you believe the time will come when the isles will flee? That is what the Word of God says. Do you really and truly believe that the Lord Jesus Christ will come? Now, as to what a man believes, his life proves it. A man can say anything, but God knows the heart, whether he really and truly believes it.

How many of you would be willing to sacrifice all you have, if it would save Zion City? Well, that is proven by the number that take part in the Redemption Fund. How many of you would put your houses and lots on the altar? How many would let them go absolutely? How many of you would give them up, if it would save Zion City? That is the question. But, no sir, I will tell you, with the rank and file in this world it is the same as it always has been: "I will look out for myself." That is the policy and that is the spirit. This is a selfish old world; and you will find out, when the Lord comes, that the number that will be ready will be smaller, comparatively, than the number that got into the Promised Land.

In the case of every man and woman that has been wrecked on Zion City soil, mammon has been at the bottom of it; and when the Lord Jesus Christ said, "The love of money is the root of all evil," He spoke the truth.

God the Author of the Bible.

God is the author of the Bible, no matter whether you get a verse out of Paul's writings, or John's writings, or from Moses, God is the author. I never read the Bible as though reading the words of any man,—I am reading the words of God, the Almighty. As to how devoted people are, as to how nearly ready they are for the coming of Christ, is shown by the ease with which they fall into sin, the ease with which they fall into criticising, the ease with which they fall into murmuring. Selfishness is at the bottom of all of it.

"Watch ye, Stand Fast in the Faith."

It means something to stand. If we can attract a class of people who will be ready to lay all on the altar for the Kingdom of God, we will be saved a lot of troubles; but if we attract a class that are money-grabbers, the very moment the opportunity comes they will rise up and damn the city.

(To be continued.)

Obeying God in Baptism

"Baptizing them into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

The following-named 5 believers joyfully followed their Lord in the Ordinance of Christian Baptism by Triune Immersion Feb. 20th, 1910, at Shanghai China, Elder F. M. Royall, officiating:

Tsai Ying, Paul Mrs.	Tabernacle,	Shanghai, China.
Yuon Uei Cheng,	Teh Fong Li,	Shanghai, China.
Wu Hong Chuon,	Chuin E. Li, No. 93	Shanghai, China.
Fung Kia Liu,	Ye Loi Fan,	Shanghai, China.
Kas Nye Paul,	Tse Lwo Rd.	Shanghai, China.

The following-named 3 believers were baptized April 13, 1910, at Huchow, China, by Elder F. M. Royall:

Wu Uen King, Miss	The Ferry	Huchow, China.
Wu Uen Tong,	The Ferry	Huchow, China.
Shoo Ching Au, Miss	The Ferry	Huchow, China.

The following-named believer was baptized in Zion City, Illinois, June 9, 1910, by Elder Silas Moot:

Elvira J. Davis,	2916 Elisha avenue,	Zion City, Illinois.

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ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

"We will rejoice in Thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners; the Lord fulfil all thy petitions."—Psalm 20:5.

We can truly say, as did the Psalmist, "We will rejoice in Thy Salvation."

What a wonderful love God has shown to humanity in sending His only Begotten Son into the world that He should suffer and die for us, thus placing Salvation within the reach of all.

The Atonement upon the Cross was a sacrifice for you and me.

Jesus tasted death for EVERY MAN, and He is able to save even to the uttermost. All who will come unto Him He will in no wise cast out.

WHO IS GOING TO BRING THE SINNER TO JESUS? The man who says, "I can't!" will not succeed. The man who is not rejoicing in the Salvation of God, and whose heart is not overflowing with love for humanity, will not be a successful soul-winner.

But the man who says, "I WILL," and by the grace of God will put his TIME, his TALENTS and his MONEY into God's service, will be the SUCCESSFUL WORKER FOR GOD.

There is no Movement upon earth that has more stability, and aggressiveness than the Zion Movement. It is founded upon Divine Principles, and cannot be destroyed.

Zion has the solution to the GREAT PROBLEMS that confront men of all nations.

Men are judged by their fruits. Consecrate your life to God's service; rescue the fallen; help to build places of refuge for them, and homes for the orphans: OUR MISSION IS TO SAVE.

Work DAY and NIGHT. Sweat blood, if necessary, to save some poor sinner.

Our opportunties for doing good are without a limit.

Rejoice in the Salvation of your God, and do all you can to have Zion's banner floating at last o'er every home in the world. Carry the glad tidings of Salvation, Healing and Holy Living to those who are living in sin.

Pray for the success of Zion Seventies throughout the world, and may the Lord fulfil thy petitions.

CHICAGO.

Lord's day, June 5th, 1910, two hundred and fifteen Seventies from Divisions Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, went into Chicago via C. & M. Electric Railway, having four special cars to carry them into the City.

Many very interesting testimonies were given by the Seventies: in some instances they were called in to pray for the sick.

"The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few."

After distributing about 28,000 messages and 24,000 special announcements for the service in Central Zion Tabernacle next Lord's day, June 12th, and selling Leaves of Healing and Zion Herald, the Seventies returned with great joy, singing hymns of praise, thanksgiving and adoration to God, Who so wonderfully sustained them and gave them a glorious day.

Report of work done by Chicago Seventies for two weeks ending May 29, 1910, by eighteen workers:

Calls made	461
Messages given	943
Leaves given	70
Leaves sold	48
Heralds given	87
Heralds sold	30
Invitation cards given	236
Tracts given	93
Total pieces distributed	1507

OREGON.

Report of Seventy work done in the City of Portland by Deacon and Mrs. Frank Robinson for two weeks ending May 29th, 1910:

Leaves sold	13
Heralds sold	17
Penny tracts sold	10
Messages given	148
Leaves given	16
Heralds given	76
Total pieces distributed	280

Four cottage meetings were held.

COLORADO.

Report of Seventy work done by Mrs. Luella Ferges for month ending May 31st, 1910 :

Calls made	300
Messages given	35
Leaves sold	72
Leaves and Heralds given	15
Tracts sold and given	5
Total pieces distributed	427

In addition to the above, Mrs. Ferges received nine special subscriptions to The Zion Herald, and six calls to read and pray. She writes as follows:

"Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning."

Am praying very earnestly that all Zion, who stand alone throughout the world, will take regular quantities of the literature and enrol as regular Seventies. When we remember what the blessed Savior has done for us it is indeed a small matter if we cannot take one-half day each week for God's service and bear the Light to others, which has meant so much to us. With some, perhaps, they are ashamed to own His cause, but oh! the severity of the Savior's words, "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him will the Son of Man be ashamed, when He cometh in the glory of His Father with the holy angels,"—Mark 8:38; also "Every branch in Me that beareth not fruit He taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, He purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit."—John 15:2.

To me ACTIVITY IS LIFE; if I did not keep moving I would soon be like the stream of water that ceases to flow—it becomes stagnate. I PLAN for my Seventy work just the same as anything else I do, for if we wait for the opportunity to just happen we will never do anything.

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Yours in Christian love,

Mrs. Luella Ferges.

Shiloh Tabernacle

Balance yet needed to meet the LAST PAYMENT . . $1154.18

¶This amount should be in by

JUNE FIFTEENTH

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Important Notice

To All Persons Having Claims Against the Zion Estate Now Being Administered by the Receiver, Mr. Gus D. Thomas, Under the Direction of the Circuit Court of the United States, Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, Hon. Kenesaw M. Landis, Judge Presiding . . . . . .

No doubt before this number of Leaves of Healing is received by the various Investors who are subscribers, a circular letter, signed by the Receiver, together with form of ballot, and envelope addressed to the Clerk of the United States Circuit Court, will have been received.

Each Investor is requested to place an X in the square immediately following the proposition which he favors. Let all Investors receiving Leaves of Healing attend to this matter promptly.

After full and free consideration, it is my conviction that the **Cash Offer** of $700,000 is the best proposition, and should be supported by **all Investors.**

Trusting that this matter will be given immediate attention by you, and praying God's blessing upon you, I am,

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Divine Healing

Why Believe it? Why Teach it?

Questions and Objections Answered.

(By O. L. Tindall)

ARTICLE FOUR

Divine Healing and Means.

ARE there to be no means used in the case of sickness?

This question is often asked. If any, what are they?

How do you get healed?

We believe the enemy of God and His Truth often gets in his work and hinders Divine Healing by seeking to go into partnership with the Lord in healing, just as the devil tried to have Christ accept of his help in gaining the kingdoms of this world—"Fall down and worship me and I will give you all these kingdoms and the glory of them."

So he pleads for a hand in it. He says, "Call a doctor and then pray. Take the medicine and pray to God to bless the medicine." They say, "We must use what means we have and help ourselves."

Thoughtless people say, "Men have been healed in that way." Many people who claim to believe in Divine Healing have fallen into that snare of the devil and so dishonored God and this Divine teaching. If the devil cannot destroy a principle or a Truth then he invariably proposes a compromise—"Give me a share in it." The churches have been swindled out of many blessings of the Gospel in that way.

There is No Compromise.

God, in order to do His work, does not link up with the devil. When King Asa went to the physicians instead of to the Lord, why, the Lord left the case.

Doctors call in counsel, but a homeopath is not likely to call in an allopath, and God does not call in the devil. Where men do try this combination, as do the ordinary Christians and preachers, the result is that the doctor gets all the credit and all the fees.

Divine Healing Uses No Means,

so-called—no medicine. It is not God's way to use any of these means.

There are several so-called Divine Healing theories, or cults, which are not Divine Healing at all. They are simply human—of the earth, earthy. God is not the Healer with them.

Divine Healing, as Zion teaches it, is just the same as Christ practised and the Apostles used. It is simply and solely by faith in Jesus Christ. As Peter told the people at the Temple when the impotent man was healed at the hands of himself and John, when they asked him by what power they did it, Peter said: "Why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk." No; he said, it was through faith in the Name of Jesus.

They used no means. Christ used no means and made no provisions for us to use any means, except faith, the same as in the case of salvation. He asked the sick or afflicted man no questions except, "Believest thou that I can do this?" and then He laid down the universal rule and law on the subject.

"According to Your Faith Be It Done Unto You."

It is the same law that He gave in regard to Salvation.

Whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but have Everlasting Life. Healing comes in precisely the same way.

Why then, Are Not All Christians Healed?

The answer is easy and plain: It is because all have not faith. And why have they not faith? Because the preachers have taught them lies. They have said Divine Healing is not for them now; it stopped with the Apostles.

FAITH COMES BY HEARING, said the Apostle, and they

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had not heard this Truth preached for centuries, to any great extent, until John Alexander Dowie came and gave it to the world. His voice was heard over most of the earth. He was the Herald of Divine Healing in these last days of apostasy, when faith had gone out of the world to a very great extent; hence the persecution that came to him.

It is plain Bible doctrine, but it had been neglected, and more, it had been denied by the teachers and preachers. The bread of the children had been taken away from them and given to dogs.

Christ is the Healer.

This point is to be carefully guarded. There are many substitutes and counterfeits which are called Divine Healing—mind healing, faith healing, mental suggestions, and Mrs. Eddy's, (that prince of deceivers,) denial of any disease. Hers is the greatest of all the humbugs. She denies the very existence of disease or sickness, and then charges you ten to three hundred dollars for healing you. She calls her practitioners "Healers," and then asks you to believe or say it is Divine Healing. She works on the other base and false theory that you are Divine as much as was Jesus the Christ Himself,—you are God, for all are God, and everything is God.

Such a mass of nonsense and absurdities was never before, I think, crowded into one brain and one book: and yet thousands are tricked and deceived by it.

Men love darkness rather than Light because their deeds are evil. She says there is no such thing as evil, therefore, "Whatever is, is Right." Men may go on in their sin.

Zion has a great work to "Guard the Deposit," and defend the Truth.

(To be continued).

Firmness; or, Perseverance Unto the End. With Bible References

Early Morning Meeting Lord's Day, March 13, 1910, in Zion Home Auditorium

Conducted by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

(Reported by B. M.)

Continued from last week.

Do not forget: "God Established Zion."

Now, there is one thing that I think some of you have lost sight of, and that is that God Almighty established Zion—that God Almighty's hand is over all, and that God can do the work, and He will do it. You may hinder Him,—and some have hindered, and they have hindered very greatly. Some fellow comes in here to break down Zion's ideals. You go and give him $20 of your money, and he takes that and uses it to help destroy Zion; and then you come and sit down in the meeting and look sanctimonious, and then you come on Tuesday afternoon and desire to be prayed for. Zion City would have been saved long ago if the people had been just where they ought to have been.

God is ready to heal instantly. God is always ready to do His work. He does not have to wait twenty-four hours, or three years, so far as He is concerned. The trouble is with the people. We have got to get right.

Now, how many of us will be faithful unto the end? It is: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee,"— what?

Voices:—"The crown of life"

General Overseer:—And this earth, during the Millennium, will be stripped of everything that is not of God, and if you are not prepared to sit with Christ on His throne, why, you will not sit with Him on His throne; that is all there is to it.

But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.—James 1:25.

Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.—Hebrews 10:38.

General Overseer:—There is another terrible statement. "If any man draw back, My soul shall have no pleasure in him."

As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him:

Rooted and built up in Him, and stablished in the faith as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the traditions of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.—Colossians 2: 6-8.

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it.—Jeremiah 17:9.

General Overseer:—That is a remarkable verse: "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked."

He shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of His kingdom there shall be no end.—Luke 1:33.

So, after He had patiently endured, He obtained the promise. —Hebrews 6:15.

Thou therefore endured hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life: that he may please him Who hath chosen him to be a soldier.—2 Timothy 2: 3,4.

That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,

May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;

And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory * * throughout all ages, world with out end. Amen.—Ephesians 3: 17-21.

And now also the ax is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but He that cometh after me is mighter than I, Whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:

Whose fan is in His hand, and He will throughly purge His floor, and gather His wheat into the garner; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.—Matthew 3:10-12.

In that I command thee this day to love the Lord thy God, to walk in His ways and to keep His commandments and His statutes and His judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the Lord thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it.

But if thine heart turn away, and worship other gods, and serve them;

I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it.—Deuteronomy 30:16,17,18.

Remember Lot's wife.—Luke 17:32.

Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing or the morning:

Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.

And what I say unto you, I say unto all, Watch.—Mark 13:35-37.

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth

For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. —Colossians 3:1-3.

And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?—1 Peter 4:18.

Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.—Hebrews 10:22.

They that trust in the Lord shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth forever.—Psalm 125:1.

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This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.—Titus 3:8.

For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.—James 2:10.

Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations:

That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

Whom having not seen, ye love; in Whom, though now ye see Him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory;

Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.—1 Peter 1:5.

Elder Carey:—Here is a verse referring to those who are not decided,—it is an appeal to all to come to a decision, and then to follow on. I thought of this verse while the Overseer was talking about people who stand for one thing today, and tomorrow stand for something else,—who do not know their own minds.

And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? if the Lord be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him.—1 Kings 18:21.

Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime.—Daniel 6:10.

General Overseer—Thank God for Daniel.

Be anxious for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.—Philippians 4:6-7.

This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy.

Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, dispsiers of those that are good,

Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasure more than lover of God; * * *

But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them.—2 Timothy 3:1-4; 14.

Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.—2 Peter 3:13,14.

For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men.

Teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

Looking for the blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ;

Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.—Titus 2:11-14.

General Overseer—That is one of the most beautiful selections of Scripture in the entire Bible, and ought to be familiar to every child of God.

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever.—1 John 2:15-17.

I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not.

And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, He hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

And of some have compassion, making a difference:

And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.

Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy,

To the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.—Jude 1:5,6; 20-25.

The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: and He shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy them.

Israel then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountain of Jacob shall be upon a land of corn and wine; also His heavens shall drop down dew.—Deuteronomy 33:27,28.

Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of His understanding.

He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increaseth strength.

Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint.—Isa.40:28-31.

And this do for the gospel's sake, that I might be partaker thereof with you.

Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.

And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.

I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:

But I keep under my body and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others I myself should be a castaway.—1 Corinthians 9:23-27.

Ye have not resisted unto blood, striving against sin.—Hebrews 12:4.

Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.—1 Peter 1:13.

These things I have spoken unto you, that in Me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.—John 16:33.

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light:

Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul.—1 Peter 2 :9-11.

Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman, waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. James 5:7,8.

General Overseer—We will close the reading.

You see what an array of Scripture there is on this subject, and you have kept very close to the subject in your reading. What a profitable exercise it is to have people handle the Word of God.

After the singing of the Hymn, "Be Ye Strong in the Lord and the Power of His Might," the General Overseer offered prayer and dismissed the meeting.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.
PATIENCE
LEAVES OF HEALING
I am the Lord that healeth thee.
And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Theodore Forby

General Associate Editor.

The unsearchable riches of Christ!

No intellectual telescope has yet been able to reach to the height or the depth, or the breadth of the riches in Christ Jesus; for the wisdom of man is mere folly with God.

But faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.—Faith can penetrate beyond the range of vision, and its power is limited only by its degree: "According to your faith be it unto you."

Faith has the key to unlock the hidden treasures of Christ; and all things are at the command of him who has faith.

The unsearchable riches of Christ are for the enjoyment of mankind not only in this life, but also in the life which is to come. The measure of His grace is for those who seek to know and to do His will. The wilfully ignorant, selfish, and earthly-minded are limited. "Bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come."

Earthly riches are not to be compared with the unsearchable riches of Christ; neither is the wisdom of man capable of producing to man satisfaction—this can come only by truth and obedience.

The instruction of Paul to Timothy is here very helpful:

"These things teach and exhort: If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the WORDS OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, and to the DOCTRINE WHICH IS ACCORDING TO GODLINESS, he is proud, knowing nothing, (i.e., he is a fool) but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings, perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself. But godliness with contentment is great gain. * * But they that will be rich, fall into temptation, and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil; which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."

How true this picture is to the mass of humanity today! The condition of "many sorrows" is solely because men have been taught, they think, and they live unwholesome thoughts—for action and the doings of men in their daily occupations or pastimes are only the expressions of their inner thoughts; as a man thinketh, so is he—"the words of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the doctrine which is according to godliness," are not heeded as they should be; hence the discord in the world.

The great body of humanity seems willing to sacrifice all the treasures of Christ for the possession of earthly riches, unmindful, or, more appropriately, unwilling to believe that earthly riches lie at the root of all evil. Each one of this class, according to Paul, "is proud, knowing nothing," i. e., he is a fool although he may think he is very wise; but he has not the wisdom which comes from above which is "first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy."

No wonder that poverty exists to such a degree. Men are out of harmony with God. The seeker after wealth, in his paramount selfishness, has disturbed the God-given course of things. He is seeking in his own way for treasures to heap upon his own lusts, and God's way is not considered—indeed God is eliminated from his calculations altogether. The result is strife, turmoil, dissatisfaction, sorrow, misery, etc.

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Do you wonder, then, why God inspired His Apostle to write: "From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts (pleasures) that war in your members? Ye lust, and have not (there is no satisfaction): ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, BECAUSE YE ASK NOT—(i. e., God is not asked for His will in the matter). Ye ask and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your own lusts. Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world, is the enemy of God." Do you think that the scripture saith in vain, "The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy?"

Reader, are you a participant of the "unsearchable riches of Christ?" or are you "a friend of the world?" If the latter, God says you are His enemy, and if His enemy you are the enemy of God's children and of His cause in the earth.

The proud, God resists, but to the humble He giveth more grace—the privilege of His bounties is more manifest—the unsearchable riches of Christ are more easily accessible—there is no limitation upon the obedient son or daughter of the Kingdom. All things are yours, and ye are Christ's and Christ is God's.

Zion is entering upon a new era of blessing. In the school of testing she has learned to place the will of God first. At her command, through faith, she realizes that the unsearchable riches of Christ are unfolding and waiting to be appropriated.

Zion, as an Organiaztion, was never in better condition for aggressive work. Loyally and steadfastly the membership remains around the standard.

At the present time a series of early morning meetings is being held and teaching is being given in preparation for greater work. Each morning, at 6 o'clock in the Prayer Room at the Tabernacle, hungry hearts assemble to worship God, to pray and to be taught the way more perfectly.

General Overseer Voliva is taking up the Book of the Acts of the Apostles, chapter by chapter, and carefully presenting to the people the unsearchable riches of Christ. At each service many new ideas are revealed, and erroneous understandings are made to conform to the Word of God.

Zion ties her faith and practice to God's Inspired Word. She knows the power of living in harmony with His revealed will. The membership realizes, in a constantly increasing ratio, that life and power and strength are derived from taking God's Word as the Guide.

To Zion the service of God is an unspeakable joy. The first inquiry is, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" A growth is therefore noticeable, and each one can bear witness to the joy and peace which comes from faithful service.

Zion everywhere is looking forward to the Convocation from July 10th to the 20th with deep interest. The Convocation of a year ago is still fresh in mind—it seems almost but yesterday—and the memory of the wonderful blessings which God poured out lingers as an inspiration to greater privileges.

These should be days of much thoughtful, quiet prayer. God is not only dealing with Zion as a Movement, and the Zion people as individuals, but God is dealing with the nations of the world, and with their indidual members. His desire is that the message of Salvation, Healing and Holy Living shall be carried into every home in every land, and that men everywhere shall be won to acknowledge the Christ as the rightful Ruler, not alone of Heaven but also of the Earth, in conformity with His statement when He was lifted on High, "All authority is given unto Me in Heaven and in Earth, Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

Earth's sorrows and hardships can be overcome in no other way than by the Gospel of Jesus the Christ. His plan is the only plan. "The Gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation, to every one that believeth; for therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The Just shall live by faith."

Zion's mission is to live and teach the Gospel. That is the reason why Zion City was founded: to train workers, and to give experience, and to establish character, and to shine as a city set on a hill, and by its very presence to preach the Gospel by example, and thereby challenge the peoples and nations of the world to behold and know that Righteousness exalteth a nation and that sin is a reproach to any people.

Zion City is surely and certainly emerging from under the clouds that have hovered over her, revealing the threatening lightnings and pealing thunders ominous of calamity. But Jehovah hath founded Zion, and His protecting hand has shielded, and deliverance is being wrought just as certainly as was Israel delivered from Egyptian bondage and slavery.

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Victory in Zion is being won not by man's might or wisdom; but "by My Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts." "Cry yet, saying, Thus saith the Lord of Hosts, My cities through prosperity (good) shall yet be spread abroad; and the Lord shall yet comfort Zion. Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the Lord. And many nations shall be joined to the Lord in that day, and shall be My people: and I will dwell in the midst of thee."

Faith is the victory that overcomes the world. Obedience is always crowned with success. "Go forward" is the command at the head of Zion's standard. Her Savior's promise, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world," must ever ring in the ears of every member, and with a determination to dig deep into the unsearchable riches of the Christ, each one must press on and do all possible to win all men to acknowledge the Christ and crown Him King of kings.

The Fourteenth

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of the

CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION

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Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois

Beginning LORD'S DAY, JULY 10th, and Closing WEDNESDAY NIGHT, JULY 20th

Three Services will be held each day

How Does Faith Come?

We often hear the remark made by those who are seeking Divine Healing, "I prayed for faith to trust the Lord for healing and yet I could not get it."

Our reply in all such cases is, "You are wrong. Faith does not come by praying. The Holy Spirit expressly teaches that, "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." (Romans 10:17).

It can never be too earnestly impressed upon the children of God that this is the divine pathway to a perfect faith—RECEIVING, BELIEVING and ACTING UPON the teachings of the WORD OF GOD.—Leaves of Healing, Vol. 1, No. I.

Signs, Wonders, Miracles and Gifts.

When the first preachers of the glorious Gospel proclaimed the great salvation, their words were accompanied by unmistakable proofs of their divne commission; "God also," it is written, "Bearing them witness, both with signs, and wonders, with divers miracles and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to His own will."

This was the way in which God swept away the unbelief from multitudes of hearts, and "confirmed" the words of His messengers. The Early Church unitedly prayed to the Lord for continued manifestations of healing power to enable His "servants with all boldness to preach the Word;" and were answered by such a wave of Divine power that "the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the Word of God with boldness." (Acts 4:23-31). Nor did it end there, for we read (Acts 5:12-14) that by the hands of the Apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people * * * and believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women."

Salvation and Healing go hand in hand. God has joined them together and only a faithless church has put them asunder May that faithlessness soon disappear and then the same results will follow as in the olden times, "MULTITUDES" will be saved.—Leaves of Healing, Vol. 1, No. 1.

THE

Final Announcement

Regarding the Last Payment on

Shiloh Tabernacle



Balance yet needed . . $945.68

No money will be received towards this payment after the first day of July.

Between $500 and $600 in pledges, made at the last All-night Meeting, are still outstanding. All pledges not paid by July first will be canceled.

In order that all the faithful, loyal helpers may clearly understand the above positions, I will simply state that the positions are taken in order to clear the way absolutely for the **great Semi annual Sacrificial offering** during the second Lord's Day afternoon service of the Convocation in July.

No words can possibly express my heartfelt thanks to all who have helped pay for Shiloh Tabernacle. May God bless you all, is my earnest prayer.

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

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ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend

General Recorder

"Jehovah hath founded Zion, and in her shall the afflicted of His people take refuge."

Many peope are born into this world cursed with diabolical passions, and physical infirmities, the heritage bequeathed to them by the transgressions of their parents. The sins of the parents are visited upon the children unto the third and fourth generations of them that hate God, but His loving kindness and tender mercies are bestowed upon thousands of them that love Him and DO HIS COMMANDMENTS.

No man can defile his body without having to pay the penalty of his transgression.

"As a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

One can only be separated from evil by being filled with God's Holy Spirit. The only way to GET RID OF BAD HABITS is to GET RID OF YOUR SINS.

Sin is conceived in the secret places of the heart.

"As a man thinketh so is he." Let your thoughts be clean, pure thoughts.

God can and will set you free if you place your life in His hands and consecrate yourself to His service.

Jehovah hath founded Zion for a place of refuge for His children of every tribe and tongue. In her shall the afflicted of His people take refuge.

It is YOUR DUTY as a soldier of God to stand boldly under the Banner of Zion and carry the glad tidings of SALVATION, HEALING AND HOLY LIVING to those living in sin, those who are afflicted and those who are the victims of the accursed drink, tobacco and other bad habits.

OUR MISSION IS TO SAVE, and there is no better way to do it than to DO YOUR DUTY as a faithful worker in God's Vineyard.

Go out into the streets and lanes of the cities of the world and tell the sinners of God's love for them; how that He gave "His only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have Everlasting Life."

Tarry with God in prayer. Earnesty desire a closer walk with Him. Proclaim God's praises.

O worship the King all glorious above,
And gratefully sing His wonderful love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of days,
Pavilion'd in splendor, and girded with praise.

OREGON

The fol'owing is report of Seventy work done in the City of Portland by Deacon and Mrs. Frank Robinson, for the week ending June 4th, 1910:

Leaves sold	17
Heralds sold	16
Penny Tracts sold	15
Houses visited	138
Messages given	135
Leaves mailed	7
Heralds mailed	7
Total pieces distributed	197

CALIFORNIA

The following is report of Seventy work done in Los Angeles, California, for the month, of April and May, 1910, Evangelist A. Darms, Officer-in-charge:

Calls made	850
Messages given	950
Leaves and Heralds sold	185
Leaves and Heralds given	145
Leaves mailed	8
Invitations given	400
Total	2538

CHICAGO

The following report shows work done by the CHICAGO SEVENTIES for the week ending June 12th, 1910:

Notices given	28,000
Messages given	368
Leaves given	70
Leaves sold	32
Heralds given	53
Heralds sold	26
Tracts given	9
Total pieces distributed	28,558

Mr. Stanley Murphy, Recorder of Zion Seventies in Chicago, writes as follows:

"The above report shows work done by 50 workers. Mr. L. P. Federmeyer, assisted by his three sons, distributed 4,937 special notices (announcing the meeting which was held last Lord's day, June 12th.) Mr. Federmeyer, who is over 70 years old, was recently wonderfully healed of rupture, and is how rejoicing and praising God, and he is going from house to house with the message of Zion. He is on fire for God. He says he feels just like a young man."

FREE LITERATURE REPORT

For Two Weeks Ending June 18, 1910

Rolls to Different States	947
Rolls to Hotels of the United States	34
Rolls to Steamships	12
Rolls to Germany	
Rolls to England	62
Rolls to Banks in the United States	15
Total for Two Weeks	1,102
Total Number Rolls sent out since August 1st, 1909,	6,756
Messages given away and distributed by Zion Seventies for two weeks ending June 18, 1910	25,962
Messages given away and distributed by Zion Seventies since August 1st, 1909	256,354

Praises God from Whom All Blessings Flow For Healing of Her Body.

Logansport, Indiana, June 10, 1910.

Dear General Overseer:

I feel it my duty to give praise to God for what He has done for me. I have been ailing since February, and at times thought I could not endure the pain any longer. We sent several requests into Zion, and on Monday, June 6th, we sent in another, and God heard and answered the prayers of the General Overseer and Elders for me, and now we are praising God from Whom all blessings flow.

We do thank you all for your prayers and give God all the glory for the healing of my body.

I thank God for Zion, and for Zion's teaching of the Full Gospel of Salvation, Healing and Holy Living.

May God bless and save Zion, and redeem Zion City, is our prayer.

Faithfully yours,
Mrs. Carl Nickum.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Fruits of the Spirit

By Theodore Forby, Associate Editor.

Frequently people are heard to say, "I believe in practical Christianity." Has it ever occurred to you, reader, that Christianity is always practical—the genuine article, the real Christian faith is for everyday use, and in all the realm of human experience there can possibly be nothing more practical. The Christian has at his instant command the unsearchable riches of Christ Jesus from which to draw for every need. Our Heavenly Father's Storehouse of blessing is inexhaustible, and the strength and power, and comfort which He has for every one who will ask Him is always more than sufficient to satisfy every need.

The real Christian has been adopted into the family of God and his crowning privilege is to be endowed with the Spirit of the Son of God and thus open to him the way to the Secret Place of the Most High where he may abide and bear fruit—the fruits of the Spirit.

"When the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because we are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father."

"Practical Christianity!" Why, what will not Christ do for man. Did He not give Himself for mankind? Did not God so love the world as to send His Son, and His Spirit, that man might be saved from the killing world and become a son? Ah! yes; and Christ also said, "Whatsoever ye ask of the Father in My name He will give it to you." Oh, yes; He will give even the same Spirit that He gave to the Christ—the Spirit of Truth, Who shall guide every obedient soul into every truth.

"Practical Christianity!" What is more practical than to escape the snares of the devil and all the consequences resulting from his diabolical influence? The object of life is to glorify God and to enjoy His mercies. Hence the mission of the Gospel of Jesus the Christ is to deliver lost, sinful humanity from the bondage of the devil and cause them to walk in the liberties wherewith Christ has made us free.

Freed men in Christ Jesus are no more servants or slaves, but they are sons of God—His heirs—joint heirs with the Christ to all the Heavenly possessions and powers and privileges.

Christianity is not a mere profession; it is a power, a life springing from the very Throne of God, and as such it grows, and develops and bears fruit.

Christianity and "professed" Christianity must be distinguished. The one is real and the other is hypocritical; the one bears the seal of the Holy Spirit, and the other is of the devil, is a false light and lures many to destruction. Real Christianity is illumined by the Spirit of Christ, and every Christian should live and walk in the Spirit; and, if he does, he will bear the fruits of the Spirit which are Love, Joy, Peace, Longsuffering, Gentleness, Goodness, Faith, Meekness, Temperance—these carry one far beyond the crushing, blighting, killing cravings of the flesh, into the liberty of Christ Jesus—far beyond the domain of restraining law—for against the fruits of the Spirit there is no law—these graces may grow without limitation; they savor of Heaven, and in them God is well pleased.

These graces can be the possession only of those who first are filled with the Holy Spirit—He it is Who guides into all Truth.

How, then, should the Christian live? As if he were in or of the world? Ah, no! The Spirit-filled man or woman lives above the trivial things of the world—his or her citizenship is in Heaven—in the Kingdom of Heaven; but the service is to redeem lost humanity. The Christian is "in the world, but not of it." His affections are elsewhere. "Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth." "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him."

The fruits of the Spirit are to be used in this life. Love, the first fruit, is too large and beautiful not to be manifested in the earth. God desires this attribute in the world, hence He sent forth Jesus Christ His Son to shed abroad His love. Hence

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the Christ went about doing good: Feeding the hungry; comforting the sorrowful; healing the sick; opening the eyes of the blind; unstopping the ears of the deaf; and He scattered love, joy and peace wherever He went.

The Christian in the earth, as joint heir with Christ, is to do the same thing. A proof of our kinship is love. "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. * * Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren."

The Christian, rich in fruit-bearing has the opportunity to prove the love of God for a lost world, and to prove the genuineness of his own profession. Here is a test—the right use of the very first fruit of the Sprit:

"Whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

"My little children, let us not love in word neither in tongue, (i. e., mere empty profession) but in deed and in truth."

Each one may know that his citzenship in Heaven is unquestioned, and that he is bearnig the fruits of the Spirit. How?

Hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before Him. For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God: And whatsoever we ask, we receive of Him, because we keep His commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in His sight. And this is His commandment, That we should believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as He gave us commandment: And he that keepeth His commandment dwelleth in Him, and He in him. And hereby we know that He abideth in us, BY THE SPIRIT WHICH HE HATH GIVEN US."

Oh, the privileges of sonship with the Father, and the glories of the fruits of the Spirit!

"The Baptism of the Holy Spirit."

An Address Delivered at the General Assembly in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, June 19, 1910,

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva,

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

The PROCESSIONAL Sung by Zion White-Robed Choir was: "WHO IS ON THE LORD'S SIDE?"

INVOCATION by the GENERAL OVERSEER:—

God be merciful unto us and bless us,
And cause Thy face to shine upon us;
That Thy Way may be known upon the earth,
Thy Saving Health among all the nations;
For the sake of Jesus. Amen.

The Congregation joined in singing the Hymn, "THE SOLID ROCK."

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

REF.—On Christ, the Solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the vale.

His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
O, may I then in Him be found;
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne!

GENERAL OVERSEER—If you have read the announcements distributed throughout the City yesterday, you probably have in your minds the statement that all of the meetings now being conducted (and the one this forenoon lasted for six hours) are begun with the reading of Luke the eleventh chapter and the thirteenth verse. I will now ask you to read this verse with me—not only the officers on the platform and a few people sitting around near the front, but I desire that everybody shall repeat this verse of Scripture.

(The General Overseer then led the entire congregation in reading Luke 11:13.)

"If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children; how much more shall your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?"

Elder Carey will now read to you the second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles. I intend to have this chapter read about thirty or forty times during this month and the first part of next month. I desire that you shall live in the Acts of the Apostles.

It is my intention that, tomorrow, if I can find the time, I shall dictate, for publication in tract form, all the passages of Scripture in the New Testament on the Subject of the Holy Spirit, and I shall put a copy of that tract into the hands of each and every one who attends these meetings from day to day.

This afternoon I desire to present to you, in the light of God's Word, the doctrine of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and so I wish you to give very close and prayerful attention to the reading of the second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles. Elder Carey will read it to you now.

ELDER CAREY then read the entire second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles:

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

And there appeared unto them cloven tongues, like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them:

And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

And there were dwelling at Jerusalem, Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.

And they were all amazed, and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans?

And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?

Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia.

Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and Proselytes,

Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?

Others, mocking said, These men are full of new wine.

But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words:

For these are not drunken as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day.

But this is that which was spoken by the Prophet Joel:

And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your

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daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

And on My servants and on My handmaidens I will pour out, in those days, of My Spirit, and they shall prophesy;

And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood and fire, and vapour of smoke:

The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come:

And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord, shall be saved.

Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did, by Him, in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know:

Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:

Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that He should be holden of it.

For David speaketh concerning Him, I foresaw the Lord always before my face; for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved:

Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope:

Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with Thy countenance.

Men and brethren, let me freely speak to you of the Patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.

Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God hath sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;

He, seeing this before, spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

This Jesus that God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.

Therefore, being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, He hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

For David is not ascended into the heavens; but he saith himself, The Lord saith unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,

Until I make thy foes thy footstool.

Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus Whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ, for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day were added unto them about three thousand souls.

And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.

And all that believed were together, and had all things common;

And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.

And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart.

Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

The JUNIOR CHOIR then sang the song—"SOLDIERS OF THE CROSS."

We are soldiers of the cross,
Followers of a Leader grand;
With our faces ever to the foe,
Firmly we will take our stand.

To the earth's remotest bounds,
Where the tropic islands are,
We will ever bravely onward march,
In the trail of Bethlehem's star.

Where the nations bow them down
To their gods of wood and stone,
We will bear the blessed Word of God,
With our heavenly armor on.

REF.—Bearing high above our heads,
King Immanuel's banner bright,
All its blood-stained folds, so dear,
Shall be our guiding light.

After Elder Richert had offered the general supplication the GENERAL OVERSEER spoke as follows:—

PRELUDE

Each morning a meeting will begin here in this Tabernacle at six o'clock. You may come in and go out at any time you desire. No time is set for closing the meetings—that is not my business; but we will start the meetings at six o'clock every morning. I do not know just how long these meetings will run.

I feel something like a certain preacher who went to a town to conduct a series of meetings. The first night he announced that he would speak on the Subject of "REPENTANCE," and on the second night and the third night he announced the same Subject; and then some of the people went to him and said, "See here, we are getting tired of this." "Well," he said, "I propose to continue to preach on the Subject of Repentance until you all have repented;" and so the fourth night when he went upon the platform he said, "Have all of you people repented?" and as there was no answer he said, "My subject for this evening will be 'Repentance."

Strivings of the Spirit.

Now, my brothers and sisters, another milestone has been reached in Zion's developments, and I propose to lead you, by the grace of God, into green pastures, and to ask you, "Have you received the Holy Ghost?" and I do not intend to let up until every last devil has been cast out, and until every body and every soul and every spirit is completely possessed by the Holy Spirit.

Everybody will be given an opportunity, and I believe that after a few more days we will be here all day and all night. That is, you may not, but I will be. I will not eat any breakfast—in fact, I have not eaten breakfast since the year 1897, and I will have no dinner and no supper, and I can get along without any sleep. I can die upon this platform, if necessary, in order to bring Zion to the place where God wants her to stand.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

By Theodore Forby

General Associate Editor.

PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD; MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT.

The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ is the straightening out process—Repentance—a preparing of the way for the Christ to cast the seeds of Truth.

Isaiah says: "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him: and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

"For My thoughts, are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts."—Isa. 55: 7-9.

The way for the Christ to travel is the heart of man.

All things that hinder or offend must be removed. Oh, what a cleaning-up process! The heart is desperately wicked, "for out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: these are the things which defile."

Oh, what a desert to travel! What love must the Son of God have to cover such a journey! But He travels a straight course, and everything that offends must be taken out of the way.

The cry today in Zion is: "Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make His paths straight!" What a digging is in progress! The command is that "Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain."

In the lives of men, what are these valleys to be exalted? what are these mountains and hills to be made low? what are the crooked places to be made straight?

The Holy Spirit finds them, and reveals them to every one's consciousness. Every one knows whether he is innocent or guilty. These valleys, oh how deep! these mountains, oh how high and rough! and they are all named and countless victims have been slain by their deceitfulness. Here are some of their names: "The works of the flesh are manifest: Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders drunkenness, revelings and such like——— they which do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God." And then there is pride, and selfishness, and covetousness.

Where is the help? Is there any rescue? Yes; God sent forth His Son and "whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but shall have everlasting life." But what of these valleys and these mountains, how can they be crossed? "REPENT ye! Turn to God; He will abundantly pardon. Unload your heart of its burdens—CONFESS! CONFESS!! Empty yourself before God, and ask Him to fill you with His Holy Spirit.

Bring forth fruits meet for repentance. Bear the fruits of righteousness. Let the Holy Spirit have His way in your heart and life.

Zion has always exacted a high standard. She has ever commanded that obedience to the law of God is essential, and that it could not be varied an iota without bringing upon the trespasser sure punishment.

During the past two weeks, beginning at 6 o'clock in the morning, and lasting oftentimes far into the day, there have been held some of the most remarkable meetings in Zion's history.

These meetings have been held, primarily as "cleaning-up" occasions, where, under the searching fire of God's truth, people could lay open their lives and see how they stood in the sight of God.

God's Word is being prayerfuly studied, particularly those portions bearing upon repentance, consecration, holy living, and the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

There can be no question that all things are possible to a people filled with the Holy Spirit; and on the other hand, it is equally true that nothing lasting can be done if the Holy Spirit does not guide.

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Zion realizes in a very forceful manner that every heart must be pure, holy and submissive to God's will in all things—that there can be no exceptions, and that every member must be thoroughly consecrated to the service of God.

Zion has prayed much for the salvation of Zion City—not only for the land and properties composing the Zion Estate, but for every person within the City. Zion is conscious of many mistakes and failures, but she stands fast in the faith that Jehovah hath founded Zion, and that Zion City shall be redeemed.

It is being realized more and more that "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it; except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain;" that although Paul may plant and Apollos may water, it is "God that giveth the increase." Therefore it is that Zion waits upon the Lord expecting deliverance not only of Zion City as a community from the hands of the devil, but of the inhabitants individually.

The fires of God's truth are burning. Many who have crept into Zion City and have opposed the Zion Movement, are getting their eyes open and beginning to see that it is "hard to kick against the goads;" that God will have His way in spite of their opposition; and that the efforts of the enemies of Zion to open Zion City to the inrushing flood of the world, the flesh and the devil, are surely being brought to naught.

The meetings now being held daily—and they will continue right up to the opening of the Convocation, and then merge into the Convocation program—are a fitting preparation, especially to the people of Zion City.

Already the influence is being felt in distant places. God's fire of truth is burning. Letters are coming frequently from people who have been cold and indifferent—and in not a few cases, openly rebellious—begging forgiveness, and asking for prayers that God will restore to them the joys of salvation and help them back to Zion.

Some who have gone out from Zion during the past few years have never had any peace of mind and heart since. The thought of Zion ever comes up before them, and night and day they are tormented. Some from beds of sickness, write, and telegraph, asking forgiveness and prayer that God will again hear their prayer for restoration.

Where the Love of God and His Kingdom has once entered the heart, and coldness has followed, there can be no rest, no joy and no peace, until repentance, and restitution have been made, and until the rebellious spirit is driven out and that one gets into line in the performance of duty.

"He that putteth his hand to the plough and looketh back is unworthy of the Kingdom of Heaven."

God knows His own; and He is caring for His own people and for Zion City. In due time everything will come out right.

Zion, do not forget to pray earnestly for the General Overseer during these days of arduous service in the Special Meetings; also remember every officer, that God's Holy Spirit may fill them and guide in their ministrations.

"Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong."

TO SUBSCRIBERS

AFTER prayerful, thoughtful consideration of the needs of subscribers, and of the great objects and purposes to be advanced by the publication of Zion Literature, it has been decided to consolidate THE ZION HERALD and LEAVES OF HEALING under the name ---so familiar and so dear to all Zion ---"LEAVES OF HEALING."

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The first issue of "LEAVES OF HEALING" in the new form will be issued Friday, July 8, 1910, being Volume XXVI, No. 1, and the subscription price will be **only 50 cents a year.**

Our great desire is to get Leaves of Healing into the hands of multiplied thousands of people in all parts of the world, and for this reason the subscription price has been reduced to **only 50 cents** a year. This reduction may seem startling---from $3.00, the present rate for both The Zion Herald and Leaves of Healing, to only 50 cents---but we believe that God will help to provide the means by increasing the subscriptions and the circulation. The work is God's; and certainly every member of Zion, and every friend of Truth and Righteousness, can well afford to secure and send in a number of subscriptions at this remarkably low rate and thus help to get the message of Salvation, Healing and Holy Living before the minds and hearts of countless thousands.

There will be one more issue of The Zion Herald, and two more issues of Leaves of Healing in the present form, closing Volume XXV.

All present subscribers for The Zion Herald will receive the Leaves of Healing in the new form instead of the Herald.

In another place in this issue will be found form of Subscription blank for Leaves of Healing. Let everybody use this form and begin at once to push and keep pushing to secure and send in subscriptions, and help to get 15,000 or 20,000 or more subscribers before the close of the Convocation soon to be held.

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"The Baptism of the Holy Spirit"

(Continued from page 195)

No One can Escape the Holy Spirit's Burnings.

Now, we are digging deep and the fire is burning, and already some are on the run; but you will have to move out of Zion City or else the fire will catch you; you may go to California, but the fire will follow you there; you may cross the Pacific and go back to Australia, but the fire will follow you there—the fire of God from Shiloh Tabernacle in Zion City will find you in Australia. You would just as well line up and do what is right at one time as another; because God is going to redeem Zion City; and I am praying that He will not have to redeem it with judgment. I would much rather that the Holy Spirit should run from heart to heart until the last one is brought back to God, than that God should have to redeem Zion City by the thunderbolts of His judgment.

I plead with you, then, to come to these meetings, and to pray to God to fill you with His Spirit, and that you may get right in His sight; so that Zion may receive all that God has in store for her.

Zion, arouse! awake! and put on the strength of God! Pray to God today as never before. I am not saving myself one iota; but am willing—as I have told God—that if only I can be instrumental in bringing you all to the place where you ought to be, and can see Zion City saved, then I shall be satisfied.

Gold and Silver Cannot Redeem Zion City.

Let me impress upon your minds, my brothers and sisters, that Zion City will never be redeemed by gold and silver. I have offered seven hundred thousand dollars cash for this Estate; and I have offered nine hundred thousand dollars to the Investors on eight years' time; but I want to tell you that it takes more than gold and silver to redeem Zion City. Zion City will be redeemed only by the precious blood of the Christ. You men and women must go on and be sanctified and must be sealed with the Holy Spirit, and that requires deep and full consecration.

I pray this afternoon that God will open your eyes, that God will break your hearts, that God will crush you to the earth; that you may rise in resurrection life and glory, with power for service, to go forward to shake the world, and to prepare a people for the Second Coming of Jesus Christ.

PRAYER BY THE GENERAL OVERSEER

O God, our Heavenly Father, as we draw nigh unto Thee with true hearts, draw Thou very nigh unto us in this afternoon hour; and grant now, as we study Thy Word, that all hearts may be open to receive it, to believe it and to act upon it. Inspire me, O God this afternoon, and, by the Holy Spirit, drive home every word of Scripture read and every word that shall be uttered. And grant O God, that this may prove to be, in deed and in truth, the beginning of a great and mighty forward movement in Zion. Help us, O God, this afternoon to withhold nothing; but to lay ourselves upon Thine altar, and to make that complete consecration which is demanded in Thy Word, and that we may be filled with Thy Spirit. Hear us, O God, and be with us in great power. We ask in Jesus' Name and for the honor and glory of Thyself. Amen.

GENERAL OVERSEER: before I speak I wish you please to turn to the Hymn, "COME, HOLY SPIRIT" and let us sing the first stanza:

Come Holy Spirit, like a dove descending,
Rest Thou upon us while we meet to pray;
Show us the Savior, all His love revealing;
Lead us to Him, the Life, the Truth, the Way.

ADDRESS BY THE GENERAL OVERSEER.

Humanity Saved through the Ministry of Preaching.

God the Almighty, in His infinite love and wisdom, has seen fit to save humanity through the foolishness of preaching. The Ministry of Jesus the Christ, when closely studied, furnishes every minister of God with an example of a every step required. I have been greatly impressed with the fact that the very ones for whom Jesus meant His burning utterances, simply passed them on to others.

And how true that is today: oftentimes, when a man delivers a message which God has put into His heart through the Holy Spirit, the people begin to look around at one another, and at the close of the sermon will say, "Well, whom do you think he had in mind this afternoon? "I wonder who there could have been in the congregation this afternoon at whom he was striking." Well, I tell you this afternoon that I am striking straight at you—straight at every elder, every deacon, every deaconess and every member in this Church, from the youngest to the oldest.

If I understand my call, and I believe I do, when I stand before a congregation my first duty is to strip every sinner and cause him to see himself without hope and lost, in the sight of God. I have no doubt that in this congregation—and in every congregation that a man addresses—there are those who, while they listen to the preaching of the Everlasting Gospel, pat themselves on the back and say, "Well, I am not a sinner, I am a pretty good sort of fellow." But I tell you that, in the sight of God, your self-righteousness is only as filthy rags; and this afternoon, while I do not intend, primarily, to strike out toward sinners who have never named the Name of Christ—I do intend to strike out, straight from the shouder, at those who call themselves Christians but who are as devoid of the power of God as one of those chairs is of electricity.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, I have decided to speak this afternoon upon the Subject of

THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

and to present this Subject in a general way, and then, day after day, in the course of various addresses, to deal with all of the passages of Scripture bearing upon the Holy Spirit's mission to the children of men.

I should be very greatly surprised to find that any man calling himself a Christian, should need to be convinced this afternoon that the Baptism of the Holy Spirit is plainly taught in the Word of God. I should be greatly surprised if it were nescessary to spend any time and strength in showing every Christian that the baptism of the Holy Spirit is for every one who will repent, who will confess, who will restore, who will become reconciled to God his Father, and who will make a complete, absolute consecration of himself to God; for nothing short of this ever will bring the seal of God the Almighty, stamping him as His very own.

The Real Baptizer.

Now, as we start in to read and study the New Testament—for I shall refer to the Old Testament only incidentally during my address—and enter into the Gospel according to St. Matthew, in the third chapter we find where John the Baptist says:

"I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but He that cometh after me is mightier than I, Whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: He shall baptize you with"—what?

PEOPLE: "The Holy Ghost and with fire."

GENERAL OVERSEER: Yes, "He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire."

Now, passing through the intervening passages, I ask you please to turn with me to the seventh chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, the thirty-seventh to the thirty-ninth verses:

"In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink.

"He that believeth on Me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

"(But this spake He of the Spirit, which they that believe on Him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.")

The Lord Jesus the Christ was baptized with the Holy Spirit in fulfilment of prophecy and in answer to His own prayer. Please turn with me to the third chapter of Luke's Gospel, verses 21 and 22.

"Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that

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Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened,

"And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art My beloved Son; in Thee I am well pleased".

Jesus was Baptized by the Holy Spirit in Answer to His Own Prayer.

In the vrey beginning, I desire to point out to you that Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, Who was begotten by the Holy Spirit in the sinless virgin, was baptized by the Holy Ghost in answer to His own prayer to God His Father; and there God set His seal upon Jesus and owned Him as His Only Begotten Son, and expressed Himself as being pleased with Him.

Now, if you desire to know the prophecy in fulfillment of which the Holy Ghost came upon Jesus the Christ, I refer you to the Prophet Isaiah, the eleventh chapter and the second verse; and, in order to impress it upon your minds, I will turn to it and read it:

"And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge, and of the fear of the Lord".

Believers are to Pray for the infilling of the Holy Spirit.

I might just as well mention now, as later in my address, that it is plainly taught in the Word of God that we should pray for the Holy Spirit; and in support of that, I will give you now only the reference to Jesus the Christ Himself, and later I shall give you other references.

Jesus the Christ was baptized by the Holy Sprit while He was praying, and the Heavens opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in the form of a dove and owned Him as His own, and expressed Himself as being "well pleased."

Now, how are we to reconcile John 7:37-39, which distinctly says, "For the Holy Spirit was not yet given," with the statement that the Holy Ghost descended upon Christ?

Prior to Pentecost the Holy Spirit's Visits were Intermittent.

That brings me to another great truth which, in our study of the Holy Spirit, you must be made to realize; and that is, prior to the day of Pentecost the visits of the Holy Spirit to this world were to certain individuals and were intermittent; and never before the Day of Pentecost did the Holy Ghost come forth from the Father to dwell here—for the temple of the Holy Ghost is the Church, the Body of Jesus the Christ—the Body of which the Christ is the Head.

The Boundaries of Christ's Earthly Ministry.

The Ministry of Jesus the Christ was bounded on the one side by Bethlehem and on the other side by Mount Olivet.

He Himself said, "If I go away I will send the Comforter unto you." And again, "If I go not away, the Comforter will not come." Jesus also said, "I will send you another Comforter;" which simply meant that He Himself was the Comforter, and that when He went away another Comforter would come. And so He instructed the apostles—the very apostles upon whom He breathed and said "Receive ye the Holy Spirit"—and commanded them to "tarry in Jerusalem and wait for the promise of the Father," which was the pouring forth of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost.

The Body of Christ in the Upper Room at Pentecost.

Now, when we come to the Day of Pentecost, where do we find the Body of Christ? We find the Body of Christ in the "upper room," and it consisted of one hundred and twenty souls, and we find them doing just what Jesus the Christ had told them to do—they were tarrying in Jerusalem; and there they were all with one accord and with a spirit of unity and they all were praying for the coming of the Comforter—the Holy Spirit, and on the Day of Pentecost, when God's clock struck the hour, the Holy Spirit came; as is described in the second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles.

The Baptism of the Holy Ghost for All the Called.

I maintain that the Baptism of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost was not only for them, but—as Peter said, which you will remember if you followed the Scripture lesson closely, —"The promise is unto you and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call."

And I maintain further that the Holy Spirit came on the Day of Pentecost; that He has been here ever since; that He has not gone back to God the Father, and that He will not go back to the Father until the "paruosia" of Jesus the Christ—that is, the presence of the Christ, the first stage of the manifestation of the second coming of Christ.

Now, keep in mind that I claim that, according to the Word of God, the Holy Spirit was sent on the Day of Pentecost, and that the baptism of the Holy Spirit was there given for all who should enter into the Ecclesia—the Body of Jesus the Christ.

The Lord Jesus the Christ was given, by God as the Savior of the world, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son,"—that is God's part,—"that whosoever believeth in Him,"—that is man's part,—"should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Christ's Sacrifice Must be Appropriated in order to be Effectual.

I claim that Jesus the Christ was sent and was sacrificed, and that He provided salvation for all mankind; but unless man does his part, the sacrifice of the Christ will avail him nothing. And just as God sent Jesus, in Whom man must believe, so God sent the Holy Ghost, and man must receive Him through the prayer of faith, or else He will never avail him anything; and I know that I am on Scriptural grounds in taking this position.

Now find Second Corinthians 1:22 and Galatians 3:4, and read them.

The Holy Spirit was given on the Day of Pentecost. He came as the sound of a rushing, mighty wind, and His coming was accompanied by fire; and all of the one hundred and twenty were baptized by the Holy Ghost, and they all spoke in tongues the wonderful works of God, and devout men from every nation under Heaven heard the Gospel in their own tongue. And then some said that they were drunk.

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THE Final Announcement

Regarding the Last Payment on Shiloh Tabernacle



Balance yet needed . . $819.61

No money will be received towards this payment after the first day of July.

Between $500 and $600 in pledges, made at the last All-night Meeting, are still outstanding. All pledges not paid by July first will be canceled.

In order that all the faithful, loyal helpers may clearly understand the above positions, I will simply state that the positions are taken in order to clear the way absolutely for the **great Semi-annual Sacrificial offering** during the second Lord's Day afternoon service of the Convocation in July.

No words can possibly express my heartfelt thanks to all who have helped pay for Shiloh Tabernacle. May God bless you all, is my earnest prayer.

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

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ZION SEVENTIES

Deacon J. W. Friend
General Recorder

"And he trembling and astonished, said, Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do."—Acts 9:6.

Saul, on his way to Damascus, to persecute the Christians, was suddenly stricken to the earth by the power of Jesus. He heard a Voice saying, "Saul, Saul, Why persecutest thou Me?"

Saul, was three days without sight and did neither eat nor drink. (It was not until the humble Ananias came to him that he was "filled with the Holy Ghost.")

After he had received the Holy Ghost he became the mighty Apostle Paul.

"Have ye received the Holy Spirit since ye believed?"

Have you consecrated your life to God?

"Consecration" means more than a vow to God to live a better life. It means putting your time, your talents, your life —all that you have, and all that you ever expect to have,—upon God's altar. It means presenting your bodies "a LIVING SACRIFICE, holy, acceptable to God," then crying from the depths of your spirit as did the Apostle Paul,

"LORD, WHAT WILT THOU HAVE ME TO DO?"

After you have made the consecration and cried to God, then look about you for SOMETHING TO DO FOR THE MASTER.

"The fields are white already unto the harvest, and the laborers are few."

Go into the homes of those who are living in sin; tell them what God has done for you, and how JESUS SUFFERED AND DIED FOR THEM. Put a tender, loving arm of pity and compassion around them, and bring them into the fold.

CONSECRATE YOUR LIFE TO GOD. "Be ye filled with the Spirit."

Earnestly seek to do God's will and to be a blessing to humanity.

"Consecrate me now to Thy service, Lord,
By the power of grace divine,
Let my soul look up with a steadfast hope,
And my will be lost in Thine."

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Report of Seventy work done in the city of Cincinnati by Deacon E. E. Harwood and Isaac Bittle for the month ending June 19, 1910:

Leaves of Healing sold	293
Heralds sold	192
Tracts sold	165
Messages given	6,112
Leaves of Healing given	117
Heralds given	106
Tracts given	32
Total pieces distributed	7,017

Seventeen sick calls and visits were made.

Writing under date of June 19th, Deacon Harwood says: "I believe I can safely say, in presenting the 6112 messages, we have spoken and presented the truth to over 7,000 persons."

Psalm 15

LORD, who shall abide in Thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in Thy holy hill?

He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.

He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbor.

In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoreth them that fear the Lord. He that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not.

He that putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these things shall never be moved.

YOU
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to Attend the

Meetings in Shiloh Tabernacle

NOW BEING HELD EVERY DAY

Beginning Promptly at 6:00 A. M.

The meeting today (Monday, June 20) lasted eight hours

You may come into the meetings and leave at any time.

BRING YOUR BIBLES.

SUBJECT: "The Baptism of the Holy Spirit."

If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him.---Luke 11:13.

Have ye received the Holy Spirit since ye believed?---Acts 19:2.

Zion City---the same as all persons---must be redeemed, not by Gold or Silver, but by the precious blood of Jesus.

All are welcome to the meetings.

Earnestly praying that the people in Zion City may get to the place where God can sanctify them for Zion's Onward Movement, I am,

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

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The Gospel of the Kingdom

Divine Healing

Why Believe it? Why Teach it?

Questions and Objections Answered.

(*By O. L. Tindall*)

ARTICLE V.

Counterfeits and false Teachings.

THESE have injured the cause of Divine Healing more, we might almost say, than no teaching, or a complete denial of it.

The most pronounced, as we have said, of these counterfeits, is Mrs. Eddy's so-called Christian Science which is neither Christian, nor science. It is not worth mentioning, were it not that so many have been deceived by it. It is simply ludicrous and absurd, as she says there is no such thing as disease, and yet she and its teachers ask you to believe that Christian Science can cure all kinds of disease.

Her teaching is little more than mere mind healing. She says if you think you are not sick, why then you are not sick—it is all imagination, and she quotes Solomon: "As a man thinketh, so is he." It is simply a matter of the mind. If one can persuade himself that he is not sick then he is not sick. Mrs. Eddy seized on a certain truth and tried to make it mean Divine Healing. In many cases, no doubt, all the patient needs is to cease thinking of himself. Such patients imagine that they are sick but they need no medicine, nor healing other than to quit dwelling on their bad symptoms. No doubt the mind has much influence over matter, and may be a sort of medicine for bodily ailments. But this is not Divine Healing. There is no God or Divinity in Christian Science or mind cure. An atheist or profligate may practice either as well as the professing saints. It is of the earth, earthy. It is only human. With the advocates of these cults there is no personal God Who does anything for one. He must work it out himself.

These counterfeits, mind healing, faith healing, etc., have mostly sprung up out of this devilish doctrine of doing something for one's self.

A man is not healed because he believes he is, or believes he will be. Faith, in that sense, does not heal anyone.

Faith is not the Healer.

None of these teachings have any right to call themselves or to be called Divine Healing. That kind of thing never opens blind eyes nor unstops deaf ears, nor mends broken bones and troubles of that kind. It takes God to do that. The old Pharisees and Scribes and magicians and sorcerers, or pharmacists, well understood this. They readily admitted that it had never been known that a man born blind had been healed by man or medicine. Christian Science, nor any of those so-called healers, can not cure these kind of diseases.

Divine Healing enters where man goes out. It is God that heals us just the same as it is God that saves us, and in the same way, and on the same conditions.

There is no virtue in a mere prayer of words to heal a disease. To simply believe that one is going to get well does not cure anyone; but sincere prayer directed to the All-wise Father, and faith exercised in His love, mercy and power to heal, avails much, because God hears such prayer and honors such faith and answers with healing.

All the requirements that Christ made on the part of a sick man were of such a nature as to show that there was no virtue in any of them apart from God to heal. Putting clay on the eyes and washing in the pool of Siloam could not restore sight to the man born blind, neither could those acts cure any other kind of ailment or disease; or else multitudes would have done the same thing and carried the clay and the waters to the sick everywhere.

No; these agencies healed no one. Laying hands on the sick by the elders does not heal them. Anointing with oil does not cure. No; it is said, THE LORD—not the feeble little

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means—SHALL RAISE HIM UP. The waters of Jordan did not and could not heal the leprosy of the Captain of the Syrian host.

How do men get Healing?

All man can do does not heal him. It is God that does the work. Man must do his part. He must have a condition of heart so that God can enter him, and must offer the Prayer of Faith. That is why it is said "The prayer of Faith shall save the sick." That is from the human side. That is the condition on which God will stretch forth His hand and heal His people. Without this no one can hope to be healed. It is the same kind of prayer that is required to obtain Divine Salvation. So a man must first learn to pray. He must pray in faith. He must not regard iniquity in his heart or God will not hear him. He must be ready to do God's will or He cannot answer.

Said the blind man, (restored) to the cavilers, "If any man be a worshiper of God and doeth His will, him will God hear."

God will not heal a man to serve self.

"Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts, (or pleasures.)"—Jas.4:3.

It is required that one be spiritually right before God will heal him of bodily disease. The spiritual is more important. Jesus always inquired about the spiritual state first. How is your faith? not how is your pulse or your lungs.

"According to your faith it shall be done unto you."

Zion stands for the Old-fashioned Divine Healing of Christ's and the Apostles' time. No modern mockery, nor compromise with doctors, drugs and devils will meet the favor of God.

"The Baptism of the Holy Spirit."

An Address Delivered at the General Assembly in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, June 19, 1910,

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva,

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK]

Baptism in Water, and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost two distinct Acts.

The baptism of the Holy Spirit is something that follows salvation—something that stands as an act alone,—by itself. One brother said that he was baptized with the Holy Spirit when he was baptized with water. I say No, he was not; the baptism of the Holy Spirit and the baptism in water do not take place at the same moment; they may take place on the same occasion, but they are two different acts; and that is the plain teaching of the Word of God. They heard the Word preached and then they were baptized; and what else did they do? "And there were added—" Now, those words "unto them" are in italics and do not belong there. I do not want God to add anybody to you. God adds the people unto Himself. You will find many expressions where the people were added to the Lord; and therefore I do not believe in that expression "unto them;" but "about three thousand souls were added unto' the Lord, "and they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and in fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers; and fear came upon every soul; and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles; and all that believed were together and had all things common; and sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need."

How are we going to pay for Zion City? Get the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and Zion City is paid for.

The Church's Privilege to be filled constantly with the Holy Spirit, and to receive converts daily.

,, And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart; praising God and having favor with all people. And the Lord added—" now that "to the church" does not belong there; "there were added such as shoud be saved." They were added to the Lord. Do not you see, the people tarried until they received the Holy Ghost and had power, and there were how many converts?

People—"Three thousand."

General Overseer—Yes, there were three thousand converts. For a moment, let us look at the churches all over the land—there are hundreds and thousands of them that have not had a genuine convert in the last ten years. Are they churches of the Lord Jesus the Christ, or are they not?

People—"They are not."

General Overseer—No; I tell you, verily no! Dr. Gordon, in one of his books—I think it is the one entitled "If Christ Came to Church"—as he was writing that book he was sitting in his study up in the belfry, and he says, "As I write these words I can look out of the window of my study, and can count a number of churches from which the Holy Ghost long ago took His departure."

The Average Church is Dead.

Now, do you know what the work of the average preacher reminds me of? Well, it reminds me of a man standing on the gate-post of a cemetery and exhorting the inhabitants to come and help him make garden. Of all the ludicrous things that any preacher can do, is to stand up before a spiritually dead people and exhort them and plead with them and beg them to do the things that a Christian ought to do.

The Spirit-Filled Man is Alive.

Do you see that man there? he will not go to church. Shall you go after him with a club and make him go to church? No; if that man had received the Holy Spirit, you could not keep him away from church.

Do you see that man who does not pay his tithes? Shall you go after him with a club and tell him that he will be put out of his position if he does not pay his tithes? He says, "Well, I will pay my tithes;" and he pays them in order to be able to keep his position. If that man were filled with the Holy Spirit you could not keep him from paying his tithes.

I tell you, my brothers and sisters, when men and women are baptized with the Holy Spirit, they do not keep anything back from God's work, but they will give all to extend the Kingdom of God.

Now, a few days afterwards, how many converts did they have?

People—"Five thousand."

General Overseer—Yes; they had five thousand; that is when the man was healed at the Beautiful Gate of the Temple. Well, I will tell you, you have had a great deal of teaching on Divine Healing, and some of you have had so much teaching that you are case-hardened, and you have had precious little of the Holy Spirit; but the Holy Spirit is received in the very same manner that healing is received—and that is, by meeting the conditions and praying the prayer of faith.

The Spirit Comes by the Hearing of Faith.

Listen to Paul:

"This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?"—Galatians 3:2.

Now, I am citing this passage to back up what I say—that the Holy Spirit is appropriated by the prayer of faith. The Holy Spirit was poured out on the day of Pentecost and He has been here ever since, but there are thousands of Church members who have not received the Holy Ghost; they have not appropriated Him by the prayer of faith.

Read to me John 1:12. I desire to show you that, although Christ was given as a propitiation for the sins of the world, unless men believe in Him, and comply with the conditions, His coming into this world will avail them nothing.

Elder Tindall then read 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."

General Overseer—In order to be the sons of God you have to receive Him; and in order to have the baptism of the Holy Spirit you must, in God's way, appropriate Him Whom God has sent.

Sometimes I give this illustration—and it is a very good one; because, you know, water is one of the symbols of the Holy Spirit—not only in the Old Testament, but also in the New Testament. It is as though an inexhaustible supply of bright, sparkling water had been let down in the presence of a large company of people dying of thirst, and that it had been let down with the understanding that it was not only for them, but also for their children and for all who should be designated by the benefactor. That reservoir of water could remain there,

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and multitudes could drop dead from thirst if they did not stretch forth their hands and take a drink of it.

And so, notwithstanding the fact that the Holy Ghost has been sent and has been poured out, you could live in the church all your life long and yet never have the Holy Spirit in you. Do you know that? Is not that the condition of a great many people today?

Some Spirit will fill the heart.

I desire to bring before you one other portion of Scripture: and that is regarding the man of whom Jesus tells us that the devil went out of him, and that devil wandered around, and then returned to the house (this man's body) and found it empty and swept and garnished, and so this devil went away and got seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they came back and entered into that man, and his last state was worse than the first. That is a very good description of thousands of church members today.

I desire to tell you, my brothers and sisters, you may get rid of the tobacco devil, you may get rid of the whisky devil, you may get rid of the lying devil, you may get rid of the envy devil, you may get rid of the jealous devil; but if you do not allow the Holy Spirit to come in and fill the house, those devils will return and will find the house all empty and swept and garnished, and will then go and get other devils, and they all will enter into you, and your last state will be worse than your first.

Why Many Converts Fall Back.

I believe that is one reason why these so-called converts in revivals do not last any length of time. I believe that many of those poor people who come forward are very sincere, and that they do receive deliverance; but they are put into these old apostate churches, with a dude for a preacher, a worldly man for conductor of the choir, worldly men for deacons and trustees; and a lot of theater-goers, card-players, dancers, and worldly people in general for members; and they receive no teaching, and therefore finally famish and die.

Negative Christianity is Useless.

Now, I suppose all of you have repented. A man may say, "I do not smoke,"—very good. "I do not drink whisky,"—very good. "I do not lie,"—very good. "I do not play cards,"—very good. "I do not attend the theater,"—very good. But if a gate-post could speak, it could say precisely the same thing. A gate-post doesn't smoke, or drink, or lie, or play cards, or attend the theater.

My brothers and sisters, negative Christianity does not amount to the snap of the finger. Unless you are filled with the Spirit of God and endued with power for service, to what does your Christianity amount?—not to anything.

Let us look at another question here: a lady told in the meeting this morning regarding a Methodist Church near her home; they sent for a preacher to come out from Chicago and hold a quarterly meeting; so when he started he had just one old woman to hear him. Well, I am surprised that there should be an old woman with as little sense as to go and listen to him.

The Prayer-meeting a Key to the Spiritual condition of the Church.

The Ministerial Association of Kansas City had a long discussion recently and a number of the preachers advocated doing away with the weekly prayer-meeting, because they said they could not get anybody to attend them.

I tell you that if men and women have repented of their sins, and have been justified by faith, and have received the Holy Spirit for sanctification, they cannot be kept away from the House of God; but they will attend the meetings, and will pray and testify and praise God.

The average weekly prayer-meeting of the churches is attended by a few women and two men—the preacher and the janitor; and then the preacher will sit there and say, "Will some one pray?" but nobody prays, and the old clock on the wall ticks and the minutes seem like hours; and then the preacher says, "Now, come, do not allow the time to go to waste, these are precious moments; will not some one pray?" And then pretty soon a wretched old hypocrite, whom nobody in the town would trust with ten cents worth of goods, gets down and prays a prayer as long as the moral law, visiting the whole world and spends a day or two at each city, and calls it praying, and it does not go any higher than his head.

Some people say, "I do not like to hear you talk about the churches." No; I do not like to talk about them; for I do dislike to talk about the dead: but they are as dead as door nails, and as dead as Julius Caesar; and unless we do our duty God will spew us out of His mouth.

God says, "Because thou art lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spew thee out of My mouth."

The Manifestations of the Holy Spirit's Power should be expected.

Now, Zion, because the devil has counterfeited the glorious doctrine of the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and because he has, by fleshly manifestations, cast reflection upon it, that is not any reason why we should lay aside such a glorious doctrine. Why should not we expect the manifestation of the Spirit's power and the exercise of the Spirit's gifts in the Church? Has not the devil counterfeited Divine Healing, and every other truth; and you are so afraid of becoming a little excited, or so afraid that you may make a little stir; but I declare, before God, in many cases I cannot detect whether or not the pulse is beating at all.

Why, a mother, when she looks into the cradle—or into the little crib at her sweet little babe and she cannot detect any breathing, and cannot see any signs of life, she is alarmed and throws up her hands and becomes greatly excited. And yet here we are, surrounded by the spiritually dead—with no heart-beat, no pulse-beat, no sign of life, and yet some people are not aroused.

My brothers and sisters, I am working for the salvation of Zion City, and I am determined to keep at it until God hears and answers prayer, and causes these transgressors to roll over in their beds all night and to groan for mercy (Amens). Thank God that there are some who can say "amen." Hallelujah! Some signs of life!

I tell you, my brothers and sisters, when the officers are filled with the Holy Spirit, they do not need any exhortation to pray or to speak, and they do not need to be pushed out to start a cottage prayer-meeting or to go into the Seventy work; but they will go.

Pray for the Holy Spirit.

Now, I believe in holding meetings to pray for the Holy Spirit. God has sent Him—and, by the way, do not call the Holy Spirit "it," as I think I heard a few this morning. The Holy Spirit is not "it;" the Holy Spirit is a Person.

Now, I do not say—although I cannot go into that this afternoon—but I do not say that all persons will have the same experience; and there is just where the mistake has been made: and I do not believe that it is a matter of feeling, but I want to tell you that there is feeling about it. No man can be filled with the Holy Ghost without being thrilled through and through, and there will be some feeling about it; but the proof of the baptism of the Holy Spirit is not in any fleshly manifestation. I believe that when some people are filled with the Holy Spirit they will shout.

When a little boy I used to be a Methodist, but there is not enough money in this world to get me to be a Methodist now—although there are some mighty good Methodists and there are a whole lot of mighty poor Methodists. The old-fashioned kind are all right, but they are very scarce nowadays.

And I remember one old lady who, at the "Love Feast," used to get up in meeting, and about the second sentence her hair would come down, and she would clear those benches like a deer and would yell "Hallelujah!" and "Glory to God!" in a manner that would make your hair stand up straight on your head; and I do not believe there was ever a better woman lived.

It is just like this: suppose that your dearest earthly friend had been away for ten years and you were standing at the railway station awaiting the arrival of the train, or on the dock awaiting the arrival of the boat, and all at once you were to catch sight of that loved one, would you stand there like this (illustrating in a low voice) and say, "Hello, there, John!" No, you would shout, "Hello, there, John! Oh, I am so glad to see you!" (Here the Overseer ran across the platform to illustrate)—(Laughter). My opinion is that if some of you were to get filled with the Holy Spirit, you would jump about four feet high.

I will tell you this afternoon that all the average church-member of today is—is a respectable corpse; no life, no signs of life. Ah, yes, some people are very enthusiastic over everything else except their religion, and when they begin to talk about an old hen that has laid one hundred and seventy-nine eggs, their eyes stand out and they are full of enthusiasm telling about it—more enthusiasm over an old hen than over the religion of the Lord Jesus the Christ. I say shame! The old hen is all right in her place, but she does not take the place of the religion of God.

Yes, we go down here to the Lake for a picnic and some people go out in a boat, and all at once we hear a cry, "The boat capsized." Then, I tell you, there is a stir around and everybody is excited, and those who can swim are ready to jump in and rescue those who are drowning. And yet here they are going to hell by the scores and hundreds, and the people are sleeping. If a number of you men were down on the Lake front and all at once the cry went up, "Man overboard!" and you were to say, "I will go in and see what I can do to save him!" would you first stop to yell out, "Are you a Methodist?" or, "Are you a Presbyterian?" or, "Are you a Baptist?" No; I tell you, you would go down into that water for your very life.

Do you believe that everybody is saved who is in this Tabernacle this afternoon? I do not. There are people here this after-

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.
PATIENCE
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I am the Lord that healeth thee.
And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
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ZION CITY, ILL., U. S. A.,
July 2, 1910.

LET ZION EVERYWHERE GO FORWARD!

"When the Lord turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream.

"Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, The Lord hath done great things for them.

"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad.

"Turn again our captivity, O Lord, as the streams in the south.

"They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.

"He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

Zion, as a movement, has reached another milestone in her onward march.

"Surely the Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad!"

Beginning Monday morning, June 13th, Special Meetings have been held every day, beginning at 6:00 a. m.

The first three meetings were held in the Assembly Room in Zion Home, and all the other meetings have been held in the Prayer Room of Shiloh Tabernacle.

These meetings have lasted: one for five hours, another for eight hours, and still another for sixteen hours. The twenty-third meeting was held this morning, Friday, July 1st.

The subject on which teaching has been given in every meeting has been:

"THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT."

The following passages of Scripture have been read in almost every meeting:

JOHN 3:16—For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish put have everlasting life.

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.

GALATIANS 4:6—And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

ACTS 2:38—Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be ye baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

GALATIANS 3:2—This only would I learn of you, Receive ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

GALATIANS 3:14—That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

MATTHEW 12:28—But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the Kindgom of God is come unto you.

HEBREWS 9:14—How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

ACTS 1:2—Until the day in which He was taken up, after that He through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom He had chosen.

LUKE 3:21, 22—Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened,

And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art My beloved Son; in Thee I am well pleased.

ISAIAH 11:2—And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.

JOHN 1:33—And I knew Him not: but He that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon Whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, the same is He which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.

MATTHEW 3:11,12—I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but He that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:

Whose fan is in His hand and He will thoroughy purge His floor, and gather His wheat into the garner; but He will burn the chaff with unquenchable fire.

JOHN 6:27—Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for Him hath God the Father sealed.

EPHESIANS 1:13—In Whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in Whom also, after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise.

JOHN 3:33—He that hath received His testimony hath set to his seal that God is true.

2 CORINTHIANS 1:21,22—Now He which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God;

Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

2 TIMOTHY 2:19—Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are His. And, Let ever one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

EPHESIANS 4:30—And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

The call given to the people is in Joshua 3:5:

"SANCTIFY YOURSELVES: FOR TOMORROW THE LORD WILL DO WONDERS AMONG YOU."

In response to the plain Bible teaching on the subject and to the call made, many hundreds have come forward, and, kneeling in prayer, have made a complete consecration of them-

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selves and their all to God, and have prayed to God, their Heavenly Father, for the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

The call was first made on Thursday, June, 23, 1910, and, in every meeting from that date to the present, many have come forward in every service; and it is expected that before the close of the meeting on Lord's Day evening, July 3d, every officer and every member in the Church in Zion City will have consecrated himself and herself to God and prayed definitely for the Holy Spirit.

On Monday night, June 27th, nearly one hundred cottage meetings were held in different parts of the city, and encouraging reports of these meetings have been given by many persons.

The Convocation proper will begin, God willing, at 6:00 a. m. on Lord's Day, July 10th, and continue until Wednesday night, July 20th.

The second Lord's Day of the Convocation, July 17th, the usual Semi-Annual Sacrificial Offering will be taken; and there will be a Grand Procession of every Zion man, woman, youth, maiden and child, declaring, among other things, to one and all, that, as a people, we stand for Zion City as originally launched and that we will contend, in the Name of God, for the Principles, Truths, Ideas and Ideals of Zion.

Think of a thousand—yes, more than a thousand—persons, and the number being added to daily, making the following prayer:

My God and Father, I come to Thee in Jesus' Name.

I confess my many shortcomings, and acknowledge that I have lived far beneath my privileges in Christ Jesus. I pray Thee to accept my humble confession and to forgive me, and to blot out my transgressions.

Take me as I am and make me what I ought to be in spirit, in soul, and in body. Give me power to do right no matter what it costs. I place all that I am, all that I have, all that I expect to be, all that I expect to have, upon the altar. I have been purchased with a price—the precious blood of Christ. Take me now, and seal me with the Holy Spirit as Thine own.

I ask these things in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

The scenes that have been witnessed in Shiloh Tabernacle during the last two weeks have not been equaled since the days of the Early Church, and there are many signs that the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion is now rapidly approaching the day when scenes similar to those described in the Acts of the Apostles will take place.

As the General Overseer, I send forth the call to every Zion officer and member throughout the world to

"SANCTIFY YOURSELVES: FOR TOMORROW THE LORD WILL DO WONDERS AMONG YOU!"

Zion people must be a holy people.

Jesus the Christ was given once for all for all mankind, but the mere fact that God, because of His great love for the world, gave Jesus, His only begotten Son, to live, to suffer, and to die for mankind, will avail them nothing unless they receive Him and believe in Him.

John 3:16 and John 1:12 must be taken together.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

"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."

Just as Jesus was given once for all, so the Holy Spirit was sent on the Day of Pentecost for all believers: but HE must be appropriated through the Prayer of Faith. See Galatians 3:2 and Galatians 3:14.

God is more willing to give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him than earthly parents are to give good gifts unto their children.

God is more willing to give than we are to receive.

Jesus said:

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

The hour has come for all Zion to make an absolute surrender to God, to make the consecration which He demands, and to receive the Gift of the Holy Spirit through Consecration and through the Prayer of Faith.

Having once received the Holy Spirit, then Zion people will be endued with power to go north, east, west and south to be God's witnesses,—yes, indeed, to be God's witnesses everywhere throughout the world.

The attention of one and all is called to the decision to consolidate the Zion Herald with Leaves of Healing, and henceforth to print but one paper, LEAVES OF HEALING, in a different and enlarged form.

Zion should have but one paper, for, in Zion, all things are sacred, and the work of the Kingdom is, for convenience, divided into the Ecclesiastical, Educational, Commercial and Political. One paper should represent all these interests.

Notwithstanding the fact that the subscription price for the Zion Herald and Leaves of Healing has been three dollars a year, the subscription price of LEAVES OF HEALING in the new and enlarged form will be only fifty cents (50c) a year, —except to places outside of the United States the subscription price will be one dollar ($1.00) a year. This rate of one dollar applies to Canada.

All subscribers to Leaves of Healing and the Zion Herald should at once see that whereas but one family have been hitherto supplied with Zion literature for three dollars ($3.00) a year, now the LEAVES OF HEALING can be sent to six families for an entire year for the same amount of money.

LEAVES OF HEALING in the new form will be sold by all Zion branches at one cent a copy.

There is nothing like Zion literature, and it should be circulated by Zion workers throughout the world.

Go to the sinful, the sick, the suffering and the dying, and tell them the sweet old story of Jesus the Christ—"the same yesterday, today and forever."

It is not without a feeling of sorrow that I cease printing and sending out Zion Herald. Without any doubt, God inspired the launching of the paper, and for the past two or three years it has played a very important part in Zion's battles and developments. However, from all standpoints, it will be far better for the work to consolidate the papers; and now that the subscription price has been made so low—ridiculously low when you look at it from a business standpoint,—the one paper, LEAVES OF HEALING, ought very quickly to have twenty thousand subscriptions.

May God grant that the Little White Dove, which in years gone by took the sweet message of the Gospel of Salvation, Healing and Holy Living to multitudes throughout the world, may again fly in all directions, carrying the Everlasting Gospel of the Kindgom of God to earth's teeming millions.

Once more I would remind all officers, members and friends of Zion that I have made two offers for the entire Zion Estate, viz:—$700,000 in cash; and $900,000 on time, to be paid during a period of eight years.

It is expected that a decision in this matter will be reached on July 14th.

Let one and all, everywhere, pray that the Zion Estate will again come into Zion's hands, and, under the blessing of God, be made a place of refuge for multitudes of God's children from all parts of the world.

The work at Headquarters, these days, is exceptionally heavy, and I need the prayers and help of all Zion that my hands may be upheld in the glorious work which God has entrusted me to do.

Zion is not dead;—Zion is very much alive.

Zion is now coming forth from what her enemies thought

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to be her tomb, with resurrection glory, to go forward in the accomplishment of her wonderful and far-reaching mission befor the second coming of Christ.

BE THOU FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH!
WATCH AND PRAY! and work for the extension of God's Kingdom as never before!

Trusting that I shall have the pleausre of meeting and greeting many of you at the Convocation, and praying God's richest blessing, upon you, I am

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,
WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA.

"The Baptism of the Holy Spirit"

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noon who are going straight to hell, and they know it; and as to how many, since they believed, have been filled with the Holy Ghost, it is a very serious question in my mind.

A Difficult Task Imposed.

God forbid that I should ever murmur; but God has put upon me one of the hardest tasks that ever was put upon any man—He called me to try to rescue a lot of people who have lost their money, and I would rather be given the duty of rescuing the dead. It is mighty hard work to get any enthusiasm into the heart of a man who has lost a dollar and thirty-seven cents in Zion.

Ah, my brothers and sisters, talk about getting the money to redeem Zion City; we will get it when we get what they got on the Day of Pentecost. There are some of you people whose pocket-books have had the lock-jaw for the last forty years.

Some of you people need to do like a certain man did about whom I was told, and who had piles of money. They were taking up an offering for some cause and, of course, to be respectable, he thought he would put in a ten-cent piece. He took out his pocket-book and watched the ushers coming, and took out a bill; then he put back the bill and took out a silver coin, a half-dollar; then he put that back and took out a quarter, and then just as they were coming nearer to him he put back the quarter and took out a dime; and then just as the ushers came near to him he said, "Go in there! you old human nature!" and he threw in the pocket-book and everything it contained.

There are others of you who are like the young man—you are very respectable, very nice-looking and very nice to meet; but the Lord Jesus the Christ loved the young man and told him, "One thing thou lackest yet, go and sell all that you have and give to the poor, and then come and follow Me."

With God there can be no Half-way business.

Ah, yes, seeing the Kingdom, entering into the Kingdom, inheriting the Kingdom! God the Almighty does not propose to stand for any half-way business. And I tell you elders and deacons and deaconesses and members of this Church, when you get to the place where you will just throw yourselves into God's hands absolutely, then you will get the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and you never will until you do. Do you understand that? I know what I am talking about. An absolute surrender—there is the price that all have to pay.

One man will come along and say, "Well, I will be a Zion man if you will give me a position at thirty dollars a week." I say, "You are not the man I am looking for."

Another man will come along and say, "I desire to give myself wholly to God." I say, "All right, I will give you a chance." That man puts himself upon the altar and has no thought of position or of money; and that kind of man will be of some use in building up the work of God's Kingdom. When you get the baptism of the Holy Spirit, all the love of money will go. And I will tell you another thing: the Holy Ghost and the spirit of covetousness do not dwell in the same temple. The Holy Ghost will not occupy, or share a temple with any devil; and the demon of lying and of pride and envy and jealousy and back-biting and uncleanness and dishonesty, all have to go. Are you willing to let them go?

The Rebelliousness of some hearts.

As I was preaching to a certain man not long ago he said, "I do not want to be converted." I have heard people say, "I do not want you to bring the Leaves of Healing to my house any more, because I am afraid that if I read a few more copies I may get converted." Oh, what a sad thing for a man to say; but they do say those things.

I have heard men and women say that if they had to repent in order to receive their healing they would rather die. Ah, it is no wonder that so few receive their healing; and I am not surprised. I have been upon my face before God for more than one person in Zion City; and I have said to my God, "I can get every prayer answered for myself, and I can get prayers answered for the work committed to my hands, what is the matter that when prayer is offered for some men and women, the Heavens are as brass?" And yet I tell you I am not surprised. If I were as far away from God as are the rank and file of people, I would not expect any answer to prayer.

Now regarding these early morning meetings: I am simply going to make the simple announcement and I do not intend to exhort anybody to come. We are going to have the results, even if there are only ten of us who have to stay here until we get them. And as we go along, I will have some things to say that will be a good deal stronger than anything that I have said yet.

I shall fast and pray for days, and from my room of prayer and fasting I shall come to this Tabernacle crying to God to help me, so to speak, that I shall crush every man and every woman to powder, until the yall get right with God. I have no time to talk about money. I say very little about money. I know that if the people are converted and sanctified the money will be all right—no trouble about that. The first thing is to get the people right.

ASK, and ye shall receive.
SEEK, and ye shall find.
KNOCK, and it shall be opened unto you.

Do you hear that little child come up to the door and knock, and you answer "No, you cannot come in now, wait a minute." Then another little knock on the door, "No, I am busy now, you cannot come in here, you must not bother me." Presently another little knock, and you say, "Dear me, I would just as well open the door." Now, that is just the way to knock if you want God to open the door. When God the Almighty looks upon a man of that kind, He says, "That man is in earnest."

Christian Professors Living far from Privileges.

My brothers and sisters, we live a million miles this side of our privileges in Christ Jesus.

"He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me: and he that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself unto him."—John 14:21.

My brothers and sisters, study the life of Daniel. Daniel was a man greatly beloved of God.

Now, get to these early morning meetings, even if you can stay for only five minutes; and when you come I do not want to hear any talking. I want you to enter this Tabernacle in silence, praying; and when you enter that prayer-room I want you to kneel, and and if I catch any of you not kneeling I will go for you. I will say, "O God, strike that miserabe sinner there, and make him kneel down." I believe in kneeling in prayer. I believe that the only hope for some of the people to whom I am now preaching, is to get them to limber their stiff knees, and to get them to kneel before God. And when I remodel this Tabernacle to put in a pipe-organ, I shall put a little bench between the rows of seats, so that when you come in you will be required to kneel in prayer.

Dig Deep.

Now, we are going to dig real deep this time. The last Convocation was a great season, but that is now past, and that was not anything compared to what this one is going to be. I did not start these meetings myself, and one glorious thing about them, we cannot close them; and I hope the time is close at hand when they will run on all day and all night. If only we were half as earnest as are the devil's children, we would turn the world up-side-down in a few years.

Just go to Chicago today and watch the theaters, and although it is hot, yet you could see them packed to the very doors, and a dense throng standing there for half an hour before the door is opened.

No Divine Enthusiasm without the Holy Spirit.

Last night I read the statement of a certain wise man, that "No movement ever succeeds without enthusiasm;" and there will be no divine enthusiasm except where the Holy Spirit dwells.

Ah, my brothers and sisters, if only you were as earnest as some by whose bedsides I have had to stand in Zion City! At the time of the last Convocation, did I not tell you—when more than twelve hundred people came forward to the platform and reconsecrated themselves to God—that the next place where I would see some of them would be by their death-bed? Ah, how often that has come true during the past twelve months; and as I go to the bedside and they look up into my face and say, "Oh, I sent for you because I want you to forgive me for

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the way I have talked about you." And I say, "Forgiven," and do not mention it again. And then you can see them gasping for breath and hear them say, "O Father, if only You will heal me this time I will go to church, I will join the choir, I will be a faithful Seventy worker! O Father, if only You will heal me this once, I will do everything You want me to do!"

Ah, yes, my brothers and sisters, but this afternoon is the time to lift your hands to God and to tell Him that you are going to do it now; because it is too late then.

Ah, yes, at the Convocation last year how well I remember saying, regarding certain women who took no interest at all in the meetings, "Mark my word, the day will come when they will plead with me for prayer. Not many weeks ago my telephone bell rang, and it was a message from one of these women, saying that she was very sick and wanted prayer, and I sent Elder Carey to see her.

Along late in the night, about two weeks ago, my telephone bell rang, and there was a message to pray for a former deacon. The doctors had him in their hands and wanted to perform an operation; and the poor boy thought of Zion; but they went ahead and performed the operation, and he never recovered consciousness. But that is all right, the doctors can murder them by the hundreds and thousands and nothing is said. It is popular, you know.

I want to tell you, whoever you are, some day you will have to give an account to God; and I am not going to close this meeting—nor any other meeting—without giving every sinner an opportunity to march down one of these aisles and come upon this platform and say to God, "Father, I have sinned in Thy sight. I give myself to Thee."

Renewal of Vow.

Is there a sinner here this afternoon who is ready to do that? In the second place, are there those here who once stood under the banner of Zion and who have not filled in their renewal application forms and are ready to take hold today and go forward and help in this battle?

After the twentieth day of July, all renewal application forms will be withdrawn. I believe that by the twentieth day of July the Zion Estate will be in my hands. I have had faith in God. I have not fallen on my face scores of times and cried to God in vain to redeem Zion City. I believe that God will give this Estate to me. I believe the day will come when I shall have the joy of floating the Zion Banner over every foot of Zion City. (Amens).

And, I tell you, we will not keep the door open forever on these renewal application forms. Those who do not respond by the night of the twentieth of July—the renewal application forms will be withdrawn.

Zion's Truths cannot be Escaped.

Ah, some may say, "We do not have to come back." Well, I tell you, every last one in Zion City will have to come under my leadership, or else they will have to go—one or the other. (Amens). And that is not because I say it; but I want to tell you that God the Almighty has wrought some wonderful signs; and yet some people are blind, and cannot see it.

God planted Zion City, and God is watching over Zion City. And I am where I am today, thank God, because I have been true to principle and have not compromised nor wavered. And among my very best friends, I count men who have come to see that during all these years I have been consistent; and that the only solution of the Zion City problem is for Voliva to have it.

We are going to save this as a Zion City, and I want to get you right, because thousands of people are going to come in here; and I say to you that it will be only a few years until I shall preach to congregations that will pack this Tabernacle to the doors; and I propose to have this Church right.

God never put a sweet little babe into a dead mother's arms; and God is not going to put newly-born spiritual babes into a dead church; and so I say to you—both officers and members—get down upon your knees and go to praying as you never have prayed before.

Ah, a lot of you need healing; how much of an effort are you putting forth to get your healing? Now, I will tell you—get down to business. It is just as easy for a man to get his healing as it was for me to get Shiloh Tabernacle when everybody was against me.

God has led me on step by step and, as I said to three men who came up a few days ago for a conference, "I owe you nothing. I have won in Zion City and I do not owe you anything for what I have today; because if you had had your way I would not have had any church building or any church at all, and no choir, no orchestra, no band, no membership, no store; I would not have had anything in Zion City; but, by the grace of God, I have triumphed over all your opposition." And, as Dr. Dowie used to say, "One man with God is a majority." Now, Zion, let us get down to business.

My brothers and sisters, there is a great deal of repenting to be done. We had a number of confessions this morning, and confession is good for the soul. Yes; and I intend to keep this up until every sinner confesses. The first thing is to let you see yourselves as you are; and yet right in the face of my talks, some people want to tell me what saints they are.

We are going to have a Holy Ghost called, made and filled Ministry in this Church; and we do not want what we used to have here. You will remember that Dr. Dowie, in the Feast of 1905, told the elders that he would send them all out and give them six weeks' trial, and that if they did not produce some fruits he would simply demand the resignation of the whole outfit of them. And he was perfectly right. A man whose ministry does not produce any fruit, ought to resign.

I tell you, a man who is called of God and has the seal of God set upon him, will have the sinner saved and the sick healed, and he will make the devil rise up, in all of his might, and seek to overthrow him.

Now, perhaps some of you do not like this talk. Well, that suits me all the better. I wish that every one of you who is not right, would get mad at me this afternoon. My prayer to God is that I shall never fear the face of any man or any woman. I am not going to be afraid to tell the truth, even if I am shot for it; and I tell you, my brothers and sisters, there is a great lack of spiritual power—you know that just as well as I do.

Praying for Zion and for all the People.

Now, Zion, let us get down to business, and then people will be swept into the Kingdom one after another. I am praying for all the people; I am praying for all who ever stood under Zion's Banner throughout the world. I have often said that I would like to see the day when everything in connection with this work would be all right in the sight of God; and I believe that, if I am true and faithful, God will permit me to live to see that day. I hope to be able to bequeath a wonderful heritage to those who shall follow, and we will do it by keeping humble before God and by meeting the conditions of God's Word and having a true apostolic fellowship.

Zion City built for the Saints of God.

Now, may God bless you. I want you to sing an invitation hymn. Is there one sinner here who is ready to surrender now. You are not all saints; you may be saints all but about a half-dozen, but there are some sinners here. Are you ready to surrender to God this afternoon? Do you live in Zion City? What right have you to live in Zion City? Zion City was built for the saints. Zion City was built by the Christian Catholic Church in Zion for the Christian Catholic Church in Zion, and Zion City was built to be inhabited by Christians; and if you are not a Christian, then what right have you inside the corporate limits of Zion City—you dirty, stinking tobacco users and low-down whisky-guzzlers, you would better repent and do it in a hurry, because—you mark what I say—I will send an army after you, and I will hunt down the last transgressor within the corporate limits of Zion City, and will bring you to book sooner or later.

Zion City must be cleaned up. Let the fire of God burn. Do you want to help clean it up?

People—"Yes!"

GENERAL OVERSEER—Then get into line and join God's army, and let us go forward to build a City for God. (Amens).

The Fourteenth

Annual Convocation

of the

CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION

will be held, God willing, in

Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois

Beginning LORD'S DAY, JULY 10th, and Closing WEDNESDAY NIGHT, JULY 20th

Three Services will be held each day

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TO SUBSCRIBERS

AFTER prayerful, thoughtful consideration of the needs of subscribers, and of the great objects and purposes to be advanced by the publication of Zion Literature, it has been decided to consolidate THE ZION HERALD and LEAVES OF HEALING under the name ---so familiar and so dear to all Zion ---"LEAVES OF HEALING."

The purpose is to increase the size of the publication, but to leave it in Magazine form, consisting of eight pages enlarged so as to give almost twice as much matter as the present Leaves of Healing.

The first issue of "LEAVES OF HEALING" in the new form will be issued Friday, July 8, 1910, being Volume XXVI, No. 1, and the subscription price will be **only 50 cents a year.**

Our great desire is to get Leaves of Healing into the hands of multiplied thousands of people in all parts of the world, and for this reason the subscription price has been reduced to **only 50 cents** a year. This reduction may seem startling---from $3.00, the present rate for both The Zion Herald and Leaves of Healing, to only 50 cents---but we believe that God will help to provide the means by increasing the subscriptions and the circulation. The work is God's; and certainly every member of Zion, and every friend of Truth and Righteousness, can well afford to secure and send in a number of subscriptions at this remarkably low rate and thus help to get the message of Salvation, Healing and Holy Living before the minds and hearts of countless thousands.

This will be the last issue of Levaes of Healing in the present form, closing volume XXV.

All present subscribers for The Zion Herald will receive the Leaves of Healing in the new form instead of the Herald.

In another place in this issue will be found form of Subscription blank for Leaves of Healing. Let everybody use this form and begin at once to push and keep pushing to secure and send in subscriptions, and help to get 15,000 or 20,000 or more subscribers before the close of the Convocation soon to be held.

The work is the Lord's, and He has commanded that the Gospel of the Kingdom of God shall be preached to all nations.

PRAY AND WORK AS NEVER BEFORE.

Zion Seventies

J. W. Friend General Recorder

"If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?"—Luke 11:13.

Throughout all the ages God has called upon His people to sanctify themselves to His service.

Before God can use you as a successful worker in His Vineyard you must place yourself, all that you have, and all you ever expect to have, upon His altar, and leave it there.

Let the Holy Spirit completely fill your life, and proceed from you as RIVERS of LIVING water.

"Except ye be born of the water and of the Spirit, ye cannot enter the Kingdom of God."

This Jesus spake concerning the new birth, the BEGINNING OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

In the Gospel according to St. John we have the beautiful story of the Samaritan woman coming to the well to draw water. Her pitcher was empty. She came to Jesus. He told her that if she would drink of the water that He would give her she would never thirst; that He would be within her "a well of water springing up into Everlasting Life."

The well of water signified LIFE ABUNDANTLY.

Is your pitcher empty?

Have you come to Jesus and drunk of that water springing up into Everlasting Life?

Has the well of water within you become so full that it has burst its bounds and become the RIVERS OF LIVING WATER?

God is more ready and willing to give you the Holy Spirit than your earthly parents are to give good things to you.

Consecrate your lives to God and pray that He may fill you with His Holy Spirit.

CHICAGO

Report of work done by eleven Seventies in the City of Chicago, for week ending June 19th, 1910:

Calls made	403
Messages given	894
Leaves given	68
Leaves sold	9
Heralds given	22
Heralds sold	2
Invitation cards given	9
Total pieces distributed	1,004

WAUKEGAN

Report of work done in the City of Waukegan by six Choir Seventies from Zion City, Saturday evening, June 25th, 1910:

Calls made	79
Leaves given	6
Leaves sold	50
Heralds given	9
Heralds sold	1
Total pieces distributed	66

These workers visited the saloons and business houses. A quartet of singers visited the jail where they sang for half an hour to the prisoners.

CALIFORNIA

The following report received from Evanglist A. Darms shows Seventy work done in the City of Los Angeles, for half month, ending June 15th, 1910:

Calls made	225
Messages given	200
Leaves sold	60
Heralds sold	60
Leaves given	25
Heralds given	30
Total pieces distributed	375

OREGON

Deacon and Mrs. Frank Robinson send the following report of work done in the City of Portland for two weeks, ending June 19th, 1910:

Houses visited	369
Messages given	320
Heralds sold	34
Tracts sold	13
Leaves sold	39
Leaves given	3
Total pieces distributed	409

WISCONSIN

The following is report of Seventy work done in the City of Kenosha, Saturday night, June 25th, 1910, by eleven workers from Division No. 1 of the Choir Seventies:

German messages given	10
Leaves sold	24
Heralds sold	39
Tracts given	190
Total pieces distributed	263

A service was held in the County jail at which one man was reported to have given himself to God. The Seventies returned with joy.

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