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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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GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Perfectly Healed of Strangulated Hernia by the Power of God, in Answer to Prayer After Reading "Leaves of Healing"

"I AM THE LORD THAT HEALETH THEE."—Exodus 15:26.

Down through the centuries these words have proclaimed with trumpet sound that God is the Healer of His people.

God, through prophet, priest, and apostle, has sought to make known the glad tidings of a full salvation, for spirit, soul and body, to a sin stricken and disease smitten humanity.

The Word of God abounds with laws, instructions, promises and commands concerning the will of God in cases of sickness and disease.

THE LAW IN DIVINE HEALING

God has not left us in ignorance concerning our bodies.

The most complete and perfect laws of health are given in the Bible, in the books of Leviticus and Deuteronomy.

Perfect observance of the laws of God, both spiritual and physical, will insure health.

Health is the reward of strict obedience to these laws on the part of God's servants.

God has promised to keep the obedient from sickness, and bless them in temporal things.

"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.



MR. ABBOTT TAYLOR

God's laws are paramount, and they cannot be broken with impunity. There is a penalty for every broken law, and every departure from the truth will be justly punished.

When laws have been broken and their operation suspended, they must again become operative by restoring the connection, or the conditions under which they operate.

Therefore, if through sin, which is the transgression of law, sickness has resulted, then sin must be repented of and put away before health can be restored.

THE LAW IN DIVINE KEEPING

Jesus made this very plain when He said to the man sick of the palsy; "Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee." Afterward He also healed him of the palsy which was the result of the man's sin.

Purity and health travel together.

Sin and sickness travel together.

There is no greater sin than the sin of unbelief. Doubting God is trampling the blood of Christ under foot.

Sickness is often the result of the sin of unbelief.

Where there is sickness there is sin.

Where there is no sin there is no sickness.

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Satan is the author of sin!

There is no sin in Heaven, where God dwells, therefore there is no sickness in Heaven, or, in other words, there is no sickness in Heaven because there is no sin in Heaven.

When the will of God is done on earth, and righteousness abounds, there will be no sickness or disease on earth.

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.

The Coming Redemption of the Body

The glorious hope of every true child of God, today, is the "redemption of the body." A glorified body free from sin and sickness — like unto the glorified body of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ. A body in which we shall reign with Him throughout the Millennium, and until every enemy is put under His feet — even death itself destroyed — and THE KINGDOM delivered up to God, even the Father.

This is the will of God, and it shall be consummated.

God made man perfect — in His own image! But Satan tempted man, and through sin marred the image of God.

Through transgression man fell, and the terrible results of sin came upon all humanity — sickness, disease, death, and hell.

Thank God! Jesus paid the penalty for man's transgressions and satisfied the law's demands.

Divine Healing a Part of the Atonement

He atoned for our sins and our sicknesses!

Both the Old and New Testaments declare this great truth.

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. — Isaiah 53:5.

When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities and bear our sicknesses. — Matthew 8:16, 17.

This is the teaching of God's Word, and were it not for false teachers and false shepherds the glorious truth of God's healing and keeping power would be believed by His people today the same as it was in Bible times.

The Christian life is a life of faith — faith in God, and in His Word.

Faith for Divine Healing and for Divine Keeping Restored in Zion

The witness whose healthy face accompanies this article was groping in the darkness abounding in the churches today.

No minister ever had told him about Jesus the Healer! No religious paper ever had brought him the message of Salvation, Healing and Holy Living! There was no one of all the professing Christians he knew who ever pointed him to Jesus Who is just the same today — the same Savior, the same Healer, and the same Keeper!

No! Not until a copy of LEAVES OF HEALING was brought to him, did he get the light.

The Power of a Living Faith

He accepted the truth as declared in LEAVES OF HEALING, and through faith in Jesus, in answer to prayer, he was wonderfully healed of a terrible rupture from which he had suffered for over seven long years.

He believed, and although many years have passed away since that day, he is well and strong, kept by the power of God.

What faith has done for him it will do for every suffering and afflicted child of God.

The prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. — James 5:15.

The prayer of faith is the key to blessing.

"ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE TO HIM THAT BELIEVETH." — Mark 9:23.

— APOSTLE WM. S. PECKHAM.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MR. ABBOTT TAYLOR

Heysham Harbour,
Morecambe, Lancashire,
England.
May 1, 1919.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Administration Building,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I am sure you will be pleased for me to give my testimony of God's wonderful healing power.

While acting as pilot on board a coasting steamer entering Morecambe Harbour, Lancashire, England, I slipped and fell very awkwardly on the deck and injured myself, which resulted in hernia. When I was examined by Doctor Watterson of Morecambe, he advised me to wear a truss. He procured a truss for me, which I wore for seven years, during which time I suffered intense pain, and was often tortured by the wearing of it.

Later the LEAVES OF HEALING came into my hands, and I was enlightened through reading them; and I saw that it was not the will of God, our Father, that any of His children should suffer as I was suffering, knowing that Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, gave Himself a Ransom to deliver us, by taking upon Himself our sickness, and suffering the death upon the cross that we might be free.

For some reason, I was unable to claim my healing. I slipped again on the deck of a vessel, which resulted in my trouble becoming strangulated hernia. When I reached home, out of my great agony I cried to God for deliverance. He heard my cry and delivered me from all pain as I was on my knees in prayer.

I praise God for His great mercy to me.

I did not remove the truss until the next day. While I was walking down along the seashore, praising God for delivering me from pain, the Spirit of God asked me why I was wearing the truss. I was unable to answer. As the swelling had not yet disappeared, I was careful and was afraid to remove the truss, but at that moment as I was praising God I was delivered from fear. I immediately went home and removed the truss and have not worn one from that day to this.

About two years ago, I was again examined by Dr. Watterson, the same doctor, and was pronounced sound and fit.

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,
(Signed) ABBOTT TAYLOR.

CONFIRMATORY TESTIMONY OF MRS. DOROTHY TAYLOR

Rose Cottage, Heysham Harbour,
Morecambe, Lancashire, England.
May 1, 1919.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Administration Building,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I take great pleasure in confirming my husband's testimony in regard to his marvelous healing of strangulated hernia.

He had been ruptured for some years before we heard of Zion, when eventually the LEAVES OF HEALING came to our hands. We saw many possibilities for ourselves and our children, among them the healing of my husband, which was often discussed.

One day, the climax came. He had piloted a vessel up to Morecambe, and fell on the iron deck causing the herina to become strangulated. On his arrival at home, his face bespoke the agony he was suffering. There was little said, as I thought, in my ignorance, an operation was necessary. He went upstairs at once. I was busy at the time, but I prayed earnestly for him. I could distinctly hear his groans and prayers, and was in agony of spirit myself, not knowing what a moment might bring forth.

In about half an hour, he came down. I saw that his countenance had changed and before I spoke to him he said, "It is done." The pain and strangulation had disappeared, for which we praised and glorified God. The truss was discarded and has not been worn since.

As I am writing this letter, the tray on which my daughter Naomi lay so long is being packed to send to Zion City with Deacon Jasper H. DePew, which is fulfilling a long desire of ours to place this trophy among the others on the walls of Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois. God has indeed answered prayers and given me my heart's desire in this and other things, for which I am truly grateful to God and Zion.

God has wonderfully blessed us in all things pertaining to this life and the next.

My daughter Naomi, who is employed under the government at London, recently visited us, whose testimony I gave five years ago when I visited Zion. She has recently passed an examination in the Civil Service, which included a stringent physical examination by the doctor, and was accepted for service under the government in London.

My daughter's healing still holds good and she can walk as far and as good as I can.

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,
(Signed) Mrs. Dorothy Taylor.

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A MOST IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

So far during the Fourth Year (1919-1920) of work in Zion Educational Institutions, almost nine hundred pupils and students have enrolled. A force of thirty teachers is hard at work.

The allowances for these teachers and the other expenses for the year will require about Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000).

An immediate individual responsibility rests upon each Officer, Member, and Friend of Zion to support these (our own) Zion Schools to the utmost extent of his ability.

Have you one or more children in the Schools? Then do your part in helping to maintain the Schools.

Have you no children to put in the Schools? Then do your part in this phase of God's work in Zion by helping to maintain the Schools, where some one else's children may be properly trained in the ways of God and Zion.

Pray for Divine guidance and act at once! today! this very hour!

Fill out and sign one of the following pledge cards (if for a family, the blue Family card; if for one person only, the white Individual card), and hand or send it to the Vice-President, Apostle Anton Darms, or to Apostle Ernest E. Harwood, General Ecclesiastical Secretary.

Beloved brothers and sisters in Jesus the Christ, this is a very urgent matter, of the utmost importance! Get it into your hearts! Act now! Do not delay!

If you live at a distance and have no pledge cards, fill out one of the blanks printed below and mail to

Apostle Ernest E. Harwood,
General Ecclesiastical Secretary,
Administration Building,
Zion, Illinois, U. S. A.

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To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
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For the support of ZION SCHOOLS for twelve months — October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920 — we (.....in number) will contribute $.....

Signed.....

Address.....

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President of ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS:

For the support of ZION SCHOOLS for twelve months—October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920—I will contribute . . . . . $.....

Signed.....

Address.....

Praying God to bless and guide you in this and all other matters pertaining to your Christian life and conduct, I am

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

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The True Meaning of a Christian Life

A Report of the Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, at the Service Held During Zion's Nineteenth Feast of Tabernacles in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U.S.A., Monday Morning, July 14, 1919.

(Reported by E. I. Carey)

There is something in my heart that I earnestly pray I may be able to make plain to you, and that is this: Many men and women never get beyond babyhood in the spiritual life.

In the physical life, when there has been a proper marriage—a marriage consummated by the Holy Spirit — the coming of a child into that home is a time of great joy. If, however, that child does not grow, does not walk, does not talk, does not develop in strength, there is great sadness. Most men and women, when they see a child of that kind, always have a feeling of pity and sorrow.

Strong, Stalwart Christians Needed Today

If I could be used of God during this Feast of Tabernacles, by opening up the Word, in bringing some into the light so that they would become *stalwart Christians,* what a wonderful thing it would be!

God has done His part, and has provided salvation and healing and complete redemption for spirit, for soul, and for body.

In the morning of the first resurrection and the Rapture, the saints will become immortal, and never again will they sin, never again will they have a pain. Sin and death will have no more dominion over them.

Sin is a terrible thing!

No man or woman has gone very far in the Christian life who has not an indescribable hatred and loathing for sin.

There are men and women who have made an apparent start in the Christian life, but it does not take a spiritually minded person very long to discern that they have not gotten very far along. Instead of being spiritual, they are fleshly; instead of walking in the Spirit of God, they are walking after the flesh; their conversation is disgusting; their walk is disgusting.

We see today, on every hand, what sin has done. No man can describe sin and its results. Well-nigh the whole human family is in the hands of the Devil; and one can see, by the mental and the physical manifestations, the horrible results of man's rebellion against God — the yielding of the members of the body to the service of the Devil, the giving rein to the passions.

I have very little sympathy for a man who can go and get drunk after having had the Gospel for years. I have very little sympathy for a man who will leave his wife and children and become a dirty, low-down adulterer. I tell you, when a man can forget his days of courtship, forget his wife and his children, and live the life of a dog, he is not entitled to any sympathy.

Why should a man make a farce out of his profession?

No Excuse for Sin in the Believer's Life

Now, I am willing to walk the floor with the baby and to feed him with a spoon for a year or two, but I expect him to grow and to make some progress, and some day I expect him to try to *crawl.*

Sin has separated humanity from God.

There is no sin in God, there is no sin in our Precious Lord, there is no sin in Heaven. Nothing enters there that defiles.

During the Feast of Tabernacles I want to combat that lie of Roman Catholicism that by sprinkling a little water on a baby's face his heart is thereby regenerated. Why, men who are murderers and whoremongers and saloon-keepers are counted as good Roman Catholics. But God does not count them. They are children of the Devil — the "children of wrath." That is the reason the Roman Catholic church is called a harlot in the Bible.

We soon will see, with our own eyes, Rome come back into her former power.

In the League of Nations the Pope of Rome rules twenty-four of the nations out of the forty. That leaves the so-called Protestants sixteen. What the Pope has to say will GO. The Pope will be the head of ecclesiastical Babylon. It will not be twelve months — you mark what I say — before the League of Churches will be running parallel with the League of Nations.

The same lie (baptismal regeneration) is taught in the Lutheran church, in the Episcopalian church, and in the Church of England. It was just that kind of thing that John and Charles Wesley started out to combat. No doubt they were raised up of God for that especial work, and they made a straight line for regeneration and conversion, experimental religion and vital piety.

It is a nice thing to have baptized saloon-keepers, baptized harlots, baptized thieves, baptized murderers, running around over the country by the millions and being counted as Christians!

The Campellite church (the Christian church) is not a whit better than Rome or Lutheranism, because Alexander Campbell fell into the same error and taught the same lie — that water baptism is a part of regeneration. You may talk to nine hundred and ninety-nine Campbellites out of a thousand, and they will point to water baptism for salvation. They are terribly deceived!

In these last days we have ten leading cults that are growing like prairie fires, and the foundation of every one of them is either that man does not need any salvation or that he can save himself. They are lies of the Devil!

The Church, the Dwelling Place of the Holy Spirit

Now, Christ, this morning, sits at the right hand of God. The Holy Spirit dwells within each saint, and dwells within the invisible Body, made up of all the saints. His mission during this Church Period is to take the redemptive work of Christ and apply it to the members of the mystical Body.

The very first work of the Holy Spirit is to enter into the inmost being of man. Man cannot turn to God himself. He is corrupt. He is depraved. Every inclination of the "natural man" is to sin and to do wickedness — and away from God.

No man can come to Me, except the Father Who hath sent Me DRAW HIM...—John 6:44.

There are other passages just as plain as that, but this one will be enough.

The idea of having any one in this Church who never had learned to talk the language of the Spirit or to *walk!* An individual of that kind is a spiritual monstrosity. I seriously question the conversion of a man who can talk about everything else but God.

We read in the Word of God about *abiding in Christ.* Before a man can dwell in this room he has to enter it, has he not? And before a man can abide in Christ he has to *get into* Christ. Before Christ can abide in him He has to come into him.

Beloved, our Savior is not some one outside of us. Our Savior dwells within us, and there is an actual, a real spiritual union. Christ dwells within us and we dwell in Christ. The first thing that has to be effected is a union between the individual and Christ. That is brought about by the Holy Spirit. Of course,

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the individual has his part, having had imparted to him a new, a holy disposition, a new affection; because it is not within the power of a man to suspend the operation of the old nature. He cannot do it. It would be just as impossible as it would be for an Ethiopian to change his skin or for a leopard to change his spots.

You cannot make one hair of your head white or black. You cannot add a single cubit to your stature.

Now, the Devil has filled the world with this shameful lie that a depraved, corrupt man can take care of all this himself. Well, he cannot do it! In the days of the Wesleys — and even when I was a boy, in the Methodist church they insisted on what they called on *experience*. When a man is regenerated and converted he has *quite* an experience, I tell you! A man cannot be turned inside out and upside down and revolutionized from the inmost principle of his being, without having some kind of experience; and without it he is just so much lumber on deck that ought to be thrown overboard.

Fruitbearing, the Evidence of Being a New Creature in Christ

When a man is united to the Lord Jesus Christ; when Christ comes into him and he gets into Christ; when he becomes a "new creature," you do not have to talk about coming to the house of God — you could not keep him away; you do not have to talk to him about reading the Bible — you could not keep him from reading it.

If you went out in the orchard when everything was conducive and the trees were in perfect health and tried, with a club, to keep a pear tree from bearing pears, would you be successful?

A lot of people are trying to make themselves believe that they are Christians, when they slip and slide and serve the Devil, and so on and so forth. They are the same old reprobates, with corrupt, depraved natures, that they were before.

When a man is regenerated and converted, every part of his being is acted upon by the Holy Spirit, and a change takes place in his body. If he is a drunkard, the appetite for drink leaves him; and so does the appetite for tobacco, and all the other habits of the "old man."

Regeneration means TO BE BORN ANEW. The Bible speaks of it as being made a "new creature."

When a man is converted, you could not drag him into a dance hall; you could not get him into an house of assignation; you could not induce him to sit down and gamble — because he has "crucified" the "old man," and all the deeds of the "old man" go, too.

Now, in some cases, I have no doubt at all in my mind that the individuals never have been converted or regenerated. While God will do His part, at the same time, man is a free moral agent and can exercise will power — which he must do.

First, the Holy Spirit imparts a new affection, or a new and a holy disposition; then it is for the man to *turn*.

How Regeneration and Conversion are Brought About

Conversion is man's part; regeneration is God's part. They are simply two phases of one act. Regeneration is God, through the Holy Spirit, turning a man to Himself; conversion is man's part — turning himself to God.

Regeneration is instantaneous; conversion is instantaneous; and when the time comes for the Rapture you will be changed from a mortal being into an immortal being in less than the twinkling of an eye.

What a pitiful spectacle it is to see a man laboring under the impression that he has five or ten years in which to be regenerated and "born anew."

The moment he is united with Christ is the moment of regeneration; and as the man turns, conversion, union with Christ, regeneration, all take place at the same time.

Conversion involves repentance and faith. Repentance is the negative side; faith is the positive side. Repentance is the man's turning away from sin, and faith is his turning to Christ. Faith is implanted by the Holy Spirit.

Faith and intellectual assent are poles asunder. All some people have ever had is intellectual assent, and it does not amount to the snap of your finger!

Faith is implanted by the Holy Spirit, and it comes from above. Some people have the erroneous opinion that because the Bible says faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God, what I have said is not correct. It *is* correct. It is simply that there are two sides to one act. The instrument of the Holy Spirit in perfecting the union with Christ and regenerating a man is the Word of God; but the Holy Spirit does not act upon the Word, but upon the MAN.

Truth is true, and it cannot be made any more true. It is nonsense to talk about energizing the truth, or impenetrating the truth! The Holy Spirit energizes the *man*, impenetrates the *man*, imparts a new and a holy disposition to him. Then it is for the man to exercise the holy disposition or the new affections imparted by the Holy Spirit.

Faith is a Divine thing, and it was perfectly proper for the disciples to pray, "Lord, increase our faith."

The Elements of a Noble, Christian Character

Some time in the future I shall deliver an address on the First Chapter of Second Peter. It is a most wonderful chapter.

....Add to your FAITH virtue;—

The Greek word simply means "complete the chorus." Faith cannot live alone, and what Peter does here is to call upon faith to "complete the chorus."

....Add to your faith virtue;—

"Divine courage" is the meaning of the Greek word that is here translated "virtue."

—And to virtue knowledge;

What knowledge?

As a man adds to his faith virtue and meets every temptation, every trial, and every complication with a Divinely implanted courage, he needs the power of discretion — the power to discern between good and evil, right and wrong. That is the meaning of it.

....Add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance;—

A man who is not temperate will never get anywhere. By "temperance," most persons think it refers to drinking of intoxicating liquors. Well, I am not a temperance man when it comes to liquors: I am a TOTAL ABSTAINER. When it comes to eating and drinking, I am a *temperate man*.

Now, what an awful curse that teaching is that faith is intellectual assent to a proposition! There never was a bigger lie of the Devil!

Faith is born of God. Its origin is Divine. It is implanted by the Holy Spirit.

Belief and faith are infinitely apart. All the rank and file of people have is a little intellectual belief.

Do you believe in God?

"Yes; it wouldn't be respectable if I didn't!"

Well, it will not be long until it will not be respectable if you *do!* We are coming to that in this old world very rapidly, and man is looked upon as a stupid fool if he believes in God and does not run with the Crowd, and drink and smoke and gamble and carouse and serve the Devil.

Well, it is a fine thing to be a fool for Christ's sake!

The Bible says that the Cross is "foolishness" to the "natural man." He laughs at it. Preaching is foolishness to him.

Earnestness Needed to Progress in the Christian Life

Now, my brothers and sisters in Christ — and especially you people here who have never gotten anywhere — it is time for you to get down to business, unless you expect to go to hell.

I am not running these meetings; I am leaving that to the Holy Spirit. But I am praying that some time, in one of these meetings, the Spirit of God will take hold of a number of people, and that, without any word from human lips, they will get down here on their knees and never rest, day nor night, until they *get somewhere*.

I should hate to think that today I might be tempted a dozen times by the Devil.

Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for His seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.—John 3:9.

Another lie of the Devil is that old maxim that you cannot keep the birds from flying over your head, but you can keep them from making nests in your hair. That is a lie! When you get where you ought to be, you do not have dirty, filthy thoughts in your mind.

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Some people say, "Oh, I have such a struggle to do right!" Well, I don't. It would be a struggle for me to do *wrong*. The very fact that they are having such an awful struggle to do right is evidence to me that they had better fall upon their knees and GET DOWN TO BUSINESS.

The times in which we are living are exactly like the days of Noah.

I want no associations with an unclean man or an unclean woman. A man who cannot see a woman without lusting after her certainly is not a Christian — he is a dirty, low-down dog. The world is full of them, too!

God found only one man before the flood who was not a low-down scoundrel. All the rest of them had gone to the Devil. They could not think a pure thought. Think of a man or a woman who is so low-down that he or she cannot think a pure thought!— and there are millions in that condition today.

I do not believe in any nonsense in this Church! It is high time for some people either to change their ways or pack their trunks and GO.

Saints Delivered from the Penalty of Sin Through Christ's Justification

Now, Justification,— I wonder how much the average church member knows about the meaning of Justification?

You know, our Precious Lord took upon Himself the nature of a man. He was made "in the likeness of sinful flesh;" in other words, He took your place and He took my place; and in doing so He assumed all the legal responsibilities of the race. On Calvary He paid the penalty; so that when my case is called — "Wilbur Glenn Voliva will come to the bar of justice"— I shall be able to say to the Court: "The penalty for my crimes already has been met." No court can demand the penalty the second time: and I shall go free.

That is Justification!

In other words, I am the sinner; Jesus Christ is the Righteous. He says, "You come over here in My place and I shall take your place." He takes my place, answers to my name, pays the penalty by dying — giving His life upon the cross. And if I believe in Him and accept Him, I am free.

The judgment of all saints took place upon Calvary. Therefore, the Eighth Chapter of Romans says:

THERE IS THEREFORE NOW NO JUDGMENT TO THEM WHO ARE IN CHRIST JESUS...

I never shall be judged any more, except for my *works*— to determine the size of my pay-check; that is all! There is no other judgment for the saints. They were judged on Calvary.

When the Rapture takes place, we shall meet the Lord in the First Heaven. We shall then continue to ascend, until we go into the Third Heaven; and in the Third Heaven the judgment seat will be set for three years and one-half. The Lord will sit upon that judgment seat, and the name of every saint will be called. The Devil will be there as the prosecuting attorney of the saints before the judgment seat of Christ, and every man's name will be called; because a record is kept up there. When we sing "Is my name written there?" it means exactly what it says. Any sins in my life that I have not confessed to my High Priest, the Lord Jesus Christ, the Devil will bring to the attention of the Judge. If all my sins have been put under the blood, nothing will be done but to give me my reward, and that the Lord will do. He will assign me my place of rulership with Him over the Millennial Kingdom.

Notwithstanding what is before us, very few people are willing to give up this old world and its pleasures.

Sanctification Provided for Every Believer in Christ Jesus

Now, sanctification is the continuation of regeneration. Regeneration is the birth, sanctification is the growth. Sanctification is not instantaneous. It is not possible for any individual to become a fully redeemed and a full-grown man in Christ Jesus in one minute. That is false doctrine. It would be just as sensible for four little boys to kneel down on this front row and pray until six o'clock tonight that they might be six-foot, two-hundred-pound men.

Notice again: Sanctification is a continuous process — the continuance of regeneration. Regeneration is instantaneous.

After a man is regenerated, the roots of sin are still there. The evil tendencies and inclinations are still there.

With most people, the trouble lies in the fact that they never have gone beyond regeneration. There is the difficulty. They never have given God any chance. Many of them died an instant death; in other words, it was a still birth.

Sanctification is the burning out, the destruction of the roots of sin and the evil tendencies. Sanctification builds us up in the "knowledge of the truth" and in faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. It destroys the old habits, gives us victory, and makes us conquerors through the Lord Jesus Christ.

People have come to me and told me, with tears running down their cheeks, about what terrible tempers they have. Why, a person told me not very many weeks ago that he sometimes grew so angry that he could taste his own blood.

What about some of you?

When the moment comes for us to pass out of this life, we shall die just as we have lived!

You cannot be a snapping turtle when you are well and be an angel when you are sick. Sick people act exactly as they have *lived*. If they are wicked, their wicked ways are intensified a thousand-fold.

Perseverance the Human Side of Sanctification

Sanctification and perseverance are two phases of the same fact, just as regeneration and conversion are two phases of the same fact. Perseverance is man's part. If you give up and do not persevere, God cannot do anything for you or with you.

BELIEVING IN CHRIST—that is the one great, universal fact that men and women must recognize.

Every Christian receives the Holy Spirit. Whenever a man is regenerated and converted, he receives the Holy Spirit right then and there. That is the teaching of the Word of God.

If you receive Jesus the Christ and receive the Holy Spirit, and then stop there, you never will get anywhere.

When a man is filled with the Holy Spirit there is no room for anything else, is there?

How is a man filled with the Holy Spirit?

BY MAKING A FULL SURRENDER!

There are many who have been regenerated and converted, who have received Christ and received the Holy Spirit, but who have never gotten anywhere. They are just where they were when they began — although such a thing cannot be true: THEY HAVE GONE BACKWARDS.

Enoch walked with God — and a saint walks with God.

God is a Reality!

Christ is a Reality!

There is nothing mystical about all this, except that it is more mysterious than some other thing may be.

God is in a piece of charcoal, is He not?

God is in a vegetable, is He not?

He is in a MAN!

Christ is in God and God is in Christ; Christ is in me and I am in Christ!

The Daily Need of Complete Consecration

If you want to progress, make the consecration — make it unreservedly and unqualifiedly!

I should like to be good enough so that if God has something in these days to reveal, I may be the man through whom He will reveal it. That is a proper spirit, is it not?

The angel told Daniel that he was greatly beloved. Now, why was he greatly beloved? Because he was WHOLLY CONSECRATED TO GOD. Therefore, God could hear his prayers and use him; and when Daniel set his heart to know what was to befall his people in the latter days, God heard him and told him.

In the Ninth Chapter of Daniel you will find what is, in some respects, the greatest prophecy between the lids of the Bible.

Here is another thought: We are NOW "partakers of the Divine nature;" not WE SHALL BE.

Let me read you two or three verses in the First Chapter of Second Peter.

Peter was an old man when he wrote these words. Christ had told him the kind of death he was going to die. It is not given to every man to know the kind of death he is going to die. Consequently, he says here:

Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath showed me.

That is a beautiful thought!

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This body is just a house in which we live for a few years. Some day we shall put it off. The glorious body, in some sense, however, comes out of this body, just as the stalk of corn comes out of the grain that is put in the ground.

The Transfiguration of Christ a Miniature Rehearsal of the Rapture and the Revelation

Peter was one of the three apostles who was permitted to go up into the Mount of Transfiguration and to see there what we are going to see after a while. It was a miniature rehearsal of the Rapture and of the Revelation.

For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty.
For He received from God the Father honor and glory, when there came such a voice to Him from the excellent glory, This is My Beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased.
And this voice which came from Heaven we heard, when we were with Him in the holy mount.

That was a great testimony!
Then he goes on to say:

We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the Day Star arise in your hearts:
Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the Scripture is of any private interpretation.

I want to show you the true meaning of that statement: Prophecy and the interpretation thereof are from the Holy Spirit. That is the true meaning of that verse, brethren.

For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.

Oh, the Precious Word of God!
Now, brothers and sisters, let me tell you this: If you do not overcome evil, evil will overcome you and knock you out of the race.

I would rather associate with a bull-pup than with a man who will forsake his God, the Lord Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, and the Word of God, and who will disgrace his father and his mother, his wife and his children, and be an *animal!*

Why do I touch on this?

Because it was the sin of lust that brought the flood; it was the sin of lust that burned Sodom and Gomorrah — and it is the same sin that will bring damnation to this world again!

My desire is to associate with spiritually-minded men and women, and not with animals.

May God bless you, is my earnest prayer!

A Series of Bible Studies

On the Complete Doctrine of the Second Coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus the Christ

By Apostle Willis F. Jordan

(Continued from Study IX, in Volume 44, No. 26)

STUDY X.

THE SECOND COMING DOCTRINE IN THE BOOK OF THE REVELATION:

I. IN CHAPTER ONE:

1. The Book contains "The Revelation of Jesus Christ," i. e., the Book describes how He will be revealed from Heaven (1:1). Compare II Thessalonians 1:7-10 and 2:8.

2. "Behold, He cometh with clouds" (1:7). Compare Daniel 7:9-14 and Matthew 24:29, 30; 26:62-64.

3. The Great Patmos Vision (1:9-18) — a photograph of Christ's appearance from the Rapture onward, during the Seven Years, as the Great Apocalyptic Judge of all individuals, institutions, churches, lodges, nations and confederacies. Verses Thirteen to Sixteen indicate fierce and terrible judgments. All things then go down beneath His Feet of Brass — Judgment.

II. IN THE SEVEN CHURCH MESSAGES:

1. To the Ephesian Period (2:5): Repent, or else I will come unto thee quickly.

2. To the Smyrnian Period (2:10): Be thou faithful UNTO (not until) death (martyrdom — if God's Will so allows) and I will give thee a crown of life.

3. To the Pergamite Period (2:16): Repent, or else I will come unto thee quickly and fight against them with the sword of My mouth.

4. To the Thyatiran Period (2:24, 25): Unto you I say and to the rest in Thyatira.....hold fast till I come.

5. To the Sardinian Period (3:3): If thou wilt not WATCH I will arrive over thee as a thief.

6. To the Philadelphian Period (3:8, 10, 11): I set before thee an OPEN DOOR — the Rapture — to be kept out of The Great Tribulation. Let no man take thy crown.

7. To the Laodicean Period (3:16, 20): I stand at the door and knock. I will spue thee out of My mouth.

III. IN THE REST OF THE BOOK:

1. The open door and the words "Come up hither"— the Rapture — (4:1), and the Judgment Seat of Christ for the Saints —the rest of the chapter.

2. The Angel of Chapter Ten seems to be Jesus Christ: He is "Mighty;" is enveloped with a "cloud;" the "rainbow" was over His head; "His face was as it were the sun" (Matthew 17:2 and Revelation 1:16); "His feet were as pillars of fire" (1:15 with Daniel 7:9, 10, 13): He "cried with a loud voice (1:-15) as when a lion roareth"—"The Lion of the tribe of Judah" (5:5); He descended and placed one foot on the sea and the other on the land, and declared that there should be "delay no longer."

3. The Second Advent brings the fulfillment of 11:15-18— a most important Scripture.

4. The passage (14:1-5 compared with 7:1-8) anticipates the beginning of the Millennium — the commencement of the Kingdom.

5. Verses Fourteen to Twenty contain the Revelation of Jesus Christ in the clouds, and Armageddon.

6. The words in 16:15 are an exhortation to the sorely-pressed Israelitish Remnant, as Armageddon comes on.

7. Verses Seventeen to Twenty-one describe the great earthquake and hailstorm attending Jesus Christ in His Revelation at the end of the Seven Years.

8. Chapter 17:14 is a reference to the Lord's Revelation for Armageddon and the destruction of Antichrist and the kings of the Revived Roman Empire earth.

9. Chapter 19:11-21 is one of the most dramatic and impressive passages in the entire Word of God. It is the Revelation of Jesus Christ as KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS— that to which all Scripture points and arranges for — the climax of the ages — the public setting of "My King upon My holy hill of ZION." All enemies are then swiftly crushed beneath His Feet of Brass.

10. Chapter 22:20 contains the present daily prayer of each real Christian and of the entire Church of Jesus Christ: "EVEN SO, COME, LORD JESUS."

BAPTISMS

The following-named believers were baptized by Triune Immersion on September 20, 1919, by Apostle Silas Moot, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, Illinois:

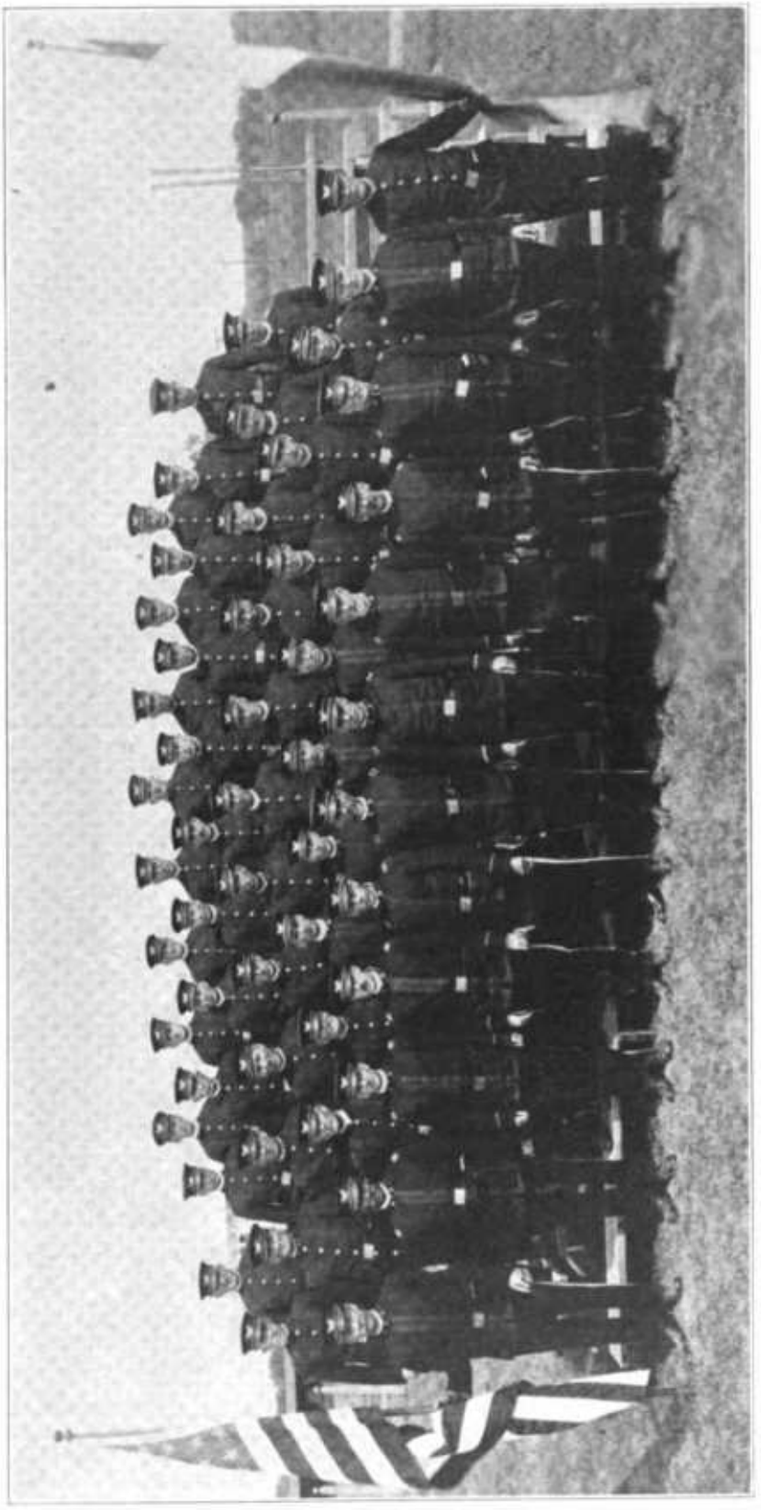
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Koshel, Mrs. Taklia	**Illinois**

Right Hand of Fellowship

The following-named persons received the Right-Hand of Fellowship, Lord's Day, August 4, 1919, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, Illinois:

Bolken, Carl Daniel	**Illinois**
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CHRIST'S TWO COMMISSIONS

By Apostle Carl F. Viking

The First Commission is found in the Tenth Chapter of Matthew, and the Second Commission in the Twenty-eighth Chapter of Matthew.

The First is issued in the beginning of Christ's earthly ministry, the Second at the end of His ministry, immediately after His death and resurrection.

The First is issued to the first Twelve Apostles and the Second to the same, except Judas Iscariot.

In both commissions He said,

GO!

but there is a great difference where they were to go.

The First Commission limits them to the people of Israel; for they were not to go to the Gentiles, and not to the Samaritans. They were to go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them saying, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not:
But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.—Matthew 10:5, 6.

The Second Commission broadens their field to all the Nations, taking in the whole earth. He said:

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All authority is given unto Me in heaven and in earth.
Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them into 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 age. Amen.—Matthew 28:18-20.

In the First Commission they were to preach, saying: "The kingdom of heaven is at hand."

And Jesus Himself

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.

His message was:

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the Gospel. — Mark 1:15.

Christ's forerunner, John the Baptist had come with the same message to the same people. He said:

Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. — Matthew 3:2.

Jesus appointed

other seventy also and sent them two and two before His face into every city and place, whither He Himself would come. — Luke 10:1.

These disciples also came under the first commission. They were to say:

The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you. — Luke 10:11.

Their message was the same as that of the twelve. They went out to announce the glad tidings of the kingdom and that it was near at hand.

Christ limited His visits to the cities and villages of Israel, and His disciples who preceded Him and announced His coming, went to these places where Christ Himself was about to come.

It is true that Jesus after a time turned from Israel as a nation, because the nation rejected Him.

He came unto His Own and His Own received Him not.—John 1:11.

From then on He taught individual discipleship, yet still limited Himself for the most part to individuals in Israel. To such as received Him a great transformation took place.

But as many as received Him, to them gave He authority to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name:
Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. — John 1:12, 13.

This an exceedingly important point to take into consideration. First He came to the nation as King, but the nation as such did not receive Him. Then He called individuals to Himself mostly from the same people, giving them a first chance as it were, of knowing Him as the Son of God, and preparing them for discipleship and service.

But the disciples of Jesus did not drop their national viewpoint until the mystery of the Church was revealed. They therefore naturally lost hope when the Messiah died.

On the way to Emmaus two of the disciples said:

But we trusted that it had been He Who should have redeemed Israel. — Luke 24:21.

Their hope revived after the resurrection, and until the question of the Church was clear to them, they continued to look forward to the establishment of the Messianic kingdom in Jerusalem, according to the prophets.

The Two Gospels

The Gospel of the First Commission and the Gospel of the Second Commission are two widely different Gospels in their meaning and scope.

The First covers an earthly state, a Millennium of earthly bliss, a kingdom on earth ruled over by Christ in Righteousness.

The Second brings forth the heavenly aspect, and deals with a heavenly state of blessing, eternal life, a redemptive immortality of the whole man, a glorious Divine union with Christ through faith in His death and resurrection.

The First Gospel is to Israel and through them to other peoples, until the nations have come under the rule of Christ on earth.

It promises blessings for the poor in spirit, they that mourn, the meek, those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, the merciful, the pure in heart, the peacemakers, and those who are persecuted for righteousness sake.

The Second Gospel is to all nations, to gather out from them a people for Christ's Name, a Bride and reward and help-meet to Him in His heavenly and universal sphere!

Now to make this still clearer, we can prove by the Word of God, that the disciples of Jesus did not preach the Gospel of the Cross before Pentecost. They did not know of it! Nor did they preach the resurrection of Jesus until after Pentecost.

They did not go forth into the world with the message of salvation for all mankind until the Second Commission was given and the Holy Spirit had come down from Heaven to them, when the period of the Second Commission came into force.

It is very clear that the disciples before the crucifixion did not preach the Atonement through Jesus, nor did they know of it themselves.

This is an astounding fact!

But it is true! No matter what the apostasy says.

The Bible makes it clear!

Let us look into the minds of the disciples after their three years of discipleship, at the time when the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ took place. We will look briefly into a few of the most prominent cases, such as that of Peter, Mary Magdalene, the two disciples on the way to Emmaus, Thomas as well as all the disciples combined.

The Apostle Peter

Peter did not anticipate any resurrection of Christ for he did not expect Him to die. Jesus spoke of His coming death, not in the beginning of His ministry, but towards the close of it, in fact when it was about time for Him to go up to Jerusalem to be crucified.

It was then that Peter thought the Christ needed a little teaching from His Own followers.

We read:

From that time forth began Jesus to show unto His disciples, how that He must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of

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the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.

Then Peter took Him and began to rebuke Him, saying, Be it far from Thee, Lord: this shall not be unto Thee.

But He turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee hence, Satan: thou art an offence unto Me: for thou savorest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men. — Matthew 16:21-23.

Here Peter actually rebukes Jesus for holding such a view, that He must go up to Jerusalem to die.

Here Jesus calls Peter "Satan," and declares that Peter savorest not the things that be of God.

All the Apostles

Then in Mark 9:31-32 we find that the disciples did not understand the teaching of His death and resurrection.

And they departed thence, and passed through Galilee; and He would not that any man should know it.

For He taught His disciples, and said unto them, The Son of Man is delivered into the hands of men, and they shall kill Him; and after that He is killed, He shall rise the third day.

BUT THEY UNDERSTOOD NOT THAT SAYING, AND WERE AFRAID TO ASK HIM.

If they did not understand such teaching at the end of three years discipleship, would they likely have preached it to the masses? Verily, No!

It was on the way up to Jerusalem, that they were amazed at the NEW teaching that Jesus gave, the meaning of which they could not grasp.

And they were in the way going up to Jerusalem; and Jesus went before them: and they were AMAZED; and as they followed they were afraid. And He took again the twelve, and began to tell them what things should happen unto Him,

Saying, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man shall be delivered unto the chief priests, and unto the scribes; and they shall condemn Him to death, and shall deliver Him to the Gentiles:

And they shall mock Him, and shall scourge Him, and shall spit upon Him, and shall kill Him: and the third day He shall rise again. — Mark 10:32-34.

In Luke 18:34 the statement is very strong, that they did not understand what Jesus was speaking about:

And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken.

Then Mark 9:10 should dispel all doubts about it:

And they kept that saying with themselves, questioning one with another what the rising from the dead SHOULD MEAN.

Mary Magdalene

In one sense we can say that Mary Magdalene is a representative of the scope of vision of faith among the women disciples and in fact among all the disciples, on the day of the resurrection of Christ.

Mary Magdalene was a very earnest and devoted disciple, who served the Lord faithfully from the very moment of her deliverance from the seven devils.

And it came to pass afterward, that He went through every city and village preaching and showing the glad tidings of the Kingdom of God: and the twelve were with Him,

And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils,

And Joanna the wife of Chuza, Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others which ministered unto Him of their substance. —Luke 8:1-3.

Mary Magdalene came to the sepulchre in the early morning of the first day of the week, when it was yet dark (John 20:1), together with the other Mary (Matthew 28:1), bringing sweet spices, wherewith to anoint the body of Jesus (Mark 16:1). They arrived at the sepulchre at the rising of the sun (Mark 16:2).

They came in order to pay their last respects to the One Whom they loved, and to perform the last service of love.

They did not anticipate any resurrection. On the way, they were troubled in their minds about the rolling away of the stone from the sepulchre (Mark 16:3).

It was a great surprise to the women when upon arrival, they found that the stone was already rolled away (Luke 24:2).

From the story as given by John, it seems, that as soon as Mary Magdalene had seen that the passage was opened and that the body was not in the grave, she immediately ran away to the city and sought out Simon Peter and the other disciple (John) and said:

Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid Him.—John 20:2.

Possibly the other women remained a while at the grave and saw the angels.

The effect of this news was that these two disciples ran to the grave. There they found the very strong evidence that the body of Jesus had not hurriedly been rushed away (John 20:3-7). They did not meet with any angels, and they went away again unto their own abode (John 20:10).

But Mary (Magdalene, Verse 18) stood without the sepulchre weeping. After she had brought the word to Peter and the other disciples concerning the missing body, she came back again to the sepulchre a second time (John 20:11).

Why did she weep?

Does her weeping prove that she did not anticipate Christ's resurrection? And as yet did not believe He was alive.

Then she looked into the grave after Peter and John had gone, and saw two angels (John 20:12).

And they said unto her, Woman, why weepest thou (Verse 13).

In their minds, there was nothing to weep about, but everything for which to rejoice. They were sympathetic however, so spoke to her as they did in order to give her the news.

Although she spoke to angels in the Tomb she said:

Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid Him (Verse 13).

As yet there was no anticipation of resurrection.

Then she turned round and saw Jesus, but she did not recognize Him.

Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? (Verse 15).

She answered:

Sir, if thou have born Him hence, tell me where thou hast laid Him, and I will take Him away (Verse 15).

She was still in the dark.

Then

Jesus saith unto her, Mary (Verse 16).

Just one word from the Lord!

She turned herself, and saith unto Him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master (Verse 16).

Now she saw it was the Lord, and that He was alive and had risen from the dead.

At the crucial point, ONE WORD was enough to convince her!

But not until that moment did she know about Christ's resurrection or that Christ should rise the third day.

If it had been a teaching by the disciples under the first commission — that Christ would die and then rise again the third day — things would have been different.

Mary Magdalene alone would be enough to settle this matter in any one's mind, but we have further evidence.

The two Disciples on the way to Emmaus.

As they walked in the way on the day of the resurrection of Jesus the Christ

..They talked together of these things which had happened. —Luke 24:14.

It was then that the risen Lord drew near and walked with them, but they did not recognize Him (Verses 15, 16).

They were sad!

Although they had heard that certain women had seen angels, who said that He was alive — still they were sad! (Verses 17, 23).

When Jesus asked them what they were talking about and why they looked so sad, they answered among other things:

But we trusted that it had been He Who should have redeemed Israel: (Verse 21).

These words show the measurement of their faith and understanding in these things and fully proves, that they at first had expected Jesus to be the Christ, their Messiah, who would save Israel according to the preaching of Christ Himself and the prophets.

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But

(This "but" has a world of meaning right here.)

We trusted it had been He. (Verse 20).

They were very sad when they said that, because their hopes were gone. They had been astonished by what the women had said, but they were among the disciples to whom the words of the women seemed

Idle tales (Verse 11).

The very truth — the death of Jesus on the cross — which constitutes the foundation for our salvation under the Second Commission, was to them a source of destruction to their faith in Christ and the greatest cause for sadness.

These men evidently had not met Mary Magdalene after she had seen the Christ. They must have started out on their journey right after breakfast. It is possible that they met the other women who had seen the angels.

Then He said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken.
Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into His glory (Verses 25, 26).

Not until the Speaker revealed Himself that He was the very Christ, did they understand.

And their eyes were opened, and they knew Him, and He vanished out of their sight (Verse 31).

They had no time for their own business then, but went right back to Jerusalem to the other disciples, telling them that Jesus had risen indeed (Verse 35).

These two disciples had never been impressed with any teaching that Christ would die and rise again from the dead. No other disciples had preached that to them. They had also been with Jesus, but they had not grasped such a truth, and did not even understand the prophets on the subject; so it shows, that up to the very death of Christ, to these disciples, Christ had been the Messiah of God to Israel, to redeem Israel from Rome, and to bring back the wonderful kingdom of David as promised by the prophets.

Now we Have the Evidence of Thomas.

This evidence is exceedingly strong.

Thomas was called Didymus. This story is only told in the Gospel of John.

We meet Didymus first in John 11:16 (apart from his being mentioned in the list of the twelve elsewhere) at the time when the message reached Jesus that Lazarus of Bethany was sick.

Jesus plainly said:

Lazarus is dead.—John 11:14.

He also said:

Let us go into Judea again.

But then the disciples got frightened, because the Jews wanted to kill Jesus on His previous visit to Jerusalem (John 10:31. 39).

During the disturbance about Lazarus Didymus said:

Unto his fellow-disciples, Let us also go that we may die with Him.—John 11:16.

These are the words of Thomas Didymus the doubter. There were misgivings in the mind of Thomas long before the crucifixion of Jesus. He did not like the looks of things in Judea. He preferred the more quiet districts of Galilee or beyond Jordan. Down near Jerusalem was dangerous. Why should Jesus go there again? It would be better for Him to stay away. But if He must go, well, brethren, let us go too, and die with Jesus. There is nothing else for us now. We may just as well own up to that. The former glory is departed. After all, is Jesus really the Christ? I begin to have my doubts.

It seems to me we could read the mind of Thomas something like that. He was a real pessimist, a grumbler and a coward.

On the day of the resurrection of Jesus, Thomas was not among the disciples. Could it be that he was in hiding, and did not care to walk too openly on the streets? We do not know, but this first day when Jesus revealed Himself to the disciples, Thomas was not there. He missed that wonderful fellowship.

But soon thereafter the other disciples found Thomas and said unto him:

We have seen the Lord.—John 20:25.
But he said.....I will not believe (Same Verse).

Why should Thomas bring up the matter of the nail prints and the wounded side? No doubt the disciples told what Jesus had said and done in their midst, namely among other things, that He had showed them His hands and His side THAT IT WAS HE (Luke 24:39).

Thomas would not be persuaded but continued doubting yet for another week. No matter what the disciples said, he would not believe. He absolutely refused to believe.

He was certainly a stubborn unbeliever up to that time.

What does the attitude of Thomas prove to you and me? The very thing that we have said in this article, that in the First Commission, the Gospel of the Cross was not known, not believed, not preached, that the resurrection of Jesus from the dead did not enter into the teaching, that during the three years of discipleship, not one of the disciples knew; and when at the close of His ministry, Jesus began to speak of His death and resurrection PRIVATELY to His disciples, they did not comprehend.

The preaching of the cross was not laid down as a fundamental truth, on which to base salvation during this period. They were under the Mosaic Dispensation, not according to the Pharisacial interpretation, but according to the teachings of the prophets, which Jesus fulfilled.

Their Gospel was a message of an earthly kingdom of righteousness and glory, a salvation from oppression on earth from the Gentiles and from the Devil.

After the resurrection the disciples REMEMBERED that Jesus had previously said, that He would be killed and then rise from the dead the third day (John 2:22).

The angels at the grave also REMINDED the woman of these words which He had spoken before (Luke 24:4-8).

The Pharisees also REMEMBERED something (Matthew 27:63).

On two special occasions Jesus had earlier publicly referred to His own resurrection.

In His utterances about the temple of His body (John 2:18-22); and the sign of Jonah and the whale (Matthew 12:38-49).

In one of His last public utterances, concerning Himself being the Good Shepherd (John 10.) He predicts His death:

I am the Good Shepherd, the Good Shepherd giveth His life for the sheep (Verse 11).

Then not long thereafter in speaking to Martha at the grave of Lazarus He said:

I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in 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, 26.

Christ offered eternal life to individuals in Israel, to all who would accept His truth and be made New Creatures.

Eternal life was not offered in the Gospel to Israel as a Nation, because that Gospel dealt with an earthly state only. But even then the Gospel to Israel was glorious and full of wonderful promises.

Divine Healing was a part of that Gospel, for Divine Healing belongs to this earth. There is no Divine Healing in heaven. There is no one sick up there. The saints of God in heaven, the glorified Church, these who have part in the First Resurrection, and in the Rapture will have immortal, eternal bodies. They can never get sick, they can never die.

Under the Second Commission, Divine Healing is one of the fundamental truths of Divine blessing in the Church on earth, a provision from Pentecost to the Rapture. Zion stands for this provision to the glory of God.

After Pentecost the message of the Apostles to the Jews and to the Gentiles was altogether different. Not before but after His resurrection did Jesus give the Second Commission (Matthew 28:16-20).

But He did not wish them to go until the Holy Spirit had come. They were to wait in Jerusalem until then (Acts 1:8).

Then the Apostles preached openly that Jesus was the Christ, the Redeemer.

A new order of things had set in. Then the Gospel of the Cross was heralded for the first time. Then the disciples, both

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men and women, were willing to attest with the giving of their own lives that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of God, the Savior of the sinful, the Healer of the sick, the Coming Lord! They proved in their living and preaching with signs following that Jesus the Christ was risen from the dead!

Then the Salvation Message through the Blood of the Lamb was preached far and wide, first to the Jewish quarters in every city where they went, and later as the Holy Spirit led them, to the Gentiles as well.

Christ Withdraws the Messianic Offer For A Time

Before I close this article I wish to bring another thought to the reader, namely, that during the earthly ministry of Jesus, after a time He began to tell the disciples, that they should not tell any man that He was the Messiah.

After Jesus had been rejected by His own, when the offer of the kingdom had been spurned, when hatred and enmity arose, when the time was near when He would suffer, there was no more any use to continue to preach the Messiah to the nation.

When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of Man am? —Matthew 16:13.

They answered:

Some say that Thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets (Verse 14).

Then Jesus said:

But whom say ye that I am? (Verse 15).

It was with the disciples Jesus now dealt about Himself. It was very important that they should not loose faith in Him, for there were some wonderful things in store for them, not yet revealed, things which they as yet could not comprehend (John 16:12).

Peter answered in very strong words:

Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. — Matthew 16:16.

Jesus was rejoiced to hear this heartfelt profession. He said:

Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but My Father Who is in heaven (Verse 17).

Now to believe that Jesus was the Christ (Messiah) was a very blessed thing, yet still He asked the disciples not to tell any one that He was the Christ.

Then charged He His disciples that they should tell no man that He was Jesus the Christ (Verse 20).

Now note, after the transfiguration on the Mount, when Moses and Elijah had appeared and conferred with Jesus, it is a very remarkable thing that Jesus cautioned the three disciples.

And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying, Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of Man be risen again from the dead. — Matthew 17:9.

Why should He give such a charge then?

For the same reason that the Messianic offer had been for the time withdrawn, the First Commission was closed, Christ had turned away from the nation as a nation, to conform with prophecy — and He did not wish to continue to press His claim.

Had Moses and Elijah anything to do with the withdrawal of the Commission with a view of taking it up in its proper time before the Great Tribulation? I do not know. Read Revelation 11:3-12; Matthew 24:14.

This wonderful transfiguration vision on the Mount, if known, would certainly cause many of the people to acclaim Him Messiah, but the leaders would not believe.

He charged His disciples not to preach that He was the Messiah (Matthew 16:20; Mark 8:30; 9:9).

After the resurrection of Lazarus Jesus walked no more openly among the Jews (John 11:54).

The Wonderful Resurrection

The disciples of Jesus did not understand the Scriptures concerning Jesus, that is, the things written in the Law and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Him, until after the resurrection.

And He said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the Law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning Me.—Luke 24:44.

Not until after the resurrection did they intelligently understand the Old Testament truth concerning the Christ..

Then opened He their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures (Verse 45).

But Jesus made it very plain to them after He had risen.

And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day (Verse 46).

From then on the Second Commission was in force, and remission of sins would be preached in His Name among all nations.

And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His Name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem (Verse 47).

The apostles were to be the preachers, and as many after them as God would call.

And ye are witnesses of these things (Verse 48).

But they must have Divine Power.

And, behold, I send the promise of the Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high (Verse 49).

How wonderful to the disciples must have been the discovery that Christ the Lord was alive, that He had paid with the shedding of His Own blood for their sins, that He had hung on the cruel cross and bled and died for them, and not only as a martyr!

How wonderful when they were to learn, that the Redeemer had died for the whole world, for the Gentiles as well, for all nations, that He was the Savior of the world, just as John the Baptist in his prophetic utterances had said:

Behold the Lamb of God, Who taketh away the sin of the world. —John 1:29.

With what zeal and heartfelt devotion they took up the work of witnessing for Christ!

After the healing of the impotent man at the Beautiful Gate of the Temple, with great joy and boldness did they declare the Name of Jesus before the high priest who had crucified the Christ.

Peter as spokesman said:

Then Peter filled with the Holy Spirit, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders in Israel,
If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;
Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, Whom ye crucified, Whom God raised from the dead, even by Him doth this man stand here before you whole.
This is the Stone which was set at naught of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.
Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.— Acts 4:8-12.

The wonderful Gospel of John is filled to the brim with the eternal truth of Life in Christ.

In Conclusion

In this late hour of the world's history, at the closing of the Age, with the Church and its ministry sold out to the Devil, and mankind aghast at the appalling catastrophies and horrors taking place every day, at this ripe time according to the prophets, A LITTLE COMPANY OF BELIEVERS IN ZION, with unspeakable joy are looking up, taking new courage, and preparing themselves for the Rapture!

The Second Commission is doubly in force to day, and its TRUE HERALDS ARE FOUND IN ZION AND NOWHERE ELSE.

In every church outside of Zion there is compromise.

There is no other place like Zion. There can be only one such place. It is the ARK of FAITH and SAFETY at this time.

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion is getting ready for the ACCOMMODATION OF GOD'S SAINTS IN EVERY LAND TILL JESUS COMES.

ZION is the place of God today.
ZION is the place of prayer.
ZION is the place of faith.
ZION is the place of obedience.

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ZION is the place where God is first.
ZION is the place of spiritual things.
ZION is the place of the New Birth.
ZION is the place of joy.
ZION IS GOD'S ARK BEFORE THE RAPTURE.

Those among the living who shall go up in the Rapture will be prepared in ZION and through ZION!

They will be influenced spiritually by the ministry in ZION, whether affiliated in the visible Church or not.

Ere long, in every church, those who desire to live holy lives, will find it almost impossible to do so and remain.

Where is the place they can flee to?

ZION!

Many of these will come.

Those who cannot come will acknowledge before God in their private sufferings, like Lot, that ZION is right, and some of them will be ready when the angels arrive for the Rapture.

Many, many, many will be left behind, because they were cowards.

The call from God in ZION goes out to the true:

Come out of her (Babylon—the apostasy) My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. —Revelation 18:4.

Should any in Zion draw back, because of pride, money, fame, ease and fear, woe unto them.

ZION'S RESPONSIBLE POSITION.

What a TREMENDOUSLY IMPORTANT position ZION holds!

What a responsibility!

My vocabulary is inadequate to convey my thoughts.

What shall I say more?

God has laid His hand on ZION, and woe unto the man and the woman who draws back or who fights ZION.

Woe unto the individual in ZION who should fail to measure up to the claims of ZION when Jesus comes.

Woe unto you if you do not have the Holy Spirit when Jesus comes.

My God, what a responsibility!

ZION must be wholly consecrated, wholly surrendered to the Living God.

I must do my work before Jesus comes.

I rejoice to be here.

Nothing is worth anything in the world except God's Divine Creation.

We want people with the New Birth.

We don't care for statistics.

We don't care for swelling reports.

We boast in God; and rely on His precious, sure and faith-inspiring Word.

Give God the glory.

Let God be first.

Be ZION.

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Witness every day.

Rejoice, and again I say, REJOICE!

EXCELSIUS

By Elder Thomas H. Nelson

AT the zenith of superiority you will find Excellence — perfectly self-luminous and radiant in her own inherent effulgence. In this most humble position she discovers that since "her eye is single her whole body is full of light."

Through unity with Deity, she is intuitively educated to Omniscence and predisposed to infinite benevolence. Consequently, "she needeth not that any man teach her, only as this anointing teacheth her." She is the true offspring of Him in Whose City they need no light of sun, moon, or candle: for He, Himself, is the light thereof.

Being confederate with nature through nature's God, she is immune from eventual defeat. Being in league with the stones of the field and the beasts of the forest, the very "stars in their courses" fight for her. In her alliance with the Lord and His laws, she is as universal as air and co-eternal with the ages, and seas and seasons are her servants.

He who is in doubt as to his duty is but partially acquainted with the sincere simplicity of her character. It is written, "If any man wills to do His will, he shall know of the doctrine."

Believing abandonment to Christ, as the embodiment of all virtue, brings the soul co-extensively into this confident tranquility where "All things work together for good."

Here, the lions get the lockjaw and the fire loses its power to burn. Here, the Hamans are hanged on their own gallows; and those who would send Christ to the Cross send themselves to the gibbet and the Potter's field. Here, they who would sell their brother into bondage are themselves providentially forced, with all they have, into Egypt, while the wronged man is made lord over the wrongdoers.

"Let us go up and possess the land: we are able."

"This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

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Then who would not be a Daniel,
Wearing shining chains of gold.

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We may dodge the issue now,
Till the tempest's rage is o'er,
Then at Daniel's altar bow,
When the lions cease to roar.

Cowards are as brave as Daniel,
When they've figured out the fact
That his cause is bound to prosper;
They are Daniels then for tact;
When they know there's perfect safety,
In espousing Daniel's views,
Then what hosts of Medes and Persians
Will be baptized sure, as Jews.

Oh, it's nice to be a Daniel,
When the world is all agreed,
That the cause he's been espousing,
Is the very thing they need;
When Darius gets religion,
And does Daniel's God adore,
Then we'll have a host of Daniels
That we never had before.

We can all be little Daniels,
When the lions cease to roar,
And his cause, proclaimed triumphant,
Shall resound from shore to shore;
When the hosts of all that's evil
Find their true place in the den,
Medo-Persians, sons of Babel—
Each would be a Daniel then.

— Thomas H. Nelson.

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REMARKABLE PROGRESS has been made in the establishment of Zion City since March 1, 1911, but much work remains yet to be done ere the task is fully completed.

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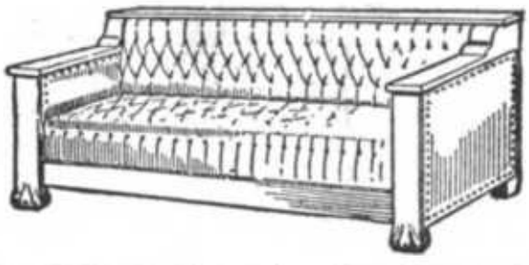
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GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Healed of Pleurisy, Abscess of Bone in Head, Appendicitis and Inflammatory Rheumatism Involving the Entire Body, by the Power of God, in Answer to the Prayer of Faith in Zion

WHAT IS FAITH?

"NOW FAITH IS THE SUBSTANCE OF THINGS HOPED FOR, THE EVIDENCE OF THINGS NOT SEEN." — Hebrews 11:1.

Therefore, faith is that Divine virtue or power whereby things which are unseen are given substance or made real.

Faith is the eye of the spirit, by means of which spiritual things are discerned; just as the physical eye reveals the natural object in the distance.

When the physical eye is blind no natural objects are made visible. When the spiritual eye is darkened no Divine realities are perceived.

Faith is to the spirit what the physical eye is to the body — the connecting link, the means to the end — that by which things are obtained.

In other words, faith is that confident trust in God and His promises which begets within us the assurance that we have already the realization of things for which we ask and pray, by virtue of the certainty of the fulfillment of God's Promises.

Faith is substance, evidence, assurance, appropriation, realization, possession!

A DEFINITION OF FAITH

But, simply stated, faith is taking God at His Word and resting calmly and securely upon His promises. It is so simple that a little child can understand it as easily as the wise and great.

Faith and fear are diametrically opposite.

Faith is energizing; fear is paralyzing!



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Faith is the basis of health; fear is the basis of disease!

Faith is the preventive of sickness; fear is the promoter of contagion and disease!

Faith is courageous; fear is despondent!

Faith is God's gift; fear is the Devil's wages!

Faith is constructive; fear is destructive!

Faith is life; fear is death!

Faith is joy; fear is torment!

Faith is union with God; fear is conformity with the Devil!

Faith is a bridge to Heaven; fear is a plank to hell!

Faith is peace; fear is terror!

Faith is the Christian's shield; fear is the Devil's dart!

Faith is a brave soldier; fear is a craven coward!

Faith is a high tower; fear is a slough of despond!

Faith is God's gift; fear is the doctor's stock in trade, and one of the Devil's strongest weapons!

Faith walks the stormy sea; fear sinks beneath the boisterous waves!

Faith is Divine; fear is Devilish!

WHAT FAITH IS NOT

Faith is not sight; but faith sees where the physical eye cannot penetrate, and makes the unseen visible or real.

Faith is light; fear is darkness!

Faith is not works; but faith works!

Faith is not prayer; but faith alone makes prayer availing!

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Faith is not obedience; but obedience is faith in action, and disobedience is the rankest kind of unbelief!

Faith is not reason; but faith is reasonable!

Faith is not human; but faith is Divinely imparted to humanity!

Faith is not salvation; but salvation comes through faith!

Faith is not healing; but healing comes through faith!

God alone saves and heals!

All praise and glory be unto His Holy Name!

How Does Faith Come?

Faith does not come by praying, or seeking, or toiling.

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God. — Romans 10:17.

Faith comes through the reading and the studying of God's Word, and apart from God's Word cannot be imparted or possessed.

Faith is the result of receiving, believing and acting upon the teaching of the Word of God.

Faith The Fruit of The Holy Spirit

Faith in God is impossible apart from the Holy Spirit!

The Christian alone can exercise faith — Divine faith.

Herein lies the failure of many to get healing for the body; for Divine Healing is only possible to the saved.

In other words, Divine Healing is for the children of God — those who have been "born again."

It is the Holy Spirit that quickeneth our mortal bodies and produces the fruit of faith.

Faith cannot be exercised by or for the fleshly.

God Saves and Heals Through Active Faith

Faith is the essential thing; but faith operates through obedience to God's commands and the keeping of His laws.

Faith that is dormant or inactive is dead.

Faith works!

Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.—James 2:17.

Faith without works and works without faith are both dead — they cannot be separated!

This is the Scriptural standard by which to measure faith:

Show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my works.—James 2:18.

Neither faith nor works can save or heal; but God saves and heals through faith which is evidenced by works.

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.—Ephesians 2:8, 9.

Therefore we must have faith and pray as if everything depended upon God, and work as if everything depended upon us.

There are no limits to Divine faith — "all things are possible to him that believeth."

The Prayer of Faith

God has ordained that healing should come through prayer — "the prayer of faith."

Is any sick among you? 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 the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.—James 5:14, 15.

This passage of Scripture makes it perfectly plain that it is the "prayer of faith" which brings salvation and healing.

God's Word sends men to the Church and the Elders; but never to the hospital and the doctors.

Doctors Destined to The Lake of Fire and Brimstone

There is not a good word in the Bible concerning doctors or drugs, but quite the contrary; for they are everywhere condemned in God's Word. And at the end of the Millennium, at the beginning of the Perfect Age, they are consigned to the lake of fire and brimstone:

But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers (makers and venders of deadly drugs), and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone; which is the second death.—Revelation 21:8.

If doctors can have no part in the Perfect Age, neither can those who use drugs or deal in drugs have any part in that age.

Neither will churches nor professing Christians who advocate doctors, and drugs, and serums, and vile vaccination, have any place in the Perfect Age.

Zion anticipates the Perfect Age and reaches forward thereto.

The Devil's Substitutes for Faith

The so-called "science of medicine," which is not exact knowledge but mere guesswork, is substituted for the prayer of faith.

So-called Christian Science (?) seeks to substitute its mass of inconsistent teaching for the "prayer of faith" and the cleansing, healing blood.

The Devil would do away with prayer and faith by turning Christians to so-called Christian Science and medicine instead.

The Prayer of Faith Prevails in Zion

There is one people, one organization, one city where the "prayer of faith" prevails — Zion!

Here the Elders respond to the calls of the sick and pray the prayer of faith which saves the sick, and the Lord raises them up.

The "prayer of faith" is the Elder's part and that is all that he can do; the raising up is the Lord's part.

No Elder can heal, and no prayer for healing will avail for the sinful; for God is the Healer of His people only.

Many times when fault is found with the Elders, the accusation is against God. Both the Elder and the sick one must be right before God can exercise His sovereign power to heal. God knows and God heals!

God's Witness to Healing Through the Prayer of Faith

The witness whose testimony follows is one among the thousands in Zion who have been healed through the "prayer of faith."

The General Overseer and faithful officers prayed the "prayer of faith" and now she is a living witness to the power of God being just the same today — and that He is the Hearer and the Answerer of prayer.

Her testimony is a remarkable one and should inspire others to have faith in God and to trust Him for perfect healing.

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion stands for "the faith once for all delivered to the saints."

Zion is a city of faith and a refuge for people of faith now in affliction out in the faithless churches.

Let all the afflicted ones in the apostasy flee to God and Zion!

The Christian life is a life of faith. It begins with faith (Acts 16:31); it continues by faith (Romans 1:17); it ends in faith (Hebrews 11:13).

Kind reader, God's Word is true; believe it and live it.

I Am the Lord that healeth thee.—Exodus 15:26.

The prayer of faith shall save the sick.—James 5:15.

"WHATSOEVER IS NOT OF FAITH IS SIN." — Romans 14:23.

— Apostle Wm. S. Peckham.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MRS. SUSIE BARTON-SMITH

Zion, Illinois, October 20, 1918.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to thee!

I am very thankful to God for what He has done for me and for the many blessings I have received. I feel that I should testify of His goodness to me, and I trust these words may be a blessing to someone.

During the years of 1907 and 1908 I suffered a great deal with pleurisy pains all through my back and lungs. The slightest cold

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would bring on this sharp, intense pain and it would be almost impossible for me to breathe, sometimes for hours.

During the winter of 1908 I had a very severe attack which lasted several days. It was impossible for me to lie down and almost every breath felt like knives running through me. I was partially delivered at that time in answer to prayer; but it would return if I did not take the best of care of myself. On July 26th, 1909, I was baptized. At first I was afraid to go into the water, for I was afraid it would make me worse, but we requested prayer and as I went into the water, the General Overseer prayed especially for my healing.

I praise God that I was entirely healed at that time.

Several years ago I was very sick for weeks with an abscess of the bone in my head. For nine days I suffered night and day with no relief. All the nourishment I could take was orange juice through a straw, as my jaws were almost locked. I was in terrible agony with no rest or sleep day or night and I stood it so long, it seemed I would lose my mind from the pain. I was living in the Zion Home at the time, and the shutting of a door or anyone walking in the hall would cause me to scream with pain.

Elder Robinson fought with us constantly for the victory and at last God heard and answered. The abscess broke and all of the horrible corruption came out of my ear, which discharged freely and steadily for days. Those who cared for me said that humanly speaking the doctors would have had to bore a hole in the bone to let out the corruption; but God's way was best and not a bit of the poison went through my body, but all came out of the ear in the right way.

I was quite deaf for sometime, but was entirely healed of that and can hear perfectly, and have never had even an earache since.

During the Feast of Tabernacles last year, July 17th, 1917, I was taken very suddenly while at work with a severe attack of appendicitis. It started with severe pains in my stomach and I could hardly walk, but managed to get to my brother's home, only half a block from the Administration Building.

I grew worse very rapidly and in less than an hour I was nearly frantic with pain. From then on I kept growing worse and for five days I suffered indescribable agony. I could not bear to have the bed touched, and if I had to be moved it would take two or three people to gradually move me even a little. We knew we must get the victory soon or I could not stand the suffering much longer, for I was getting very weak, not having taken anything into my stomach since the day I was taken sick. I realized I was growing worse each day and my body was getting in a terrible condition; but we trusted God fully, and at the end of five days the victory came and I began to improve.

The terrible pain left and the poison, a horrible greenish colored puss, passed freely from my body. I was then left very weak and almost a skeleton, and my side was in such a condition that it was almost a month before I could walk around. I could take no nourishment except liquids for over a month; but gradually I became stronger, the soreness left my side, I began to eat and at the end of two months was back at work again. God healed me completely and I have been able to eat anything and everything just the same as before I was sick.

I am truly thankful when I think of the wonderful way I was healed in answer to prayer, when so many are butchered up in the hospitals and many die from the operations. Some of our relatives, outside, tried to convince us of the necessity of an operation, for other attacks were sure to come back if the appendix were not cut out, but thank God we have a Healer Who can restore our bodies to perfect health through prayer and faith in Him!

I have much for which to thank Him, for again I was wonderfully healed this last Spring.

I was taken very seriously ill with Inflammatory Rheumatism on May 1st. I had never had it before, and it was brought on by exposure in cold and rainy weather.

It started in my ankle. I kept at work for a day, but had to be taken home that night and it rapidly spread all over my body, into both my ankles, knees, shoulders, neck, elbows, wrists and hands. I was soon in an absolutely helpless condition. I could not feed myself or even raise my hands to my face.

For two weeks I suffered night and day with no rest and my joints were swollen badly, with large red spots all over them. I could not be touched without screaming, and the only way I can describe the pain was that it felt all the time as though my bones were all being twisted like when one wrings out clothes.

I grew worse all the time instead of better; but we trusted God and one day when Apostle Peckham came and anointed me with oil and prayed, I felt a change come over me while he prayed and from that time on I improved. The pain and the swelling all left me, and I went back to work on the first day of June. In a short time all the stiffness and lameness had left me, and I had a complete healing.

Those who saw me when I was sick, and knew what an awful condition I was in could hardly believe it when they saw me walking around the same as usual in such a short time.

I do praise God and give Him all the glory, and I can truly say I am in better health today than I have ever been before, and am very well and strong.

My greatest desire is to live for God and to be able to do some good in His service, and I pray each day that I may be ready for the coming of Christ.

I wish to thank our General Overseer and the faithful officers for their earnest prayers in my behalf.

I trust these words may encourage someone who is seeking God for healing.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) SUSIE BARTON-SMITH.

How to Use the Bible

When in sorrow.....Read John 14
When men fail you.....Read Psalm 27
When you have sinned.....Read Psalm 51
When disposed to worry.....Read Matthew 6:19-34
Before attending service.....Read Psalm 84
When you are in danger.....Read Psalm 91
When you have the blues.....Read Psalm 34
When God seems far away.....Read Psalm 139
When you are discouraged.....Read Isaiah 40
If you want to be fruitful.....Read John 15
When doubts come upon you.....Read John 7
When you are lonely or fearful.....Read Psalm 23
When you forget your blessings.....Read Psalm 103
When you want true religion.....Read James 1:19-27
When you need stirring.....Read Hebrews 11
When you feel down and out...Read Romans 8:31-36
When you need courage for your task...Read Joshua 1
When the world seems bigger than God..Read Psalm 90
When you want rest and peace.Read Matthew 11:25-30
When you want Christian assurance
Read Romans 8:1-30
When you want true happiness..Read Colossians 3:12-17
When you leave home for labor or travel
Read Psalm 121
When you grow bitter or critical
Read I Corinthians 13
When your prayers grow narrow or selfish
Read Psalm 67
For Paul's idea of Christianity
Read II Corinthians 5:15-19
For Paul's rules of how to get along with men
Read Romans 12
When you think of investments and returns
Read Mark 10:17-31
For a great invitation and a great opportunity
Read Isaiah 55
For Jesus' teaching on prayer.....Read Luke 11:5-13
For a prophet's picture of worship that counts
Read Isaiah 58:1-12
For a prophet's idea of religion.....Read Micah 6:6-8
Why not follow, and hide some of these things in your memory?.....Read Psalm 119:11

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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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Have you no children to put in the Schools? Then do your part in this phase of God's work in Zion by helping to maintain the Schools, where some one else's children may be properly trained in the ways of God and Zion.

Pray for Divine guidance and act at once! today! this very hour!

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Address.....

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Signed.....

Address.....

Praying God to bless and guide you in this and all other matters pertaining to your Christian life and conduct, I am

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

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"Christianity and What it Means to Be a Christian"

A Report of the Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, at the Service Held During Zion's Nineteenth Feast of Tabernacles in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U.S.A., Lord's Day Afternoon, July 13, 1919.

Reported by G. L. Marshall

GENERAL OVERSEER: It is with deep gratitude to God my Heavenly Father that I stand upon this platform this afternoon. I am very grateful for the privilege of looking into the faces of this congregation.

I will read in the Inspired Word of God — not only a very important duty, but a very solemn one. And let no one think for one minute that it is for mere pastime. I know what I am doing. I realize the responsibility, and I am in travail for you that Christ may be formed in each one of you "the Hope of glory." If there is one of you who is deceived, my prayer to God is that, before this service closes, you may be undeceived.

Over here in the first book of the New Testament, the Gospel according to St. Matthew, in the Seventh Chapter,— the last of the three chapters constituting the Sermon on the Mount— Jesus uttered some very solemn words.

May God give you listening ears and understanding hearts! And, when I am through this afternoon, if there is one hypocrite here who is still deceived into thinking that he is a child of God, I think you are a hopeless case.

I trust that God, by the power of the Holy Spirit,—and have you ever stopped to think what a tremendous power that is?— will drive home to your hearts the truth, the absolute truth, of the statement that that which passes for religion today is a sickening, a good-for-nothing, an infernal thing, palmed off by the devil.

Tearing the Mask off of Stinking, Corrupt Religion

This afternoon, I am going to explain to you what the Christian religion means — what it means to be a Christian. I am going to tear the mask completely off this stinking, corrupt mass that passes for religion.

If any of you want to get angry, that is your privilege; but do not fancy for one second that I care the snap of my finger how angry you get. If I could conduct this service without making anybody angry, then I ought to resign this position and quit. I will guarantee to make somebody dance before I am through.

This thing of men and women posing as Christians when they do not know any more about the redemptive work of Jesus the Christ Who died upon Calvary, nor about regeneration, nor about conversion, than a hog knows about Egyptian hieroglyphics, is a sickening piece of business.

Now, it is a good thing for people to classify themselves. A large crowd will constitute this class referred to in this Seventh Chapter of Matthew, Verses Twenty-one, Twenty-two, and Twenty-three:

Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven;—

To hear some people tell it, the whole dirty, rotten mass of humanity is all right. Nearly everybody belongs to *church*. Well, about the surest way to go to hell is to belong to an APOSTATE CHURCH, that sits in the lap of the world and commits adultery — plays the harlot!

The Rank and File of Church Members are not Christians

For instance, who, with the brains of a humming bird, would ever contend for a second that the rank and file of church members are Christians?

Why, any man who would say that the rank and file of church members are Christians shows that he is ignorant and that he knows little of the Word of God!

It does not make a bit of difference to me what anybody sitting here thinks. If you do not want to listen to me, you do not have to; it makes no difference to me. I have no time to waste on a man or woman who will call a lie the truth; black, white; sour, sweet; and an incarnate devil, a saint of God.

Before God, the Lord Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, the angels, and all men, what does the average church member know about regeneration? What does he know about becoming a "NEW CREATURE" in Christ Jesus?

Christians!

Read church statistics! Where would you go to find a bigger liar than church statistics? Talk about Christians! Jesus Christ declares:

. . . .Except a man be BORN AGAIN, he cannot see the Kingdom of God.—John 3:3.

Now, nobody would think of talking about a Berkshire hog's having religion. But he has just as much religion as the rank and file of church members! Anybody who denies that is either an ignoramus or an infernal liar and a tool of the Devil!

So-called Christendom Vomited out by God Almighty

God Almighty has vomited out of His mouth the thing that is called CHRISTENDOM; and I have no desire to spend my time wallowing around in a reservoir of vomit. In describing the so-called church of today, the Word of God says:

So then because thou are LUKEWARM, and NEITHER COLD NOR HOT, I will SPEW THEE OUT OF MY MOUTH.—Revelation 3:16.

And God has done 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.

Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy Name? and in thy Name have cast out devils? and in Thy Name done many wonderful works?

And then will I profess unto them, I NEVER KNEW YOU: DEPART FROM ME, YE THAT WORK INIQUITY.—Matthew 7:21-23.

How many in this congregation this afternoon know Jesus the Christ?

How many of you are known of Jesus the Christ?

All of these people who say these things are professing Christians, but the Lord says to them, "Get out! I never knew you!" They never were regenerated, they never were "born again," they never were converted, they never became "new creatures" in Christ Jesus; consequently, Jesus says, "I NEVER KNEW YOU."

However, I read elsewhere in the Bible:

I. . . .know My sheep, and am known of Mine.—John 10:14.

This afternoon you had better find out whether the Lord knows you, and whether you know the Lord.

There are just two things in this world for an individual to do; and I would do one or the other.

One thing — and I have always done it — is to believe, with all my heart, in God Almighty; in His Son, Jesus the Christ,

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Who was God manifest in the flesh; in the Holy Spirit, the other Comforter, the Third Person in the Godhead; in the Bible, as the Inspired Word of God, written by the finger of God; and in the fact — the universal fact — that all men have sinned and come short and stand in need of salvation.

The Work of the Holy Spirit in Regeneration and Sanctification

You must see that you are a sinner, without hope; that you are depraved, corrupt, dirty, stinking, and low-down, and that your only hope is in the blood of Jesus Christ. Then as God moves upon your heart by the power of the Holy Spirit, make a full surrender to Him; separate yourself from the world and be ye sanctified! Henceforth live unto Him; let Him have your whole heart and your whole life unreservedly, unqualifiedly, and be indeed and in truth a saint of the Living God!

The other thing is to go on serving the Devil all the time, with all the strength you have; being as ornery and as low-down as the Devil can make you.

You may take your choice.

I would not be a hypocrite.

I will read next in the Third Chapter of the First Epistle of John. I want you to listen to it, and then look at your life in the light of it.

I am preaching this afternoon as though this were to be the last sermon I ever would preach before the Lord descends to receive His saints. And it would be no surprise to me—there is nothing to delay it — if today, while you and I sit here in Shiloh Tabernacle, the trumpet were to sound, the door of Grace and Mercy were to close, and the door of Judgment began to creak on its hinges. All things are now ripe.

When I have finished reading here, I think some of you will say, "Well, it looks to me as though I am not a Christian at all;" and I think when you say it you will have hit the nail on the head.

BEHOLD,—

Why is that word there? It is there to get your *attention*.

Now, there is no use in my reading the Word of God to you if you are thinking about the price of pork. There is no use in my reading the Word of God to you if some of you men are sitting back there figuring upon your cuffs how much you are going to get for twenty head of cattle. I must have your *attention!* And if you are not going to give me your attention, you are simply wasting your time.

BEHOLD (consider, understand), what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the SONS OF GOD:—

Man Inherently Corrupt by the Adamic Nature

Having inherited from Adam, the first man, a corrupt heart, there is nothing good in man naturally.

Oh, how men like to have some fellow come along and tickle their vanity by telling them that they are all right; that they can save themselves; that self-reformation is all that is necessary!

They do not get any of that kind of stuff in this Tabernacle, I will tell you that right now!

It is beyond the comprehension of the mind of finite man to conceive of love in the abstract great enough to take a poor, depraved, corrupt man, the descendant of Adam, who fell and was banished from God's presence, and bring about such a change in him that he is lifted out of the depths of sin and degradation to the position of a SON OF THE LIVING GOD — the Creator of the universe.

...EXCEPT A MAN BE BORN AGAIN, HE CANNOT SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD.—John 3:3.

This diabolical, demon-inspired teaching of the Roman Catholics, the Lutherans, the Episcopalians, and others that a man can be saved by COMPLYING WITH RITES AND CEREMONIES, must be destroyed!

This diabolical teaching of Christian Science, New Thought, Theosophy, and all other modern systems that a man can SAVE HIMSELF, must be annihilated!

No man can OF HIMSELF turn to God.

The Word of God emphatically declares:

NO MAN CAN COME TO ME, EXCEPT THE FATHER DRAW HIM: (John 6:44)

The Importance and Necessity of the New Birth

I would not give the snap of my finger for all your professed religion if you are not "BORN AGAIN!"

It can only take you to hell!

YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN.—John 3:7.

In these closing hours ere the Lord descends for His saints, this witness must be given; and then the door of Grace and Mercy will close.

Only a few more will be added to the Church.

The harvest already has been gathered; we are in the days of the gleanings.

However, this afternoon it is within your power to yield to the impelling influence of the Spirit of God, to surrender to Him, to be regenerated, to be converted, to be justified, to have your sins forgiven, and to become a *"new creature"* in Christ Jesus.

There must be a NEW CREATION. By the physical birth we are natural men; and the natural man is depraved and corrupt from the crown of his head to the sole of his feet; there is no good thing in him.

Suppose that, today, the greatest king in the world were to go down into the vilest of the slums of a great city; pick up a dirty, filthy little urchin, take him into his palace, cleanse him with his own hands, array him in a purple robe, admit him to sonship in the royal family, and make him the legal heir to the throne of his kingdom.

You would say that was wonderful love, would you not?

But the Great God Who has reached down and picked up you and me out of the filth and mire of sin, and has given His Son, Jesus the Christ, to die for us, and has permitted us to become His sons, has shown infinitely greater love.

God's Masterpiece in Creation—The Church, the Bride of Christ

Let every man and woman in this audience and every child who has reached the age of accountability give attention to what I am about to say:

The greatest of all God's creative acts, His MASTERPIECE —far greater than the universe, including the sun, the moon, the stars, the planets, the mountains, the hills, the rivers, the valleys, the plains; and far greater than Israel — is the CHURCH, the BRIDE OF CHRIST, the MYSTICAL BODY, the SPIRITUAL TEMPLE, resting upon the twelve Apostles and the Prophets as the foundation stones, with Jesus the Christ the Chief Corner Stone, and every saved, blood-washed, sanctified man and woman a living stone built into that temple by the Holy Spirit, Who is building the body of Christ for translation.

We are told in God's Word that before He laid the foundation of the earth He chose in Jesus Christ every member of the body of Christ.

We are exhorted to work out our "own salvation with fear and trembling;" and again, to make our "calling and election sure."

Away back yonder in Eternity, as the Godhead — the Triune God — sat in council, before the first foundation stone of the universe was laid, every member of the Church was selected. God foresaw, God foreknew every living stone from Pentecost to the Rapture that would be put into that spiritual temple.

The reward promised to the members of the body of Christ is the OUT-RESURRECTION FROM AMONG THE DEAD. The promise is that they shall share in the glory of the Lord Himself.

This afternoon every Christian has become Divine — every Christian in this room this afternoon already has become a partaker of the Divine nature — and has been sealed by God Himself, through the Holy Spirit, unto the "Day of Redemption," which will be the morning of the First Resurrection and the Rapture.

Every Believer in Christ Jesus a Son of God

My brother, as you sit there do you think of yourself as a SON OF GOD?

Do you conduct yourself as becomes a son of God?

Let a man realize what he is when he becomes a Christian! Let a man realize that he has become a "new creature;" that he is now a member of the spiritual creation, headed by the Lord Jesus Christ, and that he is a SON OF GOD; and then let him conduct himself as becometh a son of God!

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—Therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew Him not.

There is a pretty tough nut for most men and women.

I thank God for the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, which is hated by the world, by the flesh, and by the Devil.

I would not stay five minutes in a church where I did not have to carry a cross; for the man who does not carry a cross will receive no crown in the last day when the awards are granted.

I would be ashamed to gaze upon my Lord falling beneath the weight of the horrible wooden cross, and then to call myself His disciple while I sit in a rocking-chair, taking it easy and never suffering any persecution for Him.

It is written:

If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him: if we deny Him, He also will deny us.—II Timothy 2:12.

If you want to be on good terms with the world, well then ZION is no place for you; because the world hates ZION.

And it would be a disgrace if the world did not hate us. The world hated my Lord and the Apostles, and the world has always hated and persecuted and killed God Almighty's children.

If you are a *son of God*, the world does not know you; and if the world does know you, you are not a son of God — you are a son of the Devil.

I go back to my first assertion, that the thing which is called religion today is an empty, hollow, good-for-nothing counterfeit, which God Almighty has spewed out of His mouth.

Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be:—

Christians Walk by Faith and not by Sight

Suppose I held a grain of corn in my hand this afternoon, and you knew nothing about a stalk of corn or an ear or a tassel, and I were to show you that little yellow grain of corn and say, "I am going to put this into the ground and it will rot and die, and in a few months you will see a beautiful green stalk nine feet high, with numerous blades two and three feet long, a shiny tassel, and a fully developed ear." Would you believe it?

I tell you, nobody will get anything who does not walk by faith. You may say you are a Christian, but if you are walking by sight, you are deceived.

Why did Esau sell his birthright? Because he walked by sight. He did not have the faith to wait for so many years. He was in trouble and he bartered his birthright for a mess of pottage.

What I am saying has no charm for the multitudes today. When I talk about the "out-resurrection from among the dead," about immortality, about sharing the glory of the Son of God and sitting with Him on His throne as joint rulers over this earth, why, a glass of beer is more to the rank and file than all that.

That is what God offers to you; and the Devil is always on hand to make his offer. The Devil will offer you whatever you want, because he was a liar from the beginning. All you have to do is to tell the Devil what you want, and he will promise it to you. Do not call yourself a Christian if you just closed a bargain with the Devil last night. Men and women who make bargains with the Devil are not children of God.

—But we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is.

I will tell you another thing, beloved brothers and sisters: unless you are willing to let everything go, unless you are willing to count everything in this world as *refuse*, there is no hope for you — no hope for you!

Eternal Life a Matter of Knowing God and Jesus Christ

What is eternal life?

And this is LIFE ETERNAL, that they might KNOW THEE THE ONLY TRUE GOD, AND JESUS CHRIST, WHOM THOU HAST SENT.—John 17:3.

Paul said that in order to gain that knowledge — you may never have read it, but it is in the Bible — he was willing to suffer the loss of all things and to count them but refuse; and so am I.

How about you?

I showed you here on Wednesday evening that you never can know God by exercising the intellect. You never can find out God by bringing to bear a university education. It is the spirit in a man that knows the things of the spirit of another man; but the only one who can search out the deep things of God is the Holy Spirit. These things are not revealed by the Holy Spirit to the *mind* of a man, they are revealed to the spirit of a man.

Whatever I know today of the Word of God, I know because the Holy Spirit has taught me; not because of my college education or by the exercise of my intellect.

Know God! — know Jesus Christ, Whom to know aright is LIFE ETERNAL!

The Christian walks altogether by FAITH. He does not walk by sight. Walking by faith, I hear the shout; walking by faith, I hear the trumpet; walking by faith, I see my Lord; walking by faith, I claim the promises of God my Father; walking by faith, I see my crown; walking by faith, I see myself sitting with my Lord as a joint ruler over this earth.

In order to claim these things, I must give up this world — every worldly ambition and every worldly hope. I must "love not the world, neither the things of the world;" and I must escape "the corruption that is in the world through lust," by surrendering wholly to my God and by being wholly sanctified.

It means something to be a CHRISTIAN, beloved. What a fool a man is to play with this thing — to dilly-dally around and to go to hell at last!

I say to you that only a few more sermons will be delivered. Some Lord's Day there will be no Choir here; there will be no officers here — these seats will be empty; for every saint will have been caught up to meet His Lord in the air. And that time is not very far off.

I am going to tell you this a thousand times. I not only say to you that I *believe* what I declare, but I *know* what I am saying. I am not going to tell you nor any human being some things; but I KNOW. You had better set your house in order this afternoon and escape from the world! May God lay hold of you, as the angels laid hold of Lot! May God be merciful to you and help you to ESCAPE FOR YOUR LIFE!

The Test Which Evidences a True Profession of Christ

Listen to this next verse! Here is the test! I pray God that He will stir every one of you to the deepest depths of your spirits! I hate this empty profession! I hate this half-hearted, careless, unconcerned attitude! No half-hearted surrender will be accepted by God! You must either come all the way or God will not have anything to do with you.

Listen to this!

And every man that hath this hope in him—

What hope?

The hope that he will be like Him when he sees Him as He is.

—Purifieth himself, even as He is pure.

There is the test!

And if you are not purifying yourself as He is pure, then you have not that hope. That is all there is to it!

Now, it does not make any difference to me about numbers. I know no one after the flesh. I see nobody this afternoon except my Lord, Who sits at the right hand of God the Father and before Whom I shall stand to give an account for all the deeds done while here in the body.

I have been crying to my God for the last year for a meeting in this Tabernacle made up absolutely and totally, without a single exception, of men and women, youths and maidens who are watching for the Lord; who love His appearing, and who can say, "By the grace of God, so far as I know my heart, I am ready for His coming."

This morning when my eyes first opened, I did not forget to say, "Lord, this may be my last day. You may come before the sun disappears tonight. I will live this day with my eyes upon You, as though I knew it would be my last day." And tonight when the shadows fall, I will say, "Lord, You may come before morning. You will take me, won't You?" Yes I *know* He will take me.

May God, this afternoon, break you all to pieces!

The Christian's Solemn Responsibility Concerning the Unsaved

I will tell you, beloved in Jesus the Christ, if you believe what I believe, if you have seen, if you know what I know, and there

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is one underneath your roof that is not ready for the coming of the Lord, you will be down here during the next eight days of this Feast on your faces, crying to God to regenerate those in your own homes who are unsaved.

Suppose that tonight a father and a mother and five sons and daughters should retire as usual; and, in the silence of the midnight hour, the trumpet sounds, the Precious Lord gives the shout, "Come up hither," and only the mother and the two daughters are taken. In the morning they are gone; the others know not where. All at once they remember that they sat in Shiloh Tabernacle on Lord's Day afternoon, July 13, 1919, and heard a man, who was called crazy and a fool, tell the world that Christ was coming — that He was standing at the door.

Oh, what an awful thought!

You will remember what I have said then, but it will be *too late*.

I see some with sneers on their faces now. I want to tell you that a mighty sad day is coming for you. You had better stop your sneering and your scoffing, give your hearts to God, and turn to Him before it is too late.

I would hate to go to my bed tonight feeling that one underneath my roof was not ready for the coming of the Lord.

The Jews to Return to Palestine Under the Protection of England And the United States

This afternoon the revived Roman Empire is throwing its shadows over the earth. The Jews are taking one step after another in their preparation to return to Palestine. The old Prophet looked down the ages and said:

Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows?—Isaiah 60:8.

The British Empire already has sent to this Country an airship six hundred and seventy-two feet long, ninety-two feet high, carrying twenty-three passengers; and they are talking about building other airships three thousand feet long. And soon you will see the Jews carried to Palestine by the thousands in airships.

It is the plain teaching of the Word of God that the United States and England will return the Jews to Palestine, where they will build their temple. But before that time comes the Church will be taken out.

Now, if you are not purifying yourself — if you are fooling around, wanting a dance, a card game, a moving-picture show, a theater, tobacco, lust, and all the filthy things of the world — get out of here! Do not insult my Lord by telling Him that you are a Christian, you infernal liar! You are a tool of the Devil, you are worldly, you are carnal, you are fleshly, and you are a LIAR like your father!

May God Almighty cleanse this Church of every one who is not indeed and in truth a child of the Living God — a true disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ! I do not care if it only leaves three people.

Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.
And ye know that He was manifested to take away our sins; and in Him is no sin.

You have already had teaching, during this Feast of Tabernacles, which you never had before — teaching that all the preachers and the colleges combined could not give you; for they do not know it. I never learned it in college. God has taught it to me during these last two years by the Holy Spirit.

Now, listen!

Abiding in Christ Makes Sin an Impossibility

WHOSOEVER ABIDETH IN HIM SINNETH NOT:

I want you to get that! I pray that the Holy Spirit will burn it into your hearts!

We read in the Fifteenth Chapter of St. John:

I am the True Vine, and My Father is the Husbandman.
Every branch in Me that beareth not fruit He taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, He purgeth (cleanseth) it, that it may bring forth more fruit. (Verses 1 and 2)

If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. (Verse 7)

Whosoever abideth in Him, sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen Him, neither known Him.

That is, the man the trend of whose life is away from God has never known the Lord. The stream of the Christian life is straight. There may be eddies here and there, which come because the man gets away from Christ and ceases to abide in Him.

When a man sins, he is not abiding in Christ; for the man who abides in Christ sins not.

No wonder the Lord said, "Without Me ye can do nothing." (John 15:5)

How does a man continue to abide in Christ?

By a full surrender and by a full consecration; by keeping nothing back!

I wish you all had heard Elder Mintern's address here last night. He told a story about a tug of war on the boat when he came across the ocean. He said one team pulled and pulled but could not budge the other, when all at once it was discovered that the leader on the end of the row on the other side had the rope around his body tied to the iron beam of the steamer. His application was that many men and women are so tied to the things of the world that one may pull and preach and pray and work as he will, but he can never pull them loose.

Love of the World the Cause of Unrighteousness

That is the trouble this afternoon: men and women are tied to the things of this world. If I could only get every man and woman within our ranks to cut loose and say, "*All* for God!"

That is the teaching of the Word of God!

These are wonderful words!

Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as He is righteous.

Not the righteousness of the law, not self-righteousness, but the righteousness which is the fruit of Christ formed in you the "Hope of glory"— the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

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.
Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for His seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

What did Eve say when Cain was born? She said, "I have gotten a man from the Lord." Did you ever know that Eve thought she had given birth to the Seed of the woman that was to bruise the head of the serpent? Eve thought she had given birth to the Messiah. But instead of giving birth to the Seed of the Lord, she gave birth to a murderer — the seed of the Devil.

In Isaiah 53:11, we read:

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.

And in the Tenth Verse of this same chapter the word "seed" occurs:

...HE SHALL SEE HIS SEED...

Just keep that in mind.

You know, He is called "The Everlasting Father." He is the Father of every one who is "born anew." In other words, as Adam was the head of the first creation and the father of the natural man, Jesus the Christ is the Head of the spiritual creation and the father of all who are "born anew."

The Spiritual Birth as Much a Reality as the Physical Birth

Now, the nature is the seed, and the men and women who are "born anew" are the seeds of the Lord Jesus Christ. This spiritual birth — while it is spiritual and while, in a sense, it is mystical — is just as much a reality as the physical birth.

So, as you sit down there this afternoon, unless you have been "born anew," you are simply the sons of Adam, with that old corrupt, depraved nature, incapable of thinking a holy thought, full of the Devil, and full of the world and the lust of the flesh.

And you cannot change yourself, any more than the Ethiopian can change "his skin, or the leopard his spots." No one but the HOLY SPIRIT can change you.

Put that down in your little scrapbook, you miserable Episcopalians, Roman Catholics, and Lutherans, who teach the awful lie of baptismal regeneration, and that by observing ordinances and sacrifices a man can get salvation!

It is a horrible lie! And God has put it into my heart, in these closing hours of the day of Grace and Mercy, to smite that

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lie, and to call upon men and women to turn to God, that they may be regenerated, converted, justified, and saved by the BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST.

In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the Devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

I spoke to you the other night about DIVINE FELLOWSHIP. Every Christian is in fellowship with Christ, and, being in fellowship with Christ, is in fellowship with every other Christian. The Church of Jesus the Christ is an INVISIBLE BODY. It is built by the Holy Spirit. I do not doubt that there are some sitting here today who are members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion who are not members of the body of Christ at all; and I do not doubt that in far-away China there are some who are members of the body of Christ who are not members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. The fellowship of the saints is a Divine fellowship, and all saints are in fellowship one with another.

The Place of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion Today

However, I would have you to remember this: that the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion is the LAST MOVE of God the Almighty ere the Lord comes. There will never be another! Then it is up to you and to me to make this Church what it ought to be. In order to do that, we must KEEP THE FAITH. I am contending for the Faith this afternoon, and I am insisting on the *genuine thing*.

Last night Elder Mintern was telling about different people in Chicago who are very anxious to move out to Zion City for Zion Schools. If you are here this afternoon, I tell you straight that we do not want you! We do not want anybody to move out here for Zion Schools. We do not want anybody to move out here who is not regenerated, converted, justified, and sanctified. Do you understand that?

Somebody else says, "I would like to live in Zion City for the sake of my children — I have ten thousand dollars I could put into the work — but then I do not care very much about the religion." Well, you stay where you are and keep your ten thousand dollars! We do not want you nor your ten thousand dollars! We do not want anybody coming to Zion City or joining this Church except from the *right motive*.

If you were all philosophers, I would go into this subject of motives, but it is too deep for the average mind.

What is a motive?

A Correct Definition of the Term Motive

Nearly everybody thinks a motive is something *external* to a man, but it is not so. Every motive is made within the heart. Study the question and see if I am not right.

For instance, some one says, "I will give you fifty dollars if you will do so and so." You may say that the fifty dollars is a motive. I say it is not. The motive is the dirty, low-down affection in that fellow's heart. And a man's affections always determine his actions. A man cannot exercise his will power in any different direction than his affections.

Consequently, before a man can be a Christian, the Holy Spirit must touch his heart and change his affections — take away the vile affections and impart holy affections; then that man can exercise his will in a holy manner and turn to God.

It is perfectly correct to say that it is just as impossible to separate a man's will from his affections as to separate his shadow from his body. You never saw a man going north and his shadow going south at the same time, did you?

I will tell you, beloved, there is more to the Christian religion than you think.

You must get rid of everything of the world — all the old aspirations, old affections, and ambitions — and say, "Lord, I throw myself wholly into Your hands! Do anything with me that You like!" If you are not willing to do that, you will never get anywhere.

For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another.

Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.

The Cainanite Civilization the Curse of all Ages

About all the religion the churches have today is a Cainanite religion!

Do you see those two boys, Cain and Abel, going along there? Do you see Cain with the fruit of the field, and Abel with the firstling of his flock? Cain was one of these self-reformation fellows. He did not believe in the *blood*. Consequently, he came marching up with an offering of the fruit of the field, and God would not accept his offering. But Abel came with the *firstling of his flock*. By faith he saw the Redeemer Who would shed His blood upon Calvary; and he showed his faith in the Coming Redeemer and in the shedding of His blood on Calvary by bringing the firstling of his flock and offering it. God had respect to his offering.

The civilization that was destroyed by the flood was a Cainanite civilization. Noah came from the Godly line of Seth, but all the rest of the world were followers of Cain.

And this afternoon — while I rejoice and thank God that He has a people on this earth, few though they may be, who have not bowed the knee to Baal and who are watching for the coming of the Lord — the world and the apostate church have built up another Cainanite civilization.

However, Lloyd George says that if this war which has just ended is not the last one, then the men now living will see civilization swept from the earth!

And Lloyd George is a true prophet; for within a few more years — it will not be long — this civilization will be destroyed and the judgments of God Almighty will fall.

President Wilson, speaking in a moment of despair, grasping the last straw, says that if this Government does not endorse the League of Nations we will break the heart of the world, and that it will mean a world-wide war, worse than ever before.

The League of Nations the Precursor of the Revived Roman Empire

He does not know that the League of Nations is the dark shadow of the Latin nations and the rebirth of the revived Roman Empire. He does not know that Russia is planning the Northeastern Confederacy this afternoon and that before long the *man on horseback* will appear.

When we read that *five men* control the *food of the world*, and that the Peace Conference in Paris was a WORLD TRUST, the Word of God foretells a WORLD FEDERATION!

And it will not be long until there will be no freedom of speech, no freedom of press, no individual liberty, and the mouth of every saint of God will be shut!

The WORLD REVOLUTION that is now threatening all the earth is coming, coming nearer every twenty-four hours, and as it breaks the Lord will come and take His Church out of this world, thus fulfilling His promise that we shall be kept from the great tribulation.

If I wanted to hold up the papers of yesterday, I could read more than twenty articles, showing that what I say is rapidly coming to pass; that the whole earth is now facing the outbreak of the bloody revolution which many men saw twenty-five years ago.

The demands of the laboring class are such as to spell financial ruin, anarchy, and chaos; and when wages go up, then the capitalists put up the prices of all commodities,— until it may be that within a few months the whole world will be turned into a mob of hungry, voracious animals, murdering right and left.

No wonder the Word of God says:

GO TO NOW, YE RICH MEN, WEEP AND HOWL FOR YOUR MISERIES THAT SHALL COME UPON YOU.
....YE HAVE HEAPED TREASURES TOGETHER FOR THE LAST DAYS.—James 5:1, 3.

The DAY OF JUDGMENT is knocking at the door!

Timely Admonition in View of the Lord's Soon Coming

I tell you again, do not be deceived by the preachers; do not be deceived by the politicians; do not be deceived by the press!

Take the WORD OF GOD!

Live a calm, normal, well-poised, healthy, Christian life, "looking for the Blessed Hope, and the glorious appearing of.... our Savior Jesus Christ."

You will not have much longer to wait.

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This afternoon, beloved, put away sin! Get close to Jesus! If you have been deceiving yourself into thinking that you are a Christian, when you are not, I pray God to open your eyes! It means something to be a Christian!

Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you.

We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren.

Apostle Darms, the other night, in his address, told you that in the Old Testament the word "servant" occurs over *one thousand* times: that when Jesus came, first He called them "servants," then "friends," and at last "brethren."

Oh, think of being BRETHREN of the Lord Jesus Christ!

BRETHREN — members of the Divine Household, a part of whom is in Heaven today and, for aught I know, looking down upon us who are here. But in that glad morning when the Lord descends, He will bring them all with Him. Then you and I will be changed, "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye," and we will be "caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words." (I Thessalonians 4:17, 18)

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me.

In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I WILL COME AGAIN, AND RECEIVE YOU UNTO MYSELF; THAT WHERE I AM, THERE YE MAY BE ALSO.—John 14:1-3.

Thank God for that promise!

I do not wonder that the Bible says of the Church that we are "strangers and pilgrims on the earth," only crossing it in a hurried flight. This is not our home. Our inheritance is Heavenly.

Love the Determining Life-giving Factor Among Brethren

—He that loveth not his brother abideth in death.

I say to you, officers and members of this Church, if there is one of you who has a quarrel with any brother or sister and if relations are not what they should be, God have mercy upon you if you let this day close without putting things right!

Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.

Hereby perceive we the love of God, —

How do we perceive it?

—BECAUSE HE LAID DOWN HIS LIFE FOR US:—

Could one ask for anything more?

And yet, is it not a singular thing that millions will spurn that love, count the blood of Christ an unholy thing, and blaspheme the Name of God?

Have you ever noticed that men do not use the Name of the Holy Spirit in profanity? They *do* use the Name of our Loving Heavenly Father and of our Lord, but they do not use the Name of the Holy Spirit in profanity. There is a reason for it. I just drop that so that you will have something to think about.

—And we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.—I John 3:16.

I would like to shake hands with somebody who is laying down his life for his brethren.

My God and Father knows that I have died a thousand times in this ministry. There is never a Monday morning that I do not have to turn to my private altar and cry to God to fill me once more, after having poured out the last ounce of my strength and life in an attempt to bring somebody into fellowship with Jesus the Christ.

Oh, the horrible selfishness and wickedness of men and women! How corrupt their hearts are! But men and women who are Christ-centered will put their services, their talents, their time, and their ALL upon God's altar for Christ and for the brethren.

Unselfishness the Governing Principle in the Building of Zion City

In building this little City as a place of refuge for the children of God, I do not want anybody to have any part in it who acts from a selfish motive. For instance, when a man says to me, "If I do this, what can I make out of it?" I say, "I do not want anything to do with you, sir."

I would be a fool to toil day and night trying to build a little city free from the vices of the world, and then allow it to be built on SELFISHNESS, which, when it was finished, would corrupt it, corrode it, rot it, damn it, and destroy it.

I hope you see that point.

How I love the Word of God!

I wonder if what I have read has done you any good? I wonder if you have been stirred, and if you have seen yourself as you really are — away off yonder on a mountain in the desert starving to death, when here is a table spread bountifully with the BREAD OF LIFE, the PRECIOUS LORD HIMSELF.

Oh, that God would help me to get you to the place this afternoon where, if the Lord were to come tonight, you would not be left on this earth to live under the reign of the Antichrist!

Some people say to me, "Where do you get your authority for saying that the Antichrist is going to behead millions?"

...And I saw the souls of them THAT WERE BEHEADED FOR THE WITNESS OF JESUS, and for the Word of God, and who had NOT WORSHIPPED THE BEAST, NEITHER HIS IMAGE, NEITHER HAD RECEIVED HIS MARK UPON THEIR FOREHEADS, OR IN THEIR HANDS... (Revelation 20:4)

The Antichrist will have electric guillotines, and he will cut off the heads of millions. Trenches will be dug to carry the rivers of blood away. The world is getting ready for it! Things are moving with lightening rapidity!

It is today as it was in the days of Lot in Sodom. The angels said to him:

...Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, BRING THEM OUT OF THIS PLACE: (Genesis 19:13)

He went out and preached to his sons-in-law, "but he seemed as one that mocked" unto them. Finally the angels took hold of him and said, "ESCAPE FOR THY LIFE!"

Lovers of the World to Come Under the Rule of the Antichrist

If you do not cut loose from the world and get the spirit of the world out of your life, you will come under the reign of the Antichrist. Mark what I say!

You had better escape "the corruption that is in the world through lust," by turning to the Lord Jesus Christ. There is no place for *animals* in this organization. This is not a zoological garden, it is a place for men and women who belong to the NEW CREATION. If you belong to the world, the flesh, and the Devil, go to your own place.

I will read to you in First Corinthians the Second Chapter.

You do not have to understand the philosophy, the underlying principles.

Suppose I were to bring a house plant, with beautiful green leaves and flowers on it, up here. I say to Apostle Jordan there, "Is that plant dead or alive?" He says, "It is alive." I say to him, "Explain to me the life in that plant." Could he do it?

Life is just as mysterious today as it was five thousand years ago.

You do not have to understand the philosophy of religion.

I am going to understand all I can, though.

When a man photographs the dinner on your stomach, do you understand it?

One "smarty" wrote to me and said, "You say that the saints are going to be caught up to meet the Lord in the air. Why, such a thing is impossible!"

Worldly wisdom!

And yet, today, men can photograph your dinner when it is in your stomach, they can photograph a bullet in your back, and they can photograph your head and tell you what is in it.

How do you explain it?

How can you explain a black cow's eating green grass and giving white milk? (Laughter.)

What is it that we *can* explain in this life?

God's Word the only True Source of Knowledge

One thing I do know from God Almighty's Word, and that is that when the Rapture takes place and this body of mine is changed into an immortal body, I will be able to go right up through that roof.

How does the heat of the sun go through a wall?

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How does the light of the sun go through a window-glass? Some day I shall know all these things.

Was not the moon beautiful last night? How do you suppose it is kept in its place? Well, I will tell you, the Almighty God upholdeth it with His power, and He guides the sun and the moon and the planets in their courses.

Do you understand the circulation of the blood?

I shall have an immortal body — I shall put on immortality.

And then after seven years, when all the nations are gathered around Jerusalem, all at once they will see a peculiar little circle up there in the sky — it will enlarge, and they will become petrified with fear. At last they will see an open door and, coming through that door, the Son of Man in all His glory riding on a "white horse" (Revelation 19:11), and with Him a great army of the saints and all the holy angels. Then the Antichrist and the False Prophet will hurry hither and thither, and by means of airships will ascend in an attempt to drive back the Son of Man, saying, "He shall not rule over us! We will break His bands asunder!" The nations will rave, "and the people imagine a vain thing;" but He will come on down and, with the breath of His mouth, destroy that vast army in the Valley of Megiddo.

That will be the Battle of Armageddon.

It is not much more than seven years off either.

It is written in this Second Chapter of First Corinthians, beginning at the Ninth Verse:

...EYE HATH NOT SEEN, NOR EAR HEARD, NEITHER HAVE ENTERED INTO THE HEART OF MAN (by the process of reasoning), THE THINGS WHICH GOD HATH PREPARED FOR THEM THAT LOVE HIM.

Think of that for a minute!

...The carnal mind is enmity against God... (Romans 8:7)

The Deep Things of God Revealed Through the Holy Spirit

No greater blunder ever was made than for a man to think that because he is a philosopher and a scientist and a linguist, and so on, he can take up the Bible and read and understand it.

God Almighty inspired, not only the thoughts of the Bible, but the words as well.

But God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

My brother, when you are regenerated and converted and the Holy Spirit takes possession of you, He will teach you the "deep things of God."

You might go to school for forty years, and still be ignorant of everything in God's Word; because you cannot understand His Word by going to school.

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

That is, the revelations of God in His Word.

Which things also we speak, NOT IN THE WORDS WHICH MAN'S WISDOM TEACHETH, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: FOR THEY ARE FOOLISHNESS UNTO HIM:—

There may be some of these same people in this audience. I love them, but I will guarantee that everything I have been saying is utter nonsense to them — utter folly.

—Neither can he know them, because they are SPIRITUALLY DISCERNED.

God is not upbraiding the natural man; He is simply stating a fact. If I were to say that a baby could not pick up Apostle Peckham here and throw him out of that window, I would not be upbraiding the baby, but merely stating a fact. So when God says that the natural man cannot understand the things of God, He is not upbraiding him or scolding him.

But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.

For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ. (I Corinthians 2:16)

The Saved Divided into Two Classes — Spiritual and Carnal

A few verses in the Third Chapter of this same book:

And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto SPIRITUAL, but as unto CARNAL, even as unto babes in Christ.

The unsaved portion of humanity constitutes a single class. The Bible makes no divisions of the unsaved. The Bible divides the saved into two classes — *spiritual* and *carnal*. The carnal man is saved, having received Christ, but he has never established proper relations between himself and the Holy Spirit.

You have the three disvisions right here where I am reading.

I have fed you milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able.

For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal and walk as men? (I Corinthians 3:1-3)

May God bless you!

Bible School Lesson for October 5th
The Epistle of Jude

By Apostle Willis F. Jordan

I. The writer was Jude, or Judas, who with James — the writer of the Epistle of James — was a brother of the Lord. Here he calls himself "a servant of Jesus Christ and brother of James."

II. It is a General Epistle.

It is addressed "to them who are sanctified (called, set apart). by God the Father, and preserved (What a forceful word!) in Jesus Christ." (Verses One.)

Jude also uses God's multiplication table — Verse Two.

III. The contents of the Epistle, or what Jude writes about:

1. The imperiled Faith — Verse Three.

(1) The common salvation — the Faith once for all delivered to the saints, in the keeping of the Church.

(2) Earnestly contend for it. This is necessary today as never before.

2. Because of the apostasy and the many apostate preachers and teachers. This universal apostasy and its ministerial upholders are described in the rest of the Epistle.

(1) They creep in unawares — Verse Four with II Peter 2:1-3.

(2) They were ordained, or foreseen of old.

(3) They are ungodly men — men without God. God knows them not, although "He knoweth all them who are His."

(4) They turn the Grace of God into lasciviousness: lewdness, lustfulness.

(5) They deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ. Compare I John 2:22.

(6) They persist in apostasy though certain destruction always overtakes all apostates — Verses Five to Seven.

(7) They give themselves over to fornication, going after strange flesh, as did the "angels" (Genesis 6:1-7) and the Sodomites — Verse Seven with Genesis 19:5.

(8) They are filthy unclean dreamers, defiling the flesh.

(9) They despise dominion (government) and defame dignitaries — Verse Eight.

In this they are condemned by Michael the Archangel in his dispute with the Devil over the body of Moses — Verse Nine.

(10) They, as natural (unsaved) brute beasts, corrupt themselves, speaking evil of spiritual things of which they are densely ignorant.

(11) God's "Woe" is upon them; for they have gone in the way of Cain (Genesis Four) who, rejecting THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB, murdered his brother and became a vagabond.

(12) They run greedily in the error of Balaam (Numbers 22:5, 6) who would curse God, Israel, and sacred things if Balak will only pay him well for doing so.

(13) They will finally perish in the gainsaying of Korah (See Numbers, the Sixteenth Chapter).

(14) They are spots and blemishes in the love meetings of the true Church — Read the rest of Verse Twelve and Thirteen.

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(15) Wandering stars, having burned themselves out, they go into the blackness of darkness forever.

(16) They are murmurers, complainers, living only to satisfy their own lusts — Verse Sixteen.

(17) They speak great swelling words of vanity to please certain "rich men" in the Church — Verse Sixteen.

(18) They separate themselves, are sensualists, and have not the Spirit — Verse Nineteen.

(19) They are scoffing mockers at the Second Coming Doctrine — Verse Eighteen.

(20) Their certain doom. When? See Verses Fourteen and Fifteen.

IV. JUDE'S EXHORTATION TO THE TRUE SAINTS— Verses Seventeen, Twenty to Twenty-five.

1. Remember the words of the Apostles — Verse Seventeen. Compare II Peter 3:2, 3.
2. Build up yourselves on your most holy faith.
3. Pray in the Holy Spirit.
4. Keep yourselves in the love of God.
5. Look for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.
6. Of some have compassion, making a difference.
7. Others save with fear, snatching them out of the fire.
8. Hate the garment spotted by the flesh.

V. The final Benediction — Verses Twenty-four and Twenty-five.

Zion in Racine, Wisconsin

ZION'S work was inaugurated in Racine, Wisconsin, on Lord's Day, September 28, 1919, by the General Overseer, who conducted two great meetings in the Auditorium building, assisted by Zion officers and the Zion Choir, Zion Band, Zion Orchestra, and Zion Guard.

THE day was stormy, but the building was filled at both services; and the building, which seats about two thousand, would not have accommodated the people had the weather been fair.

THE General Overseer's subject in the afternoon was, "The Sure Word of Prophecy," and in the evening his subject was, "The Blessed Hope of the Church, and the False Hopes of the World." These addresses were listened to with close attention by the large audiences assembled, and much interest was awakened in Zion's message.

AFTER each service, many came forward to shake hands with the General Overseer, and many copies of LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT were sold at both meetings.

AT the close of the evening service, the General Overseer introduced Elder Thomas H. Nelson to the audience, who gave a short talk and announced meetings in Racine for the coming week. He has been put in charge of Zion's work in Racine.

ZION'S work at this important center has had a most propitious opening.

LET Zion everywhere pray for Elder Nelson and for Zion in Racine.

— APOSTLE WM. S. PECKHAM.

Notes of Thanksgiving to Zion's God

Healed of Cancer and Kept for Twenty-three Years

————, CALIFORNIA,
July 2, 1919.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

****** I thank you for the good teaching I receive through LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT, and pray that God may pour out a great blessing at the coming Feast of Tabernacles, and I look forward to the time when we also may be found enjoying the Feast of Tabernacles and worshiping God with the faithful ones in ZION.

****** I do thank God every day that He has brought me into ZION. It is now twenty-three years since God healed me of cancer of the stomach, and praise the Lord He has kept me all these years. ******

Yours in Jesus Christ until His coming,
(Signed) LOUIS H. FISHER.

Thankful for the "Leaves of Healing" and "The Theocrat"

————, OHIO,
July 5, 1919.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

****** Thank you, General Overseer, for praying for me and praise God for His many blessings and for healing me through prayer.

We are thankful for the LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT which reveal the Scriptures to us regarding the time of the end, and the soon coming of Jesus to receive His own.

(Signed) WM. MILLER.

Blessed Through the Teaching of "Leaves of Healing"

————, ILLINOIS,
September 6, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

As a new member in fellowship with ZION, I feel under obligation to help extend the Kingdom of God.

I learned through the teaching of LEAVES OF HEALING, which are so dear to me, that I have many things for which to praise God.

I praise Jesus the Christ, our Redeemer, that the faith, once for all delivered to the Saints, is restored in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church of ZION.

I am glad I found Divine Healing in the Church of ZION. I never liked a doctor around the home, and thanks to God, I know better now.

My wife and I thank our Heavenly Father for the many blessings we have received in answer to prayer, and give Him all the glory.

We ask your prayers that we may be faithful till Jesus comes.

Yours in Christ,
(Signed) AUGUST VIETH.

Healed of Broken Collar-bone in Answer to Zion's Leaders' Prayer

————, IDAHO,
June 2, 1919.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I will give you a little of my experience. About thirty years ago my left collar-bone was broken and my arm hung by the cords for seven years.

A copy of the LEAVES OF HEALING was handed to us by E. D. Bergman, at that time an infidel. A few weeks later, I went to hear Dr. Dowie, ZION Home, Michigan Avenue, Chicago. I arrived on Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon Dr. Dowie showed me where I was in the wrong. He led me back and I was filled with the Holy Spirit.

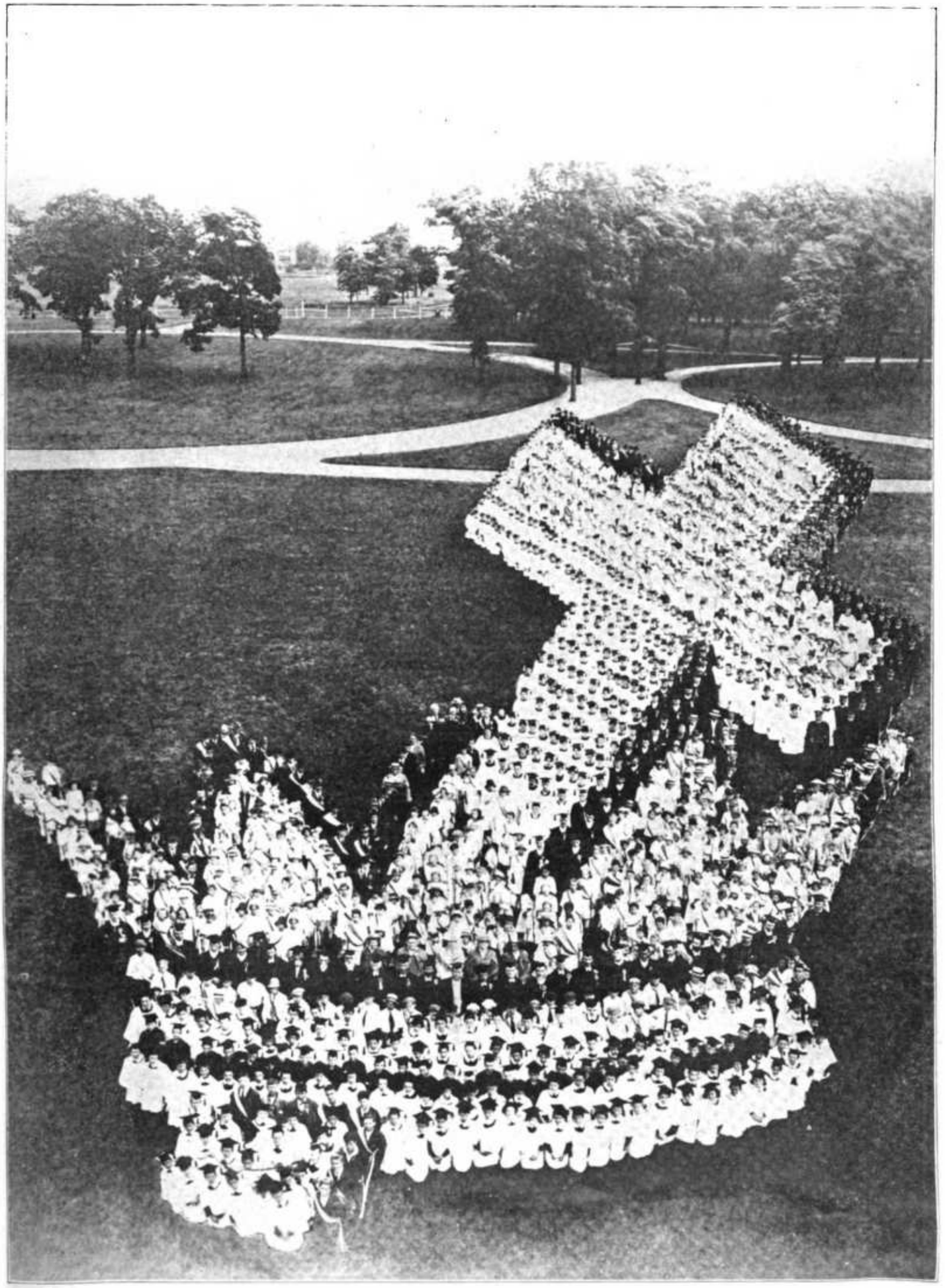
Monday afternoon he prayed for me, and my collar-bone was healed in the twinkling of an eye. It has stood the test ever since and that has been twenty-two years ago.

I thank God for His keeping power and for Salvation, Healing, and Holy Living. We have lived twenty-two years without the hog or lard. We have all been healed through ZION prayers and I know that my Redeemer liveth. I know that He will come again to take the Saints from the earth. May we one and all be ready to go when the time comes.

Please remember us in your prayers, that we may be faithful to ZION, and to God.

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,
(Signed) S. L. MALTBY.

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"Whosoever doth not bear his Cross, and come after Me, cannot be My disciple."—Luke 14:27.

"When the Chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a Crown of glory that fadeth not away."—I Peter 5:4.

Zion Robed Officers, Zion Band, Zion Guard, Zion Choir, and Zion Restoration Host, Arranged to Picture a Cross and a Crown. Photograph taken on the Occasion of the Nineteenth Anniversary of the Consecration of the Temple Site, Monday, July 14, 1919, during Zion's Nineteenth Feast of Tabernacles.

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REMARKABLE PROGRESS has been made in the establishment of Zion City since March 1, 1911, but much work remains yet to be done ere the task is fully completed.

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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

EDITED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

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GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Quickly Healed in Zion of Stomach Trouble of Long Standing, Deafness, Toothache Sprained Arm, Influenza, Kidney Trouble and Nervous Prostration the Result of a Surgical Operation

DIVINE HEALING stands out prominently both in the Old Testament and in the New Testament. It is made a part of the Atonement as evidenced by the following passages of Scripture:

"Surely He hath borne our griefs (sicknesses), 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."—Isaiah 53:4, 5.

"When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick:

"That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses."—Matthew 8:16, 17.

Healing in the Atonement

Therefore, according to the above Scriptures, the Atonement of Jesus the Christ covers the body as well as the spirit—all the needs of the tripartite man.

But, while healing is in the Atonement, it must be claimed just the same as salvation from sin is appropriated. It can be accepted or let alone, but it is there for all who will go after it.



MISS MABEL SARAH STOUFFER

God saves no one against his will, and God heals no one against his will.

All must *seek* healing in just the same way that they seek salvation.

Salvation and healing are both on deposit, but they must each be drawn upon or they will remain there and be inoperative. We may secure one and not the other — take salvation and neglect healing: but God has made provision for both sins and sicknesses.

The churches no longer preach the full Gospel! They magnify salvation so that healing is lost sight of entirely. They "have a form of godliness, but lack the power thereof."

If healing were taken away from the ministry of Jesus Christ, there would be little left, for it was His daily work to heal the sick.

If healing were taken away from the ministry in the early Church, there would be a great gap impossible to bridge.

The Bible Rules in Zion

Zion believes the Bible to be the Word of God, and lives according to its teaching. Therefore there are many healings in Zion, and her thousands of people are wonderfully kept by the power of God.

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Doctors and drugs are not recognized among ZION people. Still there is very little sickness to be found at any time in her army of children, youths and maidens.

The rising generation, having been born in ZION, is far in advance of preceding generations. All visitors to the CITY OF ZION remark upon the healthful appearance of these products of ZION teaching.

Each year the change becomes more noticeable. The health officers are compelled to admit that the statistics show that ZION has fewer deaths and more births than have other cities of its size in this or any land, where doctors control and the medical god is bowed down to.

Medical tyranny is broken in ZION!

THE FAILURE OF DOCTORS — THE VICTORY OF FAITH

The following testimony sets forth the sad results of trusting in surgeons, doctors and drugs, and records a wonderful story of healing wrought through simple faith in Jesus, after coming to ZION.

Under the care of doctors, she went down to death's door; but in ZION she learned the truth:

"I am the Lord Who Healeth thee."—Exodus 15:26.

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

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever."—Hebrews 13:8.

"Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases."—Psalm 103:3.

She looked to God and was healed.

Today she is well and strong with a bright future before her.

We send her testimony forth with many others, on the pages of LEAVES OF HEALING, cherishing the hope that some suffering ones may be encouraged to turn away from the arm of flesh, and trust in the true and the Living God Who has promised to heal His people.

DIVINE HEALING WITNESSES WITH US TODAY

These witnesses are just as reliable as any who were healed by Jesus Christ when He walked among men; just as authentic as was the lame man healed at the "Beautiful Gate of the Temple," and who was declared healed by Peter through faith in the risen "Prince of Life"—Jesus the Christ:

"And His Name through faith in His Name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by Him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all."—Acts 3,16.

"And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion towards them, and He healed their sick."—Matthew 14:4.

He is still of great compassion!

He is with us today to save and to heal!

Thy touch has still its ancient power;
No word from Thee can fruitless fall:
Here in this solemn evening hour,
Lord in Thy mercy heal us all.

"LO, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN UNTO THE CONSUMMATION OF THE AGE."—Matthew 28:20.

—APOSTLE WM. S. PECKHAM.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MISS MABEL SARAH STOUFFER

Zion Home,
Zion, Illinois.
August 15, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.
General Overseer:

Peace to Thee!

I will make mention of a few instances in my life which happened before I found ZION or understood it. This may help some of the dear ones I know, who remain in darkness as yet, to the light of God's Word. I cannot thank God enough that I was delivered from the man-made so-called churches. The minute I gave them up, God unveiled ZION to me, for which I am thankful.

I was sick and nervous, having overworked, and was not very strong as a result of an operation that I had on September 7, 1911. I had a nervous breakdown and could not work. I had suffered pain for six weeks; had taken medicine all summer and was soaked in it. I grew worse and came home to stay because I could not work.

Mother had just accepted God as her Healer in ZION. A few days before, Mrs. Naffziger had sent some LEAVES OF HEALING to her, and I was reading them. Mother asked me if I could not trust God for my healing. I answered in a very short way, "Yes, I can." She then asked me why I did not do so. I told her that I was not ready.

The next morning I decided to trust God as my Healer. I could not deny my Lord, in fact, I did not dare to do it.

I had not slept for two weeks, to speak of. I wrote out a prayer request and mailed it. As I wrote it I promised God that no matter what happened, I would never take another drop of medicine.

After I had sent the request, I laid down. After a half hour, I awoke, perfectly healed. All pain was gone and I did not have an ache anywhere in my body.

The next day was Lord's Day, and I walked a mile to church. I came home and slept five hours. After two days, I went to work for a family of seven. I worked there for five months, at the end of which time, I came to the City of Zion.

For the first three weeks after coming here, the Devil tried to discourage me. I found the work in the factory too hard, as the electricity affected me. I did not want to do house work as I had been doing for the twelve years previous, and was on the verge of going home. The girls at the factory were praying for me, however, and soon a way was opened.

On April 1, 1916, I answered a call for someone to do the pastry work in Zion Home Kitchen. I was told that I would have to bake as high as fifty pounds of bread a day, besides cakes and puddings. The work seemed like a mountain so high that I could not see the top, but I walked in by faith, determined to do the best I could. The lady in charge (Mrs. Dulmage) was like a mother to me, and by grace lifted me right up to the standard, for which I thank God.

I continued with that work for six months, by that time having mastered it. Then on October 23, 1916, I was asked to take the cooking. I took it, but the work was very heavy, and the heat from the ranges made it harder. The Devil was busy day and night for five weeks. I would be so worn out that every morning I would think that I could not go through another day's work.

I enjoyed the work so much that I could not think of giving it up, and that made me pray all the more earnestly. As each morning would dawn, God renewed my strength, and I would go through another day. Even though I had been healed, I had not gained all my strength, and had very poor circulation. That was one reason why I would tire so easily.

I was not satisfied with my condition, so went to a Divine Healing meeting. Apostle Peckham prayed so earnestly for me that I knew I had received the blessing for which I was seeking.

A few days later, I went to work again. It seemed to me that the heat from the ranges would blister my hands and face. My face was as red as fire. Up to that time, the greater the heat, the whiter I grew, until I was as white as wax, and had not felt the heat.

At that time, September, 1917, I saw and felt the blessing. I was healed of stomach trouble which I had had since I was a child. During the previous years I could never eat eggs or drink milk without getting a high fever, so I decided to let them alone, never seeking for the healing in particular. God healed me of this at the same time, and I was ready to take the healing when God gave it to me. I craved for a drink of milk but resisted for three days. Then I took a half glass in faith, and it did not hurt me. Now that is one of my principal foods.

God delivered me also of kidney trouble which I had had since I was ten years of age. I was healed four different times of La-Grippe. With two spells of it I had a gathering in my head; with another, deafness; and with another, pains in my lungs and all over my body.

Later on I was troubled with deafness. It was very hard to take orders at the range, so I battled in prayer for a month by myself, but I did not get the victory. I then asked Elder Robbins to pray for me, and fifteen minutes later there was a discharge from my ears and after three days of this, my hearing was restored.

I was instantly healed of an aching tooth in which the nerve was dying. It had done this in some of my other teeth and ulcerated them. I looked to God at that time, and He healed it so perfectly that today the tooth is sound and the nerve alive, thank God!

I was also healed of a sprained arm which pained me very much. As soon as I rested wholly upon God, I was healed; and today it is stronger than ever.

I cannot name all of the healings and blessings which I have received, and I tried always to obey God's Word as it is in James 5:13-16:

Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms.

Is any sick among you? 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 the 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 one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

I thank God for the officers. So many times I was too sick to pray for myself, but their prayers were always answered and I did not need to go to bed, only to rest awhile.

The past year I have been in perfect health, in fact, God has

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given me a new body and nerves, since coming to the City of Zion.

Words cannot express my thankfulness to God that He has brought me to Zion.

I am so thankful for the teaching I have received in God's Word through the General Overseer — especially on the Second Coming of Christ and the Rapture.

The last three months I have had a feast of good things. I have not missed a meeting on Lord's Days, in the early morning or afternoon, or a Wednesday evening so far; and it is my intention to miss none in the future. They go far ahead of any training school I ever heard of.

I praise Him because He appointed a place,
Where some day, through faith in His wonderful grace,
I know I shall see Him — shall look on His face,
For He is so precious to me.

I have a beautiful future before me. I have nothing to be doubtful about because I always work with an eye single to God's Glory. Many times, from the world's standpoint, I went two miles instead of one in order to be sure I had done what I felt was satisfactory and pleasing to God.

I talk to Jesus more than I do to people when I am working, and realize His Presence with me always.

I enjoy working, and in Zion, every kind of work is God's work. That is the spirit with which I work, and I thank God that I have always had it. I pray each day that the works of my hands may praise God as well as my lips.

I cannot thank God enough for not permitting me to be successful with anything I undertook before coming to Zion. I presume He had to keep me dissatisfied in order to get me where He could use me to His honor and glory. Since I came, the windows of Heaven have been opened, and blessings poured upon me till I cannot contain them all.

I consider all the work here to be missionary work. I send literature out continually to the dark world. That is why I am so happy! But oh, how long God worked with me before I could see, and go where He wanted me to go!

I must make mention, in thankfulness to God, of a wonderful deliverance that I had, through prayer and trust, from influenza. I was taking it, but I sought for prayer right away and did not give up till I got the deliverance. After the second prayer, everything in the back of my head seemed to be pulling to pieces, and a strange sensation went down my back.

I rested well that night and awoke in the morning feeling fine except for a discharge from my head which lasted for three days.

Apostles Moot, Peckham and Taylor, and Elders Robbins and Hammock have prayed the prayer of faith for me at different times, and God always heard and answered.

Now, my dear friends, if you are in darkness, subscribe for the LEAVES OF HEALING and study them with your Bible. Then you will soon see your way clear, and if you, too, would have this blessed strength offered you all your journey's length —"Close to Jesus ever be. He will give this strength to thee."

Trusting that this testimony will be a blessing to all who read it, I am

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) Miss Mabel Sarah Stouffer.

"FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT OF FAITH" AND "PUT ON THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD"

By Elder 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 the 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."

ZION'S mission and work is plainly set forth in the Word of God. 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, from 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 its borders. It was to be known as God's land and God's Government. 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 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 men are won for God. The Bridegroom is coming. Be ye ready, for the hour ye know not.

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

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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Faith and Medicine

By Apostle C. F. Viking

We don't care what your medical books say, we believe the BIBLE.

Medical books ten years ago are now out of date, but not so the Bible.

Every physician is ignorant and makes tremendous blunders, but never Jesus Christ.

You can look at your own tongue in your own looking-glass, for nothing.

Why should you swallow the Devil's concoctions called medicine and pray God to bless them?

Are you sane when you buy poison for your children and stuff it down their throats?

The Devil has gone from the retail into the wholesale business, medically.

All you have to do is to shut your eyes, open your mouth, swallow his stuff, and send for the undertaker.

Why should you sit under the teaching of preachers who have no more living faith than a donkey?

The Church today is Biblically Blind.

Men are turned out from Seminaries with less faith than when they entered.

I have yet to meet one denominational pastor with faith to be healed.

The ministry turns the sick over to the doctors, never to Jesus Christ.

Whether the doctors pray or swear, it makes no difference.

Faith and medicine do not mix.

Long prayers plus pills equal dead faith.

Many prayers with drugs in the heart is rank unbelief.

The Bible! Where is your Bible?

"Understandest thou what thou readest?"

In case of sickness, what should be taken is — your spiritual pulse.

When will you pour out your medicine into the ocean and praise God?

When will you live the Bible?

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"SOME ORTHODOX HERESIES"

By Elder Thomas H. Nelson

WE announce that virtue and vice, both, are instantaneous in the will—that no man is really worse than he is willing to be or ever better than his heart purposes. We do not say that he is regenerated thereby, but merely assert that he removes the human heritance to Divine regeneration. He assumes the attitude of self-surrender, which becomes the ground on which God can regenerate. As far as he is concerned, he has abandoned sin and assumed an attitude of entire submission.

Though the responsible will cannot directly control the inclinations or attachments of the heart, yet if man sets the authoritative will right, and keeps it there, the Spirit of God will come in, in regenerating power, through that Medium, and He will soon whip the perverted motional and affectional nature into line.

The majesterial soul in the exercise of its sovereign will — its unfettered moral choice — is potentially blessed or blasted, regenerated or degenerated on demand, actively or passively expressed.

Through preferential selection of good or evil, God or the Devil comes into the choosing soul, and thereby duplicates God or the Devil in it. As no rational soul is ever degenerated but by the influence of a Satanic spirit, so no man is ever regenerated but by the Divine Spirit.

All natural life comes from fatherhood. Motherhood is largely incubative; it nourishes and characterizes the vital microspores — the fertilizing or fecundating male cells.

Jesus said of bad men, "Ye are of your father, the Devil, and the works of your father ye will do." The degenerate spirit was in them, making them the Devil's children.

Again He said of prospectively good men, "No man cometh unto Me except the Father which hath sent Me draw him." Again, "Ye must be born again;" "Born of God," etc. Again, "Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His." God's Spirit can be relied on as always, "Reproving the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment."

"This is the true light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world." Again, "The manifestation of the Spirit hath been given to every man to profit withal."

Some disbelieve, disobey, and consequently fail to profit by the possibilities that are theirs.

Science shows that in unicellular organisms, the shape and activity of each specimen is varied, as you vary the influencing agency — such as heat, cold, drought, friction, nutrition, etc.; and the prolonged continuance of the specimen in its changed state tends to crystalization and perpetuity of character in the new form and action.

This principle of the partial educational transformation of elemental potentialities, holds just as good in all multicellular organisms from soil to soul and from mollusk to man.

When the responsible, choosing soul has permitted the regenerating or degenerating spirit to come into its once neutral moral powers and influence the expansion of its ethical attitude and capacity, it becomes co-existently and co-extensively changed — *converted* or *perverted;* and it crystalizes through habit in fixedness of character in the blessed or blasted state. God's Spirit never asks the assent of the rational soul to conviction, but He always receives the consent of the soul to the reception of regeneration. Conviction is generally produced in the rational soul by the Divine Spirit, through some phase of the Word. Regeneration is always produced by the personal Spirit largely independent of the Word. It is hard to differentiate at times between the Word and the Spirit, as God says they blend together and "agree in one." Jesus said "The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit and they are life." This text plainly combines the two. When men read the Word, they are not only enlightened, but they are measurably comforted thereby, for there is a measure of the Spirit that inspires the Word lingering in that Word. On the other hand, when men receive the real Divine Spirit, they are not only comforted, but they are somewhat inspirationally instructed also, for an element of the Word goes with the Spirit. They blend together like light and heat as the dual effects of fire — the origin or fundamental element of the subtle trinity.

Self-Regeneration Impossible

The Word may be printed, preached or personally embodied (some are "living epistles, known and read"), or the Spirit may directly appeal to the rational soul's intuitive knowledge of right; and as far as real life is concerned, the soul is as an unfertilized seed, an unfecundated egg, "dead in sin," till God's personal Spirit vitalizes the same with the Divine pollen of His presence.

This fact makes so-called self-redemption, baptismal regeneration, salvation by education and character, evolutionary redemption, atonement through meritorious works, and such like phrases, all mere rhetorical nonsense.

The Word is a mirror that reveals the dirt of sin on the face of the soul; but as the mirror will not actually cleanse that face, men need to turn to the wash-bowl, so the Word will not regenerate, and we need the Spirit's regenerating operation; and this is called "the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit."

In discussing the freedom of the will in connection with so-called self-redemption, we can do no better than to quote as follows from one of our own works, "The Gospel of Cause and Effect:"

"If my reader were himself the very embodiment of benevolence, that fact would force him to perfectly will or desire the people's highest good. If, in addition to his benevolence, he possessed the attribute of omniscience, that fact would force him to perfectly *plan* the people's highest good. If he were further empowered with the attribute of omnipotence, he woul be placed under the additional necessity of performing all things essential to the people's highest good. If the attribute of omnipresence were also bestowed upon him, that fact would oblige him to make the above named blessings universal, and *will, plan* and *perform* all the people's highest good. If the attribute of eternity were also his, the result would be that he would need to will, plan, and perform all perfect benedictions for all His creatures in all places to all eternity. There is one additional element only that demands consideration, before the above named powers could produce a perfect perennial paradise. That element is submission or harmony between the will of this being and the will of all other beings who possess any real claim to the elements in or upon which this being must work. If there is any opposition to the activities of this being on the part of claimants endowed with intelligence and moral choice, that question must be legally and righteously settled ere this being can act universally. In the meantime, he may act locally where permitted by accredited claimants, and then only up to the limit of their permission and desire.

"Here is the situation exactly: In Christ's Redemption, all has been willed, planned, and done perfectly for the highest good of all to all eternity that can be done under the circumstances, and it would universally bloom out this minute into Edenic and perpetual conditions, were it not for the rebel wills of men. Rebel man objects to the will of God in Christ Jesus. He claims the right to do as he pleases and have his own way even to his own ruin.

"The fact that man is not a mere automaton but possessed of intelligence and the powers of moral choice, demands for him, even on the part of God, his Father, a recognition and a fair trial. Pending the settlement of man's wicked and wilful rebellion and Christ's right to universal sovereignty at the Supreme Court of Eternal Judgment, Jesus of necessity uses His benign powers to bless the sons of men only in a local way where individuals believe for, desire, and seek it."

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Election, Predestination, Etc.

"To assign this prominent place to free moral agency," says one, "leaves but small space indeed for Divine election, predestination, foreordination, etc." We assert that their proper place is alone safeguarded by this fact.

God's omniscience or infinite foreknowledge, evidently permitted Him to foresee every soul who would believe God and obey Christ, and, through that medium, become transformed into His Own image. Based on this fact of His infinite foreknowledge, He even foreannounced that a certain nation and some persons would be especially His Own; but neither that foreknowledge or foreannouncement, or both conjoined, amounted to foreordination or predestination, as these words are generally applied, nor do they either or both fetter or effect in the least the free moral choice of the individuals under discussion, all of whom are enlightened by "the true light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world." Here, in the personal consciousness of right and wrong, all are equally responsible. It is written that God elected or chose you "to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth." This is the true basis of election. Men become God's elect or chosen through salvation from sin. They are saved from sin by the sanctification of the Spirit. The sanctification of the Spirit is received through belief of the truth. The truth is believed and obeyed, in that belief, through the untrammeled choice of the rational and responsible soul.

God always deals with both Jew and Gentile on this basis of faith, either direct or indirect. Read the Eleventh Chapter of Hebrews to see how the old worthies were elected, foreordained, and so forth. Election and predestination at their worst appearance, are but the consequential fruits of the faith of the fathers. Abraham, and others, believed God, and it was counted to them for righteousness; and God covenanted with him, and with David, etc., for themselves and their seed after them. Now these are nationally "beloved for the fathers' sake," but blessed as individuals through the medium of their voluntary faith rather than through some arbitrary foreordering of God.

God's omniscience or infinite foreknowledge of all who would take the path of faith, and thereby "be conformed to the image of His Son," enabled Him to "call, foreknow, elect or predesignate (litterally predestinate) who were to be His; but there is no arbitrary fore-arrangement on God's part in any of this. His election or predestination was based on what He foreknew would be the eventual choice and life of the people in question; but it did not in any measure pre-design, pre-arrange, or make the outcome. It was not a cause of their choice but a fruit or result of their choice and action, based on His foreknowledge of its coming character.

Before the foundation of the world He "elected" or "predestinated" the believing and obedient to be His, because they would "be holy and without blame in love;" and, their being so, and their being conformed to the image of His Son, which He saw to be a fruit of their faith, was the basis of His choice rather than its result. His choice was to be a consequence rather than a cause of their choice, as it would be expressed in their believing and righteous coming lives.

This perfectly places the responsibility just where it belongs, on the individuals. All will be chosen of God who will choose God, for He has foreannounced that He has forechosen the choosing ones.

Therefore Peter exhorts His converts to diligently add each grace to their faith, and that they might "make their calling and election sure."

The fact that in God's purposes, "the Lamb was slain from the foundation of the world," proves God's perfect foreknowledge of the Adamic fall and mankind's sin, and also proves that God acted on that foreknowledge to fully meet it, without once arbitrarily hindering the free and untrammeled choice and action of the responsible, original pair.

This omniscience or infinite foreknowledge, coupled with omnipotence or infinite power, and inspired by limitless love or boundless benevolence, is the surety that no agency can eventually defeat God and that the world will never be enabled to entirely escape from His control. His omnipresence and eternity assures us also that His love, intelligence and power will be always directed in all places to endless duration.

Providential Election

This brings us to another and larger aspect of the case. God has evidently chosen or elected that certain nations and individuals, both good and bad, should play prominent and providential parts on the stage of time, for educational and disciplinary purposes, object lessons, and so forth. This larger aspect, like the more individualistic one, is always based on God's foreknowledge of the choices and tendencies of the individuals and nations, and the consequent characters that He forsees such free choices and tendencies will develop. In fact, His elections are always in harmony with free will, and are perfectly free from any element of prearranged, fatalistic necessity on the part of those foreknown, called, chosen, elected, or predestinated.

These nations or individuals are properly called providential characters. The bad ones are under God's permissive providence and the good ones are under His directly ordered providence. Israel and Egypt in Pharaoh's time are national examples of good and bad. Moses and Pharaoh are individual examples.

Who can fail to see a providential superintendence, a shifting of agencies, to permit at times, and even to directly bring, at times, certain nations and persons to certain educational views, attitudes, and places of prominence, that particular crises may be definitely molded and controlled through them.

Both sacred and profane history are full of such instances and characters. See Esther and Haman, Joseph and his brothers, David and Saul, Daniel and his enemies, Jesus Christ and Judas Iscariot. The Apollyon, the Antichrist, and the False Prophet of the last days will also be providentially permitted thus to act, for the wicked are God's sword.

All true reformers, and religious and political leaders, are thus called, elected, foreknown, forechosen, foreordained, predestined, and so forth; but it is all based on God's infinite foreknowledge of the free, untrammeled, personal choice, and the character and tendencies that He foresaw that such choice would create. There is no arbitrary pre-arrangement here that would force a certain moral choice, so far as personal salvation is concerned. Man is not an automaton but a free moral agency, whose freedom even God must recognize.

Again, those rejected, or those not so called, chosen, elected, and so forth, are not rejected from personal salvation, but merely from becoming leaders and object lessons; and their not being called or elected to those prominent or providential positions, does not imply at all that they are not elected to personal salvation and therefore reprobate. This is the Devil's caricature of the facts, and does not in any sense follow as a hard and fast fixed necessity.

Is Final Apostasy Possible?

The question next arises, "Can these chosen or elected ones finally apostatize?" We freely assert that they may if they abandon the kind of life that formed the basis of their election, foreordination, predestination, etc.; for God chose character rather than persons, as Jesus did in the Beatitudes.

Now, those who once were elected, chosen, foreordained, etc., as the Lord's people on the foundation of that particular character, personally abandon that basis; and in so doing, as individuals, they are "cut off from Israel," or lose all the mercies attached to that elect or chosen character.

"Of course," says one, "this would destroy and make void the foreknowledge and predestination of God's election, etc." We simply deny that, as God would also foresee the coming apostasy if one were to occur. His foreknowledge of final events must include all incidents this side of the final outcome; and He has wisely shown to no one as yet what the result of His final foreview is. But that names may even be blotted from the Book of Life, Revelation 3:5 plainly implies; and that real saints may finally apostatize, Hebrews 6:4-6, and many other texts, plainly declare.

This fact gives rise to another question that should be answered here. What can become the cause of such final apostasy, and how can we safeguard the soul against it? This is the most important and the most delicate phase of the subject.

The Cause and Cure of Apostasy

Permanent apostasy as a possibility is the fruit of involuntary depravity and wilful sin; and that distinction is partially unnecessary, for all sin is in a sense wilful sin. Actual sin, like the vice at first referred to, exists only in the will, or, rather, by the sanction of the will. The carnal mind forms in itself a state of passive sin or enmity against God. This latter, not being any-

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thing that we ever committed or chose, it cannot be forgiven away, any more than the color of our eyes or the curl in our hair can be forgiven away. It can be cleansed away by faith in the atonement of Jesus, after Grace has revealed it to us and we decide to be delivered from it.

This carnal mind is the predisposing cause of all actual sin; yet the Devil is its inspiring cause. I know that many will not accept my definition, however sound; for there exists a lot of nonsense in the minds of men as to what constitutes sin.

Though every sin is a great mistake or blunder, every mistake or blunder is not a sin, except to ignoramuses. Properly speaking, sin or guilt exists only in the motive, and necessarily involves the conscious sanction of the will.

The affections that desired the base deed, and the will that sanctioned its accomplishment, form the real seat of guilt. Therefore the soul, rather than the body, is guilty. The hand that holds the murderer's smoking pistol, reeking dagger, or poison goblet, is really as much of an instrument to the soul as the instrument itself is to the hand or body, and in a sense is just as free from guilt.

Base actions, when performed by an intelligent and responsible being, are but the fruit and proof of previously existent depravity or carnality in the involuntary dispositions, and conscious transgression in the voluntary and responsible choosing soul. God can forgive the latter, which act we call conversion; and this forgiveness is attested to immediately in the soul by the witness of the Divine Spirit, Who comes in in regenerating power. This man is now, by virtue of his regeneration, born anew as a child of God, and is at the same time "adopted" into the Divine family.

Here, then, is the instantaneous, four-fold act of conversion, received by one act of appropriating faith. He is converted, forgiven, regenerated, and adopted into the Divine family. In his adoption, his name is written in the Lord's family register — "The Lamb's Book of Life."

Now, all voluntary sinning is over on this man's part, for the will must be set right to receive regeneration, and it must be kept right as long as regeneration is to be retained.

"But," says one, "where does sanctification come in, if, as you just said, God could not forgive the involuntary corruptions of the carnal or depraved soul?" We will see. We have just examined the washing of regeneration, and now we will examine the renewing of the Holy Ghost.

As a real Christian, now, this man is determined to do all the will of God; but he painfully discovers that in the crises there is a native depravity, or an involuntary disposition in him that draws back from the way of the cross, the sacrifice and the reproaches of Christ's way and work. This we call "the flesh." "carnality," "the old man," etc.

If the will goes over to these involuntary dispositions and desires, he makes them voluntary thereby and actually backslides, sins, and, continuing therein, consciously apostatizes. If, on the other hand, he sees this perverse, involuntary tendency towards disobedience, but walks in the light and makes and keeps his consecration complete, and renounces this depraved, involuntary state, and asks and believes that God by faith will deliver him from it, he will surely be thus delivered and be "kept by the power of God, through faith, unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last day," — but only in measure as he abides in Christ and walks in the Spirit. This is, on his part, the crucifixion of the flesh, with its affections and lusts. Again, it is called the crucifixion of "the old man." This, on God's part, is the "sealing of the Spirit unto the day of redemption."

There is a real growth in grace and in the knowledge and love of God in all stages of personal experience, but it is a fact that growth never changes the nature of anything.

Much confusion as to sin is caused by not carefully distinguishing between passive, involuntary sin, as a carnal state of character, and conscious voluntary sin as a responsible act. The former is the natural inheritance of all men, from which, however, as children of God only, they may be delivered through faith, based on a complete consecration to Christ.

The latter state of voluntary, conscious, actual sin, no real Christian can ever indulge in without forfeiting God's heavenly favor, and thereby greatly endangering his own soul with possible permanent apostasy.

"Well," roars some loose-thinking limber jack, who can scarcely distinguish lunacy from logic, "where is the man that is thus saved from sin? Show me the sinless man!" I ask quietly, "Why do you wish to see him? that, like Herod of old, you might destroy him? that you might pick flaws in his character? show imperfections in his words and acts, etc.?"

Well, friend, this only reveals your sin, not his. "Who can lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth; who is he that condemneth?"

"Well," says another, "if these are your views, you have no adequate conception of what sin is." Let us see. Tell us your views of sin; or, rather, let God speak. What does He say about it?

His people are "called to be saints," not sinners. Jesus saves His people "from their sins" — not in them. Does He command impossibilities? His command is, "Awake to righteousness and sin not."

Again it is written, "He that saith, 'I know Him,' and keepeth not His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him." And again, "All liars shall have their part in the lake that burneth with fire and brimstone, which is the second death." It is written, "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin (the new man does not want the old pleasures) for His (God's) seed remaineth in him (the man) and he cannot sin, because he is born of God." He has the physical ability, but he does not have the disposition to do so.

Can that fond mother kill her beautiful child? No; yet she has the physical power, but she does not have the disposition to do so. Can that godly old Elder get drunk? No! Why not? He has the physical ability, but the predisposition is entirely absent and he simply cannot do it. Can that old saint of God wilfully lie, and consciously and intentionally cheat his brother? Never, so long as that Divine Spirit controls his affections. "Whosoever abideth in Him sinneth not," — why? Because he is Divinely disinclined to do so. "Whosoever sinneth hath not seen Him, neither known Him." This is plain and emphatic, and should not be *wrested* to the readers *destruction*. Every sin as an act, is conscious wilful disobedience to God or wrong to a man. "He that hateth his brother abideth in death, and ye know that no murderer hath (while in the murderous state of hate) eternal life abiding in him." "Whosoever committeth sin is of the Devil" — no matter what he professes. These are all God's words; not mine.

Jesus commanded one, "Go and sin no more." "But," says some preacher, "Hold on, Jesus; there is no use in commanding the impossible. She must sin." We assert that with all His commandments there went forth a power enabling the persons spoken to to keep the commands in question, if they willed to do so, for He proposed to help them by His Spirit.

If one conscious transgression in Adam's day ruined the race, how many actual sins on our part are necessary to sidetrack a soul?

Now, since sin means conscious voluntary activity in badness, let us see what sin we can commit in safety. Can we lie? No; for "all liars have their part in the lake that burneth with fire and brimstone." Can we steal, or run off with our neighbor's companion? If my critic says, "Yes;" what if I make him the victim of my theft or libertinism?

What actual and wilful sin (and all sin is real, actual and wilful) can a man commit and remain a Christian; or be retained by you as a trusted servant, either?

Ah, no! With evil it is true: "The soul that sinneth, it shall die;" "The wages of sin is death;" — and calls for a fearful payday, even though committed by professors of religion. This is the lowest possible state of grace that God will ever accept of on the part of anybody.

"Well," says one, "what are you going to do with all that class of texts that declare the reverse of those texts quoted? Have they no meaning?" Oh yes; but they have no power to offset those quoted, for the Bible is never self-contradictory. All that class of texts refer naturally to the natural, unregenerated man. Of course, there is provision made for a catastrophal emergency and the weak and backsliding brother. "If any man sin we have an Advocate with the Father, even Jesus Christ the Righteous;" but this is no license to sin, but a kind provision made to assist the erring and unfortunate soul in an extreme contingency.

Naturally, we have all "sinned and come short of the glory of God." Naturally, "If we say we have no sin as do the so-called Christian Scientists, New Thoughtists, and others), we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us." "If we say that

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we have not sinned (naturally, in our unconverted state), we make Him a liar and His truth is not in us."

But, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." And again, "What God hath cleansed, that call thou not unclean."

This experience of deliverance from actual sin and acquired depravity, is obtained only through faith in Christ and retained only by abiding in Christ and walking in the Spirit.

"Well," says some one, "would not that divide or make two impartations of the indivisible Spirit of God?" We answer, No; but it allows a larger acquaintance with and a larger impartation of the Spirit than was imparted in justification, as the space in the heart is now enlarged by the out-going of the carnal mind. The Spirit was but partially known and very cramped in His operations before. Now that the hindrances are removed, the larger manifestation seems like a real baptism with the Spirit.

Millions down the ages have held this view, and myriads more, whose faith and desires have been more orthodox than their theology, have proved by their fruitful lives that they experienced this change. Thousands of the most consecrated and godly saints on earth, today, believe, and many people in ZION believe, that "the faith of Christ" makes this a possibility; and no mere inconsistency in their lives would nullify that fact.

If not thus sanctified and filled with the Spirit, intelligent men become responsible for all the good they could have done, if they had been thus blessed. The moral character of the intention, the motive or choice, is the whole thing on our part; and thus it is resolved into the simple formula of a holy desire, pure motive, and righteous attitude of the responsible, choosing soul, — the very antipodes of slavish fear.

None should be afraid to assume this sound and sensible position. This Christ-likeness of life is our high and holy calling. This, alone, gives us true citizenship in Heaven, and eventually fits us for the same; and continuance in this right attitude and position alone, or abiding in Christ as the True Vine, assures fruitfulness and safeguards from possible apostasy.

It is far less unbelievable and foolish to assert that God either cannot or will not heal the bodies of believers from physical diseases, than to assert that He either cannot or will not thus cleanse and keep the soul of believers free from sin through the Divine Spirit's operations and influence on the human spirit, which in its turn sways the rational soul of the man, and through that medium controls his body.

If the Devil can perfectly degenerate a man so that, as Paul tells the Romans, he is dead to righteousness, why cannot God perfectly regenerate and sanctify a man so that he is dead to sin through righteousness. If God cannot do so, where is His omniscience, His omnipotence, etc.? If He will not do so, what has happened to His benevolence? Surely, — "All things are possible to him that believeth."

The self-contradictory expression of a vicious virtue, a truthful liar, an honest thief, or a holy devil is no more absurd than that of a sinful saint.

If this is heresy, it is an holy heresy; and — "After the way which they call heresy, so worship we the God of our fathers, believing all things that are written."

BAPTISMS

The following-named believers were baptized by Triune Immersion, Lord's Day, September 7, 1919, in Chicago, Illinois, by Elder M. J. Mintern:

Farmer, Mrs. Cora .....Illinois
Kyle, Mr. George .....Illinois

Consecration of Children

The following-named child was consecrated to God by Elder August Hammock, Lord's Day, August 17, 1919, at Minneapolis, Minnesota:

Butler, Doris Elizabeth

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

So far during the Fourth Year (1919-1920) of work in Zion Educational Institutions, almost nine hundred pupils and students have enrolled. A force of thirty teachers is hard at work.

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Have you one or more children in the Schools? Then do your part in helping to maintain the Schools.

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Administration Building,
Zion, Illinois, U. S. A.

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To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
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For the support of ZION SCHOOLS for twelve months — October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920 — we (.....in number) will contribute $.....

Signed.....

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Praying God to bless and guide you in this and all other matters pertaining to your Christian life and conduct, I am

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

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"Divine Redemption Wrought by Divine Love"

By Apostle Anton Darms

CHAOS turned into order: that is the Divine program for the making of a world.

It seems an utter contradiction that elements in nature, created by the hand of God, could be in conflict with each other. How can there be conflict between things which have come forth from the hand of God?

Strange as it may seem, that is the very condition we find to exist after the fact is declared in the first verse of God's revelation to man contained in the Holy Scriptures, in the words, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth".

Chaos Turned Into Order

The very next statement concerning the condition of the earth, after it came forth from the hand of the Creator, is, "And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep".

Again we repeat the statement: "Chaos turned into order — that is the Divine program for the making of a world".

There never has been any dispute regarding the fact that chaos existed before order, but there has been a great difference of explanation as to how chaos was transformed — how the world, existing in a chaotic condition at one time, was transformed into a world of law and order.

Science, so-called, has sought to account for these changes by the theory of Evolution, which asserts that substance contains within itself the necessary elements of life and motion, which, after a long process of millions of years has evolved an orderly world out of itself.

> And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose.
>
> —Romans 8:28

The Fallacy of Evolution

What fools men have been to believe such wild, hairspun theories of agnostics and skeptics and infidels, when not one iota of demonstration has ever been given that matter has life inherent in itself! Had the evolution of the world been dependent upon the elements contained in matter, chaos instead of order would exist in every part of the universe.

The Word of God gives the only reasonable explanation of how the earth, "without form and void", where "darkness was upon the face of the deep", was transformed into a beautiful world of symmetry and order. One needs only to read the Second Verse of the First Chapter of Genesis in order to know how the chaos existing in the world in the beginning was transformed into a fit place of abode for man, who was the crowning glory of God's work of Creation.

Chaos Transformed by the Spirit of God

We call attention here to an important statement, given in the words, "And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters".

Matter, the result of God's creation, was not left to evolve, to arrange and co-ordinate itself. Substance, or matter, wrought upon by the "Spirit of God", gives the only reasonable explanation of the division between light and darkness; between day and night; between the waters "under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament"; between the dry land, called earth, and "the gathering together of the waters", called seas.

This definite, personal working of the Spirit of God moving upon the chaotic conditions of the world found in the beginning, is the only explanation for the earth bringing forth grass; for fruit trees yielding fruits; for the lights in the firmament — the sun, moon and stars — being created; "for signs and for seasons and for days and years"; for fowls flying "above the earth in the open firmament of heaven"; for "great whales and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind"; and for the earth bringing forth "the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, the beast of the earth after his kind".

Not one of these things that we have mentioned has come into existence by the, so-called, Theory of Evolution, but they are the direct result of the Wisdom, Might and Power of Almighty God.

We, therefore, are not surprised to read the statement, over and over again, in the wonderful story of Creation contained in the First Chapter of Genesis, that "God saw that it was good". Five times in this one chapter (notice Genesis 1:10 , 12, 18, 21, 25) do we read these identical words; and in order to emphasize the fact that chaos was transformed into order by the direct, personal and omnipotent work of the Almighty, the following words, at the close of the First Chapter of Genesis, are given:

"God saw everything that He had made, and, behold, it was very good."— Genesis 1:31.

What a wonderful revelation the Bible account of Creation is to man! How wonderful, that God should have revealed to man the very process of development which took place during the six days of Creation! Not one deformity, not one bit of disorder, not one speck of chaos — a perfect world, a beautiful world!

Man the Crowning Work of Creation

The Divine Creator then proceeds to say:

Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. — Genesis 1:26.

We might naturally expect that man, after having been created in the image of God and placed in "a garden eastward in Eden", in his development by an intimate relationship with and obedience to his Creator, would be able to exercise dominion and power over all the earth and over all its created beings.

Man, though created in the image of God, has not remained subject unto God, has not retained his fellowship with God, has not exercised love and obedience unto God, his Creator.

False Teaching of Man's Evolution

Philosophers and scientists have taught the Theory of the Evolution of Man, as well as of the Universe. They have taught that by means of struggle, of culture and civilization he has been able to rise upon the higher plane of living; and, while they teach that in his pre-historic condition he lived upon a plane of brutality, they claim that he is able to finally evolve a system of government and civilization where evil, disorder and war cannot exist. They have been teaching for many years that the world is growing better, and that man can bring about a perfect condition of society in and by his own efforts.

Whatever may have been the theory of philosophers and scientists in the past, the existing conditions in the world today speak louder than the finely woven theories of skeptic infidels.

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Humanity Today a Seething Chaos

Looking out upon the world as it exists today we see one great cataclysm of disruption which has rent asunder nations and continents and the entire civilization of man. Instead of love and peace and order we have hatred and jealousy and dissension on every hand. Continents are bathed in blood; unspeakable horrors are being committed; civilization is on the point of collapse and moans and groans are being heard from millions upon millions of people.

To one who has carefully read the Word of God the existing conditions are no surprise. Statements are recorded in the Scriptures, that in the latter days some shall give heed to "doctrines of devils, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their conscience seared with a hot iron," "perilous times shall come"; "in the last days shall come scoffers walking after their own lusts"; "evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse".

All these conditions are summed up in the statement found in Revelation 14:15 — "For the time is come for Thee to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe".

The conditions of disorder and lawlessness, of anarchy, and of world-wide warfare and bloodshed are not a matter of chance or haphazard occurrence: this harvest is the direct result of a seed sowing of evil which must have taken place at some period in the development of humanity.

Not only is the harvest of evil in humanity, as it exists in the world today, presented to us in the Word of God, but, also, the seed sowing, and the time, the place, the channel, the occasion and the effect of this seed sowing are plainly set forth in the Scriptures.

The Sad Story of Man's Fall

No one is able to understand the universal corruption, disintegration and degradation of humanity without finding the cause of it all in the story of the fall of man, set forth in the Third Chapter of Genesis, which took place some time after his creation. We are there told of "the serpent" (Genesis 3:1), that is spoken of as "the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan" in Revelation 20:2.

In the first quotation regarding the serpent is told the sad story of how he was able to deceive Adam and Eve, making them to believe that "Ye shall not surely die", and "Ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil" — the cause of man's yielding to this temptation. And we have not only the reason for man's fall in the beginning, but we have portrayed the reason for the world-wide harvest of corruption as we find it today.

In the second quotation, found in Revelation 20:2, we are told of the time and occasion when "that old serpent" shall be cast into the bottomless pit, "that he should deceive the nations no more until the thousand years should be fulfilled, and after this he must be loosed a little season". Then, after the thousand years are over, we are told, in Revelation 20:10, that:

The Devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

The Conflict Between Good and Evil

It has puzzled many people to understand how evil should have come to have any existence whatever in a world that came forth perfect and beautiful from the hand of the Creator. It seems impossible that good and evil should exist in the same world created by God. There can be no question, however, but that two great forces are at work in the world today — that of good on the one hand, and that of evil and sin on the other. Oftentimes it would seem that the power of sin and destruction coming forth from Satan is greater than the power of righteousness coming forth from God.

There can be no question but that sin has not only affected the life of man in every part of his tripartite, individual being, and with that, affected the entire human race in its every phase of family, social, commercial and governmental life, but we are face to face with the fact that the animal creation, and vegetation in its every form, and the entire creation of the world has been affected to the extent, "that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now" (Romans 8:22).

However, this condition of disorder and chaos existing in humanity and in creation will not continue for ever, but will be brought to an end when "the manifestation of the sons of God is perfected":

Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.—Romans 8:21.

We declare that good exists in the world by the direct authority and creation of God; we also declare that evil exists only by the permission of God.

We are face to face with both facts — good and evil — in the world today; but we are not compelled to be under the domination of evil and Satan. God has not surrendered His prerogatives of rulership and dominion in the universe.

The Curse Removed Through Redemption

The wonderful story of Redemption, planned for man "before the foundation of the world", was made known to man after his fall, in the promise of the Seed of the woman which was to bruise the serpent's head in due time — which Redemption and Atonement was finally made real and complete in the Crucifixion and Death of the promised Messiah upon Calvary.

"The law of sin and death" which Satan has introduced into the world can be fully overcome by "the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus".

For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.—Romans 8:6-8.

Those who, through repentance and faith and obedience, have laid hold upon Jesus the Christ as the Savior of the world can make the statement that there is "therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit."

Those who "do mortify the deeds of the body", and who "live not in the flesh but in the Spirit", and who "are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God".

We wish to call particular attention to the new conditions that come into existence with those "who are in Christ Jesus", for they are called "the children of God"; and notice the prerogatives of those that are called "the children of God" in Romans 8:17 —

And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together.

In reading the wonderful words contained in the Eighth Chapter of Romans we finally come to the declaration found on the first page of this article, upon which we have based the statement that there exists a Divine Redemption for humanity; and, in the world at large, there is being worked out the Divine purpose of law and order to those that love God and "are the called according to His purpose".

Not one thing is left out or overlooked of things evil, wrought by Satan, in its many forms of manifestation, which cannot and will not be overcome in the lives of those who love God, and are devoted to His cause.

Why God's People Undergo Suffering

We are not told in the Scripture that the children of God will not have adversities, nor conflicts, nor troubles. These they will have and must have as long as evil and sin are permitted to exist in the world. God's people may be called upon to go through the same experiences of adversity, of poverty, of affliction and even death, as do the sinful and the wicked.

Not under different circumstances nor in different environments is it that God's children obtain deliverance from the wicked and ungodly. The difference exists, not in the world without, but, in the heart within the believer, because there is found love and obedience and submission unto God and fellowship with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

It is therefore because of this condition of Regeneration, Justification and Sanctification, wrought by the Spirit of God within the heart of the believer, that he can experience the precious words found in the closing verses of the Eighth Chapter of Romans:

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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.

The Curse Turned Into a Blessing

It is possible for man to have the blessing instead of the curse. It is possible, even, to have the curse turned into a blessing. If you have already eaten of the forbidden fruit and have realized the terrible effects of sin you may come to another Tree, upon which One was lifted up, Who said:

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up:

That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.

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. — John 3:14-16.

What wonderful blessings have been provided for sinful humanity through Jesus the Christ!

For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved. — John 3:17.

The fact that one has become a child of God and a true follower of Jesus the Christ will not release him from many conflicts and adversities which he may be called upon to undergo; but there are many instances recorded in the Word of God of how these adverse conditions and experiences are used to work out — not perhaps immediately, or when the prayer requesting the removal of the difficulty is made, but eventually — God's plan of Divine Redemption.

Wonderful Deliverances of the Old Testament

We will call attention to a number of wonderful experiences to this effect recorded in the Old Testament.

Jacob could not understand why Laban had changed his wages ten times and deceived him with many false promises, until after his return from Laban with his family and flocks, when he was brought face to face with the fact that calamity and peril were awaiting him and them because of Esau's army of men that was coming against him. Then it was when he realized in his struggle with the angel the need of a complete reconciliation with God because of his life of hypocrisy and deception in the past.

It was only then, in this death struggle as it were, that Divine protection and peace and blessing were granted unto him, and his name changed from that of Jacob (a supplanter) to that of Israel (a prince), because in these terrible circumstances of adversity he had prevailed with God.

Joseph could not understand why his brothers should cast him into a pit when he was concerned about their welfare; he could not understand why he should be sold, a slave, to the Ishmaelites and brought to Egypt, and while there, because of his integrity he should be cast into prison and his feet bound in fetters of iron; but later on, after years of untold suffering and misunderstanding, when he had been elevated to be ruler in Egypt and had stored up vast treasures of grain for the seven years of famine — it was only then that God's providence was made plain, when not only those that had sold him into bondage received the blessings of his hospitality, but the entire family of Jacob was brought to make their home in Goshen and, through centuries of development, formed into the Hebrew nation.

Moses could not understand why he should be reproved for his efforts to deliver his brethren from the hand of their oppressors, and as a result of his offer to be their captain and deliverer, be obliged to flee from the face of Pharaoh and abide in the wilderness of Arabia for forty long years, caring for the sheep of Jethro.

But, at last, the day and the hour came when, standing in the presence of the burning bush, he heard the voice of God and was given the call to return to Egypt and demand of Pharaoh the deliverance, not only of a few but of the entire nation including all of their cattle, and he brought them by the way of the wilderness, known only to him through his forty years of training therein, to the very gates of the Promised Land.

Job could not understand the terrible experiences that he was called upon to go through, in the loss of his children with their families, since the accusations made by Satan to God regarding Job's righteousness were completely hidden from his knowledge. He could not understand the terrible tragedy of suffering in his own body which he was called upon to go through, nor the many criticisms and misunderstandings that his so-called counsellors were guilty of; but, when Job himself reached the place where he could pray for those who pretended to be his friends he was vindicated by the Living God in restoration to perfect health, his captivity was turned, a large family of children was given him, and the proof was demonstrated to the world that righteousness far excels material prosperity, and that when everything considered necessary to life and happiness has passed away man can, and will, still hold on to God, and thereby teach the world the important lesson that the curse can and will be turned into a blessing when the conditions are met on the part of man and when the hour of God's deliverance is come.

The wonderful instance of Elijah the Tishbite: of how he was called upon to face famine as a result of his own prophecy, gave opportunity for him to test God's wonderful and marvelous power in replenishing the barrel of meal and the cruise of oil; and later on, when the son of the widow died he could stretch himself upon the child and call upon the Lord to "let this child's soul come into him again" (I Kings 17:21).

The experience of Daniel and the three Hebrew children being taken captive to Babylon, where they were called upon to put their very lives at stake for their faith in God, three of them being cast into a fiery furnace at one time, and Daniel into a lions' den at another time, gave the greatest opportunity ever given to any one among the ancient Gentile nations to declare that Jehovah is God Almighty, and that He controls the destiny not only of Israel, but of all Gentile nations as well.

The Tragedy of Jesus' Suffering and Death

When we pass from the Old into the New Testament we are brought face to face with the same experiences of adversity, opposition, disappointment, persecution and suffering in the life of Jesus the Christ, Himself. His life was at stake at the very beginning of His infancy in Bethlehem; and when He opened His Messianic ministry, by reading from the Book of Isaiah in the synagogue at Nazareth, He found his hearers "filled with wrath" and determined to plunge Him headlong down the brow of a hill, "but He passing through the midst of them went His way" (Luke 4:30).

As He continued in His ministry Jesus the Christ was met by opposition on the part of the Jewish nation, itself, and found it necessary to reveal to His disciples the tragedy, foretold by the prophets of old, of His own suffering, crucifixion and death then about to be fulfilled.

There was, however, no faltering on His part, for, though He knew these things long in advance, He "set His face steadfastly to go to Jerusalem", and there, in calm repose, underwent a mock trial before the Sanhedrin, was scourged, spit upon, crowned with thorns and finally nailed to the Cross, where He uttered the far-reaching words, "It is finished: into Thy hands I commit My spirit", and expired.

This is the most wonderful of all examples given to the world of how suffering can be turned into joy, how defeat can be transformed into victory, how death itself can be swallowed up of life. Jesus the Christ, as no other person, gave the truth to the world, that "All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose" (Romans 8:28).

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. — Hebrews 12:2.

Discipleship of Christ Based Upon Hardship and Trials

Jesus the Christ gave no uncertain sound as to what the experiences of His own disciples would be along these lines. He said, "The servant is not above his master"; "For if they

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have persecuted Me they will also persecute you" (John 15:20).

He made it very plain in sending out His twelve disciples that they were sent forth "as sheep in the midst of wolves". The clarion call to discipleship was not based upon a life of ease, but upon one of hardship, separation, misunderstanding, self-denial and loss of life itself.

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. — Matthew 10:34-39.

The New Testament is replete with wonderful instances where followers of The Christ proved to the world their willingness to lose all things for His sake, that God might be glorified and His work extended.

One need only read the Book of Acts in order to find the most thrilling instances of how God was able to overrule suffering, persecution and martyrdom for Christ's sake, to bring about good for His cause.

Peter's imprisonment, when "sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains," gave opportunity for the angel of the Lord to break the chains "from off his hands" and lead him safely through the iron gate to the house of Mary, the mother of John, "where many were gathered together praying" (Acts 12:12).

Paul and Silas, imprisoned in Philippi, "prayed and sang praises unto God" at midnight "and the prisoners heard them;" and when the great earthquake shook the foundations of the prison, and the keeper of the prison was about to draw his sword upon himself, "supposing that the prisoners had been fled," opportunity was given Paul to proclaim the Word of the Lord in the household of the prisonkeeper, and to find him "believing in God, with all his house" (Acts 16:34).

Paul, the apostle, had many wonderful experiences on his missionary journeys throughout Asia and Europe of the power of God to work all things for his good, not the least of which was the occasion of his being apprehended in the temple at Jerusalem and informed that forty men had bound themselves with an oath that "they will neither eat nor drink until they have killed him;" notwithstanding which, he was safely deported to Caesarea, and demanding a hearing of Caesar at Rome, was finally brought through a most perilous journey to Rome, where he "dwelt two whole years in his hired house and received all that came in unto him, preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him" (Acts 28:30-31).

These are only a few instances given in the Word of God of how experiences will work out the purpose of God for His children. We call attention to the gallery of heroes mentioned in the Eleventh Chapter of Hebrews, where many others besides those whose names are given in that chapter deserve a crown of reward for their patient suffering, endurance and martyrdom.

And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment:

They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented:

(Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise:

God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.—Hebrews 11:36-40.

How God can Overrule Evil for Good

Having these many examples before us, it certainly cannot be difficult for us to understand why we, also, should glory in tribulations,

Knowing that tribulation worketh patience;

And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.—Romans 5:3-5.

We can well understand that, though in these experiences "our outward man may perish," yet "the inward man is renewed day by day" (II Corinthians 4:16).

For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;

While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.—II Corinthians 4:17, 18.

Again, we call attention to the passage, found in Romans 8:28, where the statement is made: "All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to His purpose."

The thing for us to settle, no matter what experiences we may be called upon to go through in life, is: Do we know the purpose that God has in providing Redemption at so great a cost as the sacrifice of His Only Begotten Son, Jesus the Christ? Do we know that we have responded to the message of repentance toward God and "faith in our Lord Jesus Christ"? Are we willing to face and undergo every trial found necessary in our experience, that God shall be able to overrule it for our good? Have our hearts been filled with overflowing love and joy and praise, that, going through any disheartening experiences, we shall not become discouraged?

When these questions have been fully settled the Christian life will be one of abounding joy and victory to all who prove faithful unto the end. We will find out some day, that the very things which were wrought by Satan to hinder our service for God and to work for our destruction, were owned, used and overruled for our good and for our salvation.

Zion Brought out of Babylon

The end of the Church Period is drawing nigh.

Amid the world-wide confusion and the universal chaos in civilization, God is again proving His power to bring order out of chaos. There is a Divine destiny by which all events, political and social, are shaping themselves in the world today.

No surprises await the true student of prophecy, for the Scriptures plainly show that the chaotic conditions in the world today will culminate in the reign of Antichrist and bring upon the world the terrible judgments and vials of God's wrath.

Zion was to come upon the scene, according to prophecy, when "the Lord shall appear in His glory." Zion has been and is being built up. Zion represents the very opposite of conditions existing in the world today, for Zion represents the Rule of God; the establishment of God's Kingdom; the preparation for the coming of Christ and His Kingdom, and making ready the Bride for the glorious Rapture, soon to take place.

The Divine Destiny of Zion

The Divine destiny of Zion established by David, the king, was to find its fulfillment in the Messianic reign of David's Son, Jesus the Christ. No self-denial, no persecution, no suffering that God's people may be called upon to go through in establishing and building up Zion can be too great, in the face of the glorious reward of having a part in the reign of Christ The King for the Thousand Years.

Never forget the comforting words that The Christ gave to His disciples at the close of His ministry:

Verily, Verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy.

A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.

And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

And in that day ye shall ask Me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My Name, He will give it you.

Hitherto have ye asked nothing in My Name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.

These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father.

At that day ye shall ask in My Name: and I say unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:

For the Father Himself loveth you, because ye have loved Me, and have believed that I came out from God.

I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.

His disciples said unto Him, Lo, now speakest Thou plainly, and speakest no proverb.

Now are we sure that Thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask Thee: by this we believe that Thou camest forth from God.

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Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe?
Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered, every man to his own, and shall leave Me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with Me.
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 16:20-33.

Never forget that Jesus has put within your life the power to overcome. Never forget that the promises of blessings spoken by Jesus to the Seven Churches of Asia were given only to the Overcomers (Revelation 2:7, 11, 17, 26 and 3:12, 21).

May God enable one and all who have heard the call, in these the closing days of the Church Period to build up Zion, not to fail in this call. May one and all have their hearts filled to overflowing with the love of God, and trust Him that no matter what they may be called upon to endure for Christ's sake they will know assuredly that the promise of God is true, that "All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose (Romans 8:28).

The nations of the world may be seen as one gigantic chaos, with God left out, with sin enthroned, with righteousness trodden under foot and Satan in full control; but be not disheartened—God is still at the helm. His Spirit is still moving upon the surging sea of humanity, and by the presentation of the Gospel message, occasionally one is being brought out of the babel of confusion into the Kingdom of God, which is "Righteousness, Peace and Joy in the Holy Ghost" (Romans 14:17).

God will fulfill His Divine promise to crush the serpent's head through the woman's Seed, to obliterate the curse, and to make the Redemption effective so that "the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

RESTORATION WORK

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

By Deaconess Jennie E. Hinkston

From March 1, to September 27, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold.....790
LEAVES OF HEALING given..... 16
THEOCRATS given 20

Total No. of pieces distributed.....826
Ten weeks' subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING taken 2

GLEN ELLEN, ILLINOIS

By Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Fulkerson

LEAVES OF HEALING, THEOCRATS, etc., given 150
Have almost covered the town in house to house visits on Lord's Days.

ZION, ILLINOIS

By Mrs. Kate Peckham

Two Months, ending August 31, 1919.

Number of pieces of Zion literature mailed 297

By Gustave Duske

Eight Months, ending August 31, 1919.

LEAVES OF HEALING mailed.....312
THEOCRATS mailed 206
Tracts mailed 15
Elder Jordan's book mailed..... 1

Total No. of pieces mailed.....534

SOUTH CENTRAL ILLINOIS

By Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Fridel

From September 1, to September 20, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING given.....400
THEOCRATS given 100
Tracts given 12
Elder Jordan's books..... 6

Total No. of Pieces distributed.....518
Trial subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING 6

KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

By Deacon S. G. Farrar
And
Twelve workers

Lord's Day, September 8, 1919.

LEAVES OF HEALING sold 122
LEAVES OF HEALING given 45
THEOCRATS given.....449

Total No. of pieces distributed.....616
Trial subscription taken..... 1

By Deacon S. G. Farrar and nineteen workers

Lord's Day, September 14, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold.....243
LEAVES OF HEALING given..... 74

Total No. of pieces distributed.....317

By Deacon S. G. Farrar and twenty-one workers

Lord's Day, September 21, 1919.

LEAVES OF HEALING sold..... 182
LEAVES OF HEALING given..... 63
THEOCRATS given 234
Messages given 803

Total No. of pieces distributed.....1282

KEOSAUQUA, IOWA

By Mrs. M. E. Pember and son, Orval Vedder

For five years and ten months

LEAVES OF HEALING given and mailed 1318
LEAVES OF HEALING sold..... 9
THEOCRATS given and mailed..... 245
Messages given and mailed..... 400
Tracts given and mailed..... 15

Total No. of pieces distributed.....1987
Ten weeks' subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING given 8

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

By Elder Van B. Shumaker

One week, ending August 25, 1919.

LEAVES OF HEALING given..... 12
LEAVES OF HEALING sold.....119
THEOCRATS given 24
Tracts given 130

Total No. of pieces distributed.....285

By Elder Van B. Shumaker

Two weeks, ending September 14, 1919.

LEAVES OF HEALING sold..... 62
Zion Post Cards sold..... 41
THEOCRATS given 66
Tracts given 538
Announcements given 4000

Total No. of pieces distributed.....4707
Trial subscriptions taken..... 2

SOUTH BEND, INDIANA

By Elder Van B. and Deaconess Shumaker

September 29, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold..... 37
LEAVES OF HEALING given..... 16
Post Cards sold..... 26
Announcements given 3800
Cards given 1300
Tracts given 80

Total No. of pieces distributed.....5259

By Elder Van B. Shumaker

Indianapolis, Atlanta and Tipton, Indiana, September 8, 1919.

LEAVES OF HEALING sold..... 54
LEAVES OF HEALING given..... 67
Post Cards sold..... 33
THEOCRATS given 30
Tracts given 340
Announcements given 3300

Total No. of pieces distributed.....3824
1—2 year subscription to the THEOCRAT.
1—2 year subscription to LEAVES OF HEALING.
3—10 weeks' subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

By Mrs. Chas. Minikus

Two weeks, ending August 31, 1919.

LEAVES OF HEALING sold..... 15
LEAVES OF HEALING given.....30

Total No. of pieces distributed.....45

By Elder and Mrs. Duyzers

Two weeks, ending August 31, 1919.

Calls made 400

LEAVES OF HEALING sold.....252
LEAVES OF HEALING given..... 8

Total No. of pieces distributed.....260
Trial subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALing taken 2

By Mrs. Grace R. Jacoby

One week, ending August 30, 1919.

LEAVES OF HEALING sold.....15
LEAVES OF HEALING given.....19

Total No. of pieces distributed.....34

By W. K. Bowie

One Month, ending August 31, 1919.

LEAVES OF HEALING given.....55
THEOCRATS given 05

Total No. if pieces distributed.....60

By eleven members of the Minneapolis Branch

Two weeks, ending September 15, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold..... 730
LEAVES OF HEALING given..... 470
THEOCRATS given 6

Total No. of pieces distributed.....1206

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REMARKABLE PROGRESS has been made in the establishment of Zion City since March 1, 1911, but much work remains yet to be done ere the task is fully completed.

AS FULLY UNDERSTOOD then (March 1, 1911), we counted on, and were promised, the full cooperation of the Officers and Members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion; and therefore, we assumed the entire burden, and have been, as we can humbly and truthfully say, wholly consecrated to the work undertaken; namely, THE FULL REDEMPTION OF ZION CITY.

WE BOUGHT the entire Estate — not to hold, but to dispose of to ZION PEOPLE.

THE ZION ESTATE has farms, acre tracts, city lots, residential properties, we want to dispose of immediately to Zion people.

RIGHTS in all properties disposed of are conveyed under the eleven-hundred-year lease, containing numerous restrictions for the protection of both lessee and lessor.

CALL ON OR WRITE TO

W. HURD CLENDINEN
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
ZION, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

LET US, as quickly as possible, get all these farms, acre tracts, city lots, and other properties into the hands of good, loyal Zion people.

THE ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES (Wilbur Glenn Voliva), numbering more than twenty and doing a business of over Two Million Dollars per year, pay seven per cent interest on all investments which are made for five years or longer, for the first three years, and six per cent thereafter.

ZION CITY is the inevitable outgrowth of the Principles, Ideas, and Ideals of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. The Institutions are absolutely necessary, for the people must have employment.

ZION PEOPLE everywhere should have every available dollar invested in ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES.



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ZION HOME ZION ILLINOIS

ZION HOME is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies — a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and for others who wish **to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals** may be had, **and** where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly **prohibited.**

Zion Home is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

Rooms may be had — one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, $1.25 per day and up.



Zion Home is the largest Divine Healing Home in the world. Two meetings are held each week for teaching and for prayer with the sick. Charges are made for room and board only. Free-will offerings only received.
For any further information write to — WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, Administration Building, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., placing the words, "For Zion Home" on the lower left-hand corner of the envelope.

ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

ZION BANK

SPENDING AND SAVING

It isn't **what** you spend but what you spend for. It isn't how **much** you save but **that** you save. It isn't only to **save**, it's to put your savings to **work.**

Begin to save. Open an account **now**, and we will help you. We pay 3% interest on Savings deposits compounded semi-annually.

Savings and Checking Accounts, Exchange, Collections, Travelers' Cheques.

ZION BANK

W. Hurd Clendinen
General Manager

MEAT MARKET

No Pork **No Lard** **No Oysters**
but
Choice Beef, Veal, Lamb and Mutton
Specialties
Beef Bacon, Beef Ham, Sausage and Shortening
MAIL ORDERS SOLICITED Phone 61

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Manufacturers of
Tasty - Wholesome - Delicious
Biscuits and Crackers

BUILDING INDUSTRY, DEPT. 4



If you intend to build, DO IT NOW, as prices will not be lower.

Give us your order for storm sash at once so that you will be ready when cold weather comes.

General building materials.
House Raising, House Moving, Planing Mill.

Phone 31 or 49.

Apron and Handkerchief Factory

Additional Help Needed In Our Factory.

Superb opportunities for Sewing Machine Operators. Environment ideal. Work fascinating. Wages attractive. Communicate with us at once, addressing same to Manager.

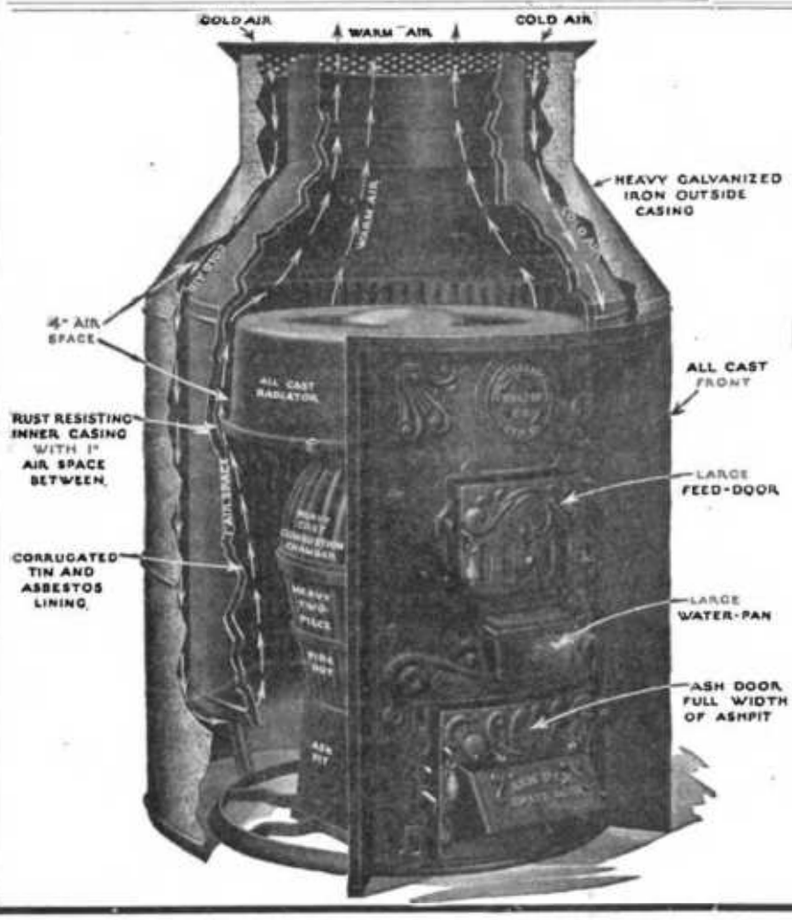
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Plumbing, Heating & Sheet-Metal Department

A "Standard" bathroom in your home adds to your health and comfort.



We solicit your inquiry for estimates for anything pertaining to this department.

DO IT NOW!

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Red Comb Poultry Feed, Red Comb Mash Feed, College Scratch Feed, College Laying Mash, Red Horn Dairy Feed, College Dairy Feed, Gold Flake Dairy Feed, Cottonseed, Oilmeal, Bran, Middlings.

ZION FEED DEPT.

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Winter is approaching.
Don't wait until a storm is raging and then order your coal.
Remember we have several hundred families to serve.
Commence now to put in part of your winter's supply.
It will save you trouble, worry and money.
It is our aim and desire to give to all the best possible service.
If you have any grievances, please call up the manager of the Fuel Dept.
Save your waste paper, magazines, rags, metal, rubbers and scrap iron.
We will send man and rig to gather them.

Call up phone 38.

FUEL DEPARTMENT, No. 16.

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Time and expense saved by having your job DONE WELL by us.
Implements and vehicles overhauled and renewed.
HORSESHOEING OUR SPECIALTY
Don't leave your job until you need it.

ICE CREAM is beautiful in its rich, attractive colors, and tastes even better than it looks. Made of pure, wholesome, delicious cream and milk, and a little sugar, it is flavored to suit the taste. As a dessert it is unexcelled. As a food it ranks among the very best. We like it with cake or without cake. Everybody likes it. Everybody eats it. Like the manna that came from heaven, it is sweet, nourishing, and palatable. Yes, it is good and tastes good. A healthy boy or girl, a spoon, and a large dish of delicious ice cream make a splendid combination. The frozen cream disappears rapidly, but as it goes it nourishes, and gives rosy cheeks, bright eyes, health, strength, and happiness. It is a real food for all classes and conditions of people. Sick or well, rich or poor, old or young, we all enjoy ice cream.

ZION CREAMERY

ATTENTION!

The demand for ZION CANDY increases 100% every year.
There is a reason.
Get some and you too will demand it, for it is a most delicious and wholesome sweet.

ZION CANDY FACTORY

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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

VOLUME XLV. No. 4. ZION, ILLINOIS, U. S. A., OCTOBER 18, 1919. Price, Five Cents.

GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING



MR. AND MRS. AUGUST SWANSON AND FAMILY

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Father Delivered From the Use of Liquor and Tobacco, Brought Out of the Apostate Lutheran Church, and Healed of Blood Poisoning; Mother Kept from All Sickness; Children, Who Never Tasted Medicine, Healed of Diphtheria, Sprained Ankle, Broken Arm, Inflammation of the Bowels, and Other Diseases.

ZION'S greatest possession is her army of children and young people now being trained in ZION Educational Institutions.

The Bible has been crowded out of most homes, and out of nearly all schools of learning.

True riches do not consist in houses and lands, stocks and bonds, gold and silver, but in treasures of mind and heart — true Christian character.

Earthly treasures perish with the using; but heavenly treasures endure forever.

A CHRISTIAN GENERATION ARISING IN ZION

In ZION homes God is given His rightful place, and in ZION Schools the Bible is the principal textbook. Therefore, a generation is being raised up that has faith in God, that believes in the precious promises of His Word, and knows how to pray and get an answer direct from God.

The family, whose remarkable testimony follows this article, lived outside of ZION CITY, but moved here in order that the children might receive a Christian Education in ZION Schools, and be ministered to by faithful shepherds in ZION, and grow up under pure surroundings.

In the outside schools, children and young people are being taught the wisdom of men only, and are becoming little else than educated animals.

Theaters, moving picture shows, etc., are creating a generation of thieves and murderers.

The churches, with their hospitals and medical missionaries, etc., are creating infidels and destroying faith in the Word of God.

ZION A HARBINGER OF THE MILLENNIUM

ZION is God's great depository of truth and knowledge — God's oracle! — the medium through which God is giving the revelation of His truth to a famine-stricken, war-torn, sin-cursed, and disease-smitten world. In her, truths — long hidden under the superstition and ignorance of an apostate church and ministry — have been and are being brought to light.

ZION is no accident; but she is a providential organization, raised up in these last days to prepare a people for THE KINGDOM age of our Lord.

This is the age of the deification of man; and only in ZION is there any effort being put forth to establish THE KINGDOM OF GOD on earth — the Millennial reign of Jesus Christ.

Here we are training a people for rulership, who will rule in the fear of God and administer all things in accordance with the Divine plan as set forth in the Word of God — who will obey the laws of God for spirit, soul and body.

THE INEVITABLE RESULT OF ZION TEACHING AND TRAINING

Children in ZION know nothing else except to trust God.

There is no more beautiful sight in this world than a child kneeling in prayer! And God wonderfully answers the little children's prayers in ZION.

It is the faith of a little child that all must have — simple faith in Jesus!

Again and again prayer has been heard and answered for this family. It is a wonderful record! Surely they can testify to the truth:

"Who forgiveth all thine iniquities;
"Who healeth all thy diseases;
"Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; Who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;
"Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's." — Psalm 103:3-5.

— APOSTLE WM. S. PECKHAM.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MR. AUGUST SWANSON

Zion, Illinois, October 7, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Administration Building,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to thee!

With a grateful and joyful heart for God's wonderful goodness to me and mine, I desire to write a few lines of testimony. I know I cannot find words to express adequately my praise to God, but I pray that He will, by His Holy Spirit, guide me in what I shall say.

I was born on a little island (in the fisheries) on the west coast of Sweden, of Lutheran parents. Part of my life was spent on a fishing boat, and, later, in sailing on the coasts of Sweden and Norway.

I was confirmed in the Lutheran Church. In the public schools we had an hour of Bible study every day; and the passages of Scripture memorized during those early years have clung to me throughout all the later years.

I arrived in the United States on May 11, 1886, a lively and wicked young man. I tried to serve God and attended Church, but continued drinking beer and using tobacco, and was told that it was all right to indulge in these things. My conscience, however, condemned me, and I knew in my heart that I was not a true child of God. But, at the same time, I applied for membership in the Church, and was admitted into fellowship.

One night, however, while in a prayer service with a number of others, when my turn came to pray, I was speechless. I tried to pray, but could utter no words. My sins and wickedness came before me and overwhelmed me, and, in the struggle of my own spirit, I repented before God, and promised, by His grace, to live wholly for Him from that moment. Light seemed to dawn upon me, and I arose to my feet, praising God for salvation.

From that time I was delivered from the liquor and from the filthy tobacco habits (for I had used tobacco in all its forms), and God cleaned me up. At the age of twenty-two, I was an old man, a nervous wreck from the use of liquor and tobacco; but today, at fifty-six, I feel young and strong, for which I give God all the glory. If my life had not been changed, I know I would have been in my grave today.

I found the Lord Jesus Christ not only as my Savior, but as my Healer as well; for when feeling very sick, one day, I knelt down, alone in my room, and asked God to heal me; and He heard my prayer and delivered me; and I shall never forget the joy that came into my life at that time.

I was a young man, then, and I prayed to God to send me a wife; and He wonderfully led me in this matter also.

I must testify, also, to God's goodness to me shortly after this. I met with an accident at my work, one day, and had my first finger on the left hand crushed. My finger was very painful for nine weeks, and then blood poisoning set in. Dr. Windrow, of Chicago Avenue, said he would have to cut the finger off. That very night, I went to see some Christian friends who believed in prayer, and asked them to pray with me for the healing of my finger. The next day I visited the doctor again, and he was very much surprised to find that the finger was greatly improved and would not need to be taken off. So, in answer to prayer, I have that finger yet, for which I praise God.

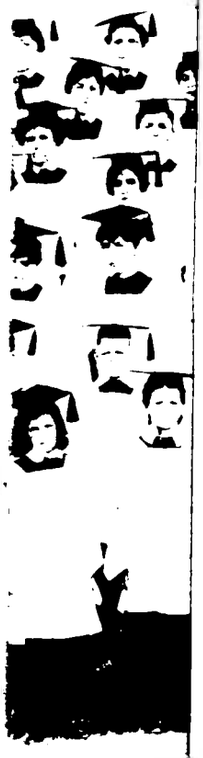
When our oldest daughter was thirteen months' old, she contracted diphtheria, and was in a terrible condition. We were alone with God, and did not have much teaching on Divine Healing, but we trusted in God and lived consecrated lives, according to our light. God gave us the victory, though the child was at the point of death, and completely delivered her from that dreadful disease.

And so it has gone on from one child to another. God has enabled us to raise eleven children, and therefore I feel we are in a position to tell of the Power of God in times of trial. There have been many deliverances from many kinds of troubles: sprained ankles, summer complaint, typhoid fever, broken arm, measles, whooping cough, diphtheria, inflammation of the bowels, etc., and, today, we are all well and strong.

I am so thankful to say that in our early married life we were delivered from the filthy hog; so that our eleven children have never tasted pork. Not one of them has ever tasted drugs nor has a doctor ever been consulted for them. They were all born without a doctor, and raised without doctors and drugs.

My wife has always found time to do Seventy Work. While we yet lived in Michigan, she distributed ten copies of LEAVES OF HEALING a week, sometimes walking ten miles to distribute them. Last week she gave out two hundred and forty copies, and this week, one hundred and forty; and she has given out many hundreds of them; and has great joy in doing so.

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Those coming by Elevated Trains should get off at State and 26th Street
Those coming by the Street Car should get off at Michigan Avenue and 26th Street

THE PRINCIPAL MEETING

——is held——

EVERY LORD'S DAY AT 3:00 P. M.
DIVINE HEALING MEETING—Every Tuesday at 3:00 P. M.
PRAISE, PRAYER AND TESTIMONY MEETING—
Every Tuesday at 8:00 P. M

Telephone Coliseum 7772

THE SUPPLEMENT PICTURE

This week's issue of the LEAVES OF HEALING, Volume 45, No. 4, contains a supplement picture of ZION Senior and Junior Choirs, consisting of about five hundred voices, all of them being Christians and members of the Church in good standing.

This is, no doubt, the largest church choir in existence today doing regular and systematic work on Lord's Days in the house of God.

Their faces will preach a mighty sermon!
Send it out to the multitudes.

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We are truly happy to be in Zion at this time. We have been connected with Zion since 1893; and, oh, I do praise God for that day when I listened, for the first time, to the preaching of Dr. Dowie! How we cherish his memory!

And we thank God every day for our present leader, who has stood like a rock against all kinds of evil. We pray earnestly every day for him, that God will abundantly bless him and sustain him.

I also desire to say that all our children are Christians, and they are all in Zion, for which we praise God.

I trust this testimony will be a blessing and will be the means of bringing some one closer to God. I could say a great deal more, for the blessings God has bestowed upon us, in answer to the prayer of faith, if written out in full, would make a good sized book.

We are looking for the coming of our Blessed Lord, and it is our earnest, daily prayer that we may be ready to meet Him at His coming for His saints.

Yours in Christ,

(Signed) AUGUST SWANSON.

CONFIRMATORY TESTIMONY OF MRS. AUGUST SWANSON

Zion, Illinois, October 7, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Administration Building,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I wish to corroborate my husband's testimony. All that he has written is true, but there is so much more that God has done for us that "the half has not been told."

I have great reason to praise God for His keeping power. I was converted in my early life, and always had a desire for the good and pure. God has always been my Helper.

I am the mother of twelve children, eleven of whom are living. We lost our first baby boy when he was ten days' old. I can say, to the glory of God, that our children have never tasted drugs, have been raised without doctors, and have never eaten of the unspeakable pig. And we feel rejoiced to think that God enabled us to trust Him among a faithless and perverse generation.

We did not have many to help us fight our battles, in our early life; and we had to stand alone, but it was all right.

It brings great joy to our hearts now that we have the privilege of living in Zion, where we get "meat in due season;" where we can mingle with so many of the true children of God, who are willing to trust God for all.

It filled our hearts with great joy when we first heard Dr. Dowie. That will be twenty-six years ago, and we have been on board the ship ever since. We can never forget that mighty man of God; and what he said then has come true to the letter; and we can well see that the end is here.

It is our desire to do all we can to scatter Zion literature and to get the LEAVES OF HEALING into the hands of the people. Through the goodness of God, we have been enabled to scatter over three thousand LEAVES OF HEALING, several hundred THEOCRATS, hundreds of tracts, and hundreds of Apostle Jordan's books. We have done what we could to sow the seed by the shore of Lake Michigan. The work has been done, largely, among the sailors at the Naval Station and the soldiers at Fort Sheridan.

We praise God for what He has enabled us to do, and we want to continue the work till the Lord comes. I have met many who were glad to get the papers, and it is my earnest prayer that much good will result.

Pray for me that I may be able to do more for the Master.

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) MRS. AUGUST SWANSON.

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(Reported by B. M. S.)

Encamped along the hills of light
Ye Christian soldiers, rise,
And press the battle ere the night
Shall veil the glowing skies;
Against the foe in vales below,
Let all our strength be hurled;
Faith is the victory, we know,
That overcomes the world.

CHORUS:
Faith is the victory!
Oh, glorious victory,
That overcomes the world.

His banner over us is love,
Our sword the Word of God;
We tread the road the saints above
With shouts of triumph trod;
By faith, they like a whirlwind's breath
Swept on o'er every field;
The faith by which they conquered Death
Is still our shining shield.

On every hand the foe we find
Drawn up in dread array;
Let tents of ease be left behind,
And onward to the fray;
Salvation's helmet on each head,
With truth all girt about,
The earth shall tremble 'neath our tread,
And echo with our shout.

To Him that overcomes the foe,
White raiment shall be given;
Before the angels he shall know
His name confessed in heaven;
Then onward from the hills of light,
Our hearts with love aflame;
We'll vanquish all the hosts of night,
In Jesus' conquering name.

ADDRESS BY APOSTLE EUSTACE L. CAREY

I will read the first two verses of the Twelfth Chapter of Romans:

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Now let us turn to the Eleventh Chapter of Hebrews:

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

For by it the elders obtained a good report.

Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.

By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

"Pleased God." And it will be those who please God who will be taken up with Jesus Christ when He comes for His saints.

That was the testimony that Enoch had before he was translated, that he pleased God; and you and I must please God if we are to have a part in the Rapture.

God Rewards Them that Diligently Seek Him

But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

"Must believe that He is,"— that is the first thing. You cannot come to God in prayer unless you believe that *He is*, and that He is the *rewarder* of them who seek Him. And what would be the use of coming to God in prayer if you did not believe that He is the rewarder of those who seek Him?

And note the word "diligently."

You must *believe*, first of all, and believe with all your heart, that *He is*,— get that great fact deep down in your very being. And, having gotten that, you who please God, then get this fact, as taught in the Word of God: If you come to Him, you will receive what you ask, — "He is a rewarder of them who diligently seek Him."

What we need, today, is a people who believe in God, and a people who will receive rewards from God; and this people must be a people who not only seek God, but who diligently seek Him. That is the way to get the things we ask for.

By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.

By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:

For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged Him faithful Who had promised.

Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, so many as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the seashore innumerable.

These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country.

And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.

Some of us had better note that verse, particularly.

But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for He hath prepared for them a city.

By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son.

Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called:

Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.

By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.

By faith Jacob, when he was a dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, leaning upon the top of his staff.

By faith Joseph, when he died, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel; and gave commandment concerning his bones.

By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.

By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

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Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;

Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.

By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing Him Who is invisible.

Moses Endured by Keeping His Eye on God

"He endured, as seeing Him Who is invisible." He had his eye on God; and that is what we should do. He endured by keeping his eye on God. Though God was invisible, yet he saw Him by faith; and that was his strength all through his work.

Through faith he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest He that destroyed the firstborn should touch them.

By faith they passed through the Red sea as by dry land: which the Egyptians assaying to do were drowned.

"Were drowned,"—there is the difference. This people *by faith* passed through the Red Sea. God opened up the sea and made a pathway through the sea for them,—a thing totally unlooked for, and, in the eyes of men, utterly impossible. But God performed the impossible; and then came along the heathen, and there was no pathway for them. They perished; and so will every one of God's enemies perish.

By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days.

The walls fell because the people obeyed the commandment given them. Joshua did what God told him, and the people did what Joshua told them. By obeying God implicitly and trusting in the arm of the living God, the walls of Jericho fell in God's time. And so will the "walls of Jericho" fall before us.

By faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them that believed not, when she had received the spies with peace.

And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gideon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also, and of Samuel, and of the prophets:

Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,

Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection:

And others had trials of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonments:

They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented;

(Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise:

God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.

Chapter Twelve, Verses One and Two:

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.

What wonderful words of life!

Success Dependent Upon both Faith and Works

May God help us to remember them, and may God help us to learn the lessons that He has there for us to learn. He has put these lessons there for us: they belong to us; and we should apply our hearts to them and learn them.

How wonderful the Word of God is! How full of food for you and for me! It is a living stream, where you and I can go and drink every day, and be refreshed and strengthened for our journey.

What a wonderful array of heroes is here given to us by the writer of this Book of Hebrews! Study them one by one; go over their history and the instances connected with their lives of faith—and work, too,—for they worked mighty works for God: and they did it by faith—by faith in God!

So we have before us two thoughts, and these thoughts must enter into us and become a part of us if we are to succeed.

We must be like these heroes of olden time—we must be men and women of *faith*, and we must be men and women of *works*.

We have a great and mighty work to do.

These men, and women, too, did great things. What a wonderful woman Deborah was—a beautiful and a great example to the women of ZION, today!

And so with the men. Think of the great men we have read of, and what they did, and how God inspired them to do their work, and how they had faith in God when everything was against them. They did not care about those things—they kept their eyes on God; and, keeping their eyes on God, they came through and accomplished the things which seemed impossible to do.

Zion's Work as Great as Any in the History of God's People

And we have been in a work here, brethren, that to human vision appeared many times as if it were impossible to go any further; and I say, as has been said before, that this work of ours has been as great, and is as great, as any work that any of those great men did of whom we have read this morning.

Ours has been a work against the powers of darkness, against the combinations of men,—and yet, by faith in God, we continue our work. Instead of ZION being scattered to the four winds of Heaven, we are here in this battle still; and, if some one has been here during those terrible times of testing, when, humanly speaking, it seemed impossible for ZION to survive, and had gone away and heard nothing of ZION for several years, and suddenly had come back—say, last night, when we had that large attentive audience assembled here, or last Lord's Day, when we had such a beautiful service,—he would be utterly amazed. And well he might be amazed, because only God has wrought the work!

Wonderful Subjects Considered During the Feast of Tabernacles

We have been having a wonderful Feast. Let me just take a moment to go over the wonderful subjects which we have considered.

We started out on Wednesday night with the Presentation and Consecration of the people to God, and then the General Overseer spoke on the subject, "Regeneration, Separation, Consecration and Sanctification,"—a most wonderful subject, containing a number of subjects in themselves wonderful, and worthy of the deep and earnest consideration of every child of God.

The next morning we considered, "The General Doctrine of the Second Coming of Christ;" then followed "Signs Showing that the Second Coming of Christ is Near at Hand." Then, "The Awful Apostasy—The Terrible Falling Away of the Professing Church—and God's Specially Prepared Place of Refuge for the Saints." And then, "The Preparation of the Church, and The Rapture." Following that, the General Overseer's address on "The Sure Word of Prophecy," delivered last Lord's Day afternoon.

On Monday morning we considered, "The Gathering and Preparation of the Saints in ZION;" and in the evening "The City of ZION—The World's Greatest Object Lesson." Then, "The Doctrine of the Second Coming of Christ in Symbols and Types." Then, "The Revived Roman Empire and The Antichrist Revealed." Then, "The Time of the End;" and then, "The Revelation—The Coming of Christ in Glory; The Setting Up of the Kingdom, and the Beginning of the Millennium."

There have been some wonderful things brought out during these addresses, and they have been a great inspiration to me, personally, and I am sure to all the children of God.

We are now almost at the close of this ZION'S Nineteenth Feast of Tabernacles, and soon it will be gone. We do not know anything about the future,—that is in God's hands. We have been around the Lord's table, and we have been eating, and enjoying the food, and we have drunk of the beautiful Water of Life.

Vital Questions Concerning Zion's Nineteenth Feast of Tabernacles

Brethren, the question that comes to my mind at this time is: What have I come to these meetings for? What has been the motive that has brought me here,—and what has brought

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you here? And what is it all going to mean to me in the days that are to come?

Is it possible that you and I, having here partaken so bountifully, and having been refreshed with the Water of Life,— is it possible that you and I could go away and sleep! and sleep! and sleep! and sleep! If that is going to be the result, then this great Feast will not have accomplished anything for us.

We eat to get strength — to get strength for service and for work; and that is what this Feast must mean to you and to me.

We are in God's work, and there is a great work to be done, and the work must be finished.

God has given to us His Word — the food from off His bountiful table, to strengthen us, so that with that strength we may labor and toil for Him as we have never done before. If that is not going to be true of us, then it will be "Woe unto us!" We must go forth and "bear much fruit," or our attendance at this Feast will profit us nothing.

Let us be Christians!

Let us be followers of the Lord Jesus Christ!

The eyes of the whole world are upon us and are on this little spot, and the world is following event after event with interest as well as mere curiosity; and many are watching with deep and intense interest, for they want to see whether this thing is of God. And if they are the children of God, and if God is leading them, and if we prove to be the children of God in deed and in truth, then they will see eye to eye with us some day, and they will come up to the help of the Lord in ZION —"to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

Zion Must do Her Witnessing and Finish Her Work

It is for you and for me to do our part — and then to leave the rest with God.

But you have something to do and I have something to do,— and our work *must be done*!

Let us be Christians!

The followers of Jesus Christ, today, are comparatively few. The so-called churches of Jesus Christ have become corrupt and they are a stench in the nostrils of our God; and you and I, therefore, have to be faithful and to prove that we are Christians indeed and followers of Jesus Christ.

The life of the Christ on this earth was one of toil and sacrifice, and that is the pathway you and I must tread today.

Let us lay hold of these eternal verities and make them ours!

God has called us from many parts of the earth to this place, to do a certain work. He has given us a wonderful vision, and He has brought us here for a specific purpose, for a unique work.

We have been gathered by God (I trust that can be said of each one) — gathered here by God to do a certain thing, at this particular time, — something that has to be done *just now*.

Just before the coming of God's Son, something has to be done!

Zion's Leader, People and Organization of Divine Origin

God is gathering His children together, and God will have His children for the Rapture!

God has called many of His saints into ZION, and He is calling them, today, into ZION.

God called His man to bring you people together; and he had to form this people into an organization called the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION; and God gave him the vision, years before, of a city for God. And God led him to bring this people up into this place to make a city for God.

We started in here to make a city for God. It was a wonderful thing, and the world opened its eyes, and the newspapers talked, and the whole world knew of this City of ZION.

We read of it over there in Australia; you read of it over there in England, and so on. The world wanted to know what it was all about. It was God working through His servant and through a people who wished to cooperate with God. And so we came here, and a great work was accomplished. Then God permitted certain things to take place; and I believe, as has been stated before, that God allowed those things to take place to try His Own people, to test them, and to prove who were His and who were not. It was a sad thing, a great trial, but it resulted in the strengthening and upbuilding of the faith of God's children; and they came out of the fire stronger men and stronger women to take up the work which was still before them.

And so we went on under the man whom God brought here in the place of John Alexander Dowie. Then there were other fights, and other troubles to face, and there was difficulty and opposition, strong and great, and at times, as I have said, it looked as if the Devil were going to have his own way right here; but we stood together, and God was with us!

Why all this? Why did we not simply disband and give up? It seemed folly to some to go on. Some said, "Oh, it is not of God;" and so on. But, just as in the beginning when John Alexander Dowie was told to give up and leave Chicago, he said, "No! God put me here, and here I will stay!"— and he stayed and did the work God gave him,— so we are still at the work God gave us to do, and we are determined to see it finished!

God has Led us in a Wonderful Way!

He has gently and gradually opened the way, and we have walked along as the way was opened; and God's people, strengthened by all their experiences, have gone on to do their work.

There is no question in my mind but that this organization has been brought into existence by God, Himself; and it is "Woe be to the man who puts himself against God's work or tries to hinder!" He will go down in defeat every time,— it has been so in the past, and it will continue to be so — it must be so.

Just get that into your heart and mind, and settle the question whether this is of God or not. If you do not believe it is of God, all right,— then you have no right here,— then I have no right here: I must pack my trunk and get away, for it would be folly to stay.

But if you and I, as we read the Word of God, and understand the time in which we are living, and see that the things transpiring around us are in accordance with prophecy, then we must come to the conclusion that this work is nothing else than the work of God,— then there is nothing else for us to do but to lay hold of it as never before, and go right on; and I know that He will enable us to do great things.

This people has been called here to build this little city for God. The work is not completed,— it remains to be finished!

The days are few before us! The time is short! Shall we fold our arms at this point? We do not know just when the Lord may come, but we know that His coming is very close at hand. Everything around us points to that fact; and I wonder if we all really believe that He is coming. If we believe it, what sort of people ought we to be?

I read to you the first two verses of the Twelfth Chapter of Romans. Let us measure up to the Apostolic injunction. The most any of us can do is little in God's sight, but you are responsible to do that, and so am I. There is no excuse for any one's saying, "I do not know that I can do anything; I do not think I need to bother very much about it."

You do! Jesus Christ demands of you and of me that we do our part. The field is before us; and though we may not be able to do much, still we may be able to win others to Christ who might be able to help in a very great measure.

Christianity Manifested by Work and Service

The religion of the Lord Jesus Christ is a practical religion, and this work cannot be done, on the human side, without money, and houses, and lands. This estate must be paid for and these properties redeemed for God and ZION. ZION does not consist of the prayer meeting alone. The prayer meeting is all right and is important, for the power of God comes through prayer; but the men and women in that prayer meeting must submit to God's ways, and then that prayer meeting will result in some great and splendid action.

To the Christian, religion means Christian work — Christian service. It does not mean simply singing and praying only.

ZION must show to the world that she is not only a people of prayer meetings (which she is, thank God!), but that she is a people who work and accomplish something.

There are vast opportunities for you and for me to do something for our Lord. We can bring our talents, our houses and our lands and our money, into God's service. What did they do in the early Church? They brought their possessions and laid them down at the Apostles' feet, and the Apostles took them and used them in God's work. There were no *investments* there ex-

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cept the glorious investment of surrendering all for God's work; and what a beautiful investment for a man to come to God and say, "Here, Lord, take this, and use it for Thyself!"

Think of the Educational work here, and of the training of our boys and girls, and youths and maidens! What an opportunity to build up that work!

Zion People Must Rise up and do the Work

Brethren, let us rise up to our opportunities. Events are happening with lightning rapidity, today, and we are hurrying on. This people must rise up and do the work God has given us to do, and do it quickly; and leave the future with God. We cannot rest, we cannot be satisfied until we know we have finished the work.

Let us, each man and each woman, give himself and herself wholly to God! Oh, the simple, earnest, sincere, heartfelt consecration of the child of God! the silent determination to be faithful "till He comes"!

What we have done is nothing compared to what we may attain to. "ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE TO HIM THAT BELIEVETH." I believe that, and it is laying hold of me more and more. Jesus Christ meant exactly what He said.

It is worth while living. Let us live this life, short as it will be, as we ought to live it. Let us lay hold of the promises of God, and, by faith, work them out.

An Urgent call to Consecration and Faith

I beseech you, reconsecrate yourself to God this morning and lay hold of these great verities; and study this Word, and take it and press it to your bosom, and may it be your very staff — the staff of life; and, in the strength of God, do the will of God, as did Abraham of old. Abraham was told to go, and he went, not knowing where he was going, but with implicit faith in God.

The completing of this work depends upon you and upon me. God is there, and the power of God is ready to do great things for us. He is not just going to make a great sweep and do this thing for us by a miracle,— no! but He expects His Holy Spirit to be within us, and He will do the work through us, if we will but measure up,— if we will surrender to God absolutely and reconsecrate ourselves to Him.

Then we have a wonderful future before us! The work will be accomplished and the capstone will be put on; and we will come to the place where the city will be redeemed and the enemies of God will be scattered, and God will give us a grand and glorious victory!

Go forward, O Zion, and do the work God has given you to do! Amen.

ADDRESS BY APOSTLE WILLIS F. JORDAN

It seems to me, brothers and sisters, that in studying any movement of a religious nature, we should inquire, first of all, whether the movement is of God; and, in the second place, what principles underlie its management, its development, its growth, its bringing unto perfection or completion.

As I said in an address which I delivered at the Feast of Tabernacles of one year ago, on the Elijah ministry, with reference to John Alexander Dowie and his life and mission,— as a student of the man and his work, I was compelled to admit that he "came to the kingdom for such a time" as he did, and accomplished the work God had given him to do; and the evidences which would lead one to arrive at that conclusion are very many.

John Alexander Dowie's Ministry Established by Many Infallible Proofs

In the first place, God so strangely raised him up and brought him to this country,—perhaps the only country under Heaven where this work could be established and maintained. It is very evident that it never could have been established by John Alexander Dowie, under God, in England, for instance, for, when on a visit to that country, he was hounded for his very life and was refused a place to stay. So this fair land of ours, of freedom and religious liberty, was the only country where such a man, and such a movement as had been born in his soul and which had become so thoroughly dominant in his mind and life, could find a reception sufficient to justify the establishment of the work.

He was brought to this country in a marvelous and wonderful way, and rather suddenly; and he came as a stranger in a strange land, with no powerful backers, no money, and with nothing but his own personality and mind and heart and elements of manhood, and *God*.

God was his principle asset; for he was God's man, and it was in God's plan that he should establish the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church and the city of Zion, as I truly believe. Then God, of course, having injected him into the country, would preserve him while there, in spite of all earth and hell, demons and all combined.

He came suddenly on the scene! ran his course like a meteor! established the work!— and, when the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church was founded, and the City of Zion was laid out, his work was just as suddenly finished! and another man was thrust upon the scene, in just as Divine and marvelous a manner as was John Alexander Dowie: and through him, under God, the work has attained the present state that it has at this hour.

Satanic Opposition Demonstrates the Genuineness of Zion's Work

Another reason why I accept John Alexander Dowie and his mission, is because of the Satanic opposition which he had to face, and which proved him to be of God. If all men had spoken well of him and praised his movement, and, by hundreds and thousands, had sought to join him and his movement, that would have proven to me, as a student, that the man and the work were of the Devil.

The movement which is popular with the world, and which is easy and pleasant for men, and which carries them to the skies on "flowery beds of ease," I want nothing to do with.

My brothers and sisters, you go to the skies, you are prepared for the Rapture, by carrying a *cross* — which sometimes breaks the back, stoops the body, bends the shoulders, and often crushes you to the earth. Our Lord Jesus Christ experienced that in the long ago, when His cross was too heavy for Him and He fainted on the way to Calvary! And so there is a cross for every one.

An easy and popular religion injures a man.

I would not say that Zion is popular from a worldly standpoint. The City of Zion is not popular with the world. I do believe that the City of Zion, and the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and Wilbur Glenn Voliva, the General Overseer, have had more clubs and stones and mud thrown at them than any man, movement and city that I ever observed and studied in all the fifty-two years of my life; and that, as I said of John Alexander Dowie, makes this man, and this Church, and this city,— as it made John Alexander Dowie and the Church of his day — to be of God.

God's Movement—God's Church—God's Work—God's City—God's Leader

It is God's movement; it is God's Church; it is God's work; and Wilbur Glenn Voliva is God's man for the time that is now upon us; and this is God's city.

Moreover, if it is God's city, Church and movement, then I know these must be endorsed and stood by and loyally backed up and supported by God-fearing men, and by every Christ-loving and honoring man within the confines of this city. And if anybody does not back up these, but opposes and throws mud, and fights the Church and city, which have been built up and established, and which we are seeking to bring to perfection ere the Lord comes for His saints,— if any man fights that, it proves him to be of the Devil and not of God.

Then, as we often say in Zion, Zion City is the headquarters of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion and the private home of the officers and members of this Church. Therefore, if this is the home, and the private home, its privacy ought to be safeguarded and defended, and thoroughly protected; and if it is the headquarters of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church, then it ought to be brought to perfection, had it not?

An Ideal Portraiture of a True Christian Home

If you have a home, you naturally like to make it as beautiful, as pleasant, as clean and enjoyable as you possibly can. A dutiful wife tidies the home up, and puts pictures on the walls, and ornaments around, and so forth, and puts lace curtains on

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the windows, and carpets on the floors; and she looks after her children, and her husband, in the way of having their clothes in nice shape, with all the buttons on, and so forth. And, if those children are the right kind of children, they recommend her as a mother; and if the husband is the right kind of husband, he recommends her as a wife; and she takes painstaking care to see that they appear well, and that her home is neat and clean and all that a home ought to be. And the children call that home, and they take care of it and study it to make it beautiful, and they dedicate it to God, if they are a Christian father and mother and children; and it will be a home where Christ's Name is revered, and where the brethren of the Lord Jesus Christ are welcomed; and where blessed fellowship, and conversation, and Christian ideals are recommended and are taught, and demonstrated, and established in that home; and thus they will take care of that home, and they will bring that home to perfection.

Well, if this is our home as a Church, then there ought to be nothing here to make it dirty, unclean, untidy, and unbeautiful. You see the point, I am sure. It is up to you and me to sweep the house, to scrub the floors, and to clean the cobwebs out of the corners. It is up to you and me to get rid of everything impure and unholy in our city and in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and make our Church, and our home, all that that Church and home ought to be under God.

What if Christ Should Suddenly Come to Our Church Home?

If Jesus Christ were suddenly to come to the door of our Church home and knock for admittance, would it be a fit place for Him to cross the threshold of and to set His holy foot in? If Jesus Christ should suddenly come today in the Rapture, would He find this Church and home of this Church, all it ought to be? or would He find some of the "enemies of the cross of Christ," as Paul calls them in the Third Chapter of Philippians, here, and some heathen here, and find things here that would make us, as His servants and disciples, hang our heads in shame and confusion, and make us silent of speech?

That is the way I look at this situation; and therefore it is up to you and me to heed the call of the one who is over us in the Lord, to redeem this city, to purify it, to convert every man, woman and child within its territory and sacred precincts,— or else drive them out. They have no business here; and we must see to it that it can be written down, when this work is done, that there is no more a trafficker or Canaanite in this city of God. Let us get rid of every one of them and of everything unholy and unclean.

"Have no Fellowship With the Unfruitful Works of Darkness"

Of course, we cannot take these people who have no right here and who do not belong here, by the heels and throw them out, but God can get rid of them. We must earnestly pray to God to either convert them, if they will be converted, or else to drive them out; and these places where they hold their little meetings, must be closed; and I would not, under any consideration, cross the threshold of any of these places. We must have no fellowship with "the unfruitful works of darkness."

I have only had the privilege of attending three Feasts of Tabernacles, and I envy you who have had the privilege of attending every one. You have had glorious teaching and wonderful opportunities here in this City of ZION, and I cannot understand how any one, who professes to love ZION and her principles and truths, could be loose, careless, unconcerned, unfaithful, unloyal; but there are a few who are, and those are the very ones who criticize the General Overseer and the teaching, and who hinder the work.

In my walk and observation among the people, I find that the folks who back up the General Overseer, and are loyal and faithful in ZION, and who trade only in ZION Stores, are the ones that attend the services regularly, are the ones who pray and testify in public, are the ones who are faithful in tithing and who bring in their all for investment in ZION Institutions and Industries, and do everything they can for the building up of the work of God.

Human Leadership in Zion of Divine Appointment

As I said, in order to have a home neat, and beautiful, and pretty, as it ought to be, there must be loyalty, and faithfulness, and obedience, and submission; and so one must first determine whether a movement is of God, and it must be examined in the light of Divinely appointed human leadership. And there is the secret of this whole movement: whether men, women and children will accept the Divinely appointed human leadership over us in the Lord.

I have heard of men saying, "I am ZION, all right; I love the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION; and I am just as much a believer in leadership as I ever was before, but that man Voliva — I just cannot stand him."

Yes, that is the secret of the whole thing: a refusal to submit to leadership and acknowledge authority. They "despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities," as Jude says. They refuse to obey; they refuse to submit.

I tell you, it is no trouble for me to obey those in authority in the Church of the living God, and I delight to obey. My poor soul and spirit was starved to death all the years of my membership and ministry in the Methodist Church and in the Baptist Church, and I was discouraged and right down in "the dumps." when LEAVES OF HEALING came to me. I studied the LEAVES OF HEALING, and the other ZION literature which was sent to me, and compared it with the Bible, and I was compelled to admit that the teaching was in accordance with the Word of God. I carried out Paul's advice, "Prove all things, hold fast that which is good;" and when one can give me chapter and verse from that Book to prove his contention, I will submit to it, and I will throw away all notions and all previous learning and conclusions; and in this way I was compelled to admit the truthfulness of a Divinely appointed human leader over the people of God — the directing head — the commanding officer — the captain of the host of the Lord, and so forth; and I said, "That is a Bible principle," and I found it in the Old Testament and I found it in the New Testament. It operated in the days of Moses, and in the days of Paul, and in the days of John the Baptist, and down through the early Church history; and we find it in operation today as it was in the days of the first Apostles; and we must therefore submit to Divinely appointed human leadership in the Lord, and we must obey him as he is led of the Lord. And I am not the one to determine whether he is led of the Lord or not, and neither are you.

Authoritative Leadership in Zion Determined in the Light of God's Word

There is just one way to determine whether Wilbur Glenn Voliva follows the Lord as General Overseer of this Church, and that is: *What does the Bible say?*

When I raised the question, in correspondence with these Apostles: "Why do you have one man at the head of the movement — ecclesiastically, educationally, commercially and politically?" they said (refering to the literature they had sent me). "This will answer your question: examine what we send you in the light of God's Word, and determine for yourself." I will never forget that reply. That appealed to me, and I did.

As I say, I sat down and studied the literature, with the open Bible before me, and found chapter and verse, and I said, "Now, will this sustain that, or will it overthrow it?" and, having examined the two side by side, and having compared the one with the other, I was compelled, as a student of God's Word, and a man open to conviction — and no one can be a student of God's Word who is not open to conviction, who is not ready to be taught, for that is what the word "disciple" means, a learner, an imitator,— I was compelled to admit that the Bible did sustain the contention of leadership; and I saw the principle of Divinely appointed human leadership, a captain of the Lord's host, and I found it imbedded in the Word; and I threw up my hands and said, "I surrender!"

Then I came up to the Feast of Tabernacles as the guest of the General Overseer, and I came and studied the Church, the General Overseer, and the Officers with him, and the members, and everything at Headquarters. I stayed for a week or ten days, and I attended all the services, and I took in all that was said and done. I looked at the people, and I looked at the city, and I looked at the Institutions and Industries, and I looked at the Church, and I looked at the platform, and I looked at the Choir.

Deep and Lasting Impressions Made by Zion Choir

I might say a word of encouragement to the Choir. You do not know, many times, what impressions you are making on strangers in the congregation. That first Lord's Day of the

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Feast that I was present, and saw for the first time that Choir march down the aisles and file into place — everything decorus, everything earnest, everything solemn — not a word was said to me and nobody looked at me, but I could not help it — my emotions took possession of me, and welled up within me, and overflowed my eyes; and I praised God and said, "Thank God for a company of men and women, consecrated to God like that company, who will sing with the spirit and understanding." May God bless the Choir!

And so I say to you, and to all of us: Let us conduct ourselves always as brothers and sisters, beloved in Jesus Christ; and Officers in the Church of God, as examples to the flock, in the midst of a mocking and gain-saying world: and let us see to it that no one can bring accusation against us truthfully, and that no one can take offense because of our conversation and behavior.

In the training of our children, if we are the right kind of parents, when a child misbehaves, is disobedient and rebellious, if it is necessary we will discipline that child — we will lay on the gad. And I say to my children when they begin to find fault and to criticize this one or that one: "Hush up; no criticism of officers of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION in this house. This is no place to criticize and find fault. Leave it to the General Overseer and his cabinet if there is any criticizing of any one to be done." It is a serious thing to criticize a person, and to pick him to pieces; but to many people nothing is sacred and they are full of the spirit of criticism. If one of our children develops that kind of spirit, if it is necessary, we will lay on the gad, and we will correct him.

A Finished Work Demands an Obedient, Teachable and Loyal Spirit

If you and I develop that kind of spirit, or that kind of conduct, in this Church, it is the duty of our spiritual leader in the Lord, our General Overseer in Jesus Christ, to get down the strap and to lay it on properly, until we cry, "Enough!"

I thank God for the General Overseer, and that his backbone is strong enough and his heart is loving enough, to get down the strap and lay it on sometimes. Sure! I take his corrections, and they have done me good; for they have been food for my soul and marrow for my bones, and they have been a great help to me.

I greatly enjoy conversations with the General Overseer on Bible subjects, and he has taught me wonderful things. I came to ZION as a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ; I came to ZION as a member of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION; I came to ZION as a member of "the household of faith;" and, as such, it is my duty to submit to authority and discipline for my own good, and for the good of my brothers and sisters. I have no particular rights and no particular privileges. I am simply one of this large family, and I must live in harmony with the head; and I must do everything I possibly can, as a member of that family and a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ, to make the home perfect and to make it all that it ought to be.

Now, in this Church, all the tithes and offerings are put into one storehouse and everything should head up at Headquarters. Everyone should recognize headship; and everyone should recognize that this is his home, no matter where he may be on the face of the whole earth; and when it comes to paying tithes, or when it comes to praying for the Church, for the General Overseer and all the interests of ZION, our eyes should be turned towards this City of ZION, and towards the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church at Headquarters — at home!

Steps to be Taken in Finishing the Work of God in Zion

Pray for home! Pray for Headquarters! Send your tithes and offerings to Headquarters, and contribute for the support of ZION Educational Institutions — even if you do live away off in California and cannot send your children to ZION Schools. Perhaps it is your own fault you are not here at Headquarters and your children are not in ZION Schools. Perhaps if you would take a little lower price for your property you could sell it and come to ZION; but you are hanging onto the dollar, and you are putting that before God. And it may go along that way a week too long — a day too long: and suddenly the Church will go out, and you will be left behind — because your treasure and your heart were out there; and then Antichrist will reach out his long Satanic fingers and will take away your farms and your bank stock, and everything you hold dear.

Oh, what a terrible price to pay! when one might be living at Headquarters and enjoying these inestimable advantages; and it behooves you and me to get to ZION CITY and redeem this city, and purify it and cleanse it, and help make this home all it ought to be, so that we will not be ashamed at the Lord's coming.

Wonderful Privileges and Opportunities in Zion!

What a glorious privilege we have here of studying the Word of God and of being taught in the things of God! What a wonderful advantage our children have in the Educational Institutions! And there are wonderful commercial opportunities, and political opportunities — for we all vote as one man and stand together as a solid unit.

It is up to you and me to get to ZION City as fast as possible and to bring our wives and our little ones, and everything we have.

You remember that Moses said to Pharaoh, down in Egypt: "We will go with our wives, our children and our little ones; not a hoof we have will we leave behind: for we must take it all to serve the Lord."

That is a New Testament principle. That is what God requires in His Word. He requires that you bring everything you have wherewith to serve Him. He cannot occupy a divided heart; He cannot live in a divided home — in a home where there is no love, no fellowship, no communion.

You cannot afford to live that way; you cannot afford to run that kind of risk — having a divided heart and divided fellowship.

Bring all your heart, and life, and spirit, and soul, and body, and money, and lands, and houses, and vineyards, and sheep, and oxen, and everything you have into the house of God and into the service of Jesus Christ. You must bring it all; you must put all on the altar, and you must put it all at work for God and ZION, and for the upbuilding of the Church and the redeeming of the city, for the buying of all properties in the hands of ZION's enemies, and for the rededicating of them all to God.

Apostolic Spirit and Power Dependent Upon Apostolic Conduct

In the days of the Apostle Peter, we read that they sold their houses and lands and brought the price of the things sold into the common storehouse, to be used in the extension of the work of the Lord; and we do not find, either in the Second Chapter or the Fourth Chapter of Acts, that they ever asked the Apostle Peter, who seemed to be the head of the Apostolic College, for a trust deed, or a first mortgage, or a second mortgage, or any other kind of a mortgage, to secure what they put into God's storehouse; and they never asked for two percent, three five, six or seven percent, or any other kind of interest. They just sold everything they had and brought the price and laid it down at the Apostles' feet, and said: "You are the leaders in God's beloved ZION, officers in the Church of the Living God, who are 'set for the defense of the Gospel:' you have my prayers on your behalf, and I will prove my sincerity and my consecration to the Lord and my confidence in you as the Lord's servants by the way I obey as a member of the Church and submit to leadership, and use all I have for the extension of the Lord's work and the building up of His cause."

That is the way they did in the primitive days, and if we would get back the Apostolic spirit and power, we must get back to that kind of conduct; and until we do, God's blessing cannot rest upon us as fully as we want it to,— we cannot expect it. If we would put more into God's work, we would get more out.

It is a principle imbedded in the Old and New Testaments that God cannot dwell in a divided heart. You cannot serve God part of the time and the Devil part of the time; and have part of your treasure in God's service and part out yonder; and if you try to do that, you will surely lose out.

We must jump into the boundless love of God with all we have, trusting in God for everything and with everything. We must burn all the bridges and cut all the ties behind us, and make it impossible for ourselves ever to think of turning back.

We must bring our all into the "Ark."

We must finish the work!

Let us be ready when the Lord Jesus Christ comes for "His own" in the glorious Rapture!

May His blessing rest upon you all.

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"A Glorious Church, Without Spot or Wrinkle"

By Apostle Anton Darms

THE birth of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, which took place in the City of Chicago in the year 1896, was, without exception, the most important event of the Nineteenth Century.

John Alexander Dowie ranks head and shoulders above his contemporaries in his constructive plan for the uplifting of humanity.

There is no doubt but that the last century saw the most marvellous and astounding discoveries, inventions, and accomplishments along many different lines.

The political changes brought about by wars, insurrections, and rebellions, the industrial changes brought about by electricity, telegraph, and telephone; the great changes brought about in commerce by locomotive and steamboat, and the multitudes of minor inventions had practically produced a new world at the close of the Nineteenth Century.

The question now arises,— What changes have taken place in the development of man's character — his social and religious life — in the light of this wonderful progress?

Has the church of the Nineteenth Century made the progress along spiritual lines which the world has along political and industrial lines?

That the world has made these discoveries and inventions through the wisdom of man, without any idea of glorifying God, none will deny.

The Failure of the Nominal Church

Has the church of the past century witnessed for her Master, and stemmed the tide of Mammon and iniquity, or has she been swept from her moorings and run adrift with the tide of agnosticism and infidelity, which have swept over the whole civilized world like a flood?

Oh, what a shame that the church has suffered defeat in her contest with the world, the flesh, and the Devil!

The church today is prosperous with wealth, adorned with knowledge, aggressive in reforms, refined with fashion, resplendent with architecture; but, over all, the one word, "Ichabod," is written.

Like Esau, she has sold her birthright; like Balaam, she has flirted with the world; like Samson, she has been shorn of her strength; like Achan, she has hid the Babylonish garment among her treasures; like Saul, she has gloried in her pride; like Gehazi, she has sold the gifts of God for money; like Judas Iscariot, she has betrayed the cause of her Master for thirty shekels of silver; and like Ananias and Sapphira, her body lies in a cemetery, where she can no more lift her voice in prayer, praise, and testimony!

This Age, therefore, looked at from any standpoint, is void of true Christianity!

Amidst the millions of professed followers of the Christ, there are only a very few left—here one, and there one, who have any real love for God, or any hunger and thirst for righteousness. These few scattered saints have been unable to make their voices heard in the midst of the general apostasy!

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

It was under these circumstances that the prophet of God, John Alexander Dowie, unveiled Zion in the midst of Babylon, and raised up a standard for God's people to rally around.

The birth of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion therefore marks a new era in this world of ours.

A Church recognizing the infallible inspiration of the Eternal, Unchanging Word of God!

"All Scripture is given by Inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

"That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." — II Timothy 3:16, 17.

Where is There Another Church Like This?

A Church proclaiming the message of repentance and salvation, through Jesus the Christ!

A Church which declares the Covenant of Divine Healing to be as effective in this doctor-and-drug-saturated Age as it was at the waters of Marah, thirty-four centuries ago!

"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 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." — Exodus 15:26.

Where is There Another Church Like This?

A Church where the members do not use tobacco, drugs, strong drink, or swine's flesh in any form, in an Age where the Devil has placed his stamp upon the bodies of almost the entire race in one or the other of these evil practices!

"Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

"If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are."—I Corinthians 3:16, 17.

Where is There Another Church Like This?

A Church where the members do not go to theaters, dances, moving picture shows, or any of the dens of hell — where the ministers and members of other churches generally rather spend their time and money than anywhere else!

"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 who doeth the will of God abideth for ever."—I John 2:15-17.

Where is There Another Church Like This?

A Church where the people willingly pay their tithes into the Storehouse of God, instead of depending on oyster suppers, strawberry festivals, raffles, and pew-renting for the few paltry dollars given to keep the minister from starving!

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."—Malachi 3:10.

Where Is There Another Church Like This?

A Church where there is Divine authority and discipline exercised on the part of her Divinely sent and appointed leader, and the officers appointed by him!

"For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee:

"If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly.

"For a bishop must be blameless, as a steward of God; not selfwilled, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre;

"But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temporate;

"Holding fast the faithful Word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers."—Titus 1:5-9.

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WHERE IS THERE ANOTHER CHURCH LIKE THIS?

A Church which declares that the Second Coming of Jesus Christ will inaugurate the glorious "Times of the Restoration of All Things," in establishing His Millennial reign upon earth.

"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

"And He shall send Jesus Christ, Who before was preached unto you:

"Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.

"For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A Prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto your brethren, like unto me: Him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever He shall say unto you."—Acts 3:19-22.

WHERE IS THERE ANOTHER CHURCH LIKE THIS?

THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION!

CHRISTIAN, because it recognizes Jesus the Christ only as "the Way, the Truth, and the Life" (John 14:7);—

CATHOLIC, because it has brought God's people out of many forms of the apostasy into one fellowship;—

"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 (John 17:21);—

APOSTOLIC, because it believes in the restoration of all of the offices and gifts given to the Apostolic Church.

"For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

"To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;

"To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:

"But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as He will.****

"And God hath set some in the Church, first Apostles, secondarily Prophets, thirdly Teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues."—I Corinthians 12:8-11, 28.

The only genuine *Christian* Church in the world today, that stands for Christianity in its truest and fullest sense!

The only truly *Catholic* Church in the world today, because all the true Christians of *every* land, language, nationality, sect or denomination will find a true unity in ZION upon the plain Basis of the Word of God!

The only *Apostolic* Church in the world believing firmly in all the teachings and practices of the Early Apostolic Church!

The only Church that today proclaims THE GOSPEL OF THE GRACE OF GOD!

The only Church wholly separating herself from the corrupt practices of an ungodly world and a lukewarm, compromising church!

The only Church with enough dynamite in her message to stir up the Devil and turn the world upside down!

The only Church that the Devil really hates and persecutes, because he cannot carry out his infernal practices within her borders as he can in other churches!

Again we say, the Christian, Catholic, Apostolic Church in ZION, born February 22, 1896, in Chicago under the leadership of John Alexander Dowie, the only hope of the Twentieth Century as far as Organized Christianity is concerned.

Well may we exclaim: "WHAT HATH GOD WROUGHT!"

Well may we praise and exalt the Name of Jehovah for saving a remnant in the latter days, which is not ashamed of "the faith once for all delivered to the saints."

Think of a company of God's children delivered from the curse of the apostasy — saved and healed by the power of God — of one mind and heart, preparing for, and hastening to the coming of our Lord Jesus the Christ!

A Church with one Lord, one Faith, and one Baptism; a Church with a people who have the vision of THE KINGDOM OF GOD; a Church which can build a City for God; establish Business Institutions for God's people; create a Theocratic Nation; found Schools where the Bible is the foundation of knowledge; call into existence a Restoration Host which can carry the Gospel message into thousands of homes, and print the only Papers in the world that declare the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth:—the LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT.

Who would not thank God today for the CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION?

It is true, we have brought upon ourselves the anathemas of Rome, the vengeance of Masonry, the enmity of hundreds of religious sects and denominations; the persecution and opposition of the world, the flesh, and the Devil!— but one thing you may be sure of: ZION seeks not flattery nor favor from the world or the church, but stands upon the Impregnable Rock, Jesus Christ, and defies the hosts of hell, and NEVER SURRENDERS TO THE DEVIL!

Here is the one Church which is working toward the realization of that "glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish."—Ephesians 5:27.

Let one and all therefore measure up more fully than ever to the high standard given in ZION, and, by a spirit of true obedience, self-denial, self-sacrifice, and faithfulness, work as never before for the full ingathering of the saints into the church, as The Body of Christ.

Thousands have been blessed, but many millions must yet be reached with the Message from ZION.

May God bless our beloved leader, and use him in gathering into the fold of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION all who have the principles of ZION in their hearts, and make ZION, as it was intended to be, a refuge for God's people.

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee."—Isaiah 60:1.

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

I LOVE Thy kingdom, Lord,
The house of Thine abode,
The Church our blest Redeemer saved
With His own precious blood.

I love Thy Church, O God!
Her walls before Thee stand,
Dear as the apple of Thine eye,
And graven on Thy hand.

For her my tears shall fall;
For her my prayers ascend;
To her my cares and toils be given,
Till toils and cares shall end.

Beyond my highest joy
I prize her heavenly ways;
Her sweet communion, solemn vows,
Her hymns of love and praise.

Sure as Thy truth shall last,
To Zion shall be given
The brightest glories earth can yield,
And brighter bliss of heaven.

Baptisms

The following-named believers were baptized by Triune Immersion, Lord's Day, October 5, 1919, in Chicago, Illinois, by Elder M. J. Mintern:

Brooks, Miss Minnie	Illinois
Hatecke, Mrs. A.	Illinois
Hatecke, Claude	Illinois
Hatecke, George	Illinois
Numderman, Mrs. Belle	Illinois

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AUTUMNAL REFLECTIONS

By Elder Thomas H. Nelson

THIS Season speaks of scenes of old and pleasures long since dead and piles up reminiscences of joys forever fled.

THE falling of the mellow fruit and yellow leaf declare that vindictive time will waste the man who wastes it.

PEOPLE are like the posies — the pretty ones may be poisonous and pestiferous, and only the sweet are safe. Not so with the seasons, for here whatever pleases profits, and the most fruitful is the most beautiful.

'MID Autumn's purpling beauty, where golden glories lie, in crimson, falling foliage, I read that man must die. But in the budding Springtime, when flowers and fragrance reign, I read another story — that man must live again!

PITY the shallow, senseless soul who does not see that glorious Autumn's gorgeous garb is the Creator's mysterious attire, through which He reveals Himself to His friends and by which He hides Himself from His enemies.

AUTUMN is the beautiful hectic flush and dying smile of one of our best friends — the passing year!— who will soon, like all our other friends, be laid away beneath a pure white, winding sheet of snow and ice.

FRUITFUL Autumn, with her azure, crimson, gold and purple hues, as the flowers of the Fall and the smiles of Nature's God, is to the Winter of the year like a Christian's face at approaching death: her brightest blush and loveliest smile is her last.

IN all seasons, sorrow is the sad but abundant golden Autumn of life's year; and, like her natural sister, she brings her ripest grain and her most luscious fruit with the crimsoning and purpling of hope's foliage and the falling of the leaves of life.

PITY the insensitive breast that finds no soul in the Season, and feels neither exalted, holy yearnings nor tears and tender memories stirred within its depths by waning Autumn's fading glories and her sear and withering leaf. These grand emotions are flowers of the affectional nature and stars of the heart's dark night.

RICH October exchanges her robe of golden glory for chill November's leafless nakedness; and the year, which last May smiled in floral, fragrant, bridal robes, today sits gowned in widow's weeds, and mournfully views her coming shroud of purest snow. What a silent sermon this Autumn scene preaches of life's ephemeral character and coming certain death!

SUBMISSION, self-sacrifice, time, and activity in another's welfare, form the only balm for a wounded heart; but there is so much sadness and sorrowful disappointment in life to agitate a quiescent memory, that a beauteous Autumn scene or a golden, glorious sunset oft opens the wound afresh, and Heaven alone can in mercy make a permanent healing.

A PERIOD of prolonged sorrow is, to life, like Autumn with its rich and plenteous harvest to the year — its most beauteous, fruitful, and educational season; and, as the nightingale will sing in the day-time if the cage is darkened, so the hopeful, submissive soul finds songs in its sorrowful seasons and sermons in its sanctified suffering.

THOUGHTFULNESS is made sad and pensive by the contemplation that in spite of her abundant golden harvest, the pleasing, brilliant splendors of an ideal Autumn scene are but the fruits and proofs of coming, sure decay. And, like the dying dolphin, each new pang imbues the expiring year with some more gorgeous hue and tint as record of its pain.

LIFE is like the year, in that we are all born green enough and full of vernal, blooming promise; and we should, like her, go on through a mid-life Summer of growth and worthy achievement to a fruitful, abundant harvest of golden accomplishments. And this Autumnal, pre-Winter period of life, should, like its natural counterpart, be as transcendently beautiful as fruitful.

AS extracted perfume is never as sweet as the natural fragrance vitalized and embodied in the flower, and as an abstract truth preached or printed is never as attractive or influential as it is when illustrated by a beautiful life, so no artist's brush or poet's pencil ever did full justice to the variegated, blushing beauty of an Autumn in the woodland hills.

WHEN Autumn throws her glorious corona of variegated hues across the hills, and paints the fields in azure, purple, gold and crimson, he misses much who fails to see this jeweled Queen of the Seasons decked in her most gorgeous robes before the snow-white, wintry curtain falls. As God said, "Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways and be wise," we say, "Go to the Autumn woods, thou atheist; there learn to worship and to pray."

TO thoughtfulness, there is instruction in the flower, there is a language in the stars, there are songs in the sea, there are sermons in the Seasons, there is a semi-sacred sacrament in pensive contemplation. Who has not felt a vital unity between his own bounding hopes and the abounding, swelling promise and lavish, blushing beauty of fresh and vigorous Spring, with all her vernal attractions of bursting buds, fragrant flowers, singing birds and humming insects? Or who has remained unmoved to holy meditation, worship, and holy resolve by the gorgeous beauties and magnificent Autumnal splendors of a grand October scene? Amid such merry or melancholy meditations, the inspired Prophet of ancient Israel said, "Man cometh forth as a flower;" and again, "We do all fade as a leaf."

AUTUMN has opened again her mouldering urn of powdered, odorous rose leaves and ushered in that sad, disconsolate Season when pensive spirits live anew in memory—the dear delusions, dead, and darling dreams of other days. This golden, mellow, beauteous Season speaks pathetically of sundered ties, of vanished friends, departed hopes, and shattered castles in the air, and piles up reminiscences of joys forever fled. There is a religion in the very atmosphere of Autumn, and the rational soul glides naturally in its thought from the waning decadence of Nature to similar decline which one feels must surely come upon himself. This conviction produces a serious, sorrowful sigh in the sensitive soul of both saint and sinner alike. Its minor, melancholy music is lonelier than the bittern's cry and sadder than the song of the dying swan. It constitutes the hopeful hunger of the hapless heart for a Heavenly Home in a deathless, changeless, glorious climate where Spring is merged with Autumn and all things ever bloom and ripen but never know decay.

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BIBLE SCHOOL LESSON FOR OCTOBER 19th

I Corinthians, Chapters Two and Three

By APOSTLE WILLIS F. JORDAN

I. Paul's attitude when declaring the Gospel of the Grace of God — Chapter Two, Verses One to Eight.

1. In Corinth, Paul declared "the testimony of God" which consisted of "Christ, and Him crucified." Aside from this crucifixion, there is no salvation for any man. See Acts 4:12 and Hebrews 2:9.

2. Paul delivered "the testimony of God" in the "demonstration of the Spirit and of power," and not with the fascinating, "enticing words of man's wisdom;" hence, Paul's success.

3. Paul's wisdom was the wisdom of God, spoken among the Perfect — the saved — which wisdom the world-rulers did not know; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory.

4. The wisdom of God — the Gospel of Grace — is spoken in the Church Mystery during this, the Church Period — Verse Seven.

II. The stupendous facts of God's Revelation, are not discernible by human wisdom. They are spiritually comprehended, and cannot be seen any other way — Chapter Two, Verses Nine to Sixteen.

1. God's things, prepared for all who love Him, are revealed only by the Spirit. Their enumeration in that Revelation, is to be found only in the Bible — Verses Nine and Ten.

2. Nothing is too deep for the Holy Spirit. He clearly comprehends God and freely makes God's things known unto those who are God's, as in the Book of Revelation, the things are given to be shown "unto His servants" only (Revelation 1:1) —Verses Eleven and Twelve.

3. It is impossible for the natural man (the unregenerated) to see (comprehend) the things of God — Verses Thirteen to Sixteen with John 3:3.

III. Carnality hinders spiritual growth — Chapter Three, Verses One to Eight.

1. Christians ought to so grow, that they will get out of the baby condition — be able to eat the strong meat of the Word.

2. All of the carnal in ZION, are yet in the baby condition — are using the nursing bottle, and are eating out of a spoon, poked into their mouths by another's hand.

3. Envy, strife, tittle-tattle, criticism, division, etc., prove carnality — walking (not as Christians, but) as men.

4. The enormous sin of dividing over Paul, Apollos, Luther, Calvin, Wesley, Campbell, or any other of God's men and teachers! Paul and Apollos, and all others, are ministers of Christ only, by whom you believed.

Behold the great apostate sin of sectarianism, or denominationalism! Let it not once appear in ZION!

5. Paul plants, Apollos waters, but God gives the increase, or both will miserably fail.

IV. The Foundation; the Building; the Motive; the Reward— Chapter Three, Verses Eight to Fifteen.

1 Every Christian man will receive only the reward that he is entitled to for his own labor — Verse Eight.

2. All Christians are God's Husbandry — His Building; and they are laborers together *with* God — Verse Nine.

3. The Foundation is Jesus the Christ; and no man can lay any other; and no Christian man will ever want to — Verse Eleven.

4. The wise master-builder, Paul, had laid that Foundation in Corinth, and elsewhere — Verse Ten.

5. All in the Church, both the carnal and the Spiritual, build on that Foundation. Each one should be especially careful how he builds upon it — Verse Ten.

6. The carnal build wood, hay, stubble — things human, dry, brittle, inflammable — to be quickly burned "in that day" of Seven Years, following the Rapture.

7. The Spiritual build gold, silver, precious stones — symbols of the Divine, the Heavenly, the enduring, the worth-while, that which only becomes the stronger by being brought THROUGH the fire.

8. Note the solemn fact: Everything that all of the carnal and the Spiritual (each and every one in ZION) have built (done), will be tested, tried, revealed by fire; for "the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is."

9. The man whose work abides — stands the fire-test of the Lord's Coming — will receive the full reward — Verse Fourteen, and Second John, Verse Eight.

10. Verse Fifteen:

The man whose work is burned gets no reward — no pay check. Think of it! — a self-respecting man being without reward in Eternity, when he might have been rich! He tried, perhaps, to gain the whole world, but lost — wasted — his life (not his "soul," as the King James Version interprets it).

The meaning is this: He gets no reward at all, and goes into Eternity, a bankrupt. "He shall suffer loss (of the reward): but he.....shall be saved; yet so as by fire"— burned out and got nothing — as was Lot.

V. Closing Admonitions — Chapter Three, Verses Sixteen to Twenty-three.

1. Each Christian is a temple of God, by the Holy Spirit, and so is the Church.

Now consider well the warning in Verse Seventeen.

How then, can a man use tobacco, gum, whisky, beer (near or otherwise), dance, commit fornication and adultery, or abuse his body, or any organ of it?

How can any man defile the Temple (Church) of God? The man who so does sin against his own body, or against the Church Body "HIM SHALL GOD DESTROY."

2. The wisdom of this Age is foolishness with God, and the wisdom of this Age shall perish — Verses Eighteen to Twenty.

3. Put no glory in any man or number of men. Give God, through Christ, all the credit, honor, glory, and praise — Verses Twenty-one to Twenty-three.

Some Interesting Statistics

For Nine Months, January 1, to Sept. 30, 1919

MARRIAGES	27
BIRTHS	58
DEATHS	26

These statistics cover Zion in Benton Township — the Township in which the City of Zion is located.

Of the twenty-six who departed this life during the nine months, nine ranged in ages from sixty to ninety-five; and the other seventeen were all adults except five whose ages were as follows: one, fourteen days old; one, twenty days; one, one month; one, six months; and one, five months.

From May 24th until July 21st, there was not a single death.

During July there was one death; during August, one death; during September, one death.

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REMARKABLE PROGRESS has been made in the establishment of Zion City since March 1, 1911, but much work remains yet to be done ere the task is fully completed.

AS FULLY UNDERSTOOD then (March 1, 1911), we counted on, and were promised, the full cooperation of the Officers and Members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion; and therefore, we assumed the entire burden, and have been, as we can humbly and truthfully say, wholly consecrated to the work undertaken; namely, THE FULL REDEMPTION OF ZION CITY.

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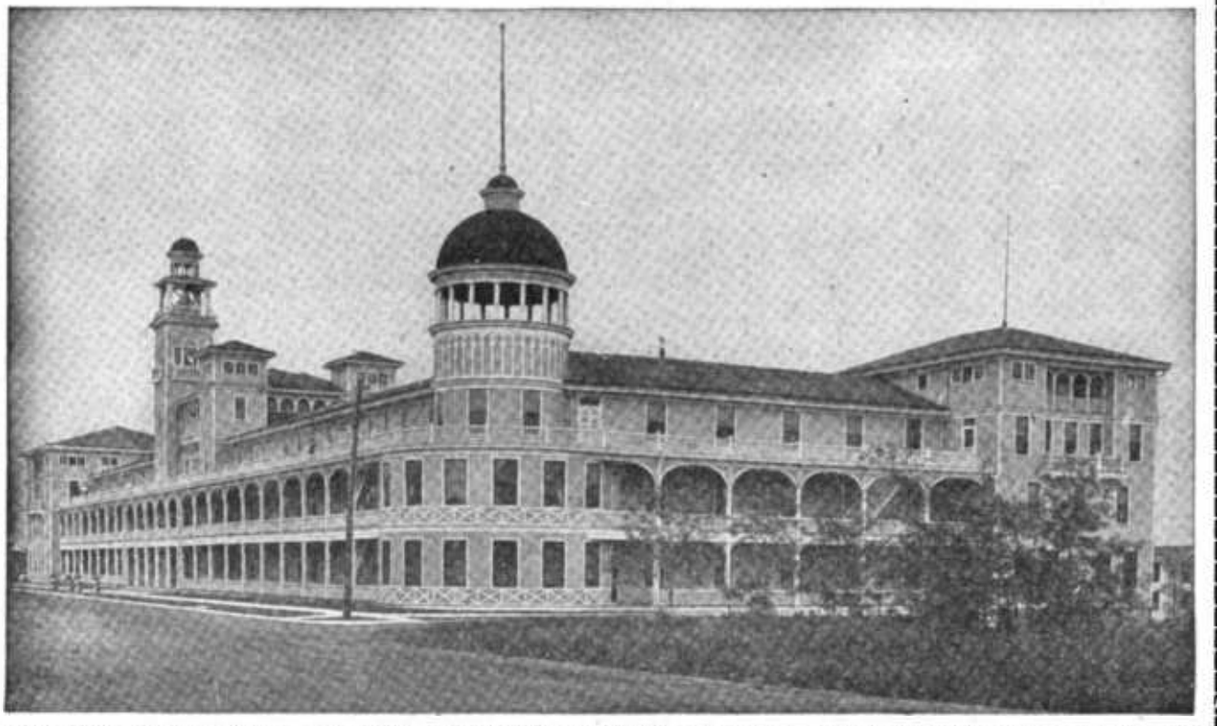
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And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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"Healing of the Man Born Blind"

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(Reported by E. I. C.)

THE Ninth Chapter of the Gospel According to St. John, contains the very remarkable story of the healing of the man born blind.

It is my purpose, in reading this chapter and commenting on the same, to help you to see many things which never appeared to you before.

This chapter constitutes a part of the Word of God. God, Who inspired it, also brought it to pass that it has been recorded and has been made a part of the sacred Canon, and today it may be found in His Own Word. It was put there for a purpose.

To neglect to read and study God's Word can result only in disaster.

It is a part of Satan's mission to get a person to belittle himself, and to say, "I haven't any education! What is the use of reading the Bible — I won't understand it!"

That is a lie of the Devil!

I have met persons who have had comparatively no schooling, with whom it was a joy to converse.

God's Word Unfolded by the Holy Spirit

Now, I have not been in the backwoods for a good many years, and I suppose that many sections that used to be called the backwoods are no longer backwoods. But a long time ago when I was a young man and had just entered the ministry, it was my privilege and joy to visit many sections known as "backwoods," and I have found old women who have read the Bible through, not only once, but many, many times. They were well-informed in the Word of God, and could quote hundreds of verses. It was an inspiration to sit and listen to them.

I have met old men, some of whom never went to school a dozen days in their lives, who had learned how to read, and who had read God's Word and knew it well. They were taught of the Holy Spirit.

There never was a greater mistake made than for men and women to suppose that the Word of God can be understood by virtue of an extensive educational training.

You may put on this platform a graduate of the greatest university in the world and a man who has had very little schooling, and in all probability it will be true that the man with little schooling will know a great deal more about the Word of God than the university graduate.

The reason some people do not get any blessing from God is because *they know too much.*

The moment some people get an opportunity, they set themselves up as teachers, and I find some who even want to tell God what He ought to do.

The individual who surrenders to God, who puts himself entirely in the hands of God, who truly seeks God, will be rewarded.

If you are, indeed and in fact, a child of God and will set your mind and heart to study the Word of God, you will be wonderfully surprised at what God will do for you.

The Wonderful Simplicity of the Word of God

The Bible is written in very simple language. Why, I do not think there is a word in this chapter that would baffle anybody. The Bible is noted for monosyllables — words of one syllable.

Sometimes you hear — not in ZION, but in the apostasy — some fellow just out of college get up and use words of six syllables, and throw in a little Latin and a little Greek. No one understands anything he says, and he does not understand it himself. How can it do anybody any good?

The really learned man, the well educated man, is the most simple man; he is the man who uses simple language and who is most simple in his tastes.

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The Story of the Healing of a Man Born Blind

This Ninth Chapter of John can be fixed in your minds simply by remembering that it is the story of the healing of a man BORN BLIND — not merely of a *blind man*. It is one of the wayside incidents in the ministry and life of Jesus the Christ; in other words, it was an item not on the program.

You will observe, in ZION, that there is no fixed program laid down before the Holy Spirit, thus shutting Him out. The door in the meetings in Zion is always wide open for the incoming of the Holy Spirit and for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

That a man called of God to preach would write out a message and come on the platform and read it, is one of the most ludicrous things of which I can conceive. If a man already has his message written out, I do not know how the Holy Spirit has any opportunity to take that man and make him God's mouthpiece, and use him in delivering God's message to the people who are assembled before him.

Hearers also must have their minds and hearts open to receive. Therefore, I pray that God will put you into a receptive mood.

This healing of the blind man was an item not on the program. It was a wayside incident.

Now, the Lord never lost an opportunity of doing good.

Never lose an opportunity to do good! Be always at it, in season, out of season,— everywhere.

How often ZION has been told, whenever you leave ZION CITY, to take a supply of ZION literature! There are people sitting here today — faithful members of ZION — who are here because, on a train, some ZION messenger walked down the aisle and handed to him or her a copy of LEAVES OF HEALING, or a ZION message.

We are told that as Jesus passed by,— as He was going from one place to another, continuing His journey — He saw a man who was blind from his birth.

And His disciples ask Him, saying, Master, who did sin,—

The teaching in ZION from the beginning has been that all sickness and all disease are the result of sin. This is what the Word of God teaches. You and I were taught the opposite, and until John Alexander Dowie taught us the Word of God we did not know any better.

I always was told, and I believed, that affliction came from God. I always heard that at every funeral service; I heard it in every prayer that I ever heard at a sick bed. And that is what all of you were taught — unless you knew more than Doctor Dowie did! That is what some people tell me: "I knew all these things before I ever heard of Dr. Dowie." Well, I do not believe you! You may be a very remarkable man, a most wonderful man; but it is more likely that the man whom God Almighty chose before His birth (as He did Paul, to be a chosen vessel to the Gentiles) would be the man who would know these things and present them before any one else.

Sin Lies at the Foundation of all Sickness and Disease

The Apostles, in the very question they asked here, showed that they understood the matter. The fact that this man was blind was *prima facie* evidence to them that there was sin somewhere — and so there was. Now, it makes no difference whether it is you, your father, your mother, or any other relative — "ALL HAVE SINNED."

When a person comes to me and says, "I have never sinned," I know there is something wrong somewhere, because every person has sinned — every one; there is no exception.

It does not follow that sickness or disease is always the result of the individual's sin, but it is the result of sin committed by somebody, somewhere, at some time. The fundamental position is correct, and cannot be overthrown.

Admiral Farragut died of pneumonia. He was on a passenger train, and a woman sitting in front of him lifted a window. He repeatedly requested her to put it down, but she refused to do it. Her stubbornness in raising that window, allowing a cold draft of air to blow upon him when he was not able to resist it, brought on pneumonia, and his life went out. It was *her* sin that caused it.

I have seen a blind girl — I saw her when she was a baby, and when she was a good-sized girl — whose blindness was caused by her own mother. Now, some one, seeing her, might say, "Who sinned, that this girl is blind? Some one sinned!"

Christ Manifested to Destroy the Works of the Devil — Sin, Sickness, Disease and Death

If there were no sin, there would be no sickness, there would be no disease, there would be no afflictions.

The Word of God teaches us that Christ was manifested to destroy the works of the Devil — and the time is coming when they shall all be destroyed, too. The last enemy that is going to be destroyed is DEATH.

Oh, what a horrible thing death is! What a horrible thing it is!

How I love to read the Word of God and look forward to the time when the last enemy — DEATH — shall be destroyed! But before that comes, sin and sickness and disease will be destroyed.

They will be destroyed in you and in me, in so far as we surrender to God and live the Christ-life. Therefore, we do pray that the will of God may be done in us. I pray that the will of God may be done in me, and in so far as the will of God is done in me and I live the Christ-life, I will be delivered from sin, and from the consequences of sin.

Thank God for a thousand things brought to light through the ministry of John Alexander Dowie! I thank God that I have been spared from sickness and many pains and much suffering because of the teaching that I received.

God's Truth Does not Depend Upon Human Testimony or Living

The teaching is all right and God is all right; and, beloved, because you or I may not get within a thousand miles of the truth, that does not alter the truth, it does not mar the truth, it does not in the least detract from the truth.

I thank God that the truths of His Word do not depend upon me or upon you. Our lives, to say the best, are poor demonstrations of God Almighty's truths.

Now, if we are right, when they said, "Who did sin?" it was a proper question.

There are some parents who sin against their children by working them to death. Many a child is in the grave today because he was worked to death by his parents. Perhaps they did not do it intentionally, perhaps it did not enter their thoughts, but they did it just the same.

The world is full of sickness and disease and suffering, not always because of the sins of the individual, but because of the sins of others.

The Bible tells us, you know, that "the fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"— and that is true.

"Who did sin"— these Apostles said —"this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?"

Somebody sinned, or he would not have been born blind.

Jesus did not stop to discuss this matter, but He at once gave the answer, "Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents." But He did not say that *no one* had sinned. It remained true, just the same, that some one had sinned that this man was born blind.

One of the Works of the Devil is Blindness

Now, in reading this, put a period after the word "parents," and then begin a new sentence. Notice how I read this:

Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents. But that the works of God should be made manifest in him.
I must work the works of Him Who sent Me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.

Jesus did not say, "This man was born blind that the works of God might be made manifest in him." That is what the preachers tell you, but it is not the truth. What Jesus said was: "But that the works of God should be made manifest in him, I must work the works of Him Who sent Me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

Jesus came to destroy the works of the Devil. One of the works of the Devil is blindness. Jesus came to do the will of God His Father, and when Jesus opened the eyes of this man born blind He was doing the will of God the Father.

What He said here is what you and I have to say: "We must work while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work."

You and I must work *this afternoon*. God, in His mercy, may give us tomorrow; but we have no assurance of tomorrow.

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The time will come when those of you who can sing will no longer have the opportunity to sing. The time will come when we shall have prayed our last prayer here, preached our last sermon, and given our last invitation. Then the door of grace and mercy will be shut, and the door of judgment will begin to creak on its hinges. The day of grace and mercy will have passed away, and the day of judgment will have come!

Jesus Christ the Light of the World

Jesus said:

As long as I am in the world, I am the Light of the world.

Yes; His life — made up of His words and His works — was the Light of the world.

He is the Light of the world today!

Unless men and women on this earth today see the light of Jesus and follow that light, they are groping their way in darkness that can be felt.

When He had thus spoken, He spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,

In the story of Naaman, God's prophet told him to go and dip himself seven times in the River Jordan.

Oh, how sweet it is to obey!

Whenever the spirit of disobedience gets into a man's heart and life, unless he very quickly pulls himself up and retraces his steps, the Devil has him in a path that will lead to destruction.

In this case of healing, instead of the water of the River Jordan we have the clay and the spittle mixed and put on his eyes. Then he was told to go and wash in the pool of Siloam.

It was simply the principle of obedience!

Submitting in Baptism Essential to a Full Obedience

I have no doubt but that there are some people who have been in ZION fifteen or twenty years, and who have not, to this day, obeyed the commandment of the Lord Jesus Christ to be baptized "into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

I have always said to myself: "Father, is there one thing more for me to do? If there is, I shall never close my eyes in sleep until I have done your will!" And I thank God, as I have traveled life's journey, when God has flashed the light on my pathway it has been no trouble for me to see it and to walk in it.

You say to me, "Well, I am a Christian; what difference does it make whether I am baptized or not?"

It is essential to a full obedience; and it ought to be a joy to do anything that your Lord has told you to do.

I pray that God will lay hold of all persons in this audience and show them that they ought to do everything which He has commanded them to do, and that they ought not to put it off.

You know, and so do I, that there was no virtue in the clay and spittle, no power in it to open the eyes of the blind. Not for one second did Jesus intend to convey the thought that there was any power in the clay and spittle, or in the waters of Siloam. But it was THE PRINCIPLE OF OBEDIENCE.

There is always an uplift and blessing in doing God's will.

It was in the act of obedience — in going to the pool of Siloam — that the man born blind was healed.

You say, "I don't care very much to read the Bible." There is something wrong!

"I don't find much joy in prayer." There is something wrong!

Christ a Reality to the True Christian

Christ is a Reality to me. I talk to my Lord just as I would talk to my mother. There is in my heart a living, a real, a vital affection for my Lord, and I look forward every moment, with an indescribable joy, to the time I shall see Him "face to face."

If your religion is not a reality, then there is something wrong, my brother, my sister!

You know with what alacrity, with what keenness millions run after pleasure and pursue it, do you not? You know that. They throw their very lives into it. It is quite a common thing, nowadays, to read in the daily papers of some person who dropped dead on the dance-floor.

Jesus said:

Blessed are they who do hunger and thirst after righteousness.. —Matthew 5:6.

He used two of the best-known physical sensations to represent the spiritual. Blessed are they who have a real hunger and a real thirst after righteousness: "for they shall be filled."

There is a spiritual vision.

Have you ever stopped to consider the body?

Man Created with Physical and Spiritual Senses

One could study the eye for days, and weeks, and months; and there is great joy in understanding the entire structure of the eye.

Suppose that God had created the eyes, and that there was nothing for the eyes to see. Just stop and think of the material world for a few minutes. Now, some people do not know that the world is any bigger than their front dooryard. Well, they are not getting very much out of life.

God made a beautiful world. He created a long list of beautiful things upon which the eyes might feast. I could stand for hours by the side of a mountain stream. I could stand for hours and look at a vast plain. There is beauty in the hills. I could stand for hours, on a beautiful, moonlit night, and study the heavens.

What is true of vision is true of the other senses.

Take hearing — why, all nature is full of music! The same is true of the sense of taste.

Now, there are spiritual senses. There is a spiritual vision — the vision with which you see God, with which you see heaven.

I never have seen Europe, but I can answer a great many questions on the geography of Europe. I believe there is such a place as Europe. I believe there is such a place as England, and such a place as London.

I speak of the geography of the heavens. I never have been there, I never have seen them, but I believe they are there, and the outlines given in the Word of God are just as real to me as the outlines of the continent of Europe, or of the United Kingdom.

I see more than the outlines, for I have a spiritual vision. I have a spiritual ear, I have a taste, and I enter into spiritual things by means of the spiritual senses.

They are a reality!

I am happy every moment. My life is full of enjoyment.

This Beautiful World Marred by Man's Transgression

This beautiful world has been marred by man's transgression, but the time is coming when all the curse on this earth will be removed and the Golden Age will come. Even the ferociousness of animals will go. All the venom of serpents and the poison of plants and beasts will be destroyed, and there will not be anything in all the earth to hurt or destroy. There will be no weeds coming up in the midst of the grain to destroy it; there will be no insects — no curse. It all will be removed.

At the beginning of that Age, which will last one thousand years, the nations will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruninghooks.

There are some men who want to take the place of Christ, and they want people to believe that they have the power to transform this earth as it will be transformed when the Lord Himself comes. There is nothing to it!

You will have the Kingdom when the King comes, and you never will have it before. Of course, you will have the Kingdom of God, which is the reign of righteousness in the hearts and lives of men, but you never will have the literal, material Kingdom until Jesus Christ Himself comes and sets it up. That is the plain Word of God!

Now, then, coming back to the story — the man did what he was told.

I believe in OBEDIENCE. An organization without the spirit of obedience never will get very far.

The Principle of Obedience Upheld in the World's Activities

If they were to undertake to run the United States army and navy on the same basis as that of the churches, they would go to pieces in thirty-six hours.

What kind of home would you have where there are a father and a mother and six children, if there is no obedience?

Take a school, with a teacher and thirty-one pupils. School is supposed to begin at eight-thirty, and in walk fourteen boys at half-past nine. When the teacher speaks to them they say, "We

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don't care what you say! Tomorrow morning we are not coming until a quarter of ten. We will come to school when we get ready!" School is supposed to close at a quarter of four, and at a quarter past two half of the pupils get up and walk out. The teacher remonstrates, and they say, "We'll go home when we get ready." You would have a fine school, wouldn't you?

Take a corporation, take a railroad company, take a manufacturing establishment — take anything on earth with the "go-as-you-like-and-do-as-you-please" policy — and you will have nothing but wreck and ruin.

Some people say, "I don't believe in law in the Church." Well, I have reached this conclusion — that where people will not take the grace of God you ought to give them law!

The Spirit of Obedience is the Pathway of Victory and Blessing

I worked for seven years under the leadership of John Alexander Dowie — and I would have liked the privilege of working seven years more. It never was any trouble for me to obey.

My first instruction, on landing in Australia, was to establish headquarters in the city of Melbourne. I did not say, "Well, I think I will go to Sydney," or, "I will go over to Adelaide," or, "I will go to Perth." My instructions read: "You proceed at once to Melbourne and secure a building in the center of the city, and establish your headquarters." I obeyed, and God blessed me.

When I was told to come home, I came home.

I love to obey!

I love to obey God!

I love to obey my Lord and Savior!

I love to do right! It is a joy to do right, to tell the truth, to be an earnest worker to the honor and glory of God. There is a great joy, a great blessing in it.

Now, this man in the Ninth Chapter of John did what he was told.

Pride and Envy Sources of Disobedience and Destruction

What is it that keeps people from obeying? It is PRIDE, and if you have any pride in your hearts, you had better get it out.

I have been thinking over the list of sins — I did not think about tobacco, either. Some of you people think that the only sins there are in this world are smoking a cigar or a pipe, chewing tobacco, and drinking whisky. Let me tell you, there are worse sins than those — yes, there are.

I thank God that I have never touched tobacco nor intoxicating liquors. I say that humbly and gladly.

What about lying?

What about envying? Some people are so envious that they cannot bear to see anybody promoted. Well, I have never bothered my head about promotion. I have always said, "I have been put in this place, and I will attend to it strictly and will do my work well."

No one can keep you out of your place! That is true, even out in the world. I am talking now, of course, about the Church.

It is a matter of history that envy has destroyed empires. One writer says that envy has murdered enough people to make three rows of graves around the earth!

I am talking about the spirit of obedience.

Some people think, when you talk about obeying, that you are robbing them of all their liberty. There is a great difference between liberty and license.

Some people will not obey anything. Sometimes they have to be *made to*.

Christian Soldiers Under Strict Marching Orders

You sing, "Onward, Christian Soldiers!" do you not? Well, if you are going to be soldiers of the Lord Jesus Christ and sing that hymn, why should you not obey?

There are some people who figure on how little they can do. Well, the true Christian spirit is figuring on doing EVERYTHING THAT GOD ALMIGHTY DEMANDS — that is what I say!

Of what account will you be if you are not assimilated? That is the reason why we have to have internment camps in the United States today.

Dr. Dowie used to say of some of the officers that they had a little of the old denominational eggshell on their backs. He was right!

I believe in coming out CLEAN-CUT and standing up STRAIGHT.

That is what you have here — OBEDIENCE — a man who did what he was told.

Who were the next class of people that came on the scene? You all know them.

Why, the neighbors!

The NEIGHBORS therefore, and they who before had seen him that he was blind, said, Is not this he who sat and begged?

The Ninth Verse has three decisions in it:

Some said, This is he: others said, He is like him: but he said, I AM he.

Which decision are you going to accept? Why, the only thing to do is to accept the last one. The man himself said, "I AM HE." He certainly knew himself, did he not?

What they wanted to do was to destroy this testimony. You know what a lot of people say about those who have been healed in Zion — when they cannot deny it, then they say, "There never was anything the matter with them," or, "The medicine they took thirty years ago suddenly began to operate." Anything except to admit that they were prayed for, and by the power of God Almighty were made well.

Therefore said they unto him, How were thine eyes opened?
He answered and said, A man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said unto me, Go to the pool of Siloam, and wash: and I went and washed, and I received sight.
Then said they unto him, Where is He? He said, I know not.
They brought to the Pharisees him who aforetime was blind.
And it was the sabbath day when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes.

The Sabbath Day Observed to the Honor and Glory of God

The Pharisees were very strict about the day. As you read the life of Jesus, you will find that these Sabbatarians were always on His track. When He healed the man with the withered hand, they made a great fuss because it was on the Sabbath day. And so now they try to make trouble because it was on the Sabbath day.

It is always right to do good on the Sabbath day. It was during the life of Jesus, and it is today.

I will ride on a train to see a sick man, I will ride in an automobile to preach a sermon — I will do good: but I will remember the Lord's Day, and I will reverence it, and I will keep it holy. I will not make it a day of pleasure, and I will not make it a day of secular work, but I will use it to the honor and the glory of God.

Then again the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. He said unto them, He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see.
Therefore said some of the Pharisees, This Man is not of God, because He keepeth not the sabbath day. Others said, How can a man who is a sinner do such miracles? And there was a division among them.
They say unto the blind man again, What sayest thou of Him, that hath opened thine eyes? He said, He is a Prophet.
But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind, and received his sight, until they called the parents of him who had received his sight.
And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? how then doth he now see?
His parents answered them and said, We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind:

Now they tell a lie — and why? Because they are afraid.

But by what means he now seeth, we know not;—

It is a dreadful thing to be a coward, and to deny Jesus the Christ in the presence of opponents.

—He is of age; ask HIM: he shall speak for himself.
These words spake his parents, because they FEARED THE JEWS: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that He was Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue.
Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him.

This is a simple little story. It is one of twenty-six that we find in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. It was put here for your instruction.

If we do not learn and obey the truths set forth in this story, we never will get into the pathway of blessing.

I do not know what is in your life. God knows. But I know this, that one who is in earnest will seek, by prayer and by the study of God's Word, to know what is the hindrance. When you have the willing spirit you are in the path to victory.

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The Spirit of Obedience an Attribute of the New Creature in Christ Jesus

The spirit of obedience comes from the "new creature" in Christ Jesus.

Again I say — as I have said so many times in the past — the solution of all difficulties is to become a NEW MAN and a NEW WOMAN in Christ Jesus.

That is the solution!

Let us go back to the beginning and settle, once for all, the question: Am I a "new creature" in Christ Jesus? Have I been converted?

It is very simple. Some people try to make a very complicated matter out of it, but there is nothing complicated about it. I do not mean by that that the birth of the spirit is not a mystery, but I do mean that every one of us can know today whether he has been converted, whether he is a "new creature" in Christ Jesus!

Let us pray again for every sick one:

PRAYER

Father in Heaven, we bear before Thy throne the sick and the suffering and the dying — some who are walking not only in the valley of the shadow of death, but in the very valley of death itself. We bear them before Thy throne in this afternoon hour.

We reconsecrate ourselves to Thee, spirit, soul, and body, earnestly praying that Thou wilt take us as we are and make us what we ought to be, in spirit, in soul, and in body.

We pray that Thou wilt prepare us — officers, members, one and all — for the things that are before us. Help us to realize that the highest and the sweetest traits of Christian character are calmness and self-control. Help us to be in earnest, to be serious, and to go forward following in the footsteps of Jesus the Christ.

Hear us, Father, for all for whom we should pray this day.

Sanctify this meeting to the good of all. By the Holy Spirit's power impress the words upon every one. Help each one in this afternoon hour, in this very moment, to draw nigh unto Thee in earnest prayer, to seek to know Thy will, to walk in Thy footsteps, and to remember that it is written that if we suffer with Him we shall also reign with Him.

Hear us, our Father, in these trying times, when the whole world is involved, when mighty changes are impending. Help us to acquit ourselves like men, with an eye single to Thy glory.

We pray for our land and nation; for those in authority, that they may have wisdom from above, and that Thy will may be done.

Hear us, our Father, in these our earnest petitions; in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

Beware of Vaccination

Vaccination is one of the most dangerous, destructive and disgusting delusions of the present age. No honest, well-informed individual would think of attempting to disprove that vaccination frequently injures, sometimes kills. It causes smallpox, and more persons die from its effects than from smallpox itself.

Vaccination pollutes the healthy with the vile, filthy, decaying, poisonous matter and causes a great number of diseases.

ZION people everywhere should put their trust in God Who created their bodies to be temples for the Holy Spirit, and they should in every legitimate way seek to enlighten the masses of the people who, because of ignorance and through fear, bow to the little medical gods and let them inoculate their sweet, God-given children with foul, filthy, rotten, cow-pox virus.

"Fear Thou Not"

Fear is one of the Devil's most powerful weapons. Be brave, bold, true and honest in all things. Be honest with yourself, your fellows, and God. Have the courage of your convictions. If you know a thing to be right, do it; stick to it. If you have a solemn conviction, dare to utter it, regardless of the wrath of man. Your reward is above what man can offer. If you will love the praise of man more than the praise of God, if you will listen to the dictates of men rather than the counsel of God, you will fall, as did Herod, Annas, Caiaphas, and Pilate. "God is not mocked." Look to God, listen to God, live with God, work and fight for God and you will succeed. Tell the whole Truth. Preach the whole Gospel. This is ZION'S way.

Do You Know God's Way of Healing?

God's Way of Healing is a Person, Not a Thing.

Jesus said, "*I am* the Way, and the Truth, and the Life," and He has ever been revealed to His people in all ages by the Covenant Name, Jehovah-Rophi, or "*I am* the Lord that Healeth thee." (John 14:6; Exodus 15:26.)

The Lord Jesus Christ is Still the Healer.

He cannot change for "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yea and forever"; and He is still with us, for He said, "Lo, *I am* with you alway, even unto the end of the world." (Hebrews 13:8; Matthew 28:20.) Because He is Unchangeable, and because He is present, in spirit, just as when in the flesh, He is the Healer of His people.

Divine Healing Rests on Christ's Atonement.

It was prophesied of Him, "Surely He hath borne our griefs (Hebrew, *sicknesses*), and carried our sorrows: . . . and with His stripes we are healed"; and it is expressly declared that this was fulfilled in His ministry of Healing, which still continues. (Isaiah 53:4,5; Matthew 8:17.)

Disease Can Never Be God's Will.

It is the Devil's work, consequent upon Sin, and it is impossible for the work of the Devil ever to be the Will of God. Christ came to "destroy the works of the Devil," and when He was here on earth He healed "all manner of disease and all manner of sickness," and all these sufferers are expressly declared to have been "oppressed of the Devil." (1 John 3:8; Matthew 4:23; Acts 10:38.)

The Gifts of Healing are Permanent.

It is expressly declared that the "Gifts and the calling of God are without repentance," and the Gifts of Healing are amongst the Nine Gifts of the Spirit to the Church. (Romans 11:29; 1 Corinthians 12:8-11.)

There are Four Modes of Divine Healing.

The first is the direct prayer of faith; the second, intercessory prayer of two or more; the third, the anointing of the Elders with the prayer of faith: and the fourth, the laying on of hands of those who believe, and whom God has prepared and called to that ministry. (Matthew 8:5-13; Matthew 18:19; James 5:14,15; Mark 16:18.)

Divine Healing is Opposed by Diabolical Counterfeits.

Amongst these are Christian Science (falsely so called), Mind Healing, Spiritualism, Trance Evangelism, etc. (I Timothy 6:20,21; I Timothy 4:1,2; Isaiah 51:22,23.)

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Interesting Bible Facts

The learned Prince of Grenada, heir to the Spanish throne, imprisoned by order of the Crown for fear he should aspire to the throne, was kept in solitary confinement in the old prison at the Place of Skulls, Madrid. After thirty-three years in this living tomb death came to his release, and the following researches taken from the Bible and marked with an old nail on the rough walls of his cell told how the brain sought employment through the weary years:

In the Old Testament.		New Testament	Total
Books	39	27	66
Chapters	920	266	1,19[illegible]
Verses	23,214	7,959	31,173
Words	592,493	181,253	773,74[illegible]
Letters	2,728,100	838,380	3,566,480

The middle chapter and the shortest in the Bible is Psalm 117.
The middle verse in the Bible is Psalm 118:8.
The word "and" occurs in the Old Testament 10,684 times.
The word "Jehovah" occurs 6,855 times.
In the Bible the word "Lord" is found 1,853 times.
"Reverend" occurs but once and that in Psalm 111:9.
The middle book of the Old Testament is Proverbs.
The middle chapter is Job 29.
The middle verse is II. Chronicles 20:13.
All the letters of the alphabet are in Ezra 7:21, except F and J.
The shortest verse is I. Chron. 1:25; the longest Esther 8:9.
II. Kings 19 and Isaiah 37 are alike.
The book of Esther contains 10 chapters, but neither the word "Lord" nor "God" are to be found in it.
The middle book of the New Testament is II. Thessalonians.
The middle chapter is between Romans 13 and 14.
The middle verse is Acts 17:17.
The shortest verse is John 11:35.
In Psalm 107, four verses are alike — 8, 15, 21, and 31.
Acts of the Apostles 26 is the finest chapter to read.
Psalm 23 is regarded as the most beautiful chapter.

Popular Religion Versus Bible Religion

The following from the leading Methodist paper, the Christian Advocate (New York), Dr. Buckley, editor, sounds very much like ZION's protest against the irreligion of the church. He says:

"It would be wise for every member of a Christian church and every minister thereof to read carefully what Christ said of His religion, His disciples, the method of preparing for the future life, and the intimations that He gives of the judgment and eternal destiny, instead of occupying themselves entirely or chiefly, with the contemplation of great church edifices, great organs, great colleges, great Sunday-school parades, great hospitals, great congregations, great movements, and great statistics.

"Popular religion today avoids all conflict with the world. Against the grosser immoralities, indeed, it lifts up its voice: for it is respectable to do so, and a large proportion of all connected with the church are above the more degrading forms of vice. But against pride-producing and extravagant fashions of the world it utters but a faint protest, or none.

"Popular religion seeks wealth with as much greediness, and grasps as eagerly after honor, and runs as swiftly after pleasure as does the world. A large majority of the professors of Christ's religion seek their intimate associations in worldly society, and never think of lifting up their voices against the prevalent folly and dissipation. It is not in the least embarrassing for the most gay and thoughtless to be thrown into the company of Christians of the popular religion type. Days and weeks may pass away and no mention be made of Christ or of anything He ever did or said, or which might lead persons to think of His religion.

"Popular religion has a very easy conscience, as is shown by many things. It makes a distinction between equally binding duties, performing those which are convenient, agreeable, and in harmony with the natural instincts or dispositions, and neglecting others which require self-denial."

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"THE THEOCRACY IN ZION"

BY APOSTLE WILLIS F. JORDAN

THE dictionary defines the word THEOCRACY as the government of a state by immediate direction of God, hence political rule by men representing God.

The Theocracy is, therefore, the Rule of God — of the Heavens (Daniel 4:25, 26)—in operation over all the earth.

The Millennial Dispensation, or Age, will show the possibility and probability; yea, the absolute certainty of God's Rule, the Theocracy, being made operative over all mankind.

Then every one, everywhere, will be compelled to submit to God's Rule — His Righteous Government administered by that Righteous Man, the One Supreme Theocratic King, Jesus the Son of David, the Son of Abraham, the Son of God. The Church, raised and made immortal in her individual membership, will be associated with Him in the Government over all the earth.

In the Theocracy there must not only be the Supreme King or Theocrat and His associated governors, but there must be a seat of authority, the capital city.

That city will be the City of Jerusalem, the City of the Great King (Psalm 48:1-7; Matthew 5:35; Ezekiel 48:35).

The Theocracy will begin with restored Israel, but gradually overspread and embrace the whole earth.

And the Lord shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord, and His Name one.—Zechariah 14:9.

Compare Zechariah 9:10 and Psalm 72:8.

As the Church is to be associated with the King in the Rule of the whole earth, she must, of necessity, be previously prepared.

The Rule of God, the Theocracy, must first begin in the Church. For this purpose, and because of this necessity, God raised up John Alexander Dowie to preach the Restoration of all things to, and in, the Church preparatory to the coming of the Lord and the setting up of the Rule of God in the Theocratic Millennial Kingdom of the Heavens.

The preaching of this restoration was unanimously rejected by the apostate church and her blinded leaders. They bitterly persecuted Dr. Dowie and his message; yea, God's message then due to be delivered. They disowned, boycotted, and cast out those of their members who listened to and accepted God's message through Dr. Dowie.

He was thus compelled, under God, to found the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

The blessing of God has been upon this Church, in a marvelous manner. It may be seen by all who are honest enough to simply look.

The founding of such a church, with such a message, of such distinguishing principles, and at such a time as this, makes necessary a Headquarters, an Administration City, a home-city for the officers, members, and real friends, as well as *all* the business of such a system of the people and Rule of God on earth.

ZION, Illinois, U. S. A., is that Headquarters, that Administration, that home-city — a miniature Jerusalem, anticipating the Millennial City and Rule of God — the Theocracy.

In that Theocracy, and in this miniature one, *all things* must be held and used for God.

The Theocracy will be so thoroughly organized that there will not only be the different departments, but no department will do the work of any other department. There will be no conflict of purpose or action anywhere at any time.

There will be the Ecclesiastical Department. It will, of course be over all — taking a general supervision, its officers being the immediate representatives of God — the Supreme Ruler, or King.

Its special business will be to speak for God, to bear the testimony, to deliver the message by word of mouth and through the published literature; and to insist upon its generous circulation.

This will be done in order to extend the Rule of the Supreme Theocrat — Jesus the Christ.

Then the Ecclesiastical Department will control the press. Every thing published in the whole earth will be under its supervision. Now the press of America and the whole civilized world, Christendom, seems to be very largely commercialized, capitalized, subsidized, vulgarized, Devilized, Roman Catholicized, and Roman Empire-ized.

ZION, the Theocracy of God, has no recognition or propagation therein.

If the press is a part of this world, and this is the Devil's world, then what are Theocrats, God's men, going to do without a press of their own?

The ZION papers, LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT, with any other publications, are an absolute and continual necessity.

This paper, THE LEAVES OF HEALING, must, therefore, be just such a paper as it is — a clean, reliable, unshackled dispenser of reading matter that will not make good men weep, angels blush, and which will never betray or dishonor the principles of THE THEOCRACY — a paper published in the interests of the Theocracy and for the extension of the Rule of God.

THE THEOCRACY must control the Educational Department of the organized work in ZION. It is just as necessary that there should be a ZION College Building as that there should be a Shiloh Tabernacle. In this building ZION'S Educational Institutions are all housed and taken care of under the direct supervision of the General Overseer and the Ecclesiastical Department.

Next to the delivering of the testimony now due on the platform of Shiloh Tabernacle and through the literature, is the need of properly instructing and training the children and youths of the Theocracy.

If this is the Devil's age and world (and it certainly is); if the churches are apostate (and they certainly are); if they are no longer owned and blessed of God (and they are not); if both State and Church schools are unsafe places in which to send ZION boys and girls; then all ZION, God's miniature Theocracy, must see the present hour necessity of our own Theocratic Schools, and, as one man, we must rally to their support, as never before.

In the legislatures, congresses and parliaments outside, in the Devil's world, they are introducing bills and passing acts forbidding the Bible to be read in the public and other schools, prayer to be offered and the Name of Jesus Christ to be mentioned.

In the so-called church schools and universities, it is not much better; there "the faith once for all delivered to the saints" is being undermined by the steady and persistent wish-wash of Evolution and Higher Criticism.

You cannot have the Theocracy without God, His Son the Supreme Theocrat, His associated Ecclesiastical officers, the Educational and all other kind of business and community cooperative arrangement.

The Theocracy must, therefore, have, and make, large use of the Bible, the Word and Rules of the Theocracy.

In the Theocracy in ZION, the Word of God is given *first* place. It becomes the principle textbook in the Educational Institutions.

In these schools, prayer to God the Father in Jesus' Name is daily offered in chapel exercises. The Word of God is daily read and studied in the classes, under competent instructors. The pupils pass an examination in the Bible the same as they do in any other textbook. In the Theocracy and its Educational Department Jesus the Christ and the Word of God are duly recognized.

In the Theocracy all business is conducted on the cooperative basis. All the profits above legitimate expenses are used for the glory of God and for the extension of the Theocracy — the knowledge of God and His Rule among men.

The business is summed up in various Institutions and Industries — all under a general manager and each one under a sub-manager.

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God has most wonderfully prospered and blessed these Institutions and Industries. This is as it will be in the Millennium.

The Theocracy will also have its Political Department. In the Theocracy there can be no Democrats, Republicans, "Bull Moosers," Prohibitionists, Women's Rights, men and women. Each and every member of the Theocracy will be Theocrats only. All will live, act, pray, vote and work for the glory of God and the honor of the Supreme Theocratic King, Jesus the Christ. He and His Plan, Word and Will should be the only consideration. Thus, in all political matters, every man and woman will vote and work in perfect harmony — as one person.

ZION, the Theocracy of God, and not self-interest, will be the *first and chiefest consideration.*

In the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and here in the City of ZION, Illinois, U. S. A., may be found God's present day Theocracy. Here the principles of the Word of God and its Rules for everyday living — the Rules of the Theocracy — are put in operation, are sought to be lived out and demonstrated before a perverse generation, a crooked nation, and a scoffing gainsaying world.

All real Theocrats in the whole world are invited; yea, wanted. None others need apply, or seek to come hither.

Zion's Nineteenth Feast of Tabernacles in China

HONG SHING FAUNG,
SHANGHAI, CHINA,
August 22, 1919.

Dear General Overseer, and Brothers and Sisters in Zion:

We are looking forward with great interest, for the report of the Feast of Tabernacles in ZION CITY, U. S. A.

This year, however, we also had a feast of good things, in Shanghai. We never have, in the history of ZION in China, had such a time of refreshing from the Presence of the Lord.

The meetings were the outcome of a deep desire, in the hearts of the workers, both native and foreign, for God to be glorified.

Every Officers' meeting was a time of prayer and preparation for something, and at last, God revealed to us His Will: that ZION in Shanghai was also to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles.

From a human standpoint it looked hard. The heat in July is oppressive, and the first few days it rained in torrents most of the time; but those into whose hearts God had put a desire for more of Himself, were present, rain or shine.

Then, too, aside from the heat and rain, the Devil tried another form of hindering the work God wanted done: Mrs. Ting, the wife of Deacon Ting, was suddenly taken ill with a disease which carried off many soon after, the patients dying within two hours of the time that they were stricken. Three times they thought that Mrs. Ting was gone; but as she had a large family of small children, we thought that her work was not finished. Her husband cried unto the Lord; so did Apostle Viking and others. God heard the cry, and healed her. Other sick ones also were healed.

Then Apostle Viking himself, was taken ill. For two or three days before the Feast began, it looked as though he would not be able to be with us at the opening meeting, but, praise God! He again heard our cry, as He always does if we are in harmony with Him, and the Apostle was able to take charge of the opening service and to be present at every one of the twenty-five meetings held.

All during the Feast, we felt that we were in the Presence of God, and that the Holy Spirit was using each speaker as His mouth-piece. We realized that our weakness was His strength.

A program was made out and handed to those who were to help, about a month before the Feast opened.

After much prayer, God gave us three words, Blood, Tithing, and Victory, as the keynote words for the Feast.

As the day drew near for our first meeting, we prayed, and God used us to help some, at least, to see that it was the Blood of Christ, and not merit, that saved them.

The keynote of every meeting seemed to be "God First." and in the hearts of the speakers, GOD WAS ALWAYS FIRST.

The first meeting was very powerful. Deacon T. H. Ling took as his subject: "The Feast of Tabernacles," and from the Scripture, showed us that these days were to be days of joy; that during this Feast every sorrow and all unhappiness was to be laid aside; that God commanded it in His Word.

It seemed as though every subject of importance was taken up.

The General Overseer's "Thirteen Questions" were made the basis of one testimony meeting. It lasted from eight p. m. to eleven p. m. and it was almost impossible to bring the meeting to a close. Many others wanted to speak, but the next meeting was at six-thirty a. m., and many of us were far from home.

Deacon Low, a "Chinese American," who was with us in Chicago in the early days of ZION, gave us a talk on Dr. Dowie, ZION Guard, and some of the early healings. To those who knew nothing of the work it was an inspiration, and to those of us who also saw these things, it was a joyful glimpse into the past.

Triune Immersion was strongly brought out, and one young man decided to be baptized with others, but he wavered and held back because, "What would his church say?" He went to his pastor and found what he would say; nevertheless, after a struggle of several weeks, he has yielded; and again, we thank God for His goodness to us.

Obedience, Consecration, Faith, Witnessing, The New Birth, The Apostasy, Prophecy, Signs of the Times, The Coming of Jesus, The Earth According to Scripture (with convincing Scriptures to show that it is flat, by Deacon H. B. Lin, who is a very strong and fearless advocate of the subject), ZION the Ark, The Book of Revelation and The Gospel of John, "The One Thing," "The One Thing Needful," and "The One Thing Lacking," etc., were all subjects of the Feast.

All race distinction was forgotten, and the speakers spoke as God's servants. Everyone present went home feeling that it had been good to be there. The meetings were at six-thirty a. m. and at eight p. m. every day except Lord's Days, when we had meetings nearly all day.

There were four meetings in English and four in Foochow dialect. Many Christians could not understand, and therefore, did not attend these eight meetings, but the other seventeen were in local Chinese and were understood by all.

I never saw such perfect harmony between the leaders and those who listened, in all my years in China. It was unusual, and I know it was God Who accomplished it, and not man.

The last Friday evening, we had a social. A program was prepared and the talent which was all Chinese, was surprisingly good. There were piano solos and duets, vocal solos and quartets, talks inspired of God, several hymns, and movement songs by the little children. At the close of the program, ice cream and wafers were served.

Lord's Day, the last day of the Feast, was a wonderful one. From the early morning to the last testimony in the evening, we felt the nearness of God. We were tired, but happy, and we felt that the Feast had been what God wanted it to be.

In the ten a. m. meeting, we started a fund, which we trust will grow so fast that one of our Chinese Brothers can go and represent us at the "Feast in America" next year, if Jesus tarries. It was also decided to keep the "All-Night with God" at New Years, and to send "Greetings to the General Overseer and all at Headquarters."

Praying God's richest blessing upon all who truly love Him, I am

Yours in the Work,
(Signed) DEACONESS EDITH A. HOSKEN.

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A SCIENTIFIC AND HYGIENIC DISTINCTION AND PROOF OF THE INSPIRATION OF MOSES

By Elder Thomas H. Nelson

IN the two enunciations of the Adamic bill of fare, attributed by Moses in Genesis, the First and Third Chapters, to the Almighty, there is a comprehensive and scientific distinction made that is of a very practical nature.

I do not remember to have ever heard or seen any reference to it in print, yet it contains a very basic lesson in practical hygiene and proves that Moses was an expert in modern hygiology.

In the first instance, Adam was told that the human dietary was to be from "the herbs and trees," in which were "fruit seeding seed in themselves;" while to all the birds and animals He gave "the green herb for meat." This was before Adam disobeyed and fell, when he was given a dietary suitable to the unlimited longevity that was presumably to be his. After he had fallen, he was cursed with lingering miseries that would make his slowly approaching death an educational misery and he was told that he would "eat of the herb of the field." He had lowered himself now to the level of the mere animals and so he was to eat of their food.

Notice that, according to Moses, God did not tell Adam to eat the herb of the field, but just called attention to the fact that he WOULD do so in his ignorance and depravity.

Ere we look at the nature of this distinction, we desire to ask, Who can say that the new and gross dietary was to have no part in the miseries, ignorance, and death that was to come?

Why this distinction?

It involves the difference between all fruits, nuts and cereals on the one hand, and mere vegetables on the other,—"a tree in which is the fruit of a tree seeding seed in itself." Now, some may not recognize the clear cut line that exists between the cereals and vegetables. All fruits, nuts, and cereals, as a resultant offspring from the original body, have a double remove from the filth and poison that is often known to be in the fertility of the chemical drift, or in irrigating water, while the mere vegetable has no such opportunity of chemically purifying itself.

In the case of a mere vegetable, called the green herb of the field, as cabbage, turnips, beets, carrots, parsnips, lettuce, spinach, onions, and the like, the whole body is eaten. Not so with fruits, nuts, and cereals, for here the chemistry of life in a sort of second growth out of the original body — which is itself discarded as not edible, produces the pure, nutritious fruit. The varied and mystic vital forces latent in the seed select from the crude and unrefined chemic substances, the elements to compose the particular body of the tree, bush, vine, corn stalk, straw, etc. Then partially from the refined substance of their own bodies, through the medium of this vital, self-acting, complex machine, they are enabled to much more perfectly purify and refine the chemic elements that enter into the fruits and grains, as the seed and source of future life. Chemical analysis proves this point, and while granting common indentity between the substances of the tree and its fruits, between the stock and the bean, yet it discovers much greater purity, refinement and condensed nutrition in the latter than in the former.

In fact, herein is found the natural reason for many of the mere vegetables as beets, turnips, parsnips, and so forth, requiring two years in which to produce seed. The first season is spent in refining and storing pulp and in constructing the more crude physical machine of the stalk or body, from which and through which to produce in the next season the more delicate, nutritious, and delicious like kernels.

The mere animals may browse the berry bushes and branches of the fruit trees, but not man. The mere animals may eat the straw of oats, barley, wheat, corn, beans, peas, and so forth, but man may not. The mere animals were Divinely intended to eat the coarse, pulpy body of the green herb, while man was largely to have a purer, a more nutritious intensive and healthful diet.

Now to show the particular value of this distinction, the true botanist, the chemist, and the hygienist, all declare that there is an average of between five and twenty-five per cent of nutrition in the vegetables generally, and between sixty-five and one hundred per cent nutrition in the cereals and nuts. The fruits are generally acknowledged as nutritious, germicidal appetizers, palatable laxitives, and system cleansers in general.

To prove this point of use more perfectly, we have but to remember that when we want to either fatten or strengthen an animal, we give it grains, while mere vegetation in the best sense supplies neither. A horse, cow, sheep, or even a chicken, withheld from grain, shows poor results, thus many a man, woman, and child, is undernourished, if not half starved, on a mere vegetable diet, while a full return to the diet of cereals, nuts and fruits, produce the best results in health, intelligence, and longevity to humanity.

This bill of fare, which is now being recognized and advocated by nearly all advanced hygienists, and but lately inaugurated in the best of sanitariums, was clearly set forth by the old Jewish lawgiver four thousand years ago, as God's distinction given nearly two thousand years before Christ's day. If Moses was not inspired of God, we ask again, how did he come to be several millenniums ahead of the scientists of his day in the giving of this scientific distinction in his most modern bill of fare?

BAPTISMS

The following-named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion by Apostle Silas Moot, on February 28, 1919, at ZION Home, ZION ILLINOIS, U. S. A.—

Marshall, Clarice Gertrude ..... Texas
Marshall, Lillian Louise ..... Texas

The following-named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion by Apostle Silas Moot, on March 2, 1919, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION ILLINOIS, U. S. A.—

Bailie, Mr. Isaac Wesley ..... Illinois
Peters, Forest Nicholas ..... Illinois

The following-named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion by Apostle Silas Moot, on October 18, 1919, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION ILLINOIS, U. S. A.—

Bunn, Miss Hazel ..... Missouri
Burg, Myrtle ..... Illinois
Carey, Thos. C. ..... Iowa

Consecration of Children

The following-named Children were consecrated to God by Apostle W. D. Taylor, October 8, 1919, at ZION, ILLINOIS, U. S. A.—

Cook, Evelyn Faey ..... Kansas
Cook, Stephen Morris ..... Kansas

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Notes of Thanksgiving to Zion's God

Praises God for Keeping Power from Day to Day

Wilbur Glenn Voliva, ————, Missouri.
ZION, ILLINOIS.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee!

It is with pleasure that I am sending this small token to the Lord.

I feel like thanking Him every hour for His goodness and mercy, and His keeping power over me from day to day. The weather is getting cooler and I can see a little better. I do feel very thankful for it.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

(Signed) MRS. E. L. SIMPSON.

"'Leaves of Healing' Have Been a Great Blessing to Me"

————, Indiana.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION, ILLINOIS.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee!

***I have appreciated the LEAVES OF HEALING very much during the past year and they have been a great blessing to me.

Your Sister in Christ,

(Signed) SALOMA FOX.

Rupture Healed in Answer to Zion's Prayers

————, ILLINOIS,
April 15, 1919.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I wish to testify to God's great goodness to me and trust these few words may help some afflicted ones to forsake the arm of flesh and put their trust in Him.

I came into contact with ZION in the year 1894, and accepted the truth at once. It was in "The Little Wooden Hut" that I first heard ZION's teaching. As I entered the door the Scripture was being read and the first words I heard were, "And Jesus put forth His hand, and touched him," and he was immediately healed. I believed those words then and do still, and they have helped me many times.

During the Fall of 1901, I became overheated, which resulted in a sort of typhoid dysentery in a very severe form causing my heart almost to give way. It was a hard battle, but God gave the victory and restored me to perfect health through the prayer of faith.

Sometime later, I received a rupture through overlifting. It was very severe, and another hard battle followed. I was a hundred miles from ZION CITY, and it was only with great difficulty I reached there to find an elder who could pray the prayer of faith.

It is sad to say, but the ministry outside of ZION know nothing of the prayer of faith for the healing of the sick. They send the sick to the hospitals instead.

My pain and suffering was terrible and, among other things, there was little or no action of my kidneys for nine days, which resulted in uretic blood poisoning. I realized that I was near death's door and that the power of God was my only hope.

The General Overseer prayed the prayer of faith and I was healed at once, and my healing still remains after years of testing.

The Devil was not pleased with the healing of my rupture, and a few months later I met with a very painful accident. I was boarding a street car, and in some way I stood too close to the track. I realized my mistake, but it was too late. The car struck me in the face breaking my nose, my right arm became entangled in the rod by the steps, and had it not been for God's mercy I would have been dragged under the wheels before the car came to a stop. My nose bled terribly and I could scarcely stand. Of course, they wanted to take me to the hospital, but I protested so they took me to my room. I had revived a little by the time I reached my room, but grew worse and before retiring my arm was useless.

I kneeled down and asked God to heal me so I could continue my work on the following day. I rested like a child that night and the next day I was doing light work.

I have received other healings at different times, but will not mention them now.

It was a testimony that brought me to ZION twenty-five years ago, and I will be glad to have you publish my testimony to help someone else.

Faithfully yours in Jesus,

(Signed) A. G. HUGHES.

A Restorationist's Report of work Done

————, Illinois.
September 16, 1919.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION, ILLINOIS.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee!

It is with joy that I write you a report of my trip to Michigan. I am sure God led me there, blessed me and made me a blessing.

In the home where I was staying, we spent much profitable time studying the Bible and ZION Literature. I did not have much opportunity to do regular seventy work, but prayerfully sought every occasion to speak a word for my Lord and ZION, and to give or sell the literature.

I went to a regular summer resort once, twice to cottages at a little lake nearby, and sold literature on the street. Miss Williams gave away literature at her home.

I took with me one hundred LEAVES OF HEALING and fifty THEOCRATS. I gave away most of THE THEOCRATS with the LEAVES OF HEALING, mostly back numbers. We sold almost a hundred copies and gave away altogether at least fifty. I also sent in one ten weeks' subscription to LEAVES OF HEALING.

I was happy to get back to ZION. I arrived home on Wednesday evening and went to Rally. There were over a thousand out and it was quite a contrast to the churches who have no prayer meetings in summer. Then when we had a service lasting four and a half hours, I thought it very different from the Methodist Church which began at ten thirty, lasted until eleven, then Sunday School until twelve.

On last Thursday evening at Waukegan, I sold ten LEAVES OF HEALING. On Lord's Day at Kenosha, I sold twenty-six in two hours.

I am now planning to accept an invitation to go to Hammond on seventy work. Pray for me that God will bless me.

May God bless you with every needed blessing.

Yours in Jesus,

(Signed) MARY E. SEYS.

Zion City a Place of Comfort to God's Saints

————, VERMONT,
January 4, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I thank you for your prayers.

I wanted to write to you this morning. It seems very sad here in our little town, — so many sick with the Influenza. Some

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houses have four and five in bed. God has kept us so far from it; will you please pray that we may continue to be kept?

May God bless the City of ZION! It is such a comfort to know there is such a place.

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) MRS. L. G. EAMES.

"We Seem to be in Your Prayers Every Lord's Day"

————, ENGLAND,
February 6, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Lake Co., Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to thee!

Herewith find money order for $———— for ZION Schools. I have sent this little sum yearly, now, for two years, and I praise God that I have been enabled to do so. We read with great interest the account of the school year. I sent several papers out with the account in to my friends, who thought it was splendid. It opened their eyes regarding ZION. I should have been delighted to have seen the exhibit.

I enclose the latest photo of our daughter, Naomi. It is such a good one of her at the present day. She is clerk in a large establishment in London. All our children are well. We seem to be in your prayers every Lord's Day, and it is a blessing to know you are praying for us.

I have had some good results of answered prayer in Morecambe. I firmly believe there is nothing too hard for God. I intend to write my testimony soon. It has been on my heart to do so for some time. While in ZION CITY, along with others, I knelt in front to be prayed for. There were several things I wanted to be rid of, although they were not sicknesses. I had a large mole, part in my hair and part on my face. It was like a patch of dirt. I did not see any reason why it should not be removed, and so I named it to the Lord. I was afraid the Officer would ask me what I wanted to be prayed for and I should be ashamed to tell him. However, he did not; and in two or three weeks after arriving home, it had disappeared, and I did not know the going of it. There was the scar, but that has nearly disappeared now. I feel like saying, "Hallelujah!"

Praying God's blessing upon you, I am

Your sister in the Christ,

(Signed) MRS. D. TAYLOR.

Healed of Shingles in Answer to the Prayer of Faith

————, ILLINOIS,
September 2, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee!

A few days ago, I sent in a request for prayer for my little girl. She had an eruption around her body.

My husband called for the doctor, who said she had shingles and to bring her to him. However, she begged to wait until ZION got her letter. We waited, and she is well now.

Thanking you for your prompt attention and prayers, and praying God to bless you and all ZION, I am ever your faithful Sister in Christ,

(Signed) MRS. GOLDIE SIMS.

"You Prayed for Rain and We Had Lovely Showers"

————, ONTARIO, CANADA,
September 2, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I wish to let you know that God has answered prayer for my dear girl. She has received wonderful blessing, spiritually and bodily. What a great deliverance! What she has suffered only God and she know.

I do thank Him with all my heart, and you, General Overseer, for praying for her.

You prayed for rain and we had lovely showers.

I am nearer to my God and love Him better than ever before, and by His help, will serve Him faithfully.

Praying God to bless you and family, I am

Yours faithfully in Jesus,

(Signed) MRS. LOUISA HAMBLY.

Healed After Putting Away Medicine and Pork

————, Illinois.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION, ILLINOIS.

Dear General Overseer:

I do praise my Heavenly Father for His many blessings to me. I also thank Him for the privilege of attending the Nineteenth Feast Of Tabernacles.

I thank God for LEAVES OF HEALING which came to me in January, 1900, while I was very sick. I gladly received them and knew within myself that they contained just what I wanted — the true teaching of God's Word.

I was healed after I threw away the medicine and quit using pork. I praise God for healing me of many diseases.

I praise God for ZION, for Dr. Dowie and for our present General Overseer.

I thank God for His protecting care over me the past year through all my afflictions. I thank the General Overseer, and all who prayed for me.

In the last part of June I was very sick with high fever until twelve at night. My son and wife wanted to call a doctor, but I would not have one. I told them to go to bed; and then, thank God, I fell asleep and when I awoke the fever was gone.

I arrived here in ZION on the 3rd of July. I praise God for the blessings and teachings I am enjoying here.

Pray that I may be found faithful when Jesus comes.

May God ever bless you in His work.

(Signed) MRS. J. W. SHELLHAMMER.

"I Love the Teaching on The Second Coming of Christ"

————, Illinois,
August 23, 1919.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION, ILLINOIS.

Dear General Overseer:

I wish, at this time, to express my thankfulness to God for His many blessings to us as a family. We have received many answers to prayer, and God has been very good to us.

I love the teaching on the Second Coming of Christ; and my daily prayer is that my family, as well as I, will be ready when He comes.

I have just returned from a six week's visit up in Wisconsin and while there, I found many opportunities to tell of ZION. I am getting a number of Tracts and LEAVES OF HEALING ready to send up there.

May God bless you.

Yours in His service,

(Signed) GERTRUDE SUTTIE.

"Would Not Want to Live Without The Papers"

————, Canada,
August 18, 1919.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION ILLINOIS.

Dear General Overseer:

I have had it upon my heart for some weeks to let you know how I appreciate LEAVES OF HEALING. I would not want to live without the papers now. I want my life to be for God and ZION.

I am sending you $— as an offering.

(Signed) JENNIE HAYES.

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BIBLE SCHOOL LESSON OUTLINE FOR OCTOBER 26th

I Corinthians, Chapters Four and Five

By APOSTLE WILLIS F. JORDAN

I. CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP — Chapter Four, Verses One to Four.

1. Stewardship is being put in trust with another's things. Christian Stewardship is to be entrusted with God's things — "the true riches" (Luke 16:10-20). Christian ministerial stewardship is to be entrusted with "the mysteries of God," e. g., the Seven Mysteries of the Kingdom of the Heavens (Matthew the Thirteenth Chapter, especially Verses Ten to Seventeen); the mysteries of the New Testament Church of Christ (Romans 16: 25, 26; Ephesians 3:1-11, 5:25-32; Colossians 1:24-29).

2. The words, Man's Judgment, of Verse Three, should read "Man's Day." An apostle of Jesus Christ should not consider what Man's Day thinks of him or his message, but to be a faithful steward in declaring God's Word in all its fulness.

II. JUDGING AND REIGNING WILL BEGIN WHEN THE LORD COMES—Chapter Four, Verses Five to Eight.

1. The Lord's Day begins at the end of Man's Day.

2. The saints, the Church, is not to judge or rule anything "before the time, until the Lord come."

3. Then the Judgment Seat of Christ will reveal all hidden things. Get rid of secretism now before that time burns it all up.

4. These matters of stewardship, judging and ruling, may be seen in Paul, Apollos and other faithful stewards of the mysteries of God, who illustrated the same in their lives.

5. Some, like those at Corinth, boast of reigning now because they are high (?), prominent (?), great (?), mighty (?), rich (?) in the church and nation. The Apostle "would to God" they did reign in the right time, the Millennial Kingdom, "that we also might reign with you." But this is the day of our humiliation, as it was Paul's.

III. THE SUFFERINGS OF THE FIRST APOSTLES — Chapter Four, Verses Nine to Seventeen.

1. The Apostles are "set forth, appointed unto death, * * * * a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to all men."

2. Note the holy sarcasm in the words contrasting the Apostles' sufferings with *the apparent prosperity* of the carnal boasters in the church at Corinth — Verses Ten to Thirteen.

3. The Holy Spirit, through Paul, herein issues a most solemn warning to the carnal boasters — Verses Fourteen and Fifteen.

IV. A "PUFFED UP" CONDITION MUST BE CORRECTED BY APOSTOLIC AUTHORITY — Chapter Four, Verse Eighteen to Chapter Five, Verse Thirteen.

Note the repetition of the words "puffed up" in Verses Six, Eighteen and Nineteen of Chapter Four, and in Verse Two of Chapter Five. Note the causes producing the "puffed up" condition:

1. Thinking of men more highly than we ought to (Chapter Four, Verse Six). This causes us to be "puffed up one against another."

2. Some were "puffed up" because they imagined Paul would not come unto them (Chapter Four, Verse Eighteen). Some are "puffed up" today because the General Overseer is not severe enough with them.

3. Paul would go to Corinth and know the power of them who are "puffed up" (Chapter Four, Verse Nineteen).

4. Would they have him come "with a rod or in love"? (Chapter Four, Verses Twenty and Twenty-one.)

5. They were "puffed up" in refusing to discipline the (perhaps) rich (?) and prominent (?) fornicating member, by retaining him in their membership, thus condoning his deed and tolerating, knowingly, gross neglect in the Church (Chapter Five, Verses One and Two).

6. Paul rebuked them for their "glorying." He declared that a little leaven would leaven (sour, corrupt and ruin) the whole lump, and exhorted them to "put away from among them that wicked person." (Chapter Five, Verses, Six, Seven, Eight, Nine and Thirteen.) This is the great New Testament lesson on ABSOLUTE SEPARATION. Compare II Corinthians 6:14-18 and many other passages.

7. Paul would exercise his Apostolic Authority as the General Overseer (to whom was committed "the care of all the Churches" — II Corinthians 11:28) and expel the perverse fornicator from the membership of the Church — Chapter Five, Verses Three to Five.

8. Verse Five clearly shows the one Heaven-intended object of all discipline — a most important deliverance. Let each teacher note it well.

9. ABSOLUTE SEPARATION again required — Verses Nine to Thirteen. Christians are not even to keep company with fornicators, covetous (money lovers), railers, drunkards or extortionists.

10. The Church is not to eat the Lord's Supper with any such characters — Verse Eleven — "with such an one no not to eat." The Lord's Supper is the only thing the Church as a body does eat.

11. The Church is to "judge them who are within;" "but them that are without God judgeth." If they who are within refuse to judge (chastise) themselves, God will sooner or later judge (chastise) them — see I Corinthians 11:30-32.

12. Paul's exhortation in these chapters should be heeded, in view of the fact that CHRIST OUR PASSOVER IS SACRIFICED FOR US (Chapter Five, Verses Seven and Eight). All who accept Him should live a pure, consecrated, absolutely separated life.

Leaven never is used as a symbol of good in the Bible. It represents evil and wickedness in its worst forms of manifestation. Let there be no leaven, not the least bit, in ZION. May the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION soon get to the point where Ephesians the Fifth Chapter, Verses Twenty-five to Twenty-seven, can be fulfilled in her.

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Form of Application for Membership in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

TO all who are desirous of entering into Fellowship with the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS — The principles of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion have been fully set forth in the report of Two Conferences on Organization, held in Zion Tabernacle No. 2, which are fully reported in LEAVES OF HEALING for January 31 and February 7, 1896. The Basis of Fellowship is set forth in the Second Section of the Resolution passed on February 5th (See LEAVES OF HEALING, Volume II, Number 17, Page 267):

FIRST — That we recognize the infallible inspiration and efficiency of the Holy Scriptures as the rule of faith and practice.

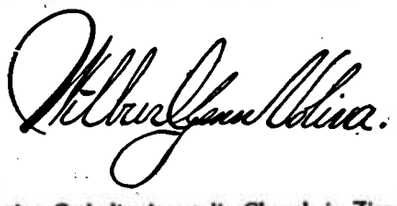
SECOND — That we recognize that no persons can be members of the Church who have not repented of their sins and have not trusted in Christ for Salvation.

THIRD — That such persons must also be able to make a good profession, and declare that they do know, in their own hearts, that they have truly repented, and are truly trusting Christ, and have the witness, in a measure, of the Holy Spirit.

FOURTH — That all other questions of every kind shall be held to be matters of opinion and not matters that are essential to Church unity.

All who are conscious of fulfilling these conditions, no matter where they may reside, are invited to fill up the following blank and answer all the questions contained therein.

I am, Faithfully yours in Jesus,



General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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AS FAR AS POSSIBLE THE APPLICANT HIMSELF SHOULD FILL OUT THIS BLANK. WRITE PLAINLY AND WITH INK.

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Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

I hereby make application to be received as a member of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and declare my agreement with the Basis of Fellowship agreed upon at a Conference held February 5, 1896, as set forth in Circular Letter of February 7, 1896.

What is your full name?.....

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How long have you lived in America (or the country where you are now living)?.....

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Are you conscious that you are saved through faith in Jesus?.....

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Extra Copies of this Form will be sent to intending members on application to the General Recorder of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, Zion City, Lake County, Illinois, U. S. A.

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REMARKABLE PROGRESS has been made in the establishment of Zion City since March 1, 1911, but much work remains yet to be done ere the task is fully completed.

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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

EDITED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

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DEACON HERMAN G. PETERSON AND FAMILY.

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GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

IT has been made perfectly plain that the messenger of God, used in the building-up of ZION, and in creating a people made up of those who were groaning under the terrible oppression of sin, affliction, and suffering, did so by proclaiming to them the unchangeable covenants of God.

He called them to true repentance from all sin, taught them the way of salvation, healing and holy living through Jesus the Christ, and prayed the prayer of faith for the afflicted of God's people.

This was the mission of John Alexander Dowie, who was destined to be the special instrument, used by God in the building-up of the latter-day ZION.

When he entered through the Golden Gate, and landed upon the American shores in 1888, he stood practically alone with God, proclaiming His unchangeable covenants. When he reached the City of Chicago, a few years later, it seemed almost impossible for him to find any one who was willing to consecrate himself fully for the establishment of God's KINGDOM.

The great City of Chicago cared nothing for this messenger of God, who was consumed with all Divine zeal for God's Cause and KINGDOM. Chicago, with its saloons and brothels, with its tobacco shops and drug stores, with its surgeons and doctors, with its apostate churches and hospitals, with its lying newspapers and corrupt city officials, defied John Alexander Dowie, the messenger of God, and demanded of him that he leave the City and take up his quarters elsewhere.

He was, however, thereby convinced beyond a shadow of doubt, that Chicago was the place where the building-up of ZION would begin. He was well aware of the fact, that it was only by an uncompromising stand against every known evil, that he could expect God to gather a faithful people under his ministry.

It was wonderful indeed how God brought deliverance through his faithful ministry, to those who were addicted to the use of strong drink and tobacco, to those who were in bondage to doctors and drugs, and victims of many other evil habits and associations.

WONDERFUL TESTIMONY TO SALVATION AND HEALING

The testimony of our Brother Herman Peterson, which has been published many times in LEAVES OF HEALING during the past twenty years, is an example of the product which resulted from Dr. Dowie's faithful ministry, in gathering together a people for the up-building of ZION.

Having been a member of the Lutheran Church, following after the ways of the world, having become addicted to strong drink, "spending a great deal of time in the saloons, pool-rooms, and theatres," wasting his wages on whisky and tobacco, oftentimes leaving his family penniless, it was no wonder that he would break his wife's heart, and make a regular hell of his home.

When taken down, however, by appendicitis, and pronounced a hopeless case by his family doctor, and also by a specialist, his body being swollen to the bursting point, morphine being administered to him as the last resort, friends of his even having ordered the cabs for his funeral and made preparation for his burial in the cemetery,—he at last saw that his only escape from death and hell would be to send a request for prayer to Dr. Dowie, the messenger of God.

The testimony speaks for itself in the wonderful way he was instantly delivered in answer to prayer, when he had repented of his sins, and determined to surrender himself wholly to God. He was led to trust God for healing, when at the point of death, by the wonderful deliverance that his wife had received from hernia a few months previous (through Dr. Dowie's prayers), and he was determined from that time to obey the Prophet of God, to follow the Christ, to establish a family altar in his home, to work for his Lord and Master, and to be faithful unto God.

THOUSANDS OF CAPTIVES DELIVERED THROUGH ZION'S FAITHFUL TEACHING

This is but one of the many thousands of captives that were delivered through the faithful ministry of John Alexander Dowie. The entire family of Herman Peterson, whose picture appears on the front page of this issue, is united with him in his purpose to serve God and they all today are happy members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION.

His is indeed and in truth a wonderful story of deliverance, similar to hundreds and thousands of others, who were delivered from the curse of strong drink and tobacco, from drugs and surgeons, whose testimonies have appeared, from time to time, in LEAVES OF HEALING.

Testimonies of salvation, healing and holy living, such as this one of Deacon Herman Peterson, are an evidence, not only that John Alexander Dowie was a messenger of God, but also that the ZION Movement with her ideals and principles, makes for the development of true Christian character.

As a tree is known by its fruits, a leader is judged by his followers, and a movement by its people. The ZION movement has borne the fruit of the saved, healed and cleansed, because her teaching is in accordance with God's Word.

ZION does not stand for reformation, but for the salvation and regeneration of her people. ZION takes an uncompromising stand against the entire medical profession, including drugs and remedies of every description. ZION exalts Jesus the Christ as the only Savior, Healer, Cleanser and Keeper of His people.

The result is that when the sinful, diseased, afflicted, and dying earnestly look to God for deliverance, the captives are delivered from the hands of Satan, in the Name of the All-conquering Savior.

A people saved from sin, a people healed through the prayer of faith from disease, a people sanctified through the power of the Holy Spirit, separated from the world, transformed into a holy nation:—such a people is the test and proof of the Divine commission of ZION's leader and of the Divine seal upon the ZION movement.

It is in this way that ZION is making ready a people for the coming of Christ the Lord. The saints are being gathered in ZION.

There are many others that must yet be reached through ZION's message.

LEAVES OF HEALING, the little White Dove, brings to them the call of God.

LEAVES OF HEALING teaches them the way of full salvation.

LEAVES OF HEALING shows them how the prey can be taken from the mighty, the lawful captive delivered.

What a joyful message!

What a message of hope!

Those who read the testimony of our brother should be inspired to give themselves unreservedly unto God and the blessing of God through Christ Jesus shall be theirs.

—APOSTLE ANTON DARMS.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF DEACON HERMAN PETERSON

2501 Elizabeth Avenue,
Zion, Illinois.
October 4, 1919.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.
Dear General Overseer:
"Peace to Thee!"

I have many reasons to thank God for the wonderful blessings that He has given to me and to my entire family since we have come under the teaching of Zion.

I was born in Sweden, March 23, 1864, and came over to America in the year 1869. I was reared in Paxton, Illinois, by my parents who were members of the Lutheran Church.

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Though I was instructed in the Bible and in the Lutheran Catechism, I had little or no personal knowledge of God, or of Salvation through Jesus the Christ.

Soon after I was confirmed in the Lutheran Church, I began to drift away from God, acquiring all the evil habits of the world as time went on.

In the year 1884 I settled down in the city of Chicago, married in 1886, and lived there until the time of the opening of Zion City. God has blessed me with health and strength and enabled me to work at my trade as a brickmason.

Instead of my life being lived for the honor and glory of God, I followed after the ways of the world. I soon became addicted to strong drink, spending a great deal of time in the saloons, poolrooms and theatres. I spent the larger part of my wages, many times all my wages, for beer, wine, whisky and tobacco, oftentimes coming home on a Saturday night to my wife and family, absolutely penniless. At times I came home in a drunken condition, with my clothes torn. I would get mad, because my wife reproved me and wanted me to become a Christian.

I was willing to reform and quit the liquor habit, but I was not willing to become a Christian. I took the Keeley Cure in 1892, and was graduated and received a golden button for the Cure. I thought I was all right when I left the Keeley Institute, but it was not long after until I was worse than ever. I was a bigger sinner after taking the Keeley Cure than I was before.

I had no use for the Bible at this time and very seldom went to Church; never engaged in prayer, or had any family worship at home. The last five days before my conversion I was never sober, night nor day, making a regular hell of my home, breaking my wife's heart, causing much sorrow and treuble to my family.

I would often take the name of God in vain and at my work, when things would not go right, I would swear so that they could hear me a block away.

At this particular time, when the World's Fair was held in the City of Chicago, I was foreman for the firm of Anderson and Johnson. I was a member of the Bricklayer's Union until the time of my conversion and healing under Dr. Dowie.

The Word of God says, "the wages of sin is death," and in due time I reaped my wages for serving the Devil and was taken down with severe sickness, which almost cost me my life.

In 1894, my wife had a wonderful healing of hernia under Dr. Dowie in the "Little Wooden Hut" on March 1st. Though this deeply touched my heart, I thought that Dr. Dowie's teaching was too strict and I purposely stayed away until I was compelled to seek God for healing.

In the year 1895, I took sick with the appendicitis. Dr. Craig, Halsted Street, Chicago, and another specialist from Rush Medical College, examined my case and pronounced it hopeless.

My body was greatly swollen and I was suffering the most intense agony. The doctors said to my wife that I would burst between that time and the morning. All the organs of my body were out of function and no hope whatever was entertained for my recovery.

They had given me 16 grains of Morphine as the last resort, and this had no effect upon my body. I was given up to die. My wife came to my bedside and admonished me to trust God and call upon Him for healing and deliverance. I said to her, "You can send for Dr. Dowie if the doctors give me up to die."

My wife sent a request for prayer to Dr. Dowie and he sent an officer to pray for me, setting the time at 9:30 o'clock in the evening when he himself would pray for me. It was at this time that God heard and answered prayer and delivered me from the terrible suffering I was undergoing, and my healing took place instantly. The blessing was so great that I said to those standing around me, "Do not pray any more," as my stomach had fallen three inches at the time the prayer was made.

In but a few days I was able to be up and around and the neighbors were greatly surprised to see me alive. A friend of mine, by the name of Goldfinger, had ordered the cabs for my funeral and they had made preparations for my burial in the cemetery. It was indeed a miracle of healing that God had raised me up in answer to prayer.

At this time, when my healing took place, I surrendered myself to God and promised Him that I would serve Him faithfully all the days of my life, with His help and strength. I repented of all my sins, made all things right with my wife, paid all my debts to others, whom I had defrauded and lied to. I was determined to leave nothing undone in making a complete confession and restoration, in giving my heart fully to God.

It was at this time that I began to read the Word of God and set up the family altar in my home, and I am thankful to say that since that time I have not failed to keep up the family altar day by day, during these many years.

I attended the meetings of Dr. Dowie in the "Little Wooden Hut." His preaching went like sharp arrows to my heart. As a result of his teaching, I gave up the use of strong drink and tobacco absolutely, and have never tasted either since. I never went to a saloon or a pool room, except for the purpose of giving the message of salvation to others in those places.

I became an earnest Christian under the teaching of John Alexander Dowie and was enabled to save my money, instead of wasting it, as I had done before. I began to pay my tithes into God's Storehouse in Zion and give my offerings for the Lord's work.

It was a great joy for me to distribute invitations and Gospel messages to thousands of people, inviting them to Dr. Dowie's meetings.

I had the pleasure in seeing the work of Zion started almost from the beginning, and had the privilege of being one of the charter members, when the Christian Catholic Church in Zion, in the year 1896, was organized by John Alexander Dowie.

It was my privilege of going through the terrible persecutions with Dr. Dowie in 1895, being frequently called upon to act as bondsman for him.

For six months I put my work aside and devoted all my time, night and day, to watch at Zion Home, to be at the beck and call of Dr. Dowie at any time that he might need me.

I saw the sick coming, being carried on cots to the Divine Healing Home and I carried a number of sick people on my back to the prayer-room.

I remember one instance particularly, as I carried a helpless girl of 16 years, suffering with St. Vitus' dance, to the prayer-room. Dr. Dowie called my attention to the terrible work of Satan. He laid his hands upon the girl and earnestly prayed for her healing. I had no more than turned around when I, to my great surprise, saw the girl standing on her feet and walking, perfectly healed by the Power of God.

I will never forget the night during that terrible persecution when I was with Dr. Dowie, when his enemies were planning to murder him, and God, in a most wonderful way, rescued him! Dr. Dowie appointed me to be one of the guards, and I was also ordained a deacon in the Christian Catholic Church in Zion.

I had the great privilege of assisting Dr. Dowie in baptizing over 9,000 people from the year 1895 to 1903.

My testimony was frequently published in the old issues of the "Leaves of Healing." The "Leaves of Healing" have always been a great blessing to me all these many years. I have had the joy of giving out many thousands of copies. I make it a constant practice to give out "Leaves of Healing" every day in my work in Chicago, and I know that a great many have been blessed by reading them.

God has richly blessed my entire family of ten children, eight of whom are still living, and none of them ever tasted medicine at any time, and they are all well and strong today.

We have had many conflicts in fighting different diseases, but God never failed to answer prayer for me, my wife or my children. My children have been healed of fever, measles, croup, dog-bite, and other diseases.

I wish to make particular mention of the healing of our boy Edwin Erick, who, in the month of August, 1911, when 4 years old, had the upper joint of his index finger cut off by a boy in the neighborhood who was playing with a grasscutter. The bone was cut through and the upper part hung to the finger only with a little skin. Mother put it together, bandaged it carefully, and prayed unto God to heal the finger and make the portion severed to grow to the finger.

Some said it would never grow together, others said blood-poison would set in, but we were determined to trust God, no matter what they said. When the nine o'clock prayer bell rang, our little boy would say, "Mamma, pray for God to heal my finger," and God did heal it in answer to prayer, and only the marks where it was severed can be seen today.

When you were called of God to be the General Overseer I was glad to take my stand under your leadership. I am thankful for the wonderful way that God has led you and used you in building up Zion, and in redeeming Zion City, and in standing out boldly and firmly against the enemies of Zion.

I could not think of a better place to raise my family than in Zion City. I believe that Zion City was established for Zion people only, and I pray God to ever keep me faithful for God in Zion.

I have been going to my work to Chicago every day without hardly any intermission, for the last 15 years, and though I do not belong to any labor organization, in any shape or manner, and though my life has been threatened many times by Union delegates, God has never failed to protect and to prosper me during these many years.

A few years ago I had the privilege of making a trip to my native country, Sweden, with my dear wife, visiting many of my relatives and friends. I distributed over four thousand Swedish tracts and hundreds of "Leaves of Healing" in England, Sweden, France and Germany. I also had the privilege of speaking to many people of the wonderful blessings that God had given to me and to my family through the beautiful teaching of Zion.

I pray, in closing, that this testimony will be used of God in reaching many who are far away from God, and inspiring them to seek salvation, healing and holy living through Jesus the Christ.

Praying God to richly bless you in all your many labors for the building up of Zion, I remain

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

HERMAN PETERSON,
Deacon in the C. C. A. C. in Zion.

(The following is an extract from "Leaves of Healing" of July 17th, 1895, page 644, being a portion of a report of a Praise and Testimony Meeting, held in Zion Tabernacle No. 2, on Lord's Day, June 30, 1895.)

HERMAN PETERSON, 6030 Green Street, Healed of Inflammation of the Bowels

Dr. Dowie:—Were you dying?
Mr. Peterson:—"Yes, sir."

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Dr. Dowie:—Who said you were?
Mr. Peterson:—"Dr. Craig."
Dr. Dowie:—Where does he live?
Mr. Peterson:—"5900 Halsted Street."
Dr. Dowie:—Did you send a message to me saying that you had a confession to make?
Mr. Peterson:—"I did, sir."
Dr. Dowie:—Did I send a Zion Officer to you?
Mr. Peterson:—"Yes, sir."
Dr. Dowie:—And I told him that I would unite with him in prayer with Brother H. Peterson. Did you make the confession?
Mr. Peterson:—"I did."
Dr. Dowie:—Did you get forgiveness from him, and from God?
Mr. Peterson:—"I did."
Dr. Dowie:—Did you get the healing?
Mr. Peterson:—"Yes, sir."
Dr. Dowie:—Are you real well?
Mr. Peterson:—"I am working."
Dr. Dowie:—Well, don't you think you are deceiving yourself?
Mr. Peterson:—"No, sir."
Dr. Dowie:—Are you sure of it?
Mr. Peterson:—"Yes, sir."
Dr. Dowie:—But these people on Edgerton Ave., say you are deceived. Don't you think they can fool you out of your healing?
Mr. Peterson:—"No, sir."

Confirmation by Mr. Frank Palmer

Dr. Dowie:—Mr. Palmer, were you at Mr. Peterson's home when the doctors said he was dying? And did you bring Mr. Peterson's message to me?
Mr. Palmer:—"I did, sir."

Mrs. Peterson also Confirms the Case

Mrs. Peterson:—"It is all true. Every word of it. The doctors had a consultation at four o'clock. And they said nothing could be done. Then Mr. Palmer came in, and asked me what I was going to do. He said I had to do something. And he said he was going to see if he couldn't get Dr. Dowie; and when he came back he had a Zion Officer. Dr. Craig and the Zion Officer had a little talk; and the doctor said he would have him arrested and put in jail for that."
Dr. Dowie:—What did he say about the Zion Officer?
Mrs. Peterson:—"He said that he would have to go to jail for that. For just coming in and praying for him. And he said, too, that he would see the Zion Officer didn't give any death certificate.
Dr. Dowie:—I hope the Zion Officer does have to go to jail for that.

(Copy of one of the Affidavits Establishing the Fact that Divine Healing is a Present Day Reality, and now on file in the Archives of the Superior Court of Cook County, Illinois, being an Extract from the "Leaves of Healing," August 2, 1895, Page 700.)

STATE OF ILLINOIS } SS.
COUNTY OF COOK; }

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT
OF COOK COUNTY,
IN CHANCERY.

Leo. J. Maguire, et al
vs.
John Alex. Dowie

HERMAN PETERSON being first duly sworn, upon his oath states that he is thirty years of age, and resides at 6030 Green Street, Chicago, Ill., that he is a brick layer by occupation, and has known Rev. John Alex. Dowie for two years, and has been a constant attendant at the services conducted by the said John Alex. Dowie at Tabernacles No. 1 and 2 for a period of one year, and he says that the people who attend said services are orderly and decent in their demeanor, and in no wise interfere with the enjoyment of the persons, resident in the neighborhood, in their homes and property; that he knows said John Alex. Dowie to be a devout and earnest Christian minister, and as such, is having a highly beneficial influence upon all the people who honestly attend his services; that he inveighs against vice in all forms, and against the use of tobacco, liquor and all other stimulants, and affiant believes that the majority of the persons composing his congregation abstain from the use of tobacco, liquors, stimulants and drugs, and lead orderly and virtuous lives; that of his own personal knowledge, very many persons who were wild and reckless and dissipated, have, through the ministry of said John Alex. Dowie, become and are orderly and useful citizens and members of the community, and live orderly and Christian lives.

Affiant further states that his wife, Ida Peterson, had, prior to a year and two months ago, been suffering from a most severe hernia that greatly interfered with the performance of her duties; and caused her much pain and suffering, and that having heard of Rev. John Alex. Dowie, she went to him, was taught by him, and professed belief that God would take away this affliction if she would trust Him for her healing; that she professed to trust Him, and was prayed with by said John Alexander Dowie at Tabernacle No. 1, and was instantaneously and entirely healed of her said hernia, and has continued to be so healed ever since, which was a year and two months ago; that Dr. Parker had stated that he could relieve her, by the use of a truss, and by the injection of medicine, but on her attempting to wear the truss, it caused her so much pain, and misery, that she was compelled to discard it and make bandages for herself, and was then able to get about only with the greatest difficulty; that since she was healed, as aforesaid, she has discarded all trusses and bandages, and is a perfectly well woman to the knowledge of this affiant.

Affiant further states that during the first week in June, he had a severe attack of inflammation of the bowels, and that Dr. Craig of 5900 Halsted street, attended this affiant, and stated to affiant that it would be impossible for him to recover unless he had an operation performed and that he had only about twenty-five hours to live, but the wife of this affiant sent to Dr. Dowie and asked him to pray for affiant's relief, and Dr. Speicher called at the home of this affiant, and prayers were had at 9:30 Friday evening for recovery of affiant, and immediately thereafter all pain and suffering which had before this been of the most agonizing character, was relieved; the tense of muscles all over affiant's body relaxed, and this affiant was immediately healed, and this affiant has been a well man ever since; that though affiant remained in bed thereafter it was because of his being emaciated and weak, and after that time he recovered his strength and resumed his duties.

Affiant further states that he has been present in the Tabernacle attending services, at time when the engine and printing press were running in the publishing house underneath, and that the same did not create sufficient noise to in any way disturb the services.

And further this deponent saith not.

HERMAN PETERSON, (Signed)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of July, A. D., 1895.

W. H. QUINLAN, Notary Public.

(Extract from "Leaves of Healing" of March 27th, 1896, pages 359-360, being a portion of a report of the Twenty-first Meeting in the Chicago Auditorium, Devoted to Praise and Testimony, Held on Lord's Day, March 15th, 1896.)

Another Man Healed When Dying

Dr. Dowie:—Now I shall take another case of a dying young man. Mr. Herman Peterson, 6030 Green Street. (To Mr. Peterson) Just imagine you are on the top of a building, and speak in that way.

Mr. Peterson:—"Last spring, in April, the last week, I took sick with inflammation of the bowels on Saturday Afternoon at four o'clock, and Sunday morning at four o'clock I woke up with a terrible pain and I said to my wife that she would have to send for a doctor. 'Oh, that will go away,' she said, but it did not go away, but got worse, and in the evening it got so bad I hollered night and day from that on until Friday at half-past nine the same week.

"The doctors had a consultation on the Friday, and said I could not live more than two hours, and it was too late for an operation because they had waited too long. One of the doctors told my wife an operation might help me, and they might try it, and my wife said, 'No, if he has got to die anyhow let him die as he is.' Brother Palmer, a man who lives with me—I am a brick-layer by trade—said, 'Why do you not send for Dr. Dowie?' and my wife told me the same thing. She had been healed a year and a half before that. I said, 'When the doctors give me up, I will.' That afternoon at four o'clock they gave me up and I said to Bother Palmer, "Will you go down to Dr. Dowie's for me?" And he said that he would be more than glad to go for Dr. Dowie, and he did. But Dr. Dowie could not come: for there were hundreds waiting to see him, and he sent a Zion Officer. Before he came I got those terrible pains again; I thought I would burst every minute; my whole stomach was all black and blue and green. I tell you it was pain: and Dr. Dowie did not come just at the time I thought he would be there, so I sent for Dr. Craig of 59th and Halsted street again, but before he arrived, the Zion Officer had come.

"Well, of course the Zion Officer took off the blankets and the poultices they had on my stomach, and asked me where the worst pain was. I could not tell him where it was. I did not know where the pain was.

"Then Dr. Craig came, and said that man could not do me any good. We told the doctor we did not have any more use for him, and that I was going to get healed by the Lord, and He did heal me, praise His Name. My wife took up all the medicines, and things I had been taking, and threw them out and they took off all the poultices and all the things they had on my stomach.

"Dr. Craig shook his fist in my face and said, 'I will see they get no certificate to bury you,' and he said to the Zion Officer, 'I will have you arrested.' But I did not require his certificate for burial, and he did not have him arrested, thank the Lord. That was before the Zion Officer prayed with me. Then after the doctor was gone and everything was settled, the Zion Officer prayed with me and asked me if I had anything to tell him. I said, 'Yes,' and I told him and he prayed with me.

"The pain left me right away with the exception of my stomach, which was so sore from the injections of morphine; but the second time it was better, and the third time it was all gone. There was not anything the matter with me in a week; I was perfectly well after one week. You can imagine there was pain, and Dr. Craig could not ease my pain at all, not one second. But the Lord eased it right away.

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I do not think it was more than half a minute before He took my pain all away. My stomach was terribly large, and when the Zion Officer prayed, it fell three inches from his hand, and I said, 'I do not need any more blessing, I got plenty.'

"I give God all the Glory and I thank Him all the time.

"And I thank Dr. Dowie and also all the Zion Officers for their kindness, and they did not charge me one cent, and would never have gotten one penny: for I had no money, I had given it all to the doctors.

"Dr. Craig came in to see me for five minutes only and sent his bill in the second day for $5.00. I thank God for all, I give Him all the Glory, and thanks be to God that He sent such people here as Dr. Dowie and Zion Officers.

I am also saved from chewing tobacco, and I am so glad that I am saved through Jesus and I want to praise Him always, thank God."

Dr. Dowie:—When the brother sent for me I was with hundreds of sick around me, but I sent one of the Officers. I arranged to pray at the exact moment that he would pray there. So we prayed together in that matter, and I am so glad to put the matter so, because Divine Healing does not depend upon me now, or at any time indeed. I rejoice when my helpers are used of God.

(Extract from "Leaves of Healing" June 6th, 1896, Page 517, being a portion of a report of an All-Day Praise and Testimony Meeting, Held in Zion Tabernacle No. 2, on Lord's Day, May 31st, 1896.)

Mr. H. PETERSON, 6410 Emerald Avenue, Chicago, Healed of Inflammation of the Bowels

Dr. Dowie:—Of what were you healed, Brother Peterson?
Mr. Peterson:—"Inflammation of the bowels."
Dr. Dowie:—What doctor was it that gave you up?
Mr. Peterson.—"Dr. Craig of Englewood."
Dr. Dowie:—And the Lord healed you through a Zion Officer's agency and my own?
Mr. Peterson:—"Yes, sir, and I thank God for it, I give Him all the Glory."
Dr. Dowie:—And you were healed of other things?
Mr. Peterson:—"Yes, sir, and I can never thank God enough."

(Extract from "Leaves of Healing" of June 19th, 1896, Page 548, being a portion of a report of a Meeting Held in Zion Tabernacle No. 2, on Lord's Day Morning, June 14th, 1896.)

Dr. Dowie:—There is Brother Peterson over there, who was at the very point of death, and he was instantaneously healed while he had that horrible disease, which had reached its last stage, appendicitis. Are you well now, Brother Peterson?
Mr. Peterson:—"Yes, sir."
Dr. Dowie:—You look well. You are a strong looking fellow.
Mr. Peterson:—"I am well, thank the Lord."

Consecration of Children

The following-named Child was consecrated to God, through the laying on of hands and prayer, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, Lord's Day, October 19, 1919, at Zion Tabernacle, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS:

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"The Sure Word of Prophecy; or, The History of The World Prewritten"

Report of the Service Held in Racine, Wisconsin, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, September 28, 1919. Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. M.)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:
"Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:
"But made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:
"And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.
"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."

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, in the power of the Holy Spirit, be sanctified unto the good of all who shall hear, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer! Amen!

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: Ladies and gentlemen, it gives me very great pleasure to meet you and to greet you in the Name of Jesus the Christ.

It was my privilege and pleasure to speak in this building several years ago on a Lord's Day evening. I was told at that time that nearly two thousand people were turned away from this place. Little did I think then that I would ever speak in this city again; not because I did not have a desire to do so, but there are many cities in this land and no man — a busy man particularly — would be able to visit them all even once during years of incessant activity.

This is September 28, 1919. Some very remarkable changes have taken place since I stood in this building several years ago. There is great perplexity; there is great distress; there are strange forebodings. The leading statesmen, particularly of the United States and of the British Empire, have been giving utterance to some very strange and startling statements.

Startling Statements Made by the World's Foremost Statesmen

Only a few days ago it was Lloyd George — perhaps the foremost of all the statesmen of the British Empire, and, in some respects, the leading statesman of the world — who said, "If we cannot bring about certain things, then the people who are living today will see the destruction of civilization."

We have had dark hours, days, weeks, months, and years.

In 1911, in 1912, in 1913, and in the first few months of 1914, the most brilliant writers and the foremost orators were telling the people that never again would there be a great war.

Among the foremost who talked along that line was William Howard Taft, ex-President of the United States, now one of the leading champions of the League of Nations. He it was who, in address after address up and down this great land of ours, said, "Such preparations have been made — naval, military — that never again will the world see a great war."

The people listened to that. They believed it. The men who made the statements may have been honest, but they were self-deceived, and they deceived others. The same man can never deceive me more than once; some other man may deceive me, but not Number One.

Scarcely had these addresses and articles been printed and the ink become dry, before, like a flash of lightning followed by a terrific clap of thunder out of a clear sky, a WAR broke out.

The Greatest War in the History of All Nations

I am not going to describe it. If I were to attempt to describe it I should be justly open to the charge of egotism. The greatest orator shrinks back into utter silence and the most gifted writer lays down his pen, rather than attempt to describe the war which began in 1914 and nominally ended on the Eleventh Day of the Eleventh Month, at the Eleventh Hour, 1918, leaving the world in its present condition.

It was a war which surpassed all other wars combined since the first line of history was written; yes, a war greater in at least six aspects than all other wars ever fought since God said. "Let there be light" — in the number of men engaged, in the implements of warfare, in the number killed, in the number wounded, in the number taken prisoners, and in the length of the battle lines. The world still staggers. It is the morning after the awful night of war, and every man who thinks is asking the question, "My God, what next?"

Today we are reading the addresses of the President of the United States. He is telling multitudes by word of mouth and millions through the press that unless the United States Senate ratifies the League of Nations, it will break the heart of the world, and the world will again — as he said in Cheyenne the other night — be plunged into a war compared to which the war which closed a few months ago would be mere child's play.

We have been passing through dark hours, dark days, dark weeks, dark months, and dark years.

A Humble Minister of the Gospel of the Grace of God — With a Message

I come to you this afternoon, as a humble minister of the Gospel of the Grace of God, — having consecrated my life to my fellow men when I was a boy, and having poured out my life all these years without money and without price — with a MESSAGE.

Perhaps other men in the City of Racine have come to you with messages. I have heard a great many messages and I have read a great many.

I have not forgotten, beloved, that President Wilson was elected the second time with the slogan: "He kept us out of war!" And I read where he has said, thirty times during the last four weeks, that if the United States Senate will ratify the covenant of the League of Nations, while it will not altogether do away with war, it will go a long way toward it, and that not again will the mothers of the United States have to see their sons cross the waters.

You may take that for what it is worth; that is your privilege. I will take it for what it is worth; that is my privilege.

In all this darkness, where is there light?

Chaos of Civilization, Revolution, War Between Capital and Labor

When you and I take up our papers, magazines, and periodicals, we read, "The civilization of the world swings in the

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balance." During the past two weeks, every day from the pen of a brilliant writer we have read that revolution stands at the door of every government on the face of the earth.

Unrest!

I am only forty-nine years of age, but I never saw such unrest. There may be men here who are sixty-five and seventy years of age, and you never saw such unrest.

Yet there are some people who are going around over the country, standing on platforms, — some of them are preachers — and telling the people in sepulchral tones that the world is growing "butter" — they mean *better* — and that everything is lovely.

I will just drop this thought right here before I launch out on my subject, and then I will touch this thing again later: the thing which far-sighted men, twenty-five years ago, predicted, is at our doors — that is the crisis between LABOR and CAPITAL.

The man who can sit on the crater of a volcano that is just ready to burst forth and proclaim everything beautiful and lovely, ought to be taken to the insane asylum.

A man who refuses to see things as they are is sometimes illustrated by the ostrich, who is said to stick his head in the sand when danger is near. There is nothing in it, although it makes a good illustration — I noticed President Wilson used it the other day — but an ostrich never does anything of the kind. I defy any naturalist to prove that an ostrich sticks his head in the sand when danger is near.

One of the Most Remarkable Productions Ever Written — "The Black Chapter"

Twenty-five years ago Edmund Shaftsbury, of Washington, D. C., wrote a book, entitled, "The Black Chapter," which, to my mind, at that time was one of the most remarkable productions ever written. Today we see coming to pass more than twenty specific things which Edmund Shaftsbury predicted.

I am here as a man of God.

This meeting and the meeting tonight will cost about nine hundred dollars. I do not ask anybody to give a cent — not a cent! Therefore, I am not under any obligations to anybody. Nobody — neither man nor woman — can tell me what to say this afternoon.

The Preachers of Today Slaves and Hirelings

Now, your preachers are slaves. For the most part, they cannot preach the truth. If there is one in Racine who does, I say, well and good! God bless him! But I would like to know how a man can preach the unadulterated truth when he is called by the people as a mistress hires her cook. The people, usually one or two capitalists, fix his salary, and then they tell him what to preach and what not to preach.

I stand here as a free man. I am not a puppy dog, ready to jump out when somebody pulls the string and jump in when he pulls it again. I am here to tell the TRUTH, and to *die* for it if necessary. In handling problems that concern the people, I will speak the truth as a man of God if the heavens fall!

This afternoon my subject is: "THE SURE WORD OF PROPHECY (more literally translated, "the word of prophecy made surer"); OR, THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD PREWRITTEN."

A very interesting subject!

The main words in this subject are "prophecy," "history," and "world." You can easily remember that.

Prophecy is History Prewritten

If I had on this table Ridpath's history, or Moses Coit Tyler's history, or any standard work of history that you may have in the Racine library, I could turn to chapter, page, and paragraph, and read to you many things recorded on the pages of those secular histories written by scholarly men, which were plainly foretold in this old-fashioned Book hundreds of years before they ever transpired.

It would be interesting, if I had the time, to enumerate them; but I have not.

You have all heard of Alexander the Great. They used to tell me, when I was a child, that Alexander the Great conquered the whole world, and then sat down and wept bitterly because there was nothing more for him to conquer.

I can turn to the Eleventh Chapter of the Book of Daniel and read to you a prophecy made twenty, fifty, one hundred years before Alexander the Great was born, describing his career, describing his empire, and stating that his empire would be divided into four sections and given, not to his sons, but to his four generals.

And at the Peace Conference in Paris today they are figuring and working and discussing, and it looks as though the four original divisions of Alexander the Great's empire would be restored and that once more Greece would be as she was in the days of Alexander the Great.

We will wait a few weeks and see.

In the Second Chapter of Daniel, in a space about as long as that finger (indicating), written hundreds of years before the events took place that Ridpath records, we have the history of this world for Two Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty years.

The very things that are transpiring at the Peace Table in Paris today, Daniel foresaw centuries ago; and before your eyes and mine these things are now looming from behind the horizon and taking shape.

Listen!

Palestine the Geographical, Political and Prophetical Center of the Earth

Do you know that Palestine is the geographical center of this earth? Do you know that Palestine is the political center of this earth? And, still more important, it is the prophetical center of this earth.

When God called Abraham, out of whom He created the Jewish nation, He put the reins of government into the hands of the Jews. When He fixed the boundaries of Palestine, and then the boundaries of the other nations, He added that the boundaries of all other nations were drawn with reference to Palestine. He said that the time would come when He would make an end of all nations, but that He would never make an end of the Jewish nation.

He put the reins of government into the hands of the Jews. Because of their idolatry they lost the reins of government.

Nebuchadnezzar, the King of Babylon, went down to Jerusalem and besieged it, taking part of the possessions of the Lord's house, and God gave King Jehoiachin into his hand. Thus the reins of the government of this world passed out of the hands of the Jewish Nation into the hands of the Gentiles.

From that day to this the nations that make up western Europe, or that occupy the territory of the old Roman Empire, have held the reins of government.

There never was any possibility of Germany's winning the rulership of this world, because God's Word has decreed otherwise; and all of Germany above the Rhine and all of Austria-Hungary above the Danube are outside of the old Roman Empire. You will see that the tentative arrangement that has been made at the Paris Peace Conference will become permanent, and the Rhine and the Danube will become the boundary lines.

History Follows the Course Outlined in Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

Nebuchadnezzar was the first Gentile ruler of this world.

One night he had a dream.

Let us see whether it has been fulfilled.

He called all the astrologers, the magicians, and the soothsayers of his realm together, and said, "I had a dream and it has gone from me. Tell me what it was and interpret it."

They could not do it. Therefore the king commanded that they should be put to death.

When the representatives of the king came to seek Daniel, he said to them, "Why all this haste? Take me before the king." He was taken before the king and he said, "Give me time, and I will tell you the dream and the interpretation thereof."

He went back to his three companions and said, "Let us have a prayer meeting and ask God to reveal it to us." God did it, and then they had a praise meeting.

Daniel went in unto the old king and said, "This was your dream: you saw a colossal image — beautiful. The head was gold, the breast and the arms were silver, the abdomen and the thighs were brass, the legs were iron, and the feet and toes were part of potters' clay and part of iron."

Get down your histories.

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The head of gold was the Babylonian empire, the breast and arms of silver were Media-Persia, the abdomen and the thighs of brass were Greece, and the legs of iron were Rome — one leg representing the western division, with Rome as the Capital, which fell in 476 A. D.; and the other leg representing the eastern division, with Constantinople as the Capital, that fell in 1453 A. D.

The Last Form of Gentile Government Rapidly Taking Shape

What have we in western Europe within the territorial limits of the old Roman Empire? Since 476 and 1453 we have had nations that were partly monarchical and partly republican — the mixture of the iron and the clay.

But there were to be *ten toes*. You and I have lived to see the day when the ten toes are forming.

Now, I am not going to quarrel with any gentleman because he differs from me, but I am here to tell you and to tell the United States of America that the League of Nations is the dark shadow of the Revived Roman Empire!

Put it down in your little note book and wait and see whether I am right or not.

The ten toes were part iron and part miry clay.

When President Wilson finally made up his mind to go to war with Germany, he put out the slogan, which formed the headlines of all the metropolitan dailies of this Country: "The United States has entered the world-war on behalf of DEMOCRACY! We have gone into the war to make the world safe for DEMOCRACY!"

The chickens are coming home to roost.

Many a man sitting here appreciates the force of what I say.

Do you remember the first time you ever stepped up to a certain young lady — with your toothpick shoes, "biled" shirt, and perfumery, and with your hair all slicked up with hair oil — and said, "May I see you home?"

"Yes."

Do you remember going to that young lady's home and sitting in her father's parlor night after night? Do you remember how you promised her that those dear, beautiful, little white hands should never be put into dishwater, and that you would dress her in silk, and so on? Then finally you said, "Will you be mine?" And she said, "Yes."

You married her, and she has had her hands in dishwater five hours out of the twenty-four ever since. You have bought her one calico dress in thirteen years.

And now, at night, she says, "John, do you remember when you made all those promises?" — but John has a lapse of memory.

"Making the World Safe for Democracy," a Hoax

And so it is with these statesmen who shouted for DEMOCRACY and, in their high-sounding speeches, talked about "making the world safe for DEMOCRACY"— a lot of people are saying, "Do you remember what you promised?" but they have a lapse of memory.

However, I will tell you most of the people are not going to stand for it. You mark what I say!

All you need to do is to take up last night's Chicago "Post" and glance over the front page to see the story.

Did you see that map of England — every railroad paralyzed, not a train running? Did you see the account of the steel strike? Did you see the accounts of several other strikes there?

And they say the *ministers* are going to strike. I hope they will; it will be a good thing for the country. Then perhaps somebody will take the platform who will have the bravery to speak the truth, fearing neither man nor Devil.

I will stand for the right though everybody forsake me. I did not give up my ambition to be a lawyer and a politician and go into the ministry to spend my life playing the hypocrite and go to hell at last. I started out to play true, and to preach the Word of God without fear and without compromise, no matter what anybody might think or say.

Mind, Money, and Muscle Cooperative and Independent

I am going to say right here, beloved, and I speak from experience, having done a few things in this life — I have established more than twenty Institutions and Industries, doing a business of over two million a year, and for my organizing and executive ability I have never taken one cent — I say that *mind*, *money*, and *muscle* are absolutely necessary to start any manufacturing establishment and maintain it; and I say that *mind* should not have fifty thousand dollars a year and *muscle* three dollars a day! (Applause.)

When men will recognize these three things and give them their proper place and their proper reward, it will solve a whole lot of questions.

And I say here, for I will say it in the City of Chicago, that if Mr. Armour, instead of presenting seventy-five thousand dollar homes to his daughters, would take a few millions and build bungalows for the poor families that have made his millions, it would solve a whole lot of problems! (Applause!)

But he will not do it. He had better do it, though, for they will get him sooner or later, mark what I say! And they ought to get him!

History is very interesting. It is one of the most fascinating studies we have in the entire curriculum.

Who would not like to know the history of this world for the next twenty-five years? You can know it. It is the business of the preachers to give it to you. But how can a man give somebody something which he does not know himself?

There (indicating) is a copy of the Bible. I can remember the time, when I was a little boy, when the man who did not believe the Bible was rare. I can remember the time when the man or woman who did not go to church was the exception. I can remember the time when you would find a family altar and daily worship in almost every home you entered. I can remember the time when such things as an open store, an open shop, or any manual work on Sunday were unknown.

I suspect there are men and women right here who can remember the same things.

Today, the Masses are Churchless

You may not believe that the masses are churchless but I would not be afraid to select some one to go to every church in Racine next Sunday and count the parishioners, and if such an investigation does not prove that they form but a little handful of the population of the City of Racine, then I say that Racine is different from any other city in the United States.

When I preached in the City of Melbourne, Australia, and the laboring men attended in a body, they took off their hats in my service; but when they went to the leading Presbyterian Church they sat with their hats on. And when Dr. ————, whose church was supported by millionairies, asked God to bless the wealthy, they groaned until the roof rattled. They had a right to! I did not blame them a bit!

Right is right! And a man is a coward and a hypocrite and a criminal who will not recognize the right, even if he is shot the next minute after he utters the sentence. What difference does it make if a man is a martyr to a good cause? It is easier to die in a minute than to spend forty years at it. I have died many times for preaching the truth, and many times I have given my last nickel and come down to my last penny and had to walk home, because I did not have any money left for street car fare. I have stood for the right, by the grace of God, and that is the reason why God has blessed me.

True Ministers of the Gospel Never Without Food, Shelter and Raiment

You hear a great wail among the preachers about having a hard time. Any man who preaches the Gospel will never be allowed to go without food, shelter, and raiment. I can call at one hundred homes tonight where they will give me a bed. A man who owns fifty of the best beds Simmons ever made is no better off than I. Half a bed is all any one can sleep on at one time. Then what a foolish thing it is to envy a man who has forty bedrooms and forty beds, and who has the nightmare so badly he cannot sleep anywhere.

Let a man do right! Let him preach the Gospel, let him acknowledge the truth, and let him minister to the people!

The churches deserve to be where they are today.

When I was in a little town down in Ohio in 1896 there were four churches there. I read the other day that one of them now has a congregation of twelve and that the preacher is starving

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to death. Another one has a congregation of thirty-one. Think of that in a town of eleven hundred people!

What is the matter?

They do not preach the Gospel!

Hundreds and thousands of churches are closing their doors.

Now, if there are any women here this afternoon — God bless your hearts!— who are sewing carpet rags and baking beans to raise your preacher's salary, do not do it any more! God does not expect it. Let the lazy fellows go out and break stones and drink water!

Sickening Methods Employed to Raise the Minister's Salary

There never was any sense in a woman's spending a dollar and taking the time to bake a cake for a church supper, and then going there and paying twenty-five cents for the privilege of eating a piece of it. I would stay at home and eat it all.

Of all the sickening things in the world, it is an oyster supper to raise the preacher's salary — where they sell two poor little half-starved runts of oysters in a quart of hot water, and a pewter spoon to chase them with, for twenty-five cents.

Let me give you a little personal history, ladies and gentlemen. If there is a preacher here, take note of it. I have gone to the bottom round of the ladder, without a cent in this world, many a time.

In 1907 you could have purchased every thing I had in my hands for twenty-five cents.

Did that stop me from preaching the Gospel?

People said to me in Australia, "If you preach another sermon like that here we will run you out of town!" The papers said, "He will starve to death in three weeks."

Here is a man (referring to Apostle Carey) who came from Melbourne, Australia, and who was in the Bank of London for about twenty-one years. He knows what happened in Melbourne. I preached the Gospel, and in three months I had an income of two thousand dollars a month. I had an auditorium that seated sixteen hundred people and it was crowded to the doors, the people even blocked the street cars in Swanson Street at times; while the pastor of the greatest church on the Australian continent preached to one hundred and four persons — the largest audience he ever had.

How do you account for the difference?

Self-Sacrifice and Service the Pathway to Victory

Today, all over the world, there are people who have been blessed, for I have made the sacrifice — I have slept on the floor for Christ's sake; I have denied myself for years and lived on a very small amount of money, when others were getting three and four times as much, for the sake of humanity.

What has God done for me?

God has given to me today, as the head of this Church, an income of from six to eight hundred dollars a day, or about two hundred and fifty thousand dollars a year. There is not another preacher in the United States who has done it, and it has been done in a very few years.

One of the Sweetest and Most Pathetic Stories Outside of the Bible

Look at this picture (holding up LEAVES OF HEALING, Vol. 45, No. 1), and it will tell you something about how it has been done. The man whose picture you see here lives in Europe. You ought to read his story. This (holding up LEAVES OF HEALING, Vol. 44, No. 22) is a picture of one of his daughters. She had been strapped to that spinal tray in that postion for over three years. LEAVES OF HEALING reached that home and brought about her healing. The tray to which she was strapped was brought from Europe a few weeks ago and now hangs upon the walls of Shiloh Tabernacle. There is one of the sweetest, most pathetic, touching stories outside of the Bible that ever was printed. You will find the name of the father and the mother here. Anybody in this City who desires to write to them can get the whole story.

What do the preachers in Racine do about the healing of the sick? Do they go in and lay their hands on them and pray and ask God to heal them? No; they turn them over to the doctors, and they give them "rough on rats."

Now, ladies and gentlemen, as a matter of logic, is it not a queer thing that they will give to a sick man to make him *well* a dose of medicine that will *kill* a well dog? Why does it work one way on the dog and just the opposite on the sick man?

In this Church, we *pray* for the sick, and God *heals* them.

I desire to show you another picture. Some of you might like to take it home with you. You ought to read the story (printed in LEAVES OF HEALING, Vol. 44, No. 25) of this Russian, Tony Zoratto; and you will see what God Almighty can do for a man when the Gospel is preached.

Wonderful Record of Maternity Work in Zion

If there are any doctors here this afternoon, I want you to look at this picture (see LEAVES OF HEALING, Vol. 44, No. 7) of two hundred and seventy-five mothers, and five hundred and fifteen boys and girls who came into this world ministered to by an angel of mercy by the name of Deaconess E. M. Lloyd — and only *one* death.

What a wonderful story!

Get the statistics from your doctors.

That shows you what the prayer of faith does.

That is the reason why men in South Africa, in Scotland, in England, in China, in Japan, in Australia, in New Zealand, and in different parts of the world send money here — they get something in return. And they have a right to get something.

God Almighty is Infinite. He made your body, and He is the Only One who can heal it when it is out of fix. If your watch is out of fix you do not take it to the blacksmith, do you? I take mine to the watchmaker. And when this body of mine gets out of fix (which is not very often), I take it to God, and He fixes it up all right.

I have a pretty good body. One reason that I have is because liquor and tobacco never touched my lips.

Vile Tobacco and Intoxicating Liquors the Foes of Humanity and the Home

I say to you husbands and fathers this afternoon, lovingly and kindly, men, intoxicating liquors and tobacco do not do you any good. I have many friends, professional men, who have the habit of smoking — and some of them drink — but they all say to me, "Overseer, there is not a good word that can be said for it. I formed the habit when I was a young man in college, or out with the boys, and it has stuck to me; but it never did me any good."

And how much sweeter a man would smell — I would not hesitate to put it to a vote of the women, whether a man would not smell sweeter if he would let tobacco and whisky and *onions* alone.

It is a fact!

I will tell you, men, you look to me, most of you, like the same class I belong to — the common class. You do not look like aristocrats. I am a common, old-fashioned clodhopper from Indiana. I have milked cows, been kicked in the ribs, and had all kinds of experiences. There is no kind of work I have not done, and I thank God for it.

You will be cleaner, men, you will smell sweeter, you will be healthier, you will be happier, you will live longer, if you will just listen to what Voliva says; because he says it with a heart as big as a rain barrel and he is ready to put his arm around your neck and pray with you, and do everything he can to help you to be a healthier, a better, a cleaner, a truer, and a purer man.

We, as men and women, must stand up for and endorse that which is for the betterment of humanity and for the right.

Beloved, the Word of God tells us that ten kingdoms will arise — five in the western division and five in the eastern division of the old Roman Empire; that the government of these ten kingdoms will be principally democratic, but that there will be an element of monarchy in it.

No Use for Royalty, Kings, Dukes, and Duchesses

You know, this king business makes me laugh. I do not care whether any one likes it or not, I am willing to shake hands with Mayor Hoyne, of Milwaukee. He is right. I have no use for kings. I have no use for dukes or duchesses.

I lived in Australia, and I used to pass the Government House every day and see the Governor, a poor little insignificant fellow, with a feather out of a rooster's tail stuck in his hat,— I can pick out one hundred men who know more than he did —

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coming out in a carriage, with four mounted troopers, and sitting up there looking like he were something, when he was nothing but a cipher with the rim rubbed out.

The whole king business is funny today — it has played out; and it ought to play out. If we are going to have DEMOCRACY, by the grace of God, let us *have* it, and not a farce, a delusion, and a snare.

I will tell you, men, if I were not General Overseer of this Church, I would like to go into politics and show you men how to do a few things. You have it in your power, if you will only assert your rights.

Democracy, for the most part, has been something that the bosses have used to fool and trick the masses.

I have been in politics ever since 1880. I was in the campaign for Garfield when I was ten years old. I stumped a part of the state of Ohio for McKinley. I know what I am talking about.

The Word of God will come true, and in these ten kingdoms you will find exactly what the Word of God prophesies.

The Stage Being Set for the Appearance of the World's Autocrat

The next thing, a man will arise in one of these ten kingdoms who will become the WORLD'S AUTOCRAT. He will be the man on *horseback* — the MAN OF DESTINY — and he lives in Europe this afternoon. The stage is being set for his appearance.

You will find out, ladies and gentlemen, that the five powers who sat at the peace table know these things just as well as I do; and you will find out that the English statesmen who tell you that there is danger of a Germanic-Russian alliance know what they are talking about.

According to the "sure word of prophecy," this man will arise out of one of the ten kingdoms of western Europe. I think he will come out of Greece. Conditions in the world are multiplying and intensifying, and some of these days, before the old world wakes up, this man will appear, and he will be a veritable Caesar. He will say, "Give me the reigns! I will put down the strikes! I will put down all this opposition!" And they will make him ruler, giving him control of the railroads, of all business, and of everything. He will have his own calendar; he will have his own coin, with his own superscription and image; and he will rule with the guillotine — he will cut off the head of every man and woman who does not bow down to him and worship him.

If I had the time this afternoon I would like to read to you in the Thirteenth Chapter of Revelation. You will find his picture there.

Two Great World-Divisions — The Revived Roman Empire and the Northeastern Confederacy

Now, the world is to be divided into two divisions — the Revived Roman Empire and the Northeastern Confederacy. The Northeastern Confederacy will be led by Russia, championed by Germany and Japan.

Put that down and see whether I am right or not.

Just as sure as I stand on this platform, with all due respect to any gentleman who differs from me, I say that the Word of God has it all outlined. Just as it foretold the wedding of two members of a royal family many years before the girl's mother was born, so it tells us that the Northeastern Confederacy will be formed.

In the Thirty-eighth Chapter of Ezekiel Russia is mentioned —"the prince of Rosh (Russia), Meshech (Moscow), and Tubal (Tobolsk);" also the great army of the Northeastern Confederacy, composed of the greatest cavalrymen the earth ever saw.

If I were down at Washington, I would tell them a few things.

Opposed to the League of Nations and Foreign Entanglements

As an American citizen, I am opposed to the League of Nations. You may be in favor of it — I will shake hands with you anyway. I was born in Indiana, the best state in the Union,— except Wisconsin, perhaps (Laughter)—and I know the Constitution, I know the Declaration of Independence, I know the history in detail of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers and why they came, I know the details of the Revolutionary War, I know the history of this Country, and I want to tell you that I am opposed to the League of Nations, first, last, and always! God Almighty had a purpose in founding this great Nation. Let us keep to that purpose! Let us restore free speech, and free press, and liberty, and give to this Country once more the privileges which were ours, as a nation, in the beginning.

I stand with Washington! I say let us keep out of foreign entanglements! We have no business in them! (Applause.)

That is the way I feel about it, and I believe I am right. Of course, when a man says to me, "I do not agree with you, Mr. Voliva," I say, "All right; you may be right and I may be wrong, as you always are."

The Northeastern Confederacy is forming.

I was talking to a gentleman the other day who had had a conversation with a man who had just returned from Europe. This gentleman asked him about Germany and Russia. He said, "Russia has everything Germany wants and Germany has a lot of things Russia wants, and it is common talk in England that Russia and Germany, sooner or later, will come together."

That is the Word of God.

You will not find Japan lining up with England and the United States and France. Never! Because Germany and Russia and Japan and China were never any part of the old Roman Empire. When God drew the metes and the bounds of the nations, He put the reins in the hands of those governments of Western Europe; and there is where the government of this world has been ever since. You know that as well as I do.

One of the Most Remarkable Events Today — The Return of the Jews to Palestine

And now today, ladies and gentlemen, one of the most remarkable things happening on this earth is the return of the Jews to Palestine.

Talk about the "sure word of prophecy!"

Jesus the Christ, the last year He spent on this earth before they put Him to death, said:

And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

Then let them who are in Judea flee to the mountains; and let them who are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.

For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.

And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, AND SHALL BE LED AWAY CAPTIVE INTO ALL NATIONS: AND JERUSALEM SHALL BE TRODDEN DOWN OF THE GENTILES, UNTIL THE TIMES OF THE GENTILES BE FULFILLED. (Luke 21:20-24)

Beloved, we are slipping into the "ten toes" of Nebuchadnezzar's image. The last grains of sand in the Gentile hourglass are running out.

It is already settled by the Peace Conference that Great Britain is to get control of Palestine, and under her sovereignty the Jews will return to Palestine and establish a Jewish state there.

You know, as well as I, that in 70 A. D. the Roman Army surrounded Jerusalem. Word was sent: "If you will surrender we will spare your lives and not destroy the city." They refused to do it. The Romans then went through the first wall, the second wall, the third wall, and they destroyed one million lives, until the streets of Jerusalem were dyed in blood. Famine was there, and mothers ate the flesh of their own children. The temple was destroyed, and they plowed the site and sprinkled salt upon it.

From that day to this the Jews have been captives in all the nations of the earth. But a Jew never loses his identity.

And today, after two thousand years, Justice Brandeis, of the Supreme Court of the United States, known as the "silent leader of the Jews," speaks in the Chicago Auditorium and tells them of his visit to Paris, of the things he presented, and that the arrangement is all made.

Turkey Compelled to Surrender Palestine to the Sovereignty of England

During the next few weeks Turkey will get her peace terms; and, among other things, she will have to surrender Palestine, within the ancient boundaries, to Great Britain, under whose sovereignty the Jews will return to Palestine.

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Do you know that the Bible prophesies that the Jews will go back in airships? Did you ever read that in the Word of God?

Who are these that fly as clouds, and as the doves to their windows? (Isaiah 60:8)

Already the British Government, which sent the "R-34" across the ocean, is talking of building ships three thousand feet long. They will do it yet, and they will carry the Jews back to Palestine.

It is said that five million Jews are now prepared to return to Palestine. They have laid the corner-stone of their university, and soon they will make that land to blossom as the rose.

The Wealth of the World Controlled by the Jews

One reason the Jews will get Palestine is because the Allies need the money and the Jews have it. It is a fact that the wealth of the world is controlled by the Jews.

It was a Jewish financier who told the French Government: "You bring Mr. Dreyfus back and give him a fair trial or there will be something doing." They brought him back and he was acquitted.

I know whereof I speak when I say that today, among the Jews, you will find the foremost men of letters in the world. They have forged ahead, despite the fact that there is no form of torture of which the Devil could conceive that they have not been forced to endure, especially in some of the countries of Europe.

The United States, thank God, has always succored the Jews.

When Jesus the Christ comes, among the other nations that will be called before Him, will be the United States and Great Britain, and He will say to them: "My people were hungry, and you gave them meat; thirsty, and you gave them drink; strangers, and you took them in; naked, and you clothed them, you succored them and treated them kindly. Go, ye blessed of My Father, take your place in the Millennial Kingdom, which shall rule the world!"

And every nation that has persecuted the Jews and slain them will suffer — God only knows how they will suffer!

When you touch the Jews, you touch the apple of God Almighty's eye. They are his anointed. You may put a Jew in Russia, in Germany, in the United States, or anywhere in the world, and he will remain a *Jew*.

"Salvation is of the Jews"

And I will tell you, any one who hates a Jew has a black heart. Jesus the Christ was a Jew; the Virgin Mary was a Jew; and "salvation is of the Jews."

It is a nice thing for a Methodist, a Presbyterian, a Baptist, or any one who calls himself a Christian to hate a Jew!

Now, beloved, I have just hit a few of the high places, but I will have to close.

May God bless you!

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AUTUMNAL REFLECTIONS

By Elder Thomas H. Nelson

AMID the brilliant hues and gorgeous embellishments of these grand and fruitful Autumnal scenes, when every hill and field is splashed with splendor, one feels that Nature has "broken her alabaster box of ointment of spinkenard, very precious," and poured its costly contents out into the very atmosphere breathed by a doomed race to "prepare it aforetime for burial." The universal "house is filled with the odor of the ointment;" and well it is for him, who, knowing what is coming, can say, "She hath wrought a good work on me."

WHO has failed to feel an ethical element in fruitful Autumn's golden, auroral glory, or in the floral fragrance of the vernal, new-born year? Nature is the greatest of studies,— in fact, she is the embodiment of all true studies. Her teaching is the soundest; her music is the sweetest; her paintings are the prettiest; her adornment the grandest; her changing season moods the most instructive; and her language the most universal and profound of any known to man. Of all Autumn's sons, he is both the sanest and the safest who is most nearly graduated in her post-university course.

AMID the surpassing splendor, the overwhelming grandeur of a brilliant Autumn scene, one feels there is an ethical element in the atmosphere, there is a morality in its unconscious influence, there is an uplifting inspiration in its contemplation. Amid these inspiring influences, one feels that the noblest thoughts, the sweetest ideals, the grandest truths, are those untranslated, virgin impressions received by personal inspiration from Heaven at first hand — unalloyed by language and uncorrupted by human lips. Inspired truth, like the angels' song at the Incarnation, loses much of its Heavenly music, poetry, harmony, and beauty by being translated into human language. The stream is clearest and sweetest at the fountain-head; and truth, like a young baby in its parents' eyes, is best dressed when naked.

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THE WORK OF GOD IN ZION

By Apostle Willis F. Jordan

I must work the works of Him that sent Me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work. — John 9:4.

1. I must work
2. The works of Him Who sent Me
3. While it is (yet) day:
4. For the night cometh
5. When no man can work.

As a man in the flesh, Jesus lived and worked faithfully in His day.

His night of agony, pain, suffering and death also came to Him.

Each man has his day and each man will have his night.

To unbelieving Israel, to the apostate church and to this godless, Gentile, Antichrist-accepting world there is about to fall an appallingly dark night, the most terrific night since creation's dawn — the last Seven Years in Man's Day.

The horrible shadows of that night are casting themselves over all the earth, threatening with disruption, collapse and complete overthrow all man's boasted achievements — his so-called Twentieth Century wonderful (?) civilization.

The Day of Grace and Mercy is rapidly closing.

The Day of God's Vengeance, the Day of the Wrath of the Lamb, is beginning to fall.

Christians, let your light shine! The time is *very* short.

Let ZION, as never before, proclaim the Gospel of the Grace of God — and live it.

ZION must also anticipate the Gospel of the Kingdom — the Millennial, Theocratic Reign of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham, the Son of God.

God be praised! ZION, founded of God, has been so owned and blessed of God, that multitudes have been saved, healed and cleansed, and many are now being kept by the power of God, through faith, unto the Salvation about ready to appear in this the last time.

ZION is steadily advancing in all four of her great departments: the Ecclesiastical, the Educational, the Commercial and the Political. Her Institutions and Industries are all flourishing, and the work in her Educational Institutions never had a more auspicious opening than at the beginning of this, their fourth year. Nearly a thousand children and young people have enrolled, and still more desire to be admitted.

The Educational Institutions are sorely in need of more room and equipment. What an opportunity for someone to whom God has given "power to get wealth" to consecrate a liberal sum for this purpose by handing it to the General Overseer at once.

May God move several to so do! May he move one and all in ZION to a liberal support of our beloved ZION Schools!

Brothers, sign up the pledge card at once. Do not procrastinate. Pray and act *now*.

The meetings in Shiloh Tabernacle are ever growing better and are more largely attended from week to week. On last Lord's Day the great building was almost filled at the afternoon meeting, the principal meeting of the day.

Yet ZION is not looking for a world-wide, nor a nation-wide, nor even a state-wide revival.

ZION does not believe the world is growing better.

ZION believes the world is growing worse.

ZION believes it is her mission to witness, first of all, against the apostate churches; to call upon all of God's people to come out of ecclesiastical Babylon.

ZION believes a people must be made ready for the coming of the Lord.

ZION believes the Church, without spot or wrinkle, the Bride, must be prepared for the Rapture.

Repentance, Confession, Restitution, Faith, Obedience and Holy Living with Divine Healing must be boldly proclaimed without fear or favor to all people.

ZION will command all people everywhere to repent and to submit to God.

ZION believes and teaches that the signs on every hand and the fulfillment of "the Word of Prophecy made more sure" point to the taking out of the saints in the Rapture, the awful apocalyptic Seven Year Night, during which Antichrist, the False Prophet and the King of the North will all arise and run their awful course, followed by Armageddon and the approach of the King Whose right it is to Reign — the only King by Divine right.

Let all ZION everywhere, in this and all lands, honor the One Great Triune God: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

The Faith of this Triune God is also a trinity: Salvation, Healing and Holy Living.

Man himself is a trinity — a tripartite being having spirit, soul and body.

The Christian Ordinance of Baptism is Triune Immersion "Into the Name of the Father, into the Name of the Son, and into the Name of the Holy Spirit."

ZION takes a repenting triune man, professing a triune faith, and by a triune immersion, baptizes him into a Triune God — not into the Father only, not into the Son only, not into the Holy Spirit only; but *into* the Name of the Father and *into* the Name of the son and *into* the Name of the Holy Spirit: the Godhead, or the Trinity in Unity.

The General Overseer has well said:

"There is order in the ministry, of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Paul knew what he was talking about when he said that God was a God of order. That is just what a lot of people do not like. They say, 'I want to speak. I am not going to be under any leader. I am going to do as I please.' Some say, 'There ought not to be any leader to do the preaching. The people ought to come together and sit a little while. Then all at once somebody will jump up and preach.' I decline. I have no time to waste nor any of my life to throw away. God is a God of order and not of confusion.

"The ministry of God the Father was exercised under law. The ministry of Jesus the Christ, under grace, and the ministry of the Holy Spirit, under election.

"God the Father came down upon Mount Sinai and spake to Moses.

"Jesus the Christ came and lived, loved, suffered, died and rose again and ascended to His Father.

"Then the Holy Spirit came: and now a people are being prepared for the Second Coming of Christ.

"There are some of the best people on God's earth in ZION CITY. The contest is over ZION CITY, and the Devil is determined to destroy it, and you will get victory only through prayer. You can pray the Devil out; that is the only way."

And ZION can pray every property now in the hands of the enemies of God and ZION back into the hands of ZION.

Then it is a good thing to back up our prayers by our works and by consecrating our money for the complete and speedy redemption of the City of ZION.

Let us rise up and build this city. Let us go up and possess the land at once; for we are able, and Jehovah is with us.

The Great Commission sent the Apostles to the whole creation. It is binding upon ZION today.

ZION's message and ministry is to all mankind.

The Methodist go only to Methodists, and the Baptists only to Baptists. They are sent only to their own sect. ZION workers are instructed to miss no man, high or low, white or black, male or female. ZION has a mission to all men, and a message for all. We have one for all the churches, as well as for the brothels and saloons. These churches need, most emphatically, to be called to repentance. Were they converted, the rest of the work would be an easy matter. They stand as a great stumbling block in the way of sinners.

God has so arranged His work that all may have a share in it, and there is no excuse for idle hands. The Devil always finds mischief for them to do. It is a dangerous thing to be at ease or idle in ZION.

Are you alone in your field or city? That is no excuse for being idle. It is all the more need for your being busy. One

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man can chase a thousand. Poor Jonah, with a message from God, set all Nineveh in an uproar, and brought them to repentance. Get your message and go. Did He not promise to go with you, even unto the end of the Age?

"We need not many teachers," says the Apostle. But workers and simple witnesses are greatly needed. "The laborers are few." ZION should be as busy as bees, for the world is perishing, and the time is short. "Awake, thou that sleepest."

ZION is a working church.

A few years ago, the world was startled by the message that went forth from ZION's platform. There thundered a voice, *"Repent! Repent!! Repent!!!"*

God made this world! It belongs to Him! He sent His Prophets to emphasize and to proclaim neglected and forgotten truths.

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church was organized, and from the beginning it has been a witnessing church. Realizing that God has laid great responsibilities upon ZION to witness to *the* uttermost parts of the earth, we are proceeding along that line.

ZION is not another sect like the Methodist, or Presbyterian or Roman Catholic: but ZION is God's organization for the last days, and has a work to do in which angels might rejoice.

A clipping from a paper in a neighboring town says the population of that town is twenty-five thousand, and that the average attendance at all the churches in that town would not exceed five hundred. What a terrible commentary! What does it all mean? In the first place, the people have lost their faith in the church that was once powerful. Preachers have lost their hold on the people. Many ministers have lost their faith in God, and do not believe any longer in prayer.

If the people in almost any city should at once decide to go to church, there are not churches enough to hold them; but in the present condition of things, there is no danger along that line; for churches are being abandoned and the buildings sold for commercial purposes — making merchandise out of the old hulk after it has been abandoned.

ZION does not owe her existence to the Devil!

That which is born of God is Divine. ZION was born of God: therefore ZION is Divine. God send her forth to depraved humanity, bound in fetters of transmitted vice — stronger than steel — surrounded by terrible conditions which are almost indescribable: but we go with the message from the Eternal God, which came from His Eternal Son, accompanied by the Eternal Spirit; and which must overcome every enemy.

When one goes forth as a witness for God he should not forget the dignity, simplicity and humility — as well as the power — with which the Chief Witness fulfilled His ministry.

It is easy to realize that He Who was born in Bethlehem was the Eternal God. He is revealed to us as the Eternal Son, clothed with the highest power and dignity, united with the Father and the Spirit in that wondrous Trinity of Divinity in which God reveals Himself in the latter days. He took the lowest place, and He fulfilled the Father's will.

Do not forget, when thinking of Him, the self-sacrifice and the crucifixion of self in His whole life; but He was ever conscious that He had absolute control of every power on earth, in hell and in heaven above. He said, "All things have been delivered unto Me of My Father."

To civilized and uncivilized, Christians and heathen, the inspired message which God has given to ZION must be proclaimed.

We go with the conviction of the disciples, and we shall have the joy of saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Thy Name."

"All authority has been given unto Me, in heaven and on earth."

ZION must go in the right spirit! Men cannot get away from the message! The spirit of humility will always win: not a spirit of boasting — but a spirit of power.

ZION speaks with authority from God.

ZION declares the message from God to the nations of the earth, to the cities which are sin-stricken and disease-smitten, in the spirit, not of uncertainty, but of Divine confidence!

The fires of doubt, of selfishness, of commercialism, of hell-born competition, of higher criticism, of infidelity and apostasy, of pleasure and uncleanness are burning up the churches and the present godless world.

God says to ZION; "Go, save the few you can yet from the wreckage. The time is short. Up and at it today. Send out the literature. Deliver the testimony. Scatter the good seed: the Word of God, the message now due."

Thus ZION fulfills Jude 20-23:

But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit.

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.

Look at ZION, with humility, love and interest, absolutely fearless, carrying the message of God — the message of peace, reaching out hands to all people.

It is the old ship of ZION! It has landed many thousands and will land as many more.

It will not be long till the work will be finished! The trump will sound! There will be a moving in the graveyards! Blessed Resurrection! And those who have fallen alseep in Jesus the Christ will be raised from the dead! Yes, they will live!

The sea will give up its dead!

The earth will give up its dead! and the Christ will come into the air, and will call His own to dwell with Him.

ZION sends her message to the nations of the earth — "Repent! Make things right with God and with man! and do it at once.

"Lay aside your doctors and your drugs!

"Lay aside your doubts and your fears!

"Obey God in Triune Baptism!

"Give to God what belongs to Him!" The tithe is His! If you take the tithe you are a thief! God calls you a thief — you who take what belongs to God!

You have no time to parley!

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ZION raises the Banner of the Lord Jesus Christ and says that it shall float over every shingle in the City of ZION.

God lives!

Jesus the Christ, the Eternal Son lives!

The Holy Spirit, the Comforter and the Teacher, lives and you can live with Him throughout eternity: but you must obey — and you must obey now!

Hell yawns with open mouth to receive the disobedient and those who defy God and who laugh and scoff.

Jesus the Christ came to *seek* and *to save the lost!*

I Corinthians 15:51-58

"Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed.

"In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

"For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

"So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

"O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

"The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.

"But thanks be to God, Who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

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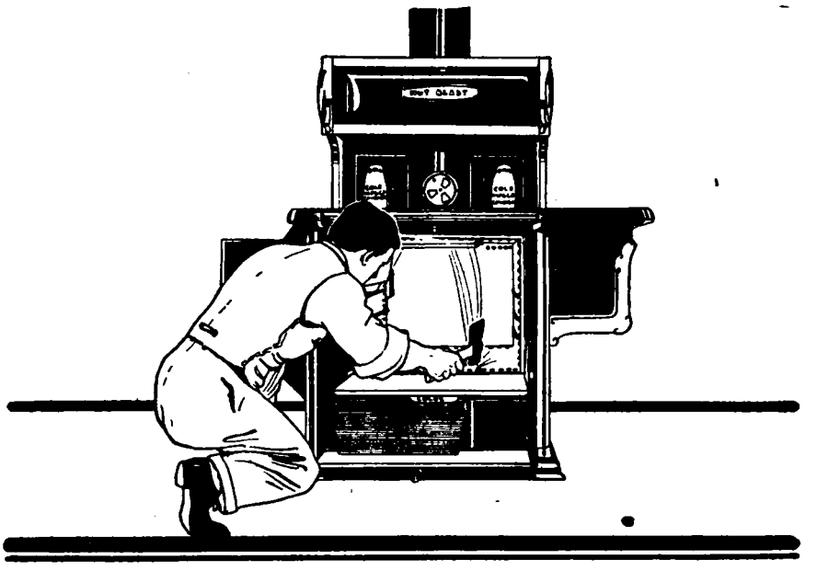
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The End-Time Confederacies and the Three Great and Terrible Characters in the Time of the End

By Apostle Willis F. Jordan

TAKE HEED THAT NO MAN DECEIVE YOU — Jesus the Christ.

LET NO MAN DECEIVE YOU BY ANY MEANS — Paul the Apostle.

PRELIMINARY

The Bible makes it very clear that CONFEDERACY will dominate all nations, churches and religions in the Time of the End — the last Seven Years, Daniel's Seventieth Week (Daniel 9:27).

There is but one religion (TRUE Christianity) and but one Church, the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, that now dares to stand alone. All other churches are unwilling. because unable, to do so.

ALL the nations and churches will confederate against Israel and God's purpose through her.

This World and Church Federation idea will crystalize in the Time of the End — Daniel's Seventieth Week.

Associate yourselves, O ye people, and ye shall be broken in pieces; and give ear, all ye of far countries: gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces; gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces.

Take counsel together, and it shall come to nought; speak the word, and it shall not stand: for God is with us.

For the Lord spake thus to me with a strong hand, and instructed me that I should not walk in the way of this people, saying,

Say ye not, A confederacy, to all them to whom this people shall say, A confederacy; neither fear ye their fear, nor be afraid. — Isaiah 8:9-12.

Compare Obadiah, Verse Seven; Isaiah 54:15; Psalm 83: 1-5; 2:1-5, 9.

There will be THREE Great Confederacies of nations in the Time of the End:

1. That of the Revived Roman Empire under its one and only imperial head — the Great Assyrian Antichrist;
2. The Great Northeastern Confederacy under the lead of Russia, Germany and Japan, and ruled over by Gog — the King of the North;
3. Near the close of the Time of the End, there will be a Third Great Confederacy, dominated by Great Britain and the United States, which will go to the defense of imperiled Israel, as she is about to be annihilated in the conflict between Antichrist and the King of the North. See Zechariah 12:2-9.

Some power, as the United States, represented by the "two wings of a great eagle" (Revelation 12:6, 14), succors the famishing Jews during the last three and one-half years of the Seven.

The closing conflict near the end of the Seven Years will certainly be a triangular one.

All *the Goat Nations* (Matthew 25:31-33) utterly perish at Armageddon (Verse Forty-one).

Israel and the Sheep Nations pass over into the Millennial Kingdom (Matthew 25:34) and the leaves of the Millennial Tree are for the healing of the scars and wounds of those same Sheep Nations (Revelation 22:2).

In the next place, we will discuss from a Bible standpoint only,

I. THE FIRST GREAT NATIONAL CONFEDERACY which is to exist in just *two* forms for the Seven Years. This will be THE REVIVED ROMAN EMPIRE, THE DOMINION OF THE SOON TO APPEAR SUPERMAN — THE GREAT ASSYRIAN ANTICHRIST — THE FIRST BEAST OF THE BOOK OF THE REVELATION.

1. It is to be the outcome of the FOUR HORNS which have scattered Israel, Judah and Jerusalem.

Then lifted I up mine eyes, and saw, and behold four horns.

And I said unto the angel that talked with me, What be these? And he answered me, These are the horns which have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem.

And the Lord shewed me four carpenters.

Then said I, What come these to do? And he spake, saying, These are the horns which have scattered Judah, so that no man did lift up his head: but these are come to fray them, to cast out the horns of the Gentiles, which lifted up their horn over the land of Judah to scatter it. — Zechariah 1:18-21.

2. These FOUR HORNS are symbolized by the FOUR DIVISIONS of Nebuchadnezzar's metalic image. See Daniel 2:31-45.

3. Again: They are symbolized by THE FOUR GREAT

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WILD-BEAST KINGDOMS of Daniel's Vision — See Daniel, Chapter Seven.

4. Special notice should be taken of the FOURTH Wild-Beast — the old Roman Dominion.

After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.

These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth.

Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet;

Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. — Daniel 7:7, 16, 17, 19, 23.

5. This dominion — the Fourth Wild-Beast Kingdom — had a very long and multiform career.

(1) It was founded about 750 B. C.

(2) As a solid kingdom — an integral part of Nebuchadnezzar's image — undivided, it continued for hundreds of years. It was then represented by that part of the image just before the two IRON LEGS began.

(3) THE TWO IRON LEGS came into existence as follows: About 325 A. D. Constantine divided the great empire by running a line through Illyricum. He made the city of Byzantium his place of imperial residence, and changed its name to Constantinople. One part of the empire had Rome for its capital, and was called the Western Roman Empire; the other part was called the Eastern Roman Empire, with Constantinople as its capital. In 395 A. D. the Emperor Theodosius completed the division of the Great Empire. Behold, THE TWO IRON LEGS OF THE GREAT IMAGE!

The Goths and Huns overthrew the Western Leg in 476 A. D. The Eastern Leg was wiped out in 1453 A. D., by the Turkish deluge.

The legs were all autocratic — IRON — no clay, democracy. The people had nothing to say in the rule, or government, of the empires.

(4) THE FEET (not the toes) follow the legs.

The *feet* are the nations within the territory of the Old Roman Empire since 476 and 1453 A. D. What supreme folly to put the ten toes between the legs and the feet, as many do who seek to find the ten kingdoms just after 476 A. D.— the overthrow of the Western Leg. How could the ten toes appear until after 1453, when the Eastern Leg was taken out of the way?

The feet condition of the image has been fulfilled in the course of those nations within the territory of the two legs since 1453. The feet are *now* rapidly giving place to the toes.

THE GREAT TEN KINGDOMED CONFEDERACY, the Revived Roman Empire, symbolized by the Ten Toes, is NOW about to be organized. The League of Nations is the first step in its formation.

One day soon the League of Nations will be suddenly transformed into the Revived Roman Empire. Then Antichrist will step on the scene and take control.

(5) Note the change in the composition of the Roman Empire, the Fourth Wild-Beast:

a. There was the solid undivided IRON EMPIRE from 750 B. C. to 325 A. D. The government was entirely autocratic and imperial.

b. There were THE TWO IRON LEGS from 325 to 1453 A. D. The people had nothing to say in the government.

c. There were THE FEET, part IRON, part CLAY. The rise of parliaments, senates, and congresses. The imperial rule divided with the people — the clay. This has been the condition from 1453 A. D. to the present time.

d. THE TOES, part of IRON and part of VERY BRITTLE CLAY — the people ruling over all, full of unrest, confusion, strikes, boycotts, riots, revolution, anarchy; and at last, in a wild insane lunge, wrecking all institutions, nations, churches, and even a so-called civilization, piling Man's Day (I Corinthians 4:3-5) in ruins and bringing an end to their own world.

Also note the irony of fate: Just when poor deluded, Devil-deceived and Satan-blinded (II Corinthians 4:3, 4) man thinks he is forever through with the IRON, the autocratic, imperial rule, the worst autocrat, with the most imperial and tyranical despotism, mankind ever will have seen, or experienced, will then be so empowered by the Devil that he will crush and grind the whole Ten Kingdomed Confederacy beneath his booted heel.

His reign of SEVEN FULL YEARS will be so horrible, his own word will be so supreme that it is written in advance (Revelation 13:14-17) how he will order every man, woman, and child in all the far flung Revived Roman Empire to worship his image or die.

It is also there declared that he will make it impossible for any to buy or sell who does not wear his trademark — the then UNION LABEL.

At one time in his Seven Year career, it is declared (Revelation 9:6) that millions of those who have accepted him, and have thus become his bound slaves and subjects, "shall seek death and shall not find it, and shall desire to die and death shall flee from them."

In other words: HIS IRON RULE will be so horrible that his own subjects would like to escape it — to get rid of him, but they cannot. HIS TIME is seven full years. All who accept him, and become a part of his Great Confederacy, will have to endure him to the end.,

To the Seven Year saints, death by martyrdom (beheading) will be a great relief.

It is under this terrible MAN, the horrible Antichrist — during the last half of his Seven Year reign — that THE GREAT TRIBULATION, THE TIME OF TROUBLE such as never was since there was a nation, runs its course.

He will take over, in his own title, or name, everything the people of his whole empire have — land, bank deposits, personal belongings. No man in all his dominion will be allowed to say, even of the smallest item, "This is mine." Antichrist will own it all. He will be

THE OUTCOME OF LAWLESS FORCES

See Isaiah 14:16, 17; 10:7, 13, 14; Ezekiel 28:2-5; 31:3-13; Daniel 11:21-24, 39; Revelation 13:16, 17.

The patriarch Job had him in mind when he wrote the words below:

Knowest thou not this of old, since man was placed upon earth,

That the triumphing of the wicked is short, and the joy of the hypocrite but for a moment?

Though his excellency mount up to the heavens, and his head reach unto the clouds;

Yet he shall perish for ever like his own dung: they which have seen him shall say, Where is he?

He shall fly away as a dream, and shall not be found: yea, he shall be chased away as a vision of the night.

The eye also which saw him shall see him no more; neither shall his place any more behold him.

He hath swallowed down riches, and he shall vomit them up again: God shall cast them out of His belly. — Job 20:4-9, 15.

(6) THE TEN TOES, five on the foot of each leg, follow the feet condition. The League of Nations will resolve itself into TEN CONFEDERATED NATIONS, *five* in the Western Roman Empire and *five* in the Eastern Roman Empire.

This will be the next step in the progressive Satanic development of the unfolding of the metalic-dream-image-vision of Nebuchadnezzar, which was to climax, or meet its FINAL fulfillment in THE LATTER DAYS (Daniel 2:28).

6. This is THE END-TIME CONFEDERATED FORM OF THE FOURTH WILD-BEAST KINGDOM which is to exist again for just Seven Years — Daniel's Seventieth Week, the last period in The Times of the Gentiles.

Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. — Daniel 7:23.

The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. — Revelation 17:8.

7. This Revived Ten Kingdomed Fourth Beast Empire is a Great Composite Wild Beast; for in its revival the first three Beast Empires, Babylonia, Media (which will include Assyria) and Greece are all to be revived and incorporated in it.

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See Daniel 2:34, 35, where it is distinctly said that when the Crushing Stone falls suddenly out of Heaven in the Revelation of Jesus Christ, the blow smites the image on its feet and toes of clay, that then the *clay*, the *iron*, the *brass*, the *silver* and the *gold* were all broken together and became as chaff, etc.

If all are broken together, then they must all be revived and in existence together in THE TIME OF THE END.

This fact is again asserted in Daniel 4:22, 23, where the stump of the cut down tree was circled with *a band of iron and brass*, thus showing that when the Iron Empire is revived the Brass one will be also.

The following passages will make this revived composite Beast very clear to all who will accept the plain Word of God:

As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away, yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time. — Daniel 7:12.

And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. — Revelation 12:3.

And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. — Revelation 13:1, 2.

The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. — Revelation 17:8.

Originally the Great Gentile Beast appeared,
(1) As the Lion, Babylonia;
(2) As the Bear, Medo-Persia;
(3) As the Leopard, Grecia;
(4) As the Unnamed Nondescript — Rome.

However, in the End-Time revival of the Great Gentile Composite Wild-Beast the rise and development is reversed.

The Beast of Revelation 13:1, 2, will be like A LEOPARD (Greece), with feet of a Bear (Media, including Assyria), and the mouth of a Lion (Babylon again).

The Leopard, Greece, will be the head of the resusitated empire.

The Emperor, the Antichrist, will rise out of Greece, though, of course, he will be a Roman citizen and prince — the Prince who shall come (Daniel 8:8-12, 19-25; 9:26, 27; 11:21-24).

Though a Grecian, Roman citizen and prince, he will probably be a Jew also (Daniel 11:37) (a Grecian Jew), as Paul the Apostle was a Roman citizen, though a Jew (Acts 22:22-29).

The Word of God and the present tendency strongly indicate that he will be the product of International Socialism or Labor.

8. The capital, or seat of government over this Revived Composite Wild-Beast Empire will be the City of Rome.

And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.

And there are seven kings; five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space of time. — Revelation 17:9, 10.

Compare Revelation 12:3; 13:1; 17:3, 7, for further remarks on the seven heads, as well as the ten horns.

The five fallen kings, mountains, or forms of government, on this Wild-Beast Empire were —
(1) The Kingly;
(2) The Consular;
(3) The Triumvirate;
(4) The Military Tribunal;
(5) The Dictatorial.
(6) The one in existence in A. D. 96, when John wrote the Book of the Revelation was

THE IMPERIAL

As we have seen, it was slain in 476 and 1453 A. D. That was the way it received its "deadly wound" (Revelation 13:3).

The Wild Beast Empire died. Everybody, even the historians, said it was forever gone.

God's Word says: "Nay, the Beast will live again. Its deadly wound is to be healed. THE IMPERIAL HEAD OVER THE REVIVED FOURTH EMPIRE WILL APPEAR WHEN THE EMPIRE COMES BACK AGAIN. There will be one more EMPEROR for just Seven Years."

LISTEN!

(7) The government of the Antichrist controlled in the first half of the Seven Years by the World-Federated Church is

THE SEVENTH HEAD

See Revelation 3:14-22; 17:1-7; 6:9-11.

This Seventh Head, or form of government, is to continue only for "a short space," or time — the first three and one-half years of the Seven.

Near the middle of the Week, Antichrist and his kings hate the Great Whore, strip her, and burn her with fire. Read Revelation 17:15-18 and 18:4-8.

So the Gentile Wild Beast was, but passed away with the "deadly wound" in 476 and 1453 A. D. It is to come back again at the same time, and with the World-Federated Church, and

THE GREAT ASSYRIAN ANTICHRIST EMPEROR

And the Beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of (like) the seven, and goeth into perdition. — Revelation 17:11.

The Beast here is the Antichrist, as well as the Empire. He himself is

(8) THE EIGHTH HEAD, and is like the seven. He will be an absolute despot, brooking no suggestions or interference of the least degree. He will change times and laws, knowing no will but his own. He will take *all the treasures of the people and own the title to everything in all the Revived Roman Empire.* See Isaiah 10:7, 13, 14; 14:16, 17; Daniel 11:21-24; Revelation 13:7, 8, 16, 17.

II. HIS TITLES AS ALPHABETICALLY LISTED IN THE WORD OF GOD.

1. The Great End-Time Assyrian (Isaiah 10:5-34; 14:24-27; 23:13; 31:8; Ezekiel 31:3-18; 32:3-10, 21; Micah 5:3-6; 7:12).
2. Another Messiah (John 5:43).
3. The Antichrist (I John 2:18, 22; II John 7).
4. The Breaker (Micah 2:13; Nahum 2:1).
5. The Basest of Men (Daniel 4:17).
6. The Beast (Daniel 7:11; Revelation 11:7, 8; 13:4-10; 14:9-12; 15:2; 16:10; all of 17; 19:19-21; 20:4).
7. The Destroyer of Cities and Nations (Isaiah 10:7, 13, 14; 14:16, 17; 33:7, 8).
8. The Desolator with the Abomination of Desolation (Daniel 9:27; Ezekiel 9:1-9; Daniel 8:11, 12; 11:31; 12:11; Matthew 24:15-21; Mark 13:14-20; Revelation 13:14, 15).
9. The Enemy and the Avenger (Psalm 8:2; 44:16; Hosea 8:3; Isaiah 59:19).
10. The Extortioner (Isaiah 16:3-5; Psalm 109:11).
11. The Little Horn (Daniel 7:8, 11, 20, 21, 24-26; 8:9-12).
12. The Eighth Head on the Roman Beast-Empire (Revelation 17:9-11).
13. The Head over many countries (Habakkuk 3:1-16; Psalm 68:21).
14. The King (Isaiah 30:27-33; 57:7-9).
15. The King of Tyre, or Commerce (Ezekiel 28:1-19).
16. The King of Babylon, the Revived Roman Empire (Isaiah 14:1-17).
17. The King of Fierce Countenance (Daniel 8:19, 23-25).
18. The Wilful King (Daniel 11:36-40).
19. Lucifer, the Devil's Son of the Millennial Morning (Isaiah 14:12-17).
20. The Man of Sin (II Thessalonians 2:3, 4).
21. The Oppressor (Psalm 72:4; Isaiah 9:4; 14:4-17; 51:13; Jeremiah 25:38; Zechariah 9:8).
22. The Vile Person (Isaiah 32:5-7; Daniel 11:21-28).
23. The Son of Perdition (II Thessalonians 2:3, 4; Revelation 17:8).

Thus he has many titles, as does Jesus the TRUE CHRIST.

III. ANTICHRIST'S TEN SUPREME ACTS.

God raises him up, as He did Pharaoh (Exodus 9:16, 17) to do a definite, positive judgment work.

1. God sends him against the hypocritical, apostate Jewish Nation, returning in unbelief under the Revived Roman Empire Covenant. See Isaiah 10:5-7, 12-23; 8:5-8; Zechariah 14:1-3; Revelation 11:1, 2; Zechariah 13:8, 9; 9:8.

2. He and his Ten Kings are to utterly destroy the World-Federated Church.

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And the ten horns which thou sawest and the Beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.

For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil His will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the Beast, until the Words of God shall be fulfilled. — Revelation 17:16, 17.

And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

For her sins have reached unto Heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.

Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double.

How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.

Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God Who judgeth her. — Revelation 18:4-8.

3. He is to break the Revived Roman Empire Covenant (Daniel 9:27), bring on the Great Tribulation (Ezekiel 9:4-9; Daniel 12:1; Matthew 24:15-22), render traveling unsafe, despise the cities, and regard no man.

The highways lie waste, the wayfaring man ceaseth; HE HATH BROKEN THE COVENANT, HE HATH DESPISED THE CITIES, HE REGARDETH NO MAN. — Isaiah 33:8.

O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end; and THOU HAST DESTROYED CITIES; their memorial is perished with them. — Psalm 9:6.

4. He is to make the Roman Earth to tremble, shake the kingdoms, and turn the world into a wilderness.

They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, IS THIS THE MAN THAT MADE THE EARTH TO TREMBLE, THAT DID SHAKE KINGDOMS;

THAT MADE THE WORLD AS A WILDERNESS, AND DESTROYED THE CITIES THEREOF; THAT OPENED NOT THE HOUSE OF HIS PRISONERS? — Isaiah 14:16, 17.

5. He is to tear up *three* of his own Ten Confederated Kingdoms by the roots.

And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows.

And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise; and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. — Daniel 7:20, 24.

6. He is to make war on the Seven Year saints.

I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them until the Ancient of Days came. — Daniel 7:21.

And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. — Revelation 13:7, 8.

7. He is to blaspheme by speaking great words against God, etc.

And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. — Daniel 7:25.

And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.

And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His Name, and His tabernacle, even them that dwell in Heaven. — Revelation 13:5, 6.

And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done. — Daniel 11:36.

Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyrus, Thus saith the Lord God; because thine heart is lifted up, and thou hast said, I am a god, I sit in the seat of God, in the midst of the seas; yet thou art a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God. — Ezekiel 28:2.

For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. — Isaiah 14:13, 14.

Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. — II Thessalonians 2:4.

8. He is to make and enforce a terrible law in all the Revived Roman Empire.

And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the Beast, or the number of his name. — Revelation 13:16, 17.

9. He is to fight the most terrible war in the history of mankind — the war with the Great Northeastern Asiatic White and Yellow Confederacy. This will be clearly shown later on.

These two terrible men, the Antichrist and the King of the North, will literally fulfill —

For thus saith the Lord God of Israel unto me; Take the wine cup of this fury at My hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.

And they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send among them.

Then took I the cup at the Lord's hand, and made all the nations to drink, unto whom the Lord had sent me.

And ALL THE KINGS OF THE NORTH, FAR AND NEAR, ONE WITH ANOTHER, AND ALL THE KINGDOMS OF THE WORLD, WHICH ARE UPON THE FACE OF THE EARTH: and the king of Sheshach (Antichrist King of the modern Babylon the Great) shall drink after them.

Therefore thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Drink ye, and be drunken, and spue, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you.

And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup at thine hand to drink, then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the Lord of hosts; ye shall certainly drink.

For, lo, I begin to bring evil on the city (Jerusalem) which is called by My Name, and should ye be utterly unpunished? Ye shall not be unpunished: for I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith the Lord of hosts.

Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, The Lord shall roar from on high, and utter His voice from His holy habitation; He shall mightily roar upon His habitation; He shall give a shout, as they who tread the grapes, against all the inhabitants of the earth.

A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth; for THE LORD HATH A CONTROVERSY WITH THE NATIONS, HE WILL PLEAD WITH ALL FLESH; He will give them that are wicked to the sword, saith the Lord.

Thus saith the Lord of hosts, Behold, EVIL SHALL GO FORTH FROM NATION TO NATION, AND A GREAT WHIRLWIND (The Great Tribulation) be raised up from the coasts of the earth.

And THE SLAIN OF THE LORD SHALL BE AT THAT DAY FROM ONE END OF THE EARTH EVEN UNTO THE OTHER END OF THE EARTH: THEY SHALL NOT BE LAMENTED, NEITHER GATHERED, NOR BURIED; THEY SHALL BE DUNG UPON THE GROUND.

And the peaceable habitations are cut down because of the fierce anger of the Lord.

He hath forsaken his covert, as the lion; for their land is desolate because of the fierceness of the oppressor and because of his fierce anger. — Jeremiah 25:15-17, 26-33, 37, 38.

10. THE LIMIT of his existence is reached in his act of supreme folly — when he denies both the Father and the Son, and makes war on the Lamb. This brings his destruction in the Lake of Fire.

Who is a liar, but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is (the) Antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son. — I John 2:22.

And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, who have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the Beast.

These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the Beast.

These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for He is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with Him are called, and chosen, and faithful. — Revelation 17:12-14.

And I saw the Beast, and the kings of the (Roman Empire) earth, and their armies gathered together to make war against Him Who sat on the horse, and against His army.

And the Beast was taken, and with him the False Prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the Beast, and them that worshipped his image. — Revelation 19:19, 20.

And then shall that Wicked (Antichrist) be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the Spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming. — II Thessalonians 2:8.

But with righteousness shall He judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and He shall smite the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips shall he slay the Wicked (One — Antichrist). — Isaiah 11:4.

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I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the Beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.

But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. — Daniel 7:11, 26.

IV. HIS TIME, OR WHEN HE IS TO BE REVEALED.

1. He shall agree to confirm a (the Revived Roman Empire) covenant with the many for one week. — Daniel 9:27.

This is Daniel's Seventieth Week, exactly seven years — each day for a year (Numbers 14:33-35; Ezekiel 4:4-6).

2. And now ye know Who (the Holy Spirit) hindereth that he (Antichrist) might be revealed in his time (the last Seven Years).

For the mystery of LAWLESSNESS doth already work, but He Who now hindereth will continue to hinder until He (the Hinderer, the Holy Spirit) be taken out of the way (of Antichrist's revelation).

Then (adverb of time — the beginning of Daniel's Seventieth Week, or very soon after the Spirit is taken out of the way in the Rapture of the Church) shall the Wicked (Antichrist) be revealed, him whom the Lord will consume with the Spirit (Word) of His mouth, and destroy with the manifestation of His presence. — II Thessalonians 2:6-8.

Antichrist's revelation comes at the beginning of the Seven Years, soon after the Church has departed with the Hinderer — the Holy Spirit.

Antichrist's destruction in the Lake of Fire (Revelation 19:19-21) comes at the end of the Seven Years — when the Lord Jesus is revealed from Heaven with all His mighty angels in flaming fire (II Thessalonians 1:7-10 and Revelation 19:11-21).

Antichrist's Time is thus the whole Seven Years — Daniel's Seventieth Week.

V. THE FALSE PROPHET — ANTICHRIST'S HERALD AND RIGHT HAND MAN.

1. The old Roman Empire was a combination of religion, politics, commerce, pleasure, military and naval power, diplomacy, craft, tyranny, despotism, and secret murder, fornication, voluptuousness and adultery. Its religion was a mixture of paganism, Judaism, and Christianity — the Devil's mixture. So it will be again in the Revived Roman Empire, during the Time of the End. All the above elements will play their part.

2. During the first three and one-half years of the Time of the End religious Babylon, THE GREAT WHORE (Revelation 2:18-23; 3:14-19; 17:1-7; 18:7), the about to appear World-Federated Church, will ride the scarlet colored, composite, Revived Roman Empire Beast, dominating the governmental politico — religious policy.

To serve his own purpose in making himself strong against the middle of the Week when he intends to put into operation his own system of religion, with his image the center of worship, he permits the Great Whore to have her way. He will use her to establish himself and bring about his own way, or plans, but she will not know it.

Under her domination of the Empire, there will be a governmentally prescribed creed for every one in all the Empire to adopt instantly. Many will then die under the World-Federated Church (Revelation 17:7 and 6:9-11).

3. Exactly in the middle of the week Antichrist lays aside the sheep's wool, and comes out openly as *the Wolf in the evening of time*. It is then that he denies the Father and the Son (I John 2:18-22; 4:2-4; II John 7).

It is then he turns on the apostate church, the Great Whore, and destroys her from the whole earth (Revelation 2:20-23; 17:-16, 17; 18:6-8).

It is then he breaks the covenant with the Jews (Daniel 9:27; Isaiah 33:7, 8) and starts out to destroy the nation.

He enters Palestine with his armies, surrounds Jerusalem (Isaiah 10:5-7; Zechariah 14:1-3; Revelation 11:1, 2), sets his image in the Jews' Temple and demands that it be worshipped by everyone in all Palestine and the Empire (Ezekiel 9:1-9; Daniel 7:25; 8:11, 12, 23-25; 9:27; 11:21-24, 28-45; 12:11; Matthew 24:15-22; Mark 13:14-20; Ezekiel 28:2; Isaiah 14:13, 14; II Thessalonians 2:3, 4; Revelation 13:14, 15).

4. After he has thus destroyed the World-Federated Church, he proceeds to set up his own system of self-deification for the last half of the Seven Years.

This is the only religion he will any longer tolerate — THE RELIGIOUS SYSTEM OF ANTICHRIST.

This is when he brings out his False Prophet, Teacher, and Herald.

5. The Antichrist reigns the Seven full years, yet he does not appear as the BEAST until the middle of his career; the Second Beast of Revelation Thirteenth Chapter does not appear as the False Prophet during the first half of the Week of Seven Years.

Let it be well recognized that, it is in his character as THE BEAST, that he sets himself up (by his Image) as THE ONE SUPREME OBJECT OF WORSHIP in all the Revived Composite Roman Empire (Revelation 13:4-8; 17:8; II Thessalonians 2:3, 4; I John 2:18-22; Daniel 11:36; Ezekiel 28:2; Isaiah 14:-13, 14).

All who refuse to worship him are possibly tormented to get them to do so, and, if they still refuse, their heads are cut off (Revelation 14:9-11; 20:4; 15:2).

His Image set up in the Temple at Jerusalem is an AUTOMATON. It will appear to breathe, to have life. It will actually "speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the Image of the Beast should be killed."

ANTICHRIST'S GREAT IMAGE therefore outdoes Nebuchadnezzar's (Daniel 3:1-30) golden image.

6. As we have said, he appears in the middle of the Week, when Antichrist becomes THE BEAST. How fitting that he is thus described as "ANOTHER BEAST," when he is first mentioned in the Bible.

And I beheld Another Beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

And he exerciseth all the power of the First Beast before him, and causeth the earth and them who dwell therein to worship the First Beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the Beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an Image to the Beast, who had the wound by a sword, and did live.

And he had power to give life unto the Image of the Beast, that the Image of the Beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the Image of the Beast should be killed.

And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads.

And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the Beast, or the number of his name.

Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the Beast; for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred Three Score and Six. — Revelation 13:11-18.

This is his first description in the Bible, and an analysis of this Scripture will show:

(1) That HE WILL COME UP OUT OF THE EARTH— the Revived Roman Empire, the prophetic earth.

The "earth" here is also set over against "sea," out of which the First Beast comes.

"Sea" in prophecy means the restless, heaving, war-tossed, revolution-torn, Gentile mass (Matthew 13:47-50; Jeremiah 51:-42; Luke 21:25-26; Revelation 13:1; 17:15).

The revolution-torn, war-tossed Gentile "sea" casts up the First Beast, the Antichrist.

The Second Beast comes out of the "earth," a more settled condition — the religious development of the composite Revived Roman Empire. He will be the head of the Antichrist system of religion for the last half of the Week of Seven Years.

(2) HE WILL HAVE TWO HORNS "LIKE A LAMB."

The words, "Like a lamb," have no reference to Jesus Christ for reasons which are all convincing to careful and honest students of the Word of God.

The term "Lamb" is found in the Book of the Revelation as follows: Chapter 5:6, 8, 12, 13; 6:1, 16; 7:14, 17; 12:11; 13:8; 14:1, 4; 15:3; twice in 17:14; 19:7, 9; 21:9, 22, 23, 27; 22:1, 3— Twenty-two times in all. In each mention the term is capitalized. The context clearly shows that in each instance "Lamb" should be preceded by the definite article, Thus: THE LAMB.

In Revelation 13:11, it is written "a lamb."

(3) THE PASSAGE CANNOT REFER TO CHRIST; for Revelation 5:6 declares that He has SEVEN HORNS.

The meaning of the passage is simply this: The False Prophet, here called, "Another Beast with *two* (not SEVEN) horns like a lamb," will appear (when he first comes on the scene) meek, quiet, gentle, docile, and innocent as a lamb. Remember that he is to appear, as

THE GREATEST DECEIVER

since man was first created (Revelation 13:13, 14; II Thessalonians 2:9, 10).

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He appears as "a lamb" in order to deceive *all;* but, at the last, he speaks as the Dragon. But it is too late then. The people who are now so eager for the League of Nations are then a part of the Revived Roman Empire and in the clutches of THE TWO BEASTS.

(4) HE EXERCISES ALL THE POWER OF THE FIRST BEAST IN HIS PRESENCE OR ON BEHALF OF THE FIRST BEAST. The Second Beast will do nothing in his own behalf; everything is done by him in the interest of the First Beast.

The Bible presents Antichrist as the ONE GREAT END-TIME CHARACTER. He is "second fiddle" to no other. This fact makes it impossible for the Second Beast to be the Antichrist. *The Antichrist is the First Beast.* "Another Beast" is his attendant, his assistant, his herald, his propagandist — the False Prophet who is to preach him everywhere and teach all concerning him. All this will be in behalf of the First Beast.

Why cannot all writers on Revelation Thirteen, and the Two Beasts see this?

(5) HE CAUSETH THE REVIVED ROMAN EMPIRE, THE PROPHETIC EARTH, TO WORSHIP (not himself, but) the First Beast.

Antichrist (in the Bible) is the object of worship during the last half of the Seven Years. The First Beast is the Antichrist; for the Second Beast directs (causeth) all "the earth and them who dwell therein (the Revived Roman Empire) to WORSHIP THE FIRST BEAST.

(6) HE IS A GREAT MIRACLE WORKER — all in behalf of the First Beast.

(7) HE DECEIVES ALL THE ROMAN EARTH by means of the miracles he had power to do in behalf of the First Beast.

(8) HE CAUSETH THE ROMAN EARTH TO MAKE AN IMAGE OF THE FIRST BEAST.

(9) HE DIRECTS THAT THE IMAGE BE MADE SO THAT IT WILL APPEAR TO BE ALIVE.

(10) HE MAKES THE IMAGE SO IT CAN TALK. See Verse Fifteen for what the Image will command.

(11) HE PUTS IN OPERATION ANTICHRIST'S TERRIBLE NEW LAW, as outlined in Verses Sixteen and Seventeen.

(12) HE IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE ASSYRIAN ANTICHRIST BEAST SYSTEM whose number is the Satanic 666 — *six for the Dragon, six for the Antichrist,* and *six for the False Prophet.*

7. Revelation 13:11-18 is the only place where he is called "Another Beast." From then on he is called "The False Prophet"

WHY IS HE CALLED THE FALSE PROPHET?

Because he is set over against Elijah the herald of the TRUE CHRIST. Elijah, and another witness (Revelation 11:1-12), "These two prophets"— Verse Ten, are to come before the great and dreadful day of Jehovah (Malachi 4:5, 6).

Elijah truly shall first come and restore all things. — Matthew 17:11.

Jesus could not have spoken this Word concerning John the Baptist; for John had been dead sometime then.

Elijah THE TRUE PROPHET of God will certainly come to Israel in the Land, during the first half of the Week. He will say to all: "The True Christ is about to appear and set up His Great World-Wide Millennial Kingdom. He has already taken out the Church to reign with Him as His Bride. Do not worship the Beast. All who do will go into the Lake of Fire." He and the other witness, "These two Prophets," will fulfill Matthew 24:14; Revelation 11:3-13; 14:9-12.

The False Prophet, in order to counteract and overthrow, if possible, what Elijah has preached, will everywhere declare: "There is no God or Son of God (I John 2:22), but the mighty ruler of THE NOW COME BACK GREAT EMPIRE. He is the only god now. Let all bow the knee and worship him. He is now here and in great power. All who do serve and worship him he will increase with honors and riches; and to them he will divide the land for gain (Daniel 7:11, 21, 25; 8:12, 23-25; 11:21-24, 36-39). Let one and all, rich and poor, high and low, great and small, Jew and Gentile, bow the knee at once; fall down before his wonderful Image — the Breathing and Speaking Image God. If you desire to live; if you want to buy or sell, eat, drink, or even breathe any longer, get in his train. If you wish to be taken care of worship the Antichrist without a moment's delay."

They first "wonder" (Revelation 17:8) and then "worship" (Revelation 13:3-8).

Jesus spoke of the Coming False Christ (John 5:43) and of the False Prophet — to be associated with him (Matthew 24:24, 25). Both Antichrist and the False Prophet are real living physical men, though possessed of a *beast* nature.

They are not systems. Systems cannot endure torments for a thousand years (Revelation 19:19-21 compared with Revelation 20:10); nor can systems exist a thousand years after being destroyed.

8. HE IS THE THIRD AND LAST MEMBER OF THE SATANIC TRINITY.

And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

For they are the spirits of demons, working miracles, who go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon. — Revelation 16:12-16.

(1) These frog-like spirits are demons coming from the three members of the Satanic Trinity. They are THE DRAGON (That old Serpent, called the Devil and Satan — Revelation 12:-10; 20:2), the Antigod (Daniel 11:38); the First Beast (Revelation 13:4-8), the Antichrist (I John 2:18-22; II John 7; John 5:43); the Second Beast (Revelation 13:11-17), the False Prophet (Revelation 16:12-16; 19:19-21; 20:10), the Anti Holy Spirit.

Jesus the Christ revealed and worked for His Father — God; so the Antichrist reveals and works for his father, the Devil.

The Holy Spirit revealed and worked miracles to establish the Christ, as the Son of God; so the False Prophet will work signs and wonders with all deceivableness of unrighteousness (II Thessalonians 2:9, 10) in order to establish the Antichrist.

(2) Thus the whole Satanic Antichrist Revived Roman Empire and its system is established in deception and upheld by stupendous signs and wonders — even healing the sick, etc.— all by a special display of Dragonic power. Thus God will permit the Devil to do his utmost, and his worst, in order to test out and carry away, in a deluge of imposture, all those who make, believe, and love THE LIE — Antichrist set over against THE TRUTH, the Lord Jesus Christ. Compare John 14:6 with II Thessalonians 2:11, 12.

And HIS POWER SHALL BE MIGHTY, BUT NOT BY HIS OWN POWER: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. — Daniel 8:24.

For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and SHALL SHEW GREAT SIGNS AND WONDERS; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. — Matthew 24:24.

For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and SHALL SHEW SIGNS AND WONDERS, to seduce, if it were possible, even the very elect. — Mark 13:22.

Even him, whose coming is after THE WORKING OF SATAN WITH ALL POWER AND SIGNS AND LYING WONDERS,

AND WITH ALL DECEIVABLENESS OF UNRIGHTEOUSNESS in them that perish; because they received not the love of the Truth, that they might be saved. — II Thessalonians 2:9, 10.

And HE DOETH GREAT WONDERS, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

And DECEIVETH THEM THAT DWELL ON THE EARTH by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight (or on behalf) of the Beast.—Revelation 13:13, 14.

(3) These miracle working demons from the Satanic Trinity go forth to the kings of the prophetic Revived Roman Empire Earth, and of the whole world — the Northeastern Confederacy (also those of the sheep nations) to gather ALL OF THEM

TO THE BATTLE OF THAT GREAT DAY OF GOD THE ALMIGHTY

9. HE IS TO PERISH WITH THE ANTICHRIST.
See Psalm 2:2, 3; Revelation 17:12-14; 19:19-21.

10. HE AND ANTICHRIST ARRIVE IN HELL ONE THOUSAND YEARS BEFORE THE DEVIL DOES.

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Compare Isaiah 14:12-17, 24-27; 27:1; 30:27-33; 31:8, 9; Ezekiel 28:2-10; Daniel 7:11, 26; 8:25; 11:45; Revelation 19:19-21; 20:10.

11. REVELATION THIRTEEN DESCRIBES THE FALSE CHRIST AND THE FALSE PROPHET AS TWO HORRIBLE, BLOOD-THIRSTY WILD-BEASTS. THE REVIVED ROMAN EMPIRE AND JUDEA ACCEPT THEM BOTH AND, WITH ONE LAST INSANE LUNGE, PLUNGE INTO THE LAKE OF FIRE — HELL.

VI. THE MIGHTY NORTHEASTERN CONFEDERACY OF THE KING OF THE NORTH.

1. The League of Nations becomes the Revived Roman Empire (the Latter-day Babylon) over which Antichrist is to reign the Seven Years.

2. This Antichrist Confederacy of Ten Nations, occasions the organization of the Great White and Yellow Northeastern Confederacy, which the King of the North, Gog, will take over.

This great King and his confederacy will be the deadly antagonist of the Antichrist and his Revived Roman Empire Confederacy.

It is destined under God (we will show from the Scriptures) to overthrow the Antichrist Confederacy, and utterly uproot and destroy the Revived Roman Empire — Babylon. But in doing its Heaven permitted work, it will also be destroyed.

This closing conflict will be the most appalling war in the history of mankind. It will be

ARMAGEDDON

3. Russia, Germany, Japan, Turkey in Asia, India, China, Persia, Armenia, Ethiopia (Abysinia), Libya, parts of Africa, all Europe outside of the territory of the Old Roman Empire, as "Gomer and all his bands," "the house of Togarmah of the North quarters, and many other people" with them, will make up "the overflowing scourge"— the Gothic, Hunnic, Ethiopic, Asiatic, Russian-Germanic and Mohammedan, Yellow Peril at last.

This is that foretold formidable Northeastern Confederacy.

4. It does not matter about the territory, nor the nations, which are now going into the League of Nations.

All nations and all territories not in the Roman Empire at the suspension of Daniel's prophecy at the end of the Sixty-ninth Week, namely 32 A. D., when our Lord was crucified, will not go into the Ten Kingdomed Confederacy of the Antichrist, except as tributary nations, and they then can, and will, according to the prophecy, break away at any time.

This is why we are certain that, though the United States and Great Britain are now in the League of Nations, and though they may go into the Antichrist Confederacy as tributary powers at its beginning, they will certainly come out, according to the Bible.

England was not a part of the Roman Empire in A. D. 32 when the Sixty-ninth Week ended. She was not annexed until 48 A. D. She will, therefore, not be in the Revived Roman Empire as one of the constituent ten contracting or confederating powers; neither will she be even a tributary part of it at its final overthrow at Armaggeddon.

Her destiny, with that of these United States, is to preserve Israel from perishing between Antichrist and the King of the North.

5. The outlines of both Great Confederacies — that of Antichrist, the Revived Roman Empire, and that of the Northeast, the domain of Gog, the King of the North, may now be seen taking shape.

6. The even now dreaded NORTHEASTERN CONFEDERACY IS TO BE RAISED UP AS THE GOD-PERMITTED SCOURGE ON ANTICHRIST AND BABYLON — THE REVIVED ROMAN EMPIRE, INCLUDING JUDEA.

(1) Therefore shall the Lord, the Lord of hosts, send among His fat ones leanness; and under His glory He shall kindle a burning like the burning of a fire.

And the Light of Israel shall be for a fire, and His Holy One for a flame: and it shall burn and devour his thorns and his briers in one day;

And shall consume the glory of his forest, and of his fruitful field, BOTH SOUL AND BODY: and they shall be as when a standard-bearer fainteth.

And THE LORD OF HOSTS SHALL STIR UP A SCOURGE FOR HIM according to the slaughter of Midian at the rock of Oreb: and as his rod was upon the sea, so shall he lift it up after the manner of Egypt.

And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the Anointed One. — Isaiah 10:16-18, 26, 27.

The King of the North is that SCOURGE overflowing Palestine, and the whole Antichrist Confederacy toward *the latter part* of the Time of the End.

(2) The Apostate Jewish Nation, then back in the land under the Antichrist Roman Empire Covenant, considers itself safe because of that covenant. Because of that covenant (Daniel 9:27), or League (Daniel 11:23, 30-35) made with Rome and Antichrist, God permits THE SCOURGE to enter and overflow all Palestine, thus bringing the apostate Jews to the brink of destruction.

Because ye have said, WE HAVE MADE A COVENANT WITH DEATH, AND WITH HELL ARE WE AT AGREEMENT; WHEN THE OVERFLOWING SCOURGE SHALL PASS THROUGH, IT SHALL NOT COME UNTO US: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves:

And YOUR COVENANT WITH DEATH SHALL BE DISANNULLED, AND YOUR AGREEMENT WITH HELL SHALL NOT STAND; WHEN THE OVERFLOWING SCOURGE SHALL PASS THROUGH, THEN YE SHALL BE TRODDEN DOWN BY IT.

For the Lord shall rise up as in mount Perazim, He shall be wroth as in the valley of Gibeon, that He may do His work, His strange work; and bring to pass His act, His strange act.

Now therefore be ye not mockers, lest your bands be made strong: for I have heard from the Lord God of hosts a consumption, even determined upon the whole earth. — Isaiah 28:15, 18, 21, 22.

(3) The march of THE SCOURGE — the Great Northeastern Armies through Babylon, the Revived Roman Empire, and, especially, Israel's Land, is vividly described in Joel 2:1-11:

Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in My holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the Lord cometh, for it is nigh at hand;

A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations.

A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them.

The appearance of them is as the appearance of horses; and as horsemen, so shall they run.

Like the noise of chariots on the tops of the mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array.

Before their face the people shall be much pained; all faces shall gather blackness.

They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall like men of war; and they shall march every one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks:

Neither shall one thrust another; they shall walk every one in his path: and when they fall upon the sword, they shall not be wounded.

They shall run to and fro in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall climb up upon the houses; they shall enter in at the windows like a thief.

The earth shall quake before them; the Heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:

And the Lord shall utter His voice before His army: for His camp is very great: for He is strong that executeth His Word: for the day of the Lord is great and very terrible; and who can abide it? — Joel 2:1-11.

Note a few things here:

a. Before the invasion "the Land was as the Garden of Eden." As the hordes pass through it, it becomes "a desolate wilderness; and nothing escapes them" — Like Germany going through Belgium and Northern France.

b. Verse Four — the Northern Army (Verse Twenty) is all on horseback — a great army of horsemen. Ezekiel, Chapters Thirty-eight and Thirty-nine, as well as many other passages, declares the same — that the armies of Gog, the Great King of the North, will be mostly on horseback. Compare Isaiah 5:24-29; Jeremiah 4:13; 8:15, 16; Revelation 9:13-21; 19:17, 18. Revelation 14:20 says that blood will then flow out from Jerusalem, the whole length of Palestine, to the depth of *the horses' bridles*.

These swift horses enable the King of the North to tear through Palestine and the Empire after the apostate Jews and Antichrist LIKE A WHIRLWIND.

And at The Time of the End shall the King of the South push at him: and THE KING OF THE NORTH SHALL COME AGAINST HIM LIKE A WHIRLWIND, WITH CHARIOTS, AND WITH HORSEMEN, AND WITH MANY SHIPS; AND HE SHALL ENTER INTO THE COUNTRIES, AND SHALL OVERFLOW AND PASS OVER.

HE SHALL ENTER ALSO INTO THE GLORIOUS LAND, AND

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MANY COUNTRIES SHALL BE OVERTHROWN: but these shall escape out of his hand, even Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon.

HE SHALL STRETCH FORTH HIS HAND ALSO UPON THE COUNTRIES: AND THE LAND OF EGYPT SHALL NOT ESCAPE. — Daniel 11:40-42.

Behold, THE WHIRLWIND OF THE LORD GOETH FORTH WITH FURY, A CONTINUING WHIRLWIND: it shall fall with pain upon the head of the wicked.

The fierce anger of the Lord shall not return, until he have done it, and until he have performed the intents of his heart: IN THE LATTER DAYS YE SHALL CONSIDER IT. — Jeremiah 30: 23, 24.

A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth; for THE LORD HATH A CONTROVERSY WITH THE NATIONS, HE WILL PLEAD WITH ALL FLESH; he will give them that are wicked to the sword, saith the Lord.

Thus saith the Lord of hosts, BEHOLD, EVIL SHALL GO FORTH FROM NATION TO NATION, AND A GREAT WHIRLWIND SHALL BE RAISED UP FROM THE COASTS OF THE EARTH.

AND THE SLAIN OF THE LORD SHALL BE AT THAT DAY FROM ONE END OF THE EARTH EVEN UNTO THE OTHER END OF THE EARTH: THEY SHALL NOT BE LAMENTED, NEITHER GATHERED, NOR BURIED; THEY SHALL BE DUNG UPON THE GROUND. — Jeremiah 25:31-33.

Behold, the Northeastern Whirlwind Scourge!

c. Verse Eleven — the Great Northern Army is here called "The Lord's Army" because he uses it to chastise the apostate Jews and the Antichrist. It is

JEHOVAH'S GREAT SCOURGE.

7. Egypt is also to be SCOURGED and conquered (wrested from the Revived Roman Empire and Britain) by the King of the North. Compare Ezekiel 30:11; 32:12; Joel 3:9; Zechariah 10:11; Daniel 11:42, 43.

Having conquered Egypt, its king — the King of the South — moves with the King of the North in the final attack on Antichrist (Daniel 11:40).

The doings of Antichrist in Palestine (while the King of the North is warring in Egypt) are the "tidings out of the East and out of the North" (Palestine East and North of Egypt) that so troubles the King of the North; so that he goes forth with such awful fury — *"like a WHIRLWIND to destroy, and to utterly make away many"* (Daniel 11:44).

8. THE SCOURGE — the King of the North and his great armies are called

STRANGERS, THE TERRIBLE OF THE NATIONS

who are sent against Antichrist and his Babylon — the Revived Roman Empire.

Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyrus, Thus saith the Lord God; Because thine heart is lifted up, and thou hast said, I am a god, I sit in the seat of God, in the midst of the seas; yet thou art a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God.

Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Because thou hast set thine heart as the heart of God;

Behold, therefore, I WILL BRING STRANGERS UPON THEE, THE TERRIBLE OF THE NATIONS: and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of thy wisdom, and they shall defile thy brightness.

They shall bring thee down to the pit, and thou shalt die the deaths of them that are slain in the midst of the seas.

Wilt thou yet say before him that slayeth thee, I am God? but thou shalt be a man, and no god, in the hand of him that slayeth thee.

Thou shalt die the deaths of the uncircumcised by the hand of strangers: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord God. — Ezekiel 28:2, 6-10.

HE AND HIS PEOPLE WITH HIM, THE TERRIBLE OF THE NATIONS, SHALL BE BROUGHT TO DESTROY THE LAND (OF PALESTINE): and they shall draw their swords against Egypt, and fill the land with the slain.

And I will make the rivers dry, and sell the land into the hand of the wicked: and I will make the land waste, and all that is therein, BY THE HAND OF STRANGERS: I the Lord have spoken it — Ezekiel 30:11, 12.

And I WILL GIVE IT (PALESTINE) INTO THE HANDS OF THE STRANGERS FOR A PREY, AND TO THE WICKED OF THE EARTH FOR A SPOIL; AND THEY SHALL POLLUTE IT. — Ezekiel 7:21.

Behold, THE ASSYRIAN (The Antichrist) was a cedar in Lebanon with fair branches, and with a shadowing shroud, and of an high stature; and his top was among the thick boughs.

The waters (The Nations) made him great, THE DEEP SET HIM UP on high with her rivers running round about his plants, and sent out her little rivers unto all the trees of the field.

Therefore his height was exalted above all the trees of the field, and his boughs were multiplied, and his branches became long because of the multitude of waters, when he shot forth.

ALL THE FOWLS OF HEAVEN (THE DEMONS) MADE THEIR NESTS IN HIS BOUGHS, and under his branches did all the beasts of the field bring forth their young, and UNDER HIS SHADOW DWELT ALL GREAT NATIONS.

Thus was he fair in his greatness, in the length of his branches: for his root was by great waters.

The cedars in the Garden of God could not hide him: the fir trees were not like his boughs, and the chestnut trees were not like his branches; nor any tree in the Garden of God was like unto him in his beauty.

I have made him fair by the multitude of his branches: so that all the trees of Eden, that were in the Garden of God, envied him.

Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Because thou hast lifted up thyself in height, and he hath shot up his top among the thick boughs, and HIS HEART IS LIFTED UP IN HIS HEIGHT;

I HAVE THEREFORE DELIVERED HIM INTO THE HAND OF THE MIGHTY ONE OF THE HEATHEN; HE SHALL SURELY DEAL WITH HIM: I HAVE DRIVEN HIM OUT FOR HIS WICKEDNESS.

AND STRANGERS, THE TERRIBLE OF THE NATIONS, HAVE CUT HIM OFF, AND HAVE LEFT HIM: UPON THE MOUNTAINS AND IN ALL THE VALLEYS HIS BRANCHES ARE FALLEN, AND HIS BOUGHS ARE BROKEN BY ALL THE RIVERS OF THE LAND; AND ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE EARTH ARE GONE DOWN FROM HIS SHADOW, AND HAVE LEFT HIM.

UPON HIS RUIN SHALL ALL THE FOWLS OF THE HEAVEN REMAIN, AND ALL THE BEASTS OF THE FIELD SHALL BE UPON HIS BRANCHES:

I MADE THE NATIONS TO SHAKE AT THE SOUND OF HIS FALL, WHEN I CAST HIM DOWN TO HELL WITH THEM THAT DESCEND INTO THE PIT: and all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, shall be comforted in the nether parts of the earth.

They also went down into hell with him unto them that be slain with the sword; and they that were his arm, that dwelt under his shadow in the midst of the heathen. — Ezekiel 31:3-13, 16, 17.

9. This Northeastern Horde comes into Babylon, the Revived Roman Empire and Palestine from THE NORTH.

Howl, O gate; cry, O city; thou, whole Palestine, art dissolved: for THERE SHALL COME FROM THE NORTH A SMOKE, and none shall be alone in his appointed times. — Isaiah 14:31.

I HAVE RAISED UP ONE FROM THE NORTH, AND HE SHALL COME: from the rising of the sun shall he call upon my name: and he shall come. — Isaiah 41:25.

Then the Lord said unto me, OUT OF THE NORTH AN EVIL SHALL BREAK FORTH upon all the inhabitants of the land.

For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the North, saith the Lord; and they shall come, and they shall set every one his throne at the entering of the gates of Jerusalem, and against all the walls thereof round about, and against all the cities of Judah.

And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken Me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands. — Jeremiah 1:14-16.

Set up the standard toward Zion: retire, stay not: for I WILL BRING EVIL FROM THE NORTH, AND A GREAT DESTRUCTION.

The lion is come up from his thicket, and the destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way; he is gone forth from his place to make thy land desolate; and thy cities shall be laid waste, without an inhabitant.

For this gird you with sackcloth, lament and howl: for the fierce anger of the Lord is not turned back from us.

And it shall come to pass at that day, saith the Lord, that the heart of the king shall perish, and the heart of the princes; and the priests shall be astonished, and the prophets shall wonder.

Behold, he shall come up as clouds, and HIS CHARIOTS SHALL BE AS A WHIRLWIND: HIS HORSES ARE SWIFTER THAN EAGLES. WOE UNTO US! FOR WE ARE SPOILED. — Jeremiah 4:6-9, 13.

EVIL APPEARETH OUT OF THE NORTH, AND A GREAT DESTRUCTION. — Jeremiah 6:1.

Let not the swift flee away, nor the mighty man escape; THEY SHALL STUMBLE, AND FALL TOWARD THE NORTH BY THE RIVER EUPHRATES.

COME UP, YE HORSES; AND RAGE, YE CHARIOTS; AND LET THE MIGHTY MEN COME FORTH; THE ETHIOPIANS AND THE LIBYANS, THAT HANDLE THE SHIELD; AND THE LYDIANS, that handle and bend the bow (Compare Ezekiel 38:5).

For this is the day of the Lord God of hosts, a day of vengeance, that he may avenge him of his adversaries: and the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk with their blood: for THE LORD GOD OF HOSTS HATH A SACRIFICE IN THE NORTH COUNTRY BY THE RIVER EUPHRATES. — Jeremiah 46:6, 9, 10.

Thus saith the Lord; BEHOLD, WATERS RISE UP OUT OF THE NORTH, AND SHALL BE AN OVERFLOWING FLOOD, AND SHALL OVERFLOW THE LAND, AND ALL THAT IS THEREIN; THE CITY, AND THEM THAT DWELL THEREIN: then the men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall howl.

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AT THE NOISE OF THE STAMPING OF THE HOOFS OF HIS STRONG HORSES, AT THE RUSHING OF HIS CHARIOTS, AND AT THE RUMBLING OF HIS WHEELS, the fathers shall not look back to their children for feebleness of hands. — Jeremiah 47:2, 3.

10. The King of the North is also called

THE SPOILER

and his hordes will leave ruin everywhere they go.

And THE SPOILER SHALL COME UPON EVERY CITY, AND NO CITY SHALL ESCAPE: THE VALLEY ALSO SHALL PERISH, AND THE PLAIN SHALL BE DESTROYED, AS THE LORD HATH SPOKEN. — Jeremiah 48:8.

11. The Babylon of Isaiah Thirteenth Chapter is not the Ancient Babylon, but THE END-TIME BABYLON of Revelation, the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Chapters, the Revived Roman Empire; for the Babylon of Isaiah Thirteen is utterly consumed in

THE DAY OF THE LORD.

Carefully read the whole Chapter now and see for yourself.

12. The Fourteenth Chapter of Isaiah proves the correctness of the above position.

(1) The total destruction occurs when Jehovah returns Israel to Palestine — Verses One and Two.

(2) Antichrist is there called THE KING OF BABYLON. His character, rise, progress, rule, overthrow, and reception in hell, are minutely described — Verses 3-23.

(3) It is therein declared that the Great Assyrian — Antichrist King of Babylon will be broken, crushed, and utterly consumed in the Lord's Land, with the overthrow of Babylon, his Empire, *in that day* — Verses 24-27.

(4) At that time all Palestine is dissolved, goes to pieces, in the overthrow of Antichrist and Babylon — Verses 29-31.

(5) ZION, the Millennial Kingdom, will then be founded — set up — Verse Thirty-two.

13. The Babylon of Jeremiah, Chapters Fifty and Fifty-one is Antichrist's Babylon, the Revived Roman Empire, totally consumed in the DAY OF JEHOVAH. Note the following proof statements from the Chapters.

(1) It will be when the Northeastern eruption takes place — when they make war on Babylon and Antichrist. See Jeremiah 50:3.

(2) The destruction will come when the children of Israel (the Ten Tribes) and the children of Judah shall go weeping their way to ZION — never yet fulfilled. See Jeremiah 50:4, 5.

(3) It will be when *an assembly of great nations come against Antichrist from the North.* See Jeremiah 50:9-11.

Only one nation, or at the most two — the Medes and Persians — came against Ancient Babylon.

(4) It will be at the time the sin of Israel and of Judah shall be taken away (Jeremiah 50:20), and it will be when those who escape from Babylon will hasten to Jerusalem to declare in ZION what God has done — Verse Twenty-eight.

(5) This will be the destruction of the hammer of the whole prophetic earth — Verses 22-32.

(6) Again it is declared that her SPOILERS come out of the North — Verses 41-45.

(7) Antichrist faints at the report of this eruption from the North — Verse Forty-three.

(8) It is again asserted that Israel will then be delivered.

For Israel hath not been forsaken, nor Judah of his God, of the Lord of hosts; though their land was filled with sin against the Holy One of Israel.

FLEE OUT OF THE MIDST OF BABYLON, AND DELIVER EVERY MAN HIS SOUL: BE NOT CUT OFF IN HER INIQUITY; FOR THIS IS THE TIME OF THE LORD'S VENGEANCE; HE WILL RENDER UNTO HER A RECOMPENCE.

Babylon hath been a golden cup in the Lord's hand, that made all the earth drunken: THE NATIONS HAVE DRUNKEN OF HER WINE; THEREFORE THE NATIONS ARE MAD.

BABYLON IS SUDDENLY FALLEN AND DESTROYED:

The Lord hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and let us declare in Zion the work of the Lord our God. — Jeremiah 51:5-8, 10.

(9) Awful terror seizes the fighting men of Babylon as the war goes against them. Jehovah will then be on the side of the Northeastern Confederacy (Jeremiah 51:30).

(10) How is Sheshach taken and how is the praise of the whole earth surprised! HOW IS BABYLON BECOME AN ASTONISHMENT AMONG THE NATIONS!

THE SEA IS COME UP UPON BABYLON: SHE IS COVERED WITH THE MULTITUDE OF THE WAVES THEREOF.

HER CITIES ARE A DESOLATION, A DRY LAND, AND A WILDERNESS, a land wherein no man dwelleth, neither doth any son of man pass thereby. — Jeremiah 51:41-43.

SHESHACH is another name for Antichrist.

Ancient Babylon was not on the "sea." The "sea" sweeping over Babylon here is the tidal waves of the armies of the King of the North. Compare Luke 21:25, 26.

(11) And I will punish Bel (Antichrist) in Babylon, and I will bring forth out of his mouth that which he hath swallowed up: and the nations shall not flow together any more unto him: yea, the wall of Babylon shall fall. — Jeremiah 11:44.

"Bel" is Antichrist — Here the "nations" quit flowing unto him.

(12) Once more God's people, Israel, will be exhorted to flee out of Babylon — the Antichrist system of Empire — See Verses Forty-five and Fifty.

(13) As Babylon had slain Israel, so at Babylon, or in the Revived Roman Empire, the slain of all the earth would fall — See Verse Forty-nine.

(14) Once again it is asserted that the King of the North and his hordes are THE SPOILERS from God for the total destruction of THE GREAT END-TIME BABYLON — See Verses 48, 52-58.

(15) THE GREAT VOICE destroyed out of this Babylon is the Antichrist himself — Verse Fifty-five.

(16) AT THE NOISE OF THE TAKING OF BABYLON THE EARTH IS MOVED, AND THE CRY IS HEARD AMONG THE NATIONS. — Jeremiah 50:46.

(17) Jeremiah 51:64 — THUS SHALL BABYLON SINK, AND NOT RISE.

14. Revelation the Eighteenth Chapter describes the complete destruction of the same Babylonian Revived Roman Empire. Read it now with Chapter Seventeen also.

15. Those two great chapters in Ezekiel (Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth) tell of the invasion of Palestine by the King of the North, and how he perishes on the mountains of Israel in the greatest hailstorm which will ever have occurred.

Compare Ezekiel 38:19-23; Psalm 11:6; Isaiah 28:2; 29:6; 30:30; Revelation 16:17-21.

VII. In concluding this Address, we observe —

THE GREAT END-TIME COMING ONES

1. Our Lord Jesus Christ is coming FOR His Church and all the saints (John 14:1-3; I Thessalonians 4:13-18; Revelation 3:10). This is the Rapture at the beginning of Daniel's Seventieth Week.

2. Antichrist, the Man of Sin, is coming (Isaiah 10:5-7, 12-14; 14:13-17; Ezekiel 28:2; Daniel 7:8, 20-25; 8:9-12, 23-25; 9:26, 27; 11: 21-24, 30-45; Matthew 24:15-24; II Thessalonians 2:1-12; Revelation 6:1-8; 13:1-10; 17:8).

3. The False Prophet, Antichrist's right hand man and herald, is surely coming (Revelation 13:11-18; 16:12-16; 19:19-21; 20:10).

4. The Devil himself is certainly coming. He will appear on earth with all his demons exactly in the middle of Daniel's Seventieth Week (Isaiah 14:12; 24:21; 27:1; Ezekiel 28:18, 19; Luke 10:18; Revelation 12:7-12.)

5. We have clearly shown that the King of the North is coming.

6. Jesus the Christ, as Son of David, Son of Man, King of kings and Lord of lords, is surely coming to Armageddon, at the end of Daniel's Seventieth Week (Matthew 24:27-31; Luke 21:25-28; Acts 15:14-18; Colossians 3:4; II Thessalonians 1: 7-10; II Timothy 4:1; Jude 14, 15; Revelation 1:7; 14:14-20; 16:17-21; 19:11-21).

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION and the City of ZION, Illinois, U. S. A., have been raised up of God to give forth the End-Time teaching, the message now due to be delivered, and to gather the Saints into this Ark of Safety, this Place of Refuge, that we might all be made ready for Christ's Coming; and, escaping all things that shall come to pass during Daniel's Seventieth Week — the Time of the End, — that we might come back with the Christ at the end of those last Seven Years and assist Him in the inauguration and rule of His Great Millennial Kingdom.

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Fred Faassen in Organ Recital



(A Reprint From *The Music News*, Chicago, Illinois, of October 24, 1919.)

A very interesting Organ Concert was given on the great organ at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, ILL., last Thursday evening before an appreciative audience of over 1,200 by Mr. Fred Faassen, the organist.

He was assisted by Mr. Glenn R. Sparrow, tenor, who sang "Comfort Ye" from the Messiah, and Mr. Richard F. Hire, violinist, playing Vieuxtemps' "Fantaisie, Op. II." Both were well received.

The first organ group consisted of the four movements of Mendelssohn's "Second Sonata," Grave, Adagio, Allegro Maestoso e Vivace, and Fuga. Each movement was well rendered, and the strong boldness of the last fugal movement was especially good.

The second group consisted of "Will-of-the-Wisp" (Nevin), "At Evening" (Kinder), "Allegretto" (Foote), and "Resurrection Morn" (Johnson). The first of this group is a bewitching little selection, and a happy combination of flute stops made it very effective. In the second number the choir echo organ was used, and owing to its distance from the main organ and auditorium, it proved a very good combination.

The last group consisted of the now famous "Finlandia" (Sibelius), "Fanfare in D Major" (Lemmens), and "Pomp and Circumstance" (Elgar). The first of this group was the crowning success of the evening. The choral was played on the vox humana in the echo, while the chimes were used on the repetition, which proved most adaptable for it. This is a most remarkably descriptive work and its colors and moods were well brought out through the endless resources of this great instrument. The Fanfare was executed with a flourish and blare that was thrilling. Elgar's number was performed with bigness and majesty that made a very fitting close to the splendid program.

The big organ responded beautifully to every demand made upon it by Mr. Faassen, the organist. He held this position for a short time before entering the navy, and since his release has officiated regularly. He understands his instrument, knows its resources and possibilities and displays real art and mastery in its manipulation.

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We print herewith a full list of the names of those who have made pledges for the School Year, October 1, 1919 — October 1, 1920, with the respective amounts pledged.

If there should be any mistakes in the list as printed from week to week, notice of same should be sent to Apostle Anton Darms, Administration Building, and the mistakes will be corrected in the next issue of LEAVES OF HEALING following the receipt of such notice.

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Zion, Illinois.....1919

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
President of ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS:

For the support of ZION SCHOOLS for twelve months — October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920 — we (.....in number) will contribute $.....

Signed.....

Address.....

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Zion, Illinois.....1919

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REMARKABLE PROGRESS has been made in the establishment of Zion City since March 1, 1911, but much work remains yet to be done ere the task is fully completed.

AS FULLY UNDERSTOOD then (March 1, 1911), we counted on, and were promised, the full cooperation of the Officers and Members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion; and therefore, we assumed the entire burden, and have been, as we can humbly and truthfully say, wholly consecrated to the work undertaken; namely, THE FULL REDEMPTION OF ZION CITY.

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ZION CITY is the inevitable outgrowth of the Principles, Ideas, and Ideals of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. The Institutions are absolutely necessary, for the people must have employment.

ZION PEOPLE everywhere should have every available dollar invested in ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES.



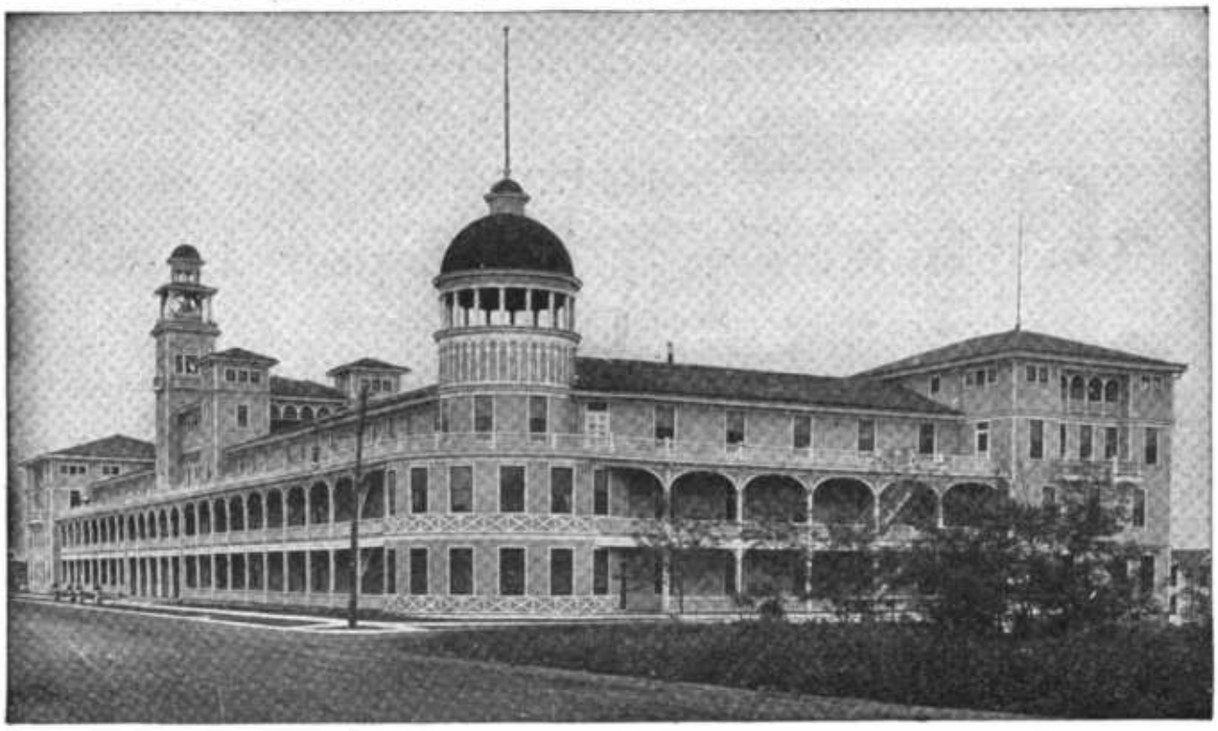
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For any further information write to — WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, Administration Building, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., placing the words, "For Zion Home" on the lower left-hand corner of the envelope.

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DEPARTMENT STORE

Zion Confectionery Dept. and Lunch Room

This department is now a very busy section of the store around lunch hours. There are 16 tables, but it frequently happens that there is not a place to spare. Autoists are finding out that it is a good place to stop and enjoy a good wholesome home cooked meal at a very reasonable price. Salesmen too have told us how much they enjoy having their dinner here.

We serve three good meals a day at the following times —

	Week Days	Lord's Days
Breakfast	6 to 9	6 to 9
Dinner	12 to 2	11:30 to 1
Supper	5 to 7	5:30 to 7

Our Zion Made Pure Ice Cream is always in demand both with meals and at all times of the day.

Zion Candies have made a name for themselves and visitors make a point of taking a supply with them or having them mailed to friends.

It's the quality that counts.

One candy always makes you want more.

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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

VOLUME XLV. No. 8. ZION, ILLINOIS, U. S. A., NOVEMBER 15, 1919. Price, Five Cents.

GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Instantly and Permanently Healed of Neuritis After Sending in a Prayer Request to Zion. Later Healed of Catarrh, La Grippe, Bronchitis, Pneumonia, and Eczema of Ten Years Standing, by the Power of God, in Answer to the Prayer of Faith.

THOU LIFTEST ME UP FROM THE GATES OF DEATH: THAT I MAY SHOW FORTH ALL THY PRAISE IN THE GATES OF THE DAUGHTER OF ZION: I WILL REJOICE IN THY SALVATION."—Psalm 9:13, 14.

How beautiful the thought that God lifts up from the gates of death!

Only God can save from death! It is He Who is with us, and takes us safely "through the valley of the shadow of death."

We have seen many raised up from dying beds, by the power of God, who would have passed away had they been in the hands of physicians.

GOD THE AUTHOR AND THE PRESERVER OF LIFE!

God is the source of all life! He it is Who in creation brought forth conscious and unconscious life, and gave to man a spirit, a soul and a body.

"And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of LIFE; and man became a LIVING soul."—Genesis 2:7.

"For with Thee is the fountain of life: in Thy light shall we see light."—Psalm 36:9.

The Psalmist also tells us that God takes care of the life which He imparts.

"He asked life of Thee, and Thou gavest it him, even length of days."—Psalm 21:4.



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"With long life will I satisfy him."—Psalm 91:16.

"Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases;

"Who redeemeth thy life from destruction."—Psalm 103:3, 4.

"He shall preserve thy life."—Psalm 121:7.

These passages all refer to the life of the body—physical life—which man has in common with all animals.

Therefore, we see that physical life, as well as spiritual life, is dependent upon God, and that they who wait upon God shall be strengthened in spirit, in soul, and in body.

"He giveth to all life, and breath, and all things."—Acts 17:25.

DEATH, SEPARATION FROM GOD; LIFE IS UNION WITH GOD.

Consequently, the seeker after health and strength must get in touch with God.

This is the Way of life for all humanity!

"The life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God."—Galatians 2:20.

There is no life apart from God, and all life is sustained by God. Poisonous drugs cannot impart or sustain life.

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings

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as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." — Isaiah 40:31.

"But Jesus answered and said, It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."—Matthew 4:4.

Unclean food, poisonous drugs, filthy habits, and impure thinking and living are rapidly undermining both the spiritual and physical life of the people: there is death not only on the battle fields, but death stalks throughout the land.

A Sin-Cursed, and Disease-Smitten Humanity

The sinful, sick and dying are all around us.

Doctors and drugs, surgeons and knives, hospitals and asylums, have all failed to stop the rising tide of death that is sweeping over the earth; but with the increase of human means there has been a corresponding increase in sickness, disease and death.

The only hope for humanity is to set aside these things and return to God and to His Word.

"I am the Lord that healeth thee."—Exodus 15:26.

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

Divine Healing a Present-Day Reality in Zion

The power of God is just the same today!

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

Here is a living witness to God's willingness and power to heal.

She had entered the valley of the shadow of death, but the Lord brought her safely through, and today she is well and strong. Verily, "Thou liftest me up from the gates of death."

She was healed of catarrh with which she had suffered many years. She was also healed of many other diseases.

She now seeks to "show forth God's praise in the gates of the daughter of Zion."

Read her remarkable testimony which has been written with her own hand, telling how wonderfully God healed her in answer to prayer in Zion.

The Sure Foundation Upon Which Divine Healing Rests

We accept Divine healing (and there is no other) because it rests upon God's Word and is provided in the Atonement of Jesus Christ.

"Surely He hath borne our griefs (sicknesses) 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." — Isaiah 53:4, 5.

And such testimonies as this are present-day evidences of the fact that God is still the Healer of His people.

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever." —Hebrews 13:8.

"For in Him we live, and move, and have our being."—Acts 17:28.

— Apostle Wm. S. Peckham.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MRS. OTTO FOLKERS

Monee, Illinois,
October 19, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee!

I feel it to be my duty toward God to give my testimony.

I had been suffering for years, as many people in this climate do, with catarrh, when, about four years ago, I contracted a severe cold which turned into La Grippe. After that, the catarrh became so severe that I began to fear that it was turning into consumption. I caught cold very easily, and each cold left me in a worse condition.

I had to expectorate exceedingly, and before retiring every evening, I would put three good sized cloths under my pillow. In the morning, as soon as I would awaken, I would have to hack, cough, choke, and expectorate until those three cloths were soaked. Then I would arise to do my day's work, taking several dry cloths downstairs with me. I often gagged, until I would have to vomit.

I went to our family physician and had my lungs examined. The doctor said that my bronchial tubes were affected by the catarrh, and that the infection was on its way to my lungs.

I had been taking all kinds of medicine, but grew worse instead of better.

At last, I became so desperate that I did not care what kind of drugs or medicine I took. Some of the tablets were so strong that their odor filled my body, so that even my perspiration smelled of them.

I then answered advertisements in the magazines. I sent for a very expensive remedy which was to be taken internally, and also for one to use as a gargle and another to inhale. The first was so strong that when I dropped a little on the varnish, the woodwork became spotted; it ate the varnish off. I thought: "I cannot help it if it does hurt me; I have to stave off dying as long as possible."

My husband would often scold me for taking such strong medicine. He told me that his mother had been healed of cancer of the stomach over twenty years ago, by prayer, and that I should pray for my healing.

I had been taught in the church to which I belonged and where I was an active member, that in God's all-wise plan it was sometimes necessary for Him to make us sick that He might mould us into what He wanted us to be. I did not stop to think that if this were the case, I should take it patiently, and not dope myself up with medicines. But I was afraid to claim my healing from God. I told my husband that I did not believe that it was God's will that I should be healed; but he contended that it was His will.

At that time, I did not know much about ZION. Before I was married, I had heard only evil of it. My husband did not know whether ZION existed yet or not, but thought I ought to go there if it did. I was willing to do anything by that time — even to go to that awful (?) city — ZION!

One day, among some old papers, I found a scrap of an old Chicago paper, which had on it the announcement of a Feast of Tabernacles, with the General Overseer's name and address on it. At once, we began to investigate and soon received a copy of the LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT. Our interest grew as we read them and it was decided that I should go and be prayed for. I did not know then that I needed more faith and that I had to get it through the Word of God.

I went to Zion one Sunday and immediately fell in love with the city: it was the city of my dreams. I had longed for a place like this, but did not know that such an one existed. Later I went there again and remained a month, in which I learned to love our Kind Heavenly Father better than I ever had before.

I shall never forget the little meetings held in the Zion Home by Apostle Moot and Elder Hammock, and the wonderful meetings held on Lord's Days led by the General Overseer. The White Robed Choir also made a lasting impression on me.

During that month God healed me of that horrid catarrh, for which I praise Him. It seems wonderful to me. I cannot praise Him enough. Whenever anything bothers me now, I simply pray or send a prayer request to Zion, and God, in His mercy, heals me.

It has been over a year now, since I was healed of that catarrh. Since then, I have had only a few mild colds. This is something extraordinary for me, for I cannot remember ever having a mild cold. Even when a small child, I used to suffer severely with them. One cold turned into pneumonia which left my lungs in a weak condition; but, praise the Lord, now it is all different.

I want to live for Christ; my everything is His.

Shortly before I was healed of catarrh, I was afflicted with neuritis. My right arm was in such a helpless condition that I could hardly use it. I had terrible pains on the right side of my head and in my right arm. I sent in a prayer request, and several days later all of a sudden the pains disappeared, and I have not had it since.

I also have been healed of eczema, with which I had been troubled for over ten years.

I want to be ready when Christ comes.

I long to live in ZION. It sometimes has seemed as if this longing would become fulfilled, then again, I would be disappointed: but I have not given up this hope. I pray for it daily, and also for Zion's speedy and complete establishment.

Your Sister in the Christ,

(Signed) MRS. OTTO FOLKERS.

Consecration of Children

The following-named Children were consecrated to God through the laying on of hands and prayer by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, Lord's Day, November 2, 1919, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, ILLINOIS:

Brune, James Conrad	Illinois
Hill, Miriam Gertrude	Illinois
Johnson, William Hampton	Illinois
Martin, David Peckham	Illinois
McIntosh, Muriel Ellen	Illinois
Parry, John Lawson	Illinois
Pratt, John Edward	Illinois
Pratt, Kathleen Helen	Illinois
Pratt, Marion Evelyn	Illinois
Pratt, Vera Elizabeth	Illinois
Smith, Ernest Russell	Illinois
Tuggle, Wesley Theodore	Illinois

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"THE TIME OF THE END"

Report of Address Delivered by Apostle Anton Darms, During Zion's Nineteenth Feast of Tabernacles Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U.S.A., Wednesday Morning, July 16, 1919. Conducted by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by E. M. S.)

Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Jesus the Christ, we will call our attention first to Amos 9:8-11:

Behold the eyes of the Lord God are upon the sinful kingdom —

he sinful kingdom is Israel.

Strange, that this people that had been favored so wonderully of God, — strange, that this nation that had been created for great purpose in the call of Abraham, for the purpose of bringng blessing to all the families of the earth, for the purpose of eaching the world what it means to love and serve God, for he purpose of establishing the rule and Kingdom that shall never e overthrown, — strange, that such a kingdom and people should e a sinful kingdom.

— and I will destroy it from off the face of the earth; saving that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob, saith the Lord.

God said He would not destroy the nation, even though He had to punish them.

For, lo, I will command, and I will sift the house of Israel among all nations, like as corn is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least grain fall upon the earth.

Surely, if any people ever has been sifted, as a nation, scattered over the earth, peeled, trodden down, and oppressed, it has been the Jewish people and the Jewish nation.

Israel Scattered and Peeled, but not Destroyed

Ten tribes of Israel were scattered into Assyria and have never been discovered or located since. No one knows where they are today, except the worldly wise, who attempt to fathom things that are not as yet revealed; but they will be discovered and recalled.

The two tribes — Judah and Benjamin — have been scattered, but the world has known of the Jews. They have been trodden down and oppressed in every land and nation, but the Lord said, "yet shall not the least grain fall upon the earth."

All the sinners of My people (that is Israel) shall die by the sword, which say, The evil shall not overtake nor prevent us.

That means that terrible judgments are coming upon this world before the plan of God is consummated and His Word accomplished with them.

When God told Abraham that "in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed," it is going to be done in God's own day and time. That Kingdom will be established as an everlasting Kingdom.

In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and close up the breaches thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old.

This speaks of the wonderful Millennial Kingdom that will be built up — the tabernacle of David — when the Lord shall come back in His glory with His saints at the beginning of the thousand years.

The burden of Dumah. He calleth to me out of Seir, Watchman, what of the night? Watchman, what of the night?
The watchman said, The morning cometh, and also the night: if ye will enquire, enquire ye: return, come. — Isaiah 21:11, 12.

These are wonderful words!

Prophets Called to be "Watchmen of Israel"

I wish to call your attention to Ezekiel, where the prophets are called to be "Watchmen of Israel" and to see to it that the people are warned when they see the enemy coming and enable the people to know what the danger is and to make due preparation, putting themselves wholly into God's hands and being fully submissive and obedient to God, so that evil should not overtake them.

God never intended that His chosen people should be in bondage to the heathen. It was declared in the Pentateuch, the five Books of Moses, that Israel was to be the head and not the tail, and yet, because of rebellion, unbelief, iniquity and apostasy, Israel was to become the tail instead of the head, — the last of all the kingdoms — the worst as it were, an abomination in the eyes and a stench in the nostrils of the Almighty.

"WATCHMAN, WHAT OF THE NIGHT?"

Israel ought never to have seen any night. They had the promise of a wonderful light. The glory of God — the *Shekinah* — was revealed in the holy of holies between the cherubim in the tabernacle. The glory of God filled the temple of Solomon when it was dedicated.

What need was there for darkness to be in Israel? The Lord revealed Himself in a pillar of light from the very time they left Egypt. There were prophets that were teaching the people, yet here he speaks of the night — terrible night to come upon God's chosen people. "The watchman said, the morning cometh." The watchman said that though the night was coming, the morning would come — the glorious Millennial Morning, when the Sun would rise over Israel, when the Light would shine and when God Himself would be present in Israel to give light to her people and to the nations. "The morning cometh, and also the night."

Even though they had the promise of the morning, here he was confronted with the night again. "Enquire ye: return, come."

The Word of God a Source of Light in Earth's Dark Night

If we wish to find out about all these things, we must read the Word of God. The Word of God is given to us as a sure word of prophecy, "whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the Day Star arise in your hearts."

Is it not wonderful, my brothers and sisters in Jesus the Christ, that God has given us such a wonderful light?

God's Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our pathway.

Is it not wonderful that though the world is full of darkness, we are not in darkness?

We know that even now the shades of night have fallen upon the nations. We know that terrible things are coming to pass even now, and that still more terrible things are awaiting the nations of the earth.

We are not in darkness. The child of God can have no thought of despair. In the Inspired Word of God we have the whole program of God Almighty, as it is laid out from the very beginning to the very end.

We will speak this morning only of the "Time of the End." There is a beginning of time, which the General Overseer has made very clear to us. The beginning of time is not with the beginning of the six days of creation. The beginning of time dates far beyond that — perhaps thousands or millions of years. When

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the end of time shall take place, I do not think that any of us are able to designate specifically, but the Word of God does speak of an end, that shall come to all these things that are taking place upon the earth.

Distinction Made Between "The End" and "The Time of the End"

In I Corinthians 15:24, 25, the Apostle says:

Then cometh the end, when He shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when He shall put down all rule and all authority and power.
For He must reign, till He hath put all enemies under His feet.

This reign of Christ here referred to will be when He Himself shall rule as King of kings and Lord of lords, when He shall rule the nations with a rod of iron for a thousand years, and establish His Millennial reign of justice, equity, and righteousness for mankind. The end spoken of by Paul in this passage brings us to the close of the Seven Thousand Years.

The Apostle Peter says that a thousand years are with the Lord as one day, and one day as a thousand years.

The seven days of Genesis, Chapter One, represent the seven thousand years of *development* until the consummation of the great Day of God shall have come to pass.

If these seven days represent the seven thousand years, then the seventh day of Genesis, Chapter One, the day of rest, must represent the last one thousand years — Christ's Millennial Reign; the six days of creation must represent the six thousand years.

The "Time of the End" that we are studying this morning refers to the end of the six thousand years and not to the end of the seven thousand years. Let us remember that.

Another thing we must remember and that we wish to make very plain this morning is that the "Time of the End" refers to the "Time of the End" of the Gentiles — the Gentile nations.

One of the Greatest Prophecies in All the Word of God

In the Ninth Chapter of Daniel, we find one of the greatest prophecies that can be found within the lids of the Bible — a wonderful program of the seventy weeks that were revealed to Daniel.

It must have been very humiliating for a servant of God, as Daniel was, to have been in Babylonian captivity for seventy years. It must have been very humiliating to make explanation to the heathen as to why he and his people were in bondage to a heathen empire such as Babylon.

In this Chapter, we find Daniel confessing the sins of Israel to Jehovah, and we find him praying that God might open the way that Israel might be able to return to their own promised land and again take up the work for which Israel was called. There we find him making this confession —

O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against Thee.

This explains to us the seventy years of captivity — it was because there was sin in Israel, and because they had transgressed God's laws and commandments and despised His prophets and messengers.

I might take a little time here to explain how the captivity took place and what were the causes that led up to it.

I want you to notice in connection with the study of the Old Testament — in fact in connection with the study of the Bible — that God has a definite program — a specific outline in every detail.

Great Provisions of God's Plan of Redemption

When God saw that in due time it would be necessary for Him to make arrangements to carry out His plan of redemption, He selected a certain place and a certain people. First of all, He chose Abraham and all Israel, and He selected a certain land upon which this nation was to be established. Canaan — the promised land given to Abraham — was a land flowing with milk and honey, a land possessing every climate, and the best specimens of every kingdom — mineral, vegetable and animal.

From this center, every nation of the world was to be reached and, from this point, the rule of God was to be established over all the earth.

Israel was called first of all to be an agricultural people. That was in God's own providence and plan, because the people that will confine themselves closely to developing the soil cannot help but keep in closer touch with God, than if they followed along other lines of pursuit.

Israel for many centuries was a simple agricultural people, not making any claims of any standing in education, and not having any commercial or industrial connections with other nations. They were put, as it were, upon the soil to work out their destiny.

Later on, we find that Israel began to be wealthy, and came in contact with its neighbors, and engaged in commercial relationship with the surrounding nations — exchanging foods and other articles.

Let us remember that it is a historical fact that every nation that ever has existed, or every tribe that has existed has had its own religion, its own form of worship. The general way that religions have risen in the world is from the tribal idea. All these nations that Israel came in contact with in Palestine were religious nations. Each nation had its specific conception of idol worship in connection with its temples and priesthood.

Way back in the time of Sampson, when he was shorn of his strength, and after having been taken to the temple of the Philistines, they made sport of him in the temple of Dagon, because they believed that their god had conquered the God of the Israelites — that he was stronger than the God of Israel.

Baal Worship Substituted for the Worship of Jehovah in Israel

As far as Israel was concerned, they had not yet gotten to the place where they believed that God was the God of the whole earth and as such was to control all the earth. The leaders — Moses and Joshua — believed that Jehovah was the God of all the earth, but it was very difficult for the people to reach the place where they acted upon that inspiration, and where they were willing to put themselves into Jehovah's hands and believe that God would triumph and gain the victory in every conflict and battle that arose. We find that the people of Israel followed after these other heathen gods sooner or later. We find that they followed other gods during the time of the judges. Apostasy set in, they forsook Jehovah and believed that the gods of these other nations could do something for them and satisfy their wants and desires better than Jehovah. Their desires were wicked and sinful and they knew they could not expect Jehovah to satisfy them. They needed some form of worship and they fell away from the worship of Jehovah and in its place substituted Baal worship.

We find these heathen nations around Israel enlarging and growing.

First, we find Assyria and then Assyria the Great. Even to the northeast, they began to develop and spread out over the continent of Western Asia and finally determined that they must control the world. They began to have some idea of world dominion and they were determined to put down every opposition that was in their way of making great success in their commercial enterprises with other nations. We, therefore, find the Assyrians overrunning many countries. We find them overrunning Israel, and the ten tribes were finally subdued and carried off into Assyria.

Later on, we find Babylon arising. Babylon was a very religious nation. A religious nation or person does not mean anything at all. The Devil is the author of many religions.

We cannot get away from the fact that man was created a religious being, and he must either worship the True and Living God, or he must worship something else and, therefore, the Devil has instituted all kinds of religions — the worship of sun, moon, and stars, and different objects in nature and ceremonies and rituals of every kind from time immemorial, even from the time of Egypt with their belief in the transmigration of souls.

Babylon sought to impose her religious faith on all the nations that were subdued by her in her commercial relations.

Baal Worship to be Compulsory in the "Time of the End"

That is the fact I want to impress upon your minds in speaking on the subject of the "Time of the End." The "Time of the End" makes Baal worship compulsory throughout the world. It was the fact of Baal religion that Israel was confronted with from time to time. We find that it was the Devil's religion that was imposed on the nations. It was the same religion that was instituted by the Devil, when the people forsook

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Jehovah and built the tower of Babel; when they worshipped Baal, and Elijah challenged the people to prove whether Baal was God, or whether Jehovah was God.

Do you remember the story of the invasion of Sennacherib — how he was determined to destroy the city of Jerusalem?

Do you remember the story of Rab-shakeh when he was outside the walls of Jerusalem — how he made light of Jehovah and the worship of the Jews in the temple? He despised Jehovah and had nothing but contempt for His people and cause. When the Jewish people made the reply that they were going to trust God, Rab-shakeh reminded them of the fact that they had conquered other gods and a number of different nations, and they would prove that Baal was supreme and superior to any other God and, therefore, it was useless to put their trust in Jehovah.

The prophet Isaiah and all the prophets sought to impregnate the people of Israel with the idea that Jehovah their God was the God of all the earth; that Jehovah their God was the Creator of all the world — of Heaven and earth — and that the powers of nature were within His control; that it would be impossible for any other God to interfere with Jehovah, because there was no other God and, if they would put themselves wholly into the hands of God to obey His commandments, that defeat would be impossible no matter how great the power of the enemy might be.

Wonderful Deliverance of the Jews From Sennacherib's Great Army

When the great host of Sennacherib's army surrounded Jerusalem, it seemed impossible that the Jews should escape, but it seemed probable from every human standpoint that the city would be destroyed, the walls torn down and the people taken into captivity. Isaiah however rose to the majestic plane of victorious faith in this national crisis and was commanded by the Lord to say: "the virgin, Zion, hath despised thee", and the Lord said He would put His hook into the nose of Sennacherib and draw him away from Jerusalem without the people being obliged to put forth their finger in any way of defense. The people put themselves into the hands of Jehovah and demonstrated that Jehovah is the God of all the earth, and that He would give victory and triumph in this terrible crisis that was upon Jerusalem. As the people committed themselves to God in Jerusalem, God carried out that plan, and that very night the Angel of the Lord went forth and smote the great army of Sennacherib — one hundred and eighty-five thousand — and he was compelled to flee, because Jehovah was God and protected His people.

If the people had continued to serve Jehovah, further invasions would have been impossible or, if they had taken place, nothing but victory would have followed the same as in this case, but we find that Hezekiah was filled with the spirit of pride. He exposed his jewels and treasures to the heathen nations. The Lord said to Hezekiah, because he exposed the vessels of the temple and the treasures of the temple to these heathen, who had no right in Jerusalem nor in the sanctuary, therefore, the people would be taken captive into those countries and nations. Therefore, we find that in due time the judgments of God were carried out and, because Israel was not in the place of full surrender and obedience, God did not protect them, but gave them over to their enemies. It was possible, therefore, for Nebuchadnezzar to make another invasion of Jerusalem and take away captives, so that finally the walls were torn down, the temple destroyed and the people and their kings taken captive.

Defeat of God's People Brings Reproach Upon the Name of God

It seemed as though God Himself had lost out when His people had been overcome, because when His people are defeated, it brings reproach upon the Name of God.

As I said before, what a terrible thing it must have been for Daniel, a young man, to be taken captive with the three Hebrew children — into far away Babylon. These three Hebrew children and Daniel were determined to serve God no matter where they were, no matter what opposition they must face and no matter what sinful surroundings they should be exposed to, and they believed that Jehovah would be with them even in Babylon and would support them and bless them. For this reason, we find the wonderful stories that are recorded in Isaiah.

Those Babylonians believed that Jehovah had been put aside forever, because His people had been defeated, their city destroyed and their sanctuary trodden down. They had nothing but contempt for all that had been revealed in the Old Testament Scriptures up to this time, for the prophets, priests and kings of Israel, and for the thought of a coming Messiah that was to rule all the nations of the earth.

Nevertheless, King Nebuchadnezzar was compelled to call in one of these Hebrew captives to reveal his dream of the great image and to interpret it. Again Daniel was called in to interpret the dream that Nebuchadnezzar had of the great tree.

Later, the grandson of Nebuchadnezzar, Belshazzar, called in all his lords to a great feast to show contempt for Jehovah and His people that were captive in Babylon, and he was compelled to call in the aged Daniel — eighty-five years old — to interpret the words, "MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN," that this despised Jehovah had written there on the wall.

You can see how God was working all during these seventy years to encourage his faithful servants — Daniel and the three Hebrew children — and through them to encourage the people of the Jews that they might not forsake Jehovah, nor get away from His Word, nor His commandments, but to see to it that they would hold fast to the worship of Jehovah, for He would carry out His purpose with His people.

Daniel Understood Prophecy Recorded in the Book of Jeremiah

When the end of the captivity drew near, Daniel was convinced, through his study of prophecy, that the time had come for them to be set free. He had availed himself of what God had revealed through the prophet Jeremiah seventy years before. He carefully read those chapters in the prophecy of Jeremiah and found that the Lord had revealed, through Jeremiah, that the captivity was to last seventy years. Daniel believed that when God said something He would bring it to pass. Therefore, Daniel prayed and confessed the sins of Israel, their kings, and their princes, and he believed that God would have mercy upon them and him and permit a remnant to return and carry on the work that had been broken off seventy years prior to this time.

When Daniel had this vision of this wonderful prophecy, God was working in a wonderful way.

Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy. — Daniel 9:24.

In this verse, the entire program for Israel, as a nation and people, is outlined clearly down to the time of the Millennial Reign of Jesus the Christ.

If a week has seven days, seventy weeks would have four hundred and ninety days. If a day stands for a year, in prophecy, then seventy weeks would be interpreted as four hundred and ninety years.

It would involve four hundred and ninety years of time "to finish the transgression of Israel," because Israel had been a nation of transgressors, "to make an end of sins" and to bring them to the place where they, as a nation, would put aside sin, repent, and carry out the purpose for which they were created, "and to make reconciliation for iniquity." Through the coming Messiah they would be reconciled to God as a nation and "bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy." That has reference to the anointing of the Son of God as King of kings and Lord of lords.

The Period of Time Covered by Daniel's Sixty-nine Weeks

Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and three score and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times. — Daniel 9:25.

Seven weeks (seven days for a week, or forty-nine years) from the time that Nehemiah began to build the walls of Jerusalem, practically takes us up to the restoration of Jerusalem.

Threescore and two weeks would be sixty-two weeks, to which we add the seven weeks and have sixty-nine weeks (seven days for a week), or four hundred and eighty-three days (a day for a year), or four hundred and eighty-three years. For four hundred and eighty-three years, the prophecy was in steady operation, from the time that Nehemiah began to build the walls

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of Jerusalem to the close of the public ministry and crucifixion of the Messiah.

And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for Himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. — Daniel 9:26.

"Shall Messiah be cut off," that would mean that there would be a sudden stop there of something in the program of God. In other words, instead of the glories of the Christ following upon the sufferings of the cross, there would be an intermission, a period thrown in, that the prophet failed to understand exactly. We know what it was — the Church was to be fully revealed and consummated in her Heavenly destiny during this period of time.

Daniel's Seventieth Week — The Last Seven Years of Gentile Times

And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week HE shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate (desolator). — Daniel 9:27.

That "he" has reference to the Antichrist, the terrible king that shall reign over God's own chosen people, His own city, and sanctuary, and again bring terrible reproach upon the cause of God in the midst of His people, His city, and His sanctuary.

The ten nation confederacy is now being formed and the prince of the Revived Roman Empire shall confirm the covenant with many of the Jews for one week (one week being made up of seven days, and a day for a year), or seven years, the time between the Rapture, and the Revelation of the Christ. This is what we call Daniel's Seventieth Week, the Time of the End, or the Day of the Lord, when Antichrist, the "he" spoken of by Daniel, shall confirm the covenant with many and shall break the covenant in the middle of the week.

At the present time, the Jews in many parts of the world are making preparations to return to Palestine, to rebuild their sanctuary and establish their religious worship; but they are returning in unbelief. They will come back in a sense to Jehovah and to the establishment of sacrifices in the temple, and thus take their place again as God's chosen people, and God will take up His dealings with Israel again.

"Even until the consummation," means until the overthrow of Babylon and the completion of the battle of Armageddon, and the destruction of the great world image that was revealed to Nebuchadnezzar in a dream, where he saw the nations of the earth in the form of an image of gold, silver, brass, iron and iron mixed with miry clay.

Israel Chosen to Make Jehovah Known to All Nations

Therefore, we have the judgments of God coming at last upon the entire world-system — upon this great world-image — and upon the kings that have been represented in this world-system from the time of Babylon to the time of the Revived Roman Empire and carried out eventually in the Antichrist, who shall confirm a covenant with many for one week.

I have spoken of the fact that God chose Israel and placed her in a certain land, that from this place He would be able to direct the affairs of His Kingdom through the world. Israel was called for the purpose of making Jehovah known to all the nations of the world, and Israel as a nation must, therefore, be given the Land of Canaan as the geographical center of the whole world. When Jerusalem is established and Christ reigns over His Millennial Kingdom, all the nations of the world will have to learn of the plan of God in connection with Israel, with Jerusalem, and with the temple, and will have to take their stand either for or against it.

Not one nation can be found that has ever taken its stand for Israel, for Jehovah, and for the worship in the sanctuary in Jerusalem. All the great nations outlined in the dream of Nebuchadnezzar of the gold, silver, brass, iron and clay kingdoms, representing Babylon, Medo Persia, Rome and the Revived Roman Empire, have come into contact with this people Israel, but not one of them ever accepted the worship of Jehovah.

A number of kings were forced to recognize the God of Israel to a certain degree, as Nebuchadnezzar did when he realized that he had been deposed by the hand of God, because of his pride. When Babylon was built, he said, "Is not this great Babylon, that I have built?" God immediately deposed him and gave him the heart of a beast and made him live like a beast until his proud heart was humiliated to the dust and he acknowledged Jehovah. God restored him to his throne, but no mention was made of Jehovah, for he forgot the very name of God.

Belshazzar was also compelled to recognize the hand of God. In the second kingdom, even Darius was compelled to acknowledge Him in the deliverance of Daniel from the lions' den, and he made a decree that the people should acknowledge Jehovah; but there is no record that they ever did it.

As I have said, all the nations have had an opportunity to serve the true and living God — even the Roman people.

Prophecy Fulfilled Through the Decree of a Heathen Monarch

One of the most startling facts in all history is, that Caesar Augustus issued a decree that all the world should be taxed, that is, all the inhabitants of the then known Roman Empire were to register in their localities in which they lived, for the purpose of tabulating the population and the wealth of the Roman Empire. Had this decree been carried out in Palestine as it was in the rest of the Roman Empire, Jesus would have been born in Nazareth instead of in Bethlehem, for Joseph and Mary, at the time the decree was enacted, lived in the city of Nazareth in Galilee. The Old Testament prophecy as given by Micah, however, declared that the birth of Jesus was to take place in the little City of Bethlehem, and as a result of the special providence of God, an exception was made with the Jews, enabling them to follow their ancient custom given in the Mosaic legislation.

The registration of families in Israel was to be made once in fifty years, in the place of the birth of the individual wherever that might be. The Jews were, therefore, given the privilege of following this custom — each registering in his home town. This exception, by the Roman Emperor, made it necessary for Joseph and Mary to leave the City of Nazareth and go to Bethlehem, where Jesus was born in fulfillment of prophecy. What a wonderful providence of God in fulfillment of prophecy was the enacting of this decree by Caesar Augustus of the imperial City of Rome to bring about a Census of the great fourth World Empire, thereby compelling Joseph and Mary to leave Nazareth and go to the little town of Bethlehem, concerning which Micah had prophesied seven hundred years before that "out of thee shall He come forth unto Me that is to be Ruler in Israel."

We then have the story of the three wise men from the far east bringing their presents of gold, silver and myrrh to the new born King of the Jews. We know at that time the whole city of Jerusalem was stirred greatly. Herod the Great caused the terrible massacre of the children of Bethlehem. No doubt, the news even of Christ's birth was not only heralded in all parts of Judea and Galilee, but in many other places.

We know that at the various feasts held in Jerusalem, representative Jews were present from all parts of the Roman Empire.

The fact that Pontius Pilate, the Roman procurator, was called upon at this time to give the final decision concerning the death and crucifixion of Christ, warrants us in saying that official notice must have been taken by the Emperor and senators at Rome of the public life and ministry of Jesus the Christ.

Description of Jesus by Lucius Lentulus

There has been found an ancient manuscript, said to have been written by Lucius Lentulus, President of Judea, to the Roman Senate, giving his impressions of the life and character of Jesus. The report seems to bear the stamp of authenticity in its modest, historical delineations of the Man therein described, being void of the exaggerations which are found in many spurious descriptions of Jesus in later aprocryphal writings.

Various renowned artists and sculptors have sought, in their master pieces, to give expression to their ideals of the appearance and character of Jesus and it would seem, after having read the manuscript said to have been written by Lucius Lentulus, that they have held largely to the description of Jesus as therein set forth. We, therefore, give it here merely for the historical interest attached thereto, showing in what manner according to this manuscript the Roman people at least may have taken notice of the life and character of Jesus:

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"There is at present a Man in Judea of a singular character, Whose Name is Jesus Christ. The Barbarians esteem Him as a prophet, but His followers adore Him as the immediate offspring of the Immortal God. He is endowed with such unparalleled virtue as to call back the dead from the grave, and heal every kind of disease with a word or touch. His Person is tall and elegantly shaped, His aspect mild and reserved. The hair flows in those beautiful shades which no united colors can match, falling into graceful curls below His ears, agreeably touching on the shoulders and parting on the crown of His head, like the head-dress of the Nazarenes. His forehead is smooth and large; His cheeks, without a spot, are of a lovely red; His mouth and nose are finished with exquisite symmetry; His beard is thick and suitable to the color of His hair, reaching a little below His chin and parting in the middle like a fork; His eyes are large, bright and serene. He rebukes with mildness, and invites with the most persuasive language.

"His whole address, whether in words or deeds, being elegant, grave, and strictly characteristic of an exalted being. He is modest, temperate, and wise; and whatever the phenomenon may turn out in the end, He seems a Being of excellent beauty and Divine perfection — in every respect surpassing the children of men."

Whether this report of Lucius Lentulus is actually authentic or not, we can be sure that the authorities at Rome were not left in ignorance of the wonderful life and character, claims and miracles of Jesus, but whatever report was made, we have no evidence, from any source, that the officials at Rome gave any heed to or took any particular interest in the events transpiring in Palestine in connection with the life of Jesus. Their hatred for the Jews increased from year to year, because of the insurrections and rebellion on the part of the Jews against the power and authority of Rome, so that at last the legions of Titus were sent out against the City of Jerusalem and after a siege of many months the walls were torn down, the temple destroyed, and the population massacred in multiplied thousands and numbers of the Jews were crucified.

The Statement of Flavius Josephus Concerning Jesus

One of the noble characters among the Jews during this time was that of Flavius Josephus, the learned and authentic Jewish historian and celebrated warrior. It is most wonderful to notice that in his great historical work, covering seven dissertations on the great events of Jewish history, he does not fail to take notice of the Personality, character, claims and prophecies connected with the life of Jesus. No one can fail to be deeply impressed with the great historical importance attached to the life of Christ by this authentic Jewish historian.

"Now there was about this time Jesus, a wise man, if it be lawful to call Him a man; for He was a Doer of wonderful works, a Teacher of such men as receive the truth with pleasure. He drew over to Him both many of the Jews and many of the Gentiles. He was (the) Christ. And when Pilate, at the suggestion of the principal men amongst us, had condemned Him to the cross, those that loved Him at the first did not forsake Him; for He appeared to them alive again the third day, as the Divine prophets had foretold these and ten thousand other wonderful things concerning Him. And the tribe of Christians, so named from Him, are not extinct at this day."

Josephus himself was an eye witness to the invasion and destruction of the City of Jerusalem by the Roman legions and a full account of that is given in his historical books.

Both before and after the destruction of Jerusalem, the Christian Church was scattered to all parts of the Roman Empire.

When the Apostle Paul reached the city of Rome, we find that the Romans were very bitter in their persecutions against the followers of Christ. Rome martyred thousands of Christians from that time down through the centuries.

The Peace Conference Fails to Recognize God or Jesus Christ

The Gentile nations had an opportunity to know of Israel and Israel's God, but from the very beginning down to this time Christ has been rejected by the nations.

The Allied Nations, during their International Sessions in Paris, all with exception of Japan, were professedly Christian Nations, yet out of the courtesy to Japan and the Jews they failed to call upon God for His guidance or blessing, and failed to recognize the claim of Jesus Christ to be God's chosen King for Judah and Israel and King of kings and Lord of lords.

Not one word of prayer has ever been offered in the Peace Conference during the formation of the League of Nations; not one reference to the Word of God has been made, and not one reference to the wonderful prophecies concerning the coming King. No, they claim that they are engaged in forming a world-dominion of peace and safety. The thought of such a thing as God intervening in their plans and that they should fail to bring about peace for mankind, is utterly absurd to them.

These nations that are preparing for the Revived Roman Empire today, as in the time of Nebuchadnezzar and Julius Caesar, do not honor Jehovah, the Name of God, His people, His Son Jesus the Christ, and His Church. They are going to be brought to the very test and they are going to face the issue in connection with this very proposition.

Judgments Coming Upon Both the Jews and the Gentile Nations

The test is coming and these nations — the ten nations composing the Revived Roman Empire — will face the issue, in connection with Israel, and God will prove to these Gentile nations and Israel that if they fail to obey Him in this last call that will be given to them, that judgments will come upon them both alike. They will come upon His own chosen people and God will not spare them from the terrible Tribulation that will come because of their wickedness. Neither will God spare the Gentile nations, because they are guilty of the same unbelief and disobedience as Israel.

Jesus said that Jerusalem (and the Jews) must "be trodden down until the Times of the Gentiles be fulfilled." The prophecy must be taken up with this seventieth week of Daniel where the Antichrist shall confirm the covenant with many for one week and break it in the midst of the week and cause the sacrifice and oblation to cease.

Here, we find that these ten nations are reaching the place where they are unable to control themselves.

During the great war, the Allied Nations made a call for a generalissimo for all the allied armies. When this call was made and this command complied with, they found that they could obtain victory over the tremendous opposition of the central empires, which will be among those forming the Northeastern Confederacy.

The Revived Roman Empire, the ten-nation confederacy, or the clay condition of Nebuchadnezzar's image, will at last call for an emperor, who will prove to be the Antichrist. They believe that he will defend their interests and protect them in the time of great world peril.

The Next Great Event on God Almighty's Program

We have reached the place, where the next event on God's program is the Rapture of the Saints, when "at the sound of the trump, and the voice of the Archangel," those who have loved and served the Lord will be suddenly taken out of this world of tribulation and spared from The Great Tribulation that shall come upon the earth.

They will be taken to their heavenly abode, for the destiny af the Church is Heavenly. They were never intended to possess the earth, but were to be pilgrims and strangers in it.

At the beginning of Daniel's Seventieth Week, we have the Morning Star, that is the appearance of the Christ in the dark hour of the night for His saints. Christ comes down to the first Heaven and takes up the saints to Him.

Many portions of Scripture take up further details on this subject, but it would be impossible to read, in one meeting, all the passages referring to this great period of time set forth in the Old Testament Scriptures as the "Day of the Lord;" "The Time of Trouble," such as the world has never seen; "The Time of Jacob's Trouble," when Jacob shall be humiliated for his sins and disobedience, for his rebellion against the Lord and the rejection of his Messiah; "The Great and Terrible Day of the Lord," when the wrath of God shall be poured out upon the nations of the earth; and "The Time of Great Tribulation," as set forth by Jesus Christ.

(To be continued next week.)

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ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS — consisting of Kindergarten (for children five years of age), Junior School (covering a period of eight years), Preparatory Department (covering a period of four years), Department of Music and Art, etc. — are free to all children and young people in ZION and are supported entirely by the FREE-WILL OFFERINGS of the officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION.

We print herewith a full list of the names of those who have made pledges for the School Year, October 1, 1919 — October 1, 1920, with the respective amounts pledged.

If there should be any mistakes in the list as printed from week to week, notice of same should be sent to Apostle Anton Darms, Administration Building, and the mistakes will be corrected in the next issue of LEAVES OF HEALING following the receipt of such notice.

We trust that within the next few days pledge cards will be filled out and sent in by every officer, member, and friend of the Church. One form of pledge card is for individuals, and another form is for families. These cards should be carefully filled in and it should be plain whether the amount pledged is for the entire year or so much per month. All family cards should state the number in family making the pledge.

In addition to the amount of money raised in this manner, two SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS are taken each year — one at the All-Night Meeting and one the second Lord's Day of the Feast of Tabernacles.

All of the teachers are paid regularly each month, and the total amount necessary for the School Year, 1919-1920, is $30,984.00, exclusive of all the allowances for engineers, janitors, fuel, interest on investment, taxes, etc.

The enrollment, exclusive of the Department of Music and Art, is nearly Nine Hundred.

You will readily see that the plan of charging no tuition and supporting the Schools by Free-will Offerings, puts all of the children and young people on the same basis and gives all the same opportunities.

With praise to God for His blessings upon ZION Educational Institutions, with heart-felt appreciation for the earnest cooperation of all who have helped support these Institutions, and praying His richest blessings upon all, I am

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,
WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA
President.

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS—PLEDGES

October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920

Name	Amount per year
Aborn, Mrs. Nellie M.	$ 3.00
Aiuppy, Mr. Ross	30.00
Albright, Miss Ella E.	25.00
Albright, Mr. & Mrs. H. H.	12.00
Allen, Mr. Louis Wm. (Family — 4)	40.00
Anderson, Mr. & Mrs. A. C.	50.00
Anderson, Mr. & Mrs. D. K.	25.00
Anderson, Mrs. Hattie J.	12.00
Anderson, Miss Ruth	12.00
Armstrong, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. J. (Family — 7)	25.00
Atkins, Mr. George H.	12.00
Babbitt, Mr. & Mrs. L. L.	60.00
Bagg, Miss Muriel	12.00
Bagley, Miss Susanna	42.00
Bailey, Mr. & Mrs. E. E.	50.00
Bailey, Mrs. J. W.	10.00
Bailey, Mrs. Lottie & Miss Lulu	10.00
Bailie, Mr. I. W. & Alta	28.00
Bailie, Miss Mae	15.00
Ballegooyen, Mr. George	12.00
Ballegooyen, Mr. W. V.	24.00
Bark, Miss Anna	10.00
Barnes, Mrs. Carrie	9.00
Barron, Miss Margaret A.	12.00
Bartelt, Mr. & Mrs. J. W.	24.00
Barton, Mr. M. P. & Wife	25.00
Barton, Mr. & Mrs. Will A.	24.00
Baughman, Mr. & Mrs. J. W.	30.00
Becker, Mr. T. R.	$ 50.00
Becker, Miss Ida	24.00
Bennett, Mr. & Mrs. F. W.	10.00
Bennett, Mr. Harold	12.00
Berger, Mr. C. M.	15.00
Biddle, Mr. A. H.	60.00
Biddle, Mr. S. G.	30.00
Bird, Mrs. Jennie	1.00
Bird, Mr. J. D.	30.00
Bishop, Mrs. Ida A.	60.00
Boehmke, Mr. Theodore	24.00
Bohl, Mrs. Martha H.	12.00
Bohlken, Mr. & Mrs. A.	40.00
Borden, Mr. & Mrs. A. H.	100.00
Bower, Mrs. Daisy G.	10.00
Bowers, Mrs. Mabel	12.00
Boyd, Mr. & Mrs. Leo B.	24.00
Boyd, Mrs. M. A.	6.00
Brady, Mrs. Dora E.	12.00
Bright, Mr. & Mrs. George	40.00
Brison, Mr. Irving	12.00
Brown, Mr. & Mrs. E. L.	12.00
Brownbridge, Mrs. A. E.	2.00
Brownell, Mr. Joseph Samuel	5.00
Bull, Mr. W. J. & Wife	30.00
Butler, Mrs. J. & Miss Gertrude	10.00
Caldwell, Mrs. Catherine	12.00
Callahan, Mrs. Eliza	20.00
Capp, Mr. Arthur O.	15.00
Carey, Miss E. Irene	12.00
Carey, Mr. E. L. & Wife	$ 72.00
Carlson, Mr. & Mrs. Hilmar	25.00
Carsley, Mr. Glenn W.	40.00
Clark, Miss Myrtle	10.00
Clayton, Mr. & Mrs. Percy	40.00
Clendinen, Mr. & Mrs. W. H.	120.00
Clough, Mr. & Mrs. Harold R.	25.00
Collett, Miss Sadie	12.00
Colwell, Mr. Wm. E. & Wife	48.00
Congdon, Mr. & Mrs. E. R.	40.00
Conner, Mr. A. J.	60.00
Cook, Mr. Denver R.	50.00
Coppins, Mrs. Mary E.	6.00
Cordell, Mr. & Mrs. Harold	12.00
Corder, Mrs. C. B.	12.00
Cowell, Miss Hattie J.	20.00
Cramer, Mrs. Johanna	18.00
Crane, Mr. & Mrs. C. W.	50.00
Crary, Mr. E. J.	18.00
Currie, Miss Emily	5.00
Darms, Mr. and Mrs. Anton.	75.00
Davis, Mrs. & Elsie	12.00
Daymude, Mrs. & Elsie	40.00
Dean, Miss Alice B.	10.00
Denman, Mrs. C.	12.00
DePew, Frederick H.	3.00
DePew, J. Alexander	12.00
DePew, Mr. Jasper H. & Wife	36.00
Detienne, Mr. J. P.	60.00

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Name	Amount per year
Detienne, Mr. N. S.	$ 60.00
Diebold, Mrs. Catherine	50.00
Dow, Mr. & Mrs. J.	60.00
Dreyer, Mrs. Theodore	12.00
Dulmage, Miss Mabel	15.00
Dunn, Mr. & Mrs. W. C.	20.00
Duske, Mr. Gustave	12.00
Edwards, Mr. D. D. (Family — 6)	25.00
Edwards, Mr. Wm. M.	25.00
Ellingworth, Mr. Fred	12.00
Emanuelson, Mr. E.	25.00
Emanuelson, Mrs. A. M. & Miss Gertrude	40.00
Emanuelson, Miss Rose	25.00
Erickson, Miss Christine H.	25.00
Fay, Mrs. Martha V.	10.00
Federmeyer, Mrs. Minnie A.	12.00
Flanagan, Mrs. M.	10.00
Flanagan, Mr. Thomas	60.00
Forby, Mr. & Mrs. Theodore	120.00
Frazell, Mrs. Pearl	25.00
Friedell, Mr. H. M.	18.00
Gamerdinger, Mr. Jacob & Wife	36.00
Gillis, Miss Grace I.	10.00
Goodburn, Mrs. J. A.	24.00
Gooden, Mr. J. H.	36.00
Gould, M. Harvey A.	50.00
Green, Mr. & Mrs. H. L.	12.00
Greenwald, Mrs. Amanda	12.00
Greer, Anna	3.00
Greer, Chas. W.	30.00
Greer, Miss Hattie M.	5.00
Greer, John A.	5.00
Greer, Mrs. Lucie	25.00
Greer, L. Estella	2.50
Greer, Ruth	2.00
Griffith, Mrs. E. G.	25.00
Griffith, Mrs. Estella M.	10.00
Gruman, Mr. Henry A.	20.00
Guggenbuhl, Mr. & Mrs.	36.00
Guschausky, Mr. August	12.00
Hacker, Mr. Jas. A. (Family — 8)	30.00
Hammer, Mrs. Anna	24.00
Hammer, Mr. J. G.	60.00
Hampe, Mr. & Mrs. Herman E.	50.00
Hanni, Mr. & Mrs. N.	100.00
Harwood, Mr. Ernest E. (Family — 6)	50.00
Hazel, Mr. Louis E. (Family — 4)	40.00
Hazel, Mrs. M. C.	4.00
Heck, Miss E. S.	12.00
Heggen, Mr. & Mrs. B. O.	12.00
Henry, Mr. & Mrs. R. Y.	30.00
Hill, Mr. F.	18.00
Hindman, Mr. & Mrs. A. G.	24.00
Hire, Mr. & Mrs. L. J.	120.00
Hoffman, Miss Ellen T.	30.00
Holcombe, Miss Alice M.	$ 25.00
Holcombe, Miss Maud	25.00
Holgate, Mrs. Anna M.	12.00
Holgate, Mr. Frank	25.00
Hollingshead, Mr. George E.	12.00
Hollingshead, Mr. T. H.	60.00
Hollingsworth, Mrs. M. S.	10.00
Hosken, Miss Ethel	24.00
Hosken, Miss Mary A.	80.00
Howell, Miss Ethel	12.00
Hoyt, Mr. W. H.	60.00
Hueneryager, Mr. & Mrs. A. E.	100.00
Hughes, Mr. & Mrs. A. G.	50.00
Hughes, Mrs. Bessie	15.00
Ingold, Mr. & Mrs. W. A.	24.00
Ison, Miss Bessie	24.00
Jackson, Miss Julia E.	6.00
Johns, Mrs. Carrie & Katherine	50.00
Johnson, Miss Ruth	15.00
Jones, Mrs. Mary H.	25.00
Jordan, Mr. Willis F.	40.00
Just, Mr. John G.	12.00
Kapple, Mrs. Amanda	4.00
Kasten, Mr. Fred L.	30.00
Kelley, Mrs. Louise Wolf	.50
Kemman, Mr. David J.	15.00
Kesler, Miss Bertha	12.00
Kesler, Mr. & Mrs. N. T.	30.00
Kettell, Mrs. Emily	12.00
Kinnear, Mr. Stanley U.	50.00
Klammer, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. F.	24.00
Klemin, Mr. Charles	20.00
Knepper, M. F. L.	6.00
Kofoed, Mr. & Mrs. M.	12.00
Krinner, Mr. A.	36.00
Kutz, Mr. & Mrs.	120.00
Lambert, Mr. George W.	50.00
Landphere, Mrs. M. A.	5.00
LaRose, Mr. & Mrs. N. J.	45.00
Larsen, Mr. & Mrs. Karl W.	6.00
Lawrence, Miss Ethel A.	12.00
Lawrence, Mr. Otto	12.00
Lee, Mr. & Mrs. A. O.	60.00
Lee, Miss Bessie I.	18.00
Lee, Mr. Earl E.	36.00
Lee, Mrs. E. J.	40.00
Lee, Mr. Harold D.	36.00
Lee, Miss Marion T.	42.00
Leech, Mr. Edgar L. (Family — 7)	24.00
Leech, Mr. & Mrs. James B.	20.00
Leitch, Mr. W. D. (Family — 4)	25.00
Leitch, Mrs. Sarah	5.00
Lewis, Mr. Peter George	72.00
Lippincott, Mrs. H. (Family — 4)	17.00
Lippincott, Mrs. O.	10.00
Littlefield, Miss Zona	20.00
Lloyd, Miss E. M.	$ 50.00
Luce, Mr. Wm. I.	10.00
Ludlow, Mr. Chas.	30.00
Luke, Mrs. E.	12.00
Lush, Mrs. Elizabeth	20.00
Luther, Mrs. Francis A.	25.00
Lyon, Mr. & Mrs. E. D.	5.00
Maclachlan, Mr. & Mrs. Donald	24.00
Main, Mr. & Mrs. J. A.	12.00
Mallory, Mrs. Susie E.	20.00
Mann, Mr. A. L.	72.00
Mark, Mr. Benjamin (Family — 4)	36.00
Marshall, Mr. Alvin	100.00
Marshall, Miss Gladys	25.00
Martin, Miss Harriet	15.00
Mason, Mr. C. R.	75.00
Mason, John & Jennie	25.00
Maxwell, Miss Nettie	3.00
Mayhak, Mr. & Mrs. Paul	100.00
McConnell, Mr. & Mrs. J. H.	40.00
McCormack, Mr. B. E.	24.00
McCormack, Mrs. M. C.	5.00
McCormack, Mr. W. B.	6.00
McCulloch, Mr. & Mrs. A. G.	24.00
McElroy, Mr. & Mrs. R. G. (Family — 3)	12.00
McGarrahan, Mr. Chas. H. & Family	40.00
McIntosh, Mr. Duncan	15.00
McKerlie, Mr. & Mrs. A. E.	36.00
McKinley, Miss Alta	5.00
McKinley, Miss Edna	5.00
McNeill, Mr. A. D.	84.00
Meeker, Mr. & Mrs. F. W.	25.00
Mehaffey, Mr. E. A. (Family — 3)	60.00
Meitz, Mrs. Louisa J.	25.00
Melin, Mrs. Lucie W.	15.00
Metzler, Miss Margaret	12.00
Middleton, Mr. & Mrs. C. E.	10.00
Mill, Miss Pearl	6.00
Mill, Miss Vern	5.00
Miller, Mrs. Carrie	24.00
Mintern, Mr. M. J. (Family)	24.00
Mischler, Mr. E. G. & Family	60.00
Moderow, Mr. John	60.00
Molinski, Mr. M. P.	12.00
Mole, Mr. Frank	25.00
Morey, Mr. Zenas	25.00
Mories, Miss Mary	24.00
Moughmer, Mr. D. E.	25.00
Moughmer, Miss Esther	15.00
Moughmer, Mr. Francis A.	75.00
Moulton, Mr. Marshall	40.00
Murphy, Miss Frances	5.00
Myhre, Miss Athol Iola	18.00
Naffziger, Mr. Valentine & Family	24.00
Neal, Mr. & Mrs. Dale	25.00
Neilson, Mrs. M. B.	12.00
Nelson, Miss A. Amelia	24.00
Nelson, Mr. Fred	12.00

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Name	Amount per year
Nelson, Mr. Thomas H.	$ 60.00
Nicholson, Mr. J. G., Mrs. & Ethel	60.00
Norton, Mr. David	25.00
Norton, Mrs. Grace	10.00
Oakes, Mr. & Mrs. C. W.	25.00
Oakes, Mr. & Mrs. H. S.	25.00
Oberholtzer, Mrs. M.	12.00
Orr, Miss Lucy	12.00
Orr, Miss Nancy	12.00
Osburn, Miss Olah	24.00
Paxton, Mr. J. H. (Family — 3)	30.00
Peck, Mrs. Carrie E.	12.00
Peckham, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. S.	200.00
Pedersen, Mr. P. M.	20.00
Peetz, Mrs. R.	3.00
Pefley, Mr. & Mrs. W. H. (Family — 7)	52.00
Peter, Mr. Joe	72.00
Peters, Mr. Forest N.	50.00
Peterson, Mr. H. G.	50.00
Petrie, Miss Ruth M.	10.00
Pflueger, Miss Barbara	30.00
Pihl, Mr. Herbert	18.00
Piper, Mr. & Mrs. Chas. J.	24.00
Potter, Mr. H. W. (Family — 3)	75.00
Pratt, Mr. Alfred E.	18.00
Pratt, Mr. W. C.	35.00
Priddy, Mr. E. L.	30.00
Randle, Mr. & Mrs. M. V.	30.00
Reder, Mr. E. W. & Family	40.00
Reid, Mrs. Christina	10.00
Reid, Miss Katherine	15.00
Rendall, Mr. J. B. (Family — 7)	18.00
Rice, Mrs. E. S.	9.00
Richards, Mr. & Mrs. C. N. & Family	100.00
Richards, Miss Hazel	20.00
Richardson, Mrs. G. J.	20.00
Robbins, Elder & Mrs. G. E.	20.00
Robinson, Mr. & Mrs. F.	36.00
Robinson, Mr. N. A.	36.00
Ross, Mr. C. J. (Family—3)	20.00
Rowden, Miss Marie	12.00
Ruby, Mr. & Mrs. W. O.	12.00
Ryan, Mrs. Margaret	6.00
Sach, Mr. A. E.	25.00
Saunders, Mr. & Mrs. Alfred.	$ 25.00
Saunders, Miss Blanche	12.00
Scheurle, Miss Amalia	36.00
Schmalfuss, Mr. W. E. (Family — 4)	60.00
Schmidt, Mr. & Mrs. W. H.	10.00
Scott, Mr. J. B.	50.00
Schuessler, Mr. John	20.00
Schweichler, Mrs. Mathilda	150.00
Scripter, Mr. Otis	25.00
Seger, Mr. E. E.	12.00
Seys, Mrs. Mary E.	18.00
Shafer, Mr. & Mrs.	70.00
Shaw, Mr. Henry O. & Family	75.00
Shelly, Mrs. Permelia	10.00
Shumaker, Mr. Willard V.	24.00
Shumaker, Mr. Van B.	25.00
Smith, Mr. Andrew	15.00
Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Mark	12.00
Smith, Mr. Percy F.	11.00
Snelling, Mr. A. H.	36.00
Spencer, Mrs. Sarah S.	12.00
Stanley, Mr. & Mrs. Harry	10.00
Stanley, Mrs. Lucy	12.00
Stanton, Mrs. Margaret N.	6.00
Stark, Miss Nina Caroline	36.00
Steel, Mr. Ralph	120.00
Steffen, Miss Gertrude	24.00
Steiner, Mr. & Mrs. John	60.00
Stewart, Mr. Robert	60.00
Stommel, Mrs. Katherine	50.00
Stottelmyer, Mrs. & Mr. Smith	10.00
Stouffer, Mrs. E. E.	25.00
Stow, Mr. & Mrs. L. P.	24.00
Strom, Miss Ursula	12.00
Studebaker, Mr. & Mrs. B.	25.00
Suttie, Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd	50.00
Sutton, Mr. H. W. (Family — 3)	40.00
Swanson, Mr. & Mrs. A.	50.00
Swanson, Mr. Henry F.	120.00
Sweeney, Mr. Benjamin	25.00
Sweeney, Mr. & Mrs. W. B.	20.00
Tabler, Miss Mary	6.00
Tabler, Mr. N. L.	12.00
Taplin, Mr. Ernest G.	12.00
Taylor, Mr. George E. & Miss Rosa M.	50.00
Taylor, Miss Gladys	$ 12.00
Taylor, Mrs. Mary H.	10.00
Taylor, Mr. John (Family — 6)	36.00
Taylor, Mrs. Mary	12.00
Taylor, Mr. W. D. (Family — 5)	24.00
Teeple, Miss Eva Mae	5.00
Teeple, Miss Lillie	12.00
Thomas, Mr. John D.	60.00
Thompson, Miss Mary F.	75.00
Thorpe, Mr. Dustin & Wife	60.00
Thurston, Mr. & Mrs. Wells	12.00
Tilbury, Miss Cora	25.00
Tindall, Mr. O. L.	40.00
Tollefsen, Mrs. Esther	12.00
Townsend, Mrs. Orrilla	12.00
Turner, Mrs. Eva M. & Miss Nora J.	27.00
Uhlik, Mr. Chas.	24.00
Underwood, Mr. J. R.	150.00
Valkenaar, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. H.	30.00
Vedder, Mr. Irving	5.00
Vilmont, Mrs. Anna Y.	2.50
Voliva, Mrs. Rebecca	24.00
Voliva, Mr. Wilbur Glenn (Family — 2)	120.00
Wagnell, Mr. Arthur & Wife	50.00
Wamsley, Mr. & Mrs. C. B.	96.00
Wartzenluft, Mrs. G.	36.00
Waters, Mrs. Anna	12.00
Werner, Mrs. Mary J.	12.00
Whiteside, Mr. Robert W.	25.00
Wiedman, Mr. George E. & Family	60.00
Williams, Miss Nellie	9.00
Winterbottom, Mrs. & Mr.	12.00
Winterbottom, Rena	6.00
Wise, Mr. George (Family — 6)	25.00
Woelke, Miss Della	12.00
Wohler, Miss Catherine	12.00
Wood, Mr. Thomas	60.00
Wood, Mrs. Elmira C.	1.00
Wright, Mr. A. A. (Family)	48.00
Zoratto, Mrs. Susanna	3.00
Zoratto, Mr. Tony	3.00
Zweizig, Mr. J. Harold	35.00
Zweizig, Mrs. Louise	12.00

ADDITIONAL PLEDGES FOR THE SUPPORT OF

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

SCHOOL YEAR 1919-1920

Received since the above list was printed in last week's issue of LEAVES OF HEALING

November 3, 1919.

Baughman, Mr. & Mrs. L. R.	$25.00	Dodson, Mr. & Mrs. C. W.	50.00	Renevier, Mrs. Rosa	10.00
Bradshaw, Mrs. C. E.	6.00	Koetz, R. M.	36.00	Watson, Miss Kate	12.00
Capp, Mr. & Mrs. Clarence	15.00	Ower, Mrs. Jessie & Miss Mary	10.00	Wise, Mr. & Mrs. Grover	25.00

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November 4, 1919.

Bales, Mr. J. N. $15.00
Bennett, Rolland Oliver 36.00
Bennewate, Mr. & Mrs. O. R. 12.00
Brooks, Mrs. Jannet 10.00
Campbell, D. A. 20.00
Carey, Stacy 12.00
Crain, Miss Dorothy 24.00
Crawford, Misses Esther & Grace 20.00
Ferguson, Mr. T. H. & Family 60.00
LaRose, Mr. & Mrs. P. M. ... 20.00
Martin, Mr. C. A. 40.00
Neeve, Miss Dorothy 5.00
Neeve, Miss Marjorie 5.00
Paul, Mr. A. J. & Family 40.00
Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew .. 50.00
Storey, Mr. & Mrs. R. G. 15.00
Wait, Miss Sarah J. 6.00
Wedekind, Mr. Arthur 5.00
Wedekind, Mr. Edwin 5.00
Wedekind, Mr. & Mrs. Geo. E. 25.00
Wedekind, Mr. & Mrs. Geo. W. 40.00
Whiteside, Mr. & Mrs. Mark R. 25.00

November 5, 1919.

Ball, Mr. & Mrs. Luke $15.00
Bennewate, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. 30.00
LaRose, Mrs. Grace 30.00
Tate, H. W. & Family 30.00
Tilbury, Mr. Charles M. 60.00
Umbarger, Mrs. M. E. & Daughter 12.00

November 6, 1919.

Augsburger, Miss Sarah .... $ 3.00
Bishop, Mr. H. H. 25.00
Cobb, Mrs. Gussie 25.00
Cook, Mr. & Mrs. J. A. 50.00
Erickson, Mr. Louis 100.00
Gillette, Miss H. D. 25.00
Hammock, Mr. & Mrs. Aug. . 12.00
Hinshaw, Mrs. Emma M. ... 15.00
Leitch, Mr. Leslie 15.00
McCulloch, Mr. & Mrs. C. L. . 12.00
Nelson, Mr. & Mrs. E. G. 25.00
Wolcott, Mr. & Mrs. J. H. .. 25.00

November 7, 1919.

Bull, Mr. & Mrs. F. S. $25.00
Foster, Mrs. Mary A. 12.00
Kresge, Miss Genevra 15.00
Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver 36.00
Reynolds, Mrs. Ida and Miss Erma M. 25.00
Stewart, Mr. Clyde H. 25.00
Windle, Miss Grace 12.00

November 10, 1919.

Beall, Mr. George & Family .. $50.00
Bittle, Mr. Isaac 20.00
Blanks, Mr. J. H. 60.00
Brockway, Mr. Charles W. .. 12.00
Casperson, Mr. G. 10.00
Clark, Miss Lucy B. 15.00
Congdon, Mr. & Mrs. H. W.. 25.00
Davis, Mr. E. R. & Family (Family 7) 40.00
Eliason, Mr. & Mrs. Jno. ... 36.00
Ellinwood, Mrs. Sarah M. ... 60.00
Farrar, Mr. & Mrs. Samuel G. (Family 8) 50.00
Fitch, Mrs. Adelaide V. 4.00
Foster, Mr. E. A. & Wife ... 50.00
Gellinger, Mr. & Mrs. A. ... 12.00
Goodwin, Mr. W. D. & Family (Family 3) 50.00
Kesler, Miss Dorothy E. 5.00
Kesler, Mr. & Mrs. F. M. & Miss Gladys 10.00
Kesler, Miss Mabel 5.00
Kresge, Mr. & Mrs. Howard W. (Family 3) 12.00
Kruse, Miss Anna Marie 2.00
Leech, Mr. G. C. 40.00
Leech, Miss Lutie 10.00
Luther, Mr. H. H. 25.00
McEwen, Mr. Thos. 30.00
McIntosh, Mr. & Mrs. P. & Miss Ethel 60.00
Melvin, Mrs. Eva J. 12.00
Moore, Mrs. A. J. 12.00
Oakes, Mrs. Mary 12.00
Osburn, Mr. S. W. 25.00
Petrie, Misses Jessie & Agnes. 25.00
Pitcher, Mr. C. R. & Family (Family 5) 60.00
Price, Mr. Matthew N. 20.00
Ray, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lee (Family 5) 25.00
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Signed .....

Address .....

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Signed .....

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CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

What it Means According to the Bible

HAVE this mind in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: "Who being in the form of God, counted it not a thing to be grasped to be on an equality with God.

"But emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men;

"And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, becoming obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." — Philippians 2:5-8.

"And Jesus walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishers.

"And He saith unto them, Come ye after Me, and I will make you fishers of men.

"And they straightway (not next day, next week, next month or next year) left the nets, and followed Him.

"And going on from thence, He saw other two brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and He called them.

"And they straightway (not next day, next week, next month or next year) left the boat and their father and followed Him." — Matthew 4:18-22.

"And as they went in the way, a certain man said unto Him, I will follow Thee whithersoever Thou goest.

"And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and the birds of the heaven have nests: but the Son of Man hath not where to lay His head.

"And He said unto another, Follow Me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.

"But He said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and publish abroad the Kingdom of God.

"And another also said, Lord, I will follow Thee; but first suffer me to bid farewell to them that are at my house.

"But Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the Kingdom of God. —Luke 9:57-62.

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon the earth." — Matthew 6:19.

"But lay up for yourselves treasures in Heaven." — Matthew 6:20.

"Where thy treasure is, there will thy heart be also." — Matthew 6:21.

"No man can serve two masters." — Matthew 6:24.

"Ye cannot serve God and Mammon." — Matthew 6:24.

"But seek ye first His Kingdom and His righteousness." — Matthew 6:33.

"Every one therefore who shall confess Me before men, him will I also confess before My Father Who is in Heaven.

"But whosoever shall deny Me before men, him will I also deny before My Father Who is in Heaven." — Matthew 10: 32, 33.

"And He called unto Him the multitude with His disciples, and saith unto them, If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

"For whosoever would save His life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life for My sake and the Gospel's shall save it.

"For what doth it profit a man, if he gain the whole world, and forfeit his life?

"Or what shall a man give in exchange for his life?" — Mark 8:34-37.

"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 doth not take his cross and follow 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." — Matthew 10:37-39.

God has saved you, healed you, cleansed, blessed, and kept you, and, through the Holy Spirit, has led you into Zion.

He has called you to help build Zion City — not tomorrow, next week, next month, next year, but TODAY.

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Zion City will never be built by people who are determined to have their own way, and who say within themselves, "We will respond to God's call when it suits our convenience."

But Zion City will be built by a fully surrendered and consecrated people.



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RESTORATION WORK

ILLINOIS

Zion

By Mrs. Hampe

For month, ending September 30, 1919.

LEAVES OF HEALING mailed	111
THEOCRATS mailed	112
Total No. of Pieces mailed	223
Trial subscriptions mailed	2

INDIANA

Greenfield

By Mrs. Mary F. Bohn

For April, part of May, June & September

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	119
LEAVES OF HEALING & THEOCRATS mailed	68
Messages given	8
Total No. of Pieces distributed	195

Lafayette

By Elder Guy K. Neal

For Six Weeks, ending October 20, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	412
LEAVES OF HEALING given	5100
Total number of pieces distributed	5512
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	7

South Bend

By Elder Van B. and Deaconess Shumaker

For week, ending October 6, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	13
THEOCRATS sold	2
Post Cards sold	4
Tracts given	120
Announcements given	2200
Cards given	250
Total No. of Pieces distributed	2589

By Elder Van B. and Deaconess Shumaker

For Week, ending October 13, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	114
LEAVES OF HEALING given	5
THEOCRATS sold	3
Announcements given	900
Cards given	2000
Total number of pieces distributed	3022
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	4
Trial subscriptions to Theocrat taken	2

SOUTH BEND & MISHAWAKA, INDIANA NILES, MICHIGAN

By Elder Van B. and Deaconess Shumaker

For Week, ending October 20, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	138
LEAVES OF HEALING given	31
THEOCRATS sold	3
THEOCRATS given	2
Post Cards sold	6
Post Cards given	250
Announcements given	3000
Tracts given	257
Total number of pieces distributed	3687
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	4
Trial subscriptions to Theocrat taken	1

KANSAS

Kansas City

By Esther G. Reed

LEAVES OF HEALING given	50
LEAVES OF HEALING mailed	7
THEOCRATS mailed	10
Tracts mailed	12
Tracts given	250
Total No. of pieces distributed	329

MICHIGAN

Detroit

By Deaconesses Buhmann and Schelhorn

For four days, ending October 4, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	750
Messages given	1650
Total No. of Pieces distributed	2400
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	10

For seven days, ending October 11, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	800
Messages given	900
Total No. of Pieces distributed	1700
Trial subscriptions taken	16

For six days, ending October 18, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	900
Messages given	700
Total number of pieces distributed	1500
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	17

Niles

By Elder Van B. and Deaconess Shumaker

For week, ending October 6, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	16
LEAVES OF HEALING given	3
Post Cards sold	11
Announcements given	1650
Cards given	240
Total No. of Pieces distributed	1920
Number of ten weeks' subscriptions taken	1

By Elder Van B. and Deaconess Shumaker

For Week, ending October 13, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	8
Announcements given	350
Total number of pieces distributed	358

MINNESOTA

Minneapolis

By Eleven Members of the Minneapolis Branch

From September 15 to September 30, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	717
Trial subscriptions taken	2

By eight members of the Minneapolis Branch

For Two Weeks, ending October 15, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	268
LEAVES OF HEALING given	258
THEOCRATS given	4
Messages given	1482
Total number of pieces distributed	2012
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	3

NEBRASKA

In Kearney, Nebraska, and Gandy, Nebraska

By Mrs. C. R. Bishop and Mrs. M. S. Hollingsworth

LEAVES OF HEALING given	52
Messages given	153
THEOCRATS given	29
Total No. of Pieces distributed	234

WISCONSIN

Kenosha

By Deacon S. G. Farrar and ten workers

Lord's Day, October 5, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	140
LEAVES OF HEALING given	43
Messages given	63
Total No. of Pieces distributed	246
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	4

By Deacon S. G. Farrar and seventeen workers

Lord's Day, October 12, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	259
LEAVES OF HEALING given	89
THEOCRATS given	48
Total No. of Pieces distributed	396
Trial subscriptions taken	3

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REMARKABLE PROGRESS has been made in the establishment of Zion City since March 1, 1911, but much work remains yet to be done ere the task is fully completed.

AS FULLY UNDERSTOOD then (March 1, 1911), we counted on, and were promised, the full cooperation of the Officers and Members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion; and therefore, we assumed the entire burden, and have been, as we can humbly and truthfully say, wholly consecrated to the work undertaken; namely, THE FULL REDEMPTION OF ZION CITY.

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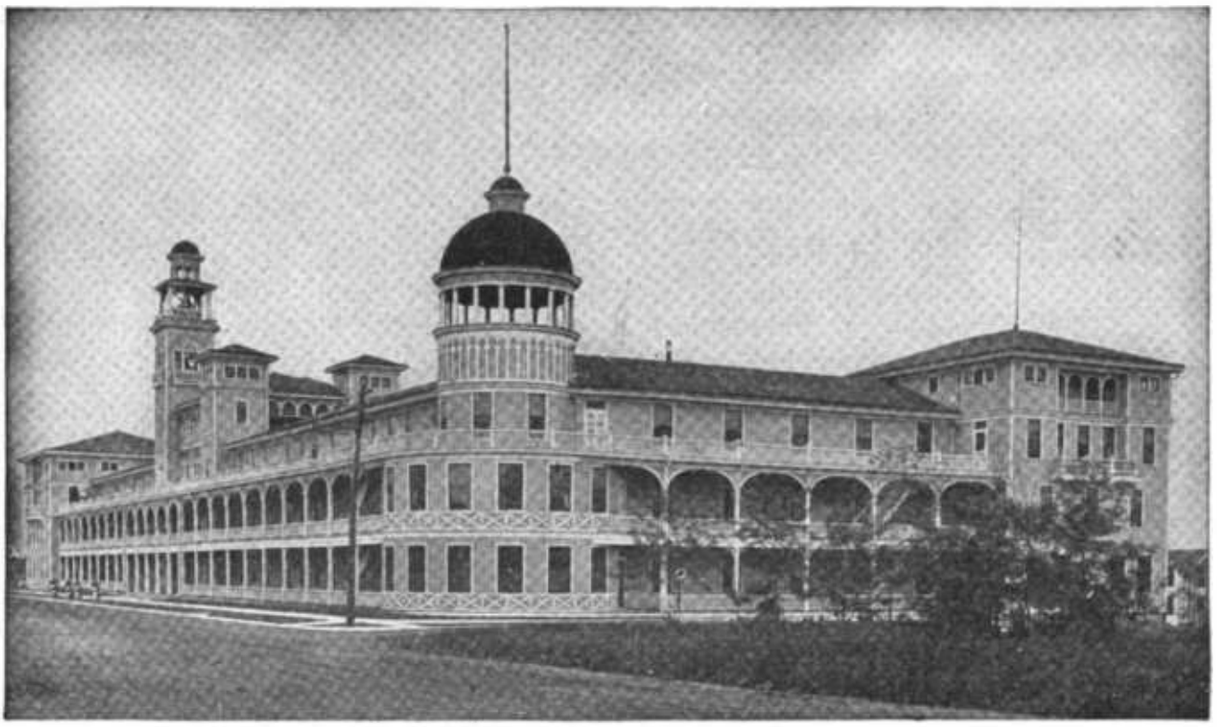
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I am the Lord that healeth thee.

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

A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

EDITED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

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GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Delivered From the Use of Drugs and Medicines; Healed of Lung Trouble, Rheumatism and Many Sicknesses, and Raised Up When Near to Death by the Power of God in Answer to the Prayer of Faith.

IS ANY SICK AMONG YOU? LET HIM CALL FOR THE ELDERS OF THE CHURCH."—James 5:14.

This is God's order!

From the very beginning of Israel's history God ordained that His people should look to Him for deliverance in all cases of sickness and disease.

"I am the Lord that healeth thee."—Exodus 15:26.

Jesus Christ made His disciples the agents of His healing power, and instructed them to go forth clothed with authority from Him to heal the sick.

"And when He had called unto Him His twelve disciples, He gave them authority against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease."—Matthew 10:1.

DIVINE HEALING INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN TO THE CHURCH IN THE BEGINNING

The Apostle Paul said:

"The things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord."—I Corinthians 14:37.

"For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

"To another faith by the same Spirit; to another THE GIFTS OF HEALING by the same Spirit."—I Corinthians 12:8, 9.

The Apostle James, in what was probably "the first Epistle written to Christians," gives the instructions placed at the head of this article:



MR. JACOB B. SCOTT.

"Is any sick among you? 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 the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him."—James 5:14, 15.

These and many other passages in God's Word declare, in unmistakable terms, that God is the Healer of His people; that He works through His own servants, and heals in answer to the prayer of faith.

Christians who do not take God as their **Healer do not believe the** Bible—they nullify the Word of God, deny the faith, and are worse than infidels.

DIVINE HEALING RESTORED IN THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION

When the church became apostate God sent His servant in the spirit and power of Elijah, and the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion was founded by him under God. God placed His seal upon the work by many signs.

The Bible long had been displaced by medical books; the church long had been displaced by the hospital; the ministers long had been displaced by the doctors: but under ZION teaching the Bible became a new book, the church regained her old time power, the ministry became true shepherds of the flock, and the people were blessed in spirit, soul and body.

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Thousands began to live the life of faith in ZION, and separated themselves from the churches, the world, the flesh, and the Devil.

ZION CITY THE ONE GREAT EXPONENT OF DIVINE HEALING

Soon ZION CITY stood forth before an unbelieving church and a gainsaying world — a city whose Builder and Maker is God! A city without doctors, drug stores, hospitals or trained nurses — the one great exponent of faith in God in all the wide world.

Among the many who have responded to ZION'S teaching and been healed and blessed in ZION, is found the faithful witness whose photograph is presented on the first page of this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING, and whose wonderful testimony follows.

A WONDERFUL TESTIMONY TO DIVINE HEALING TODAY

Read how God has healed him of lung trouble, rheumatism and many sicknesses. It is indeed a great testimony to the healing and cleansing power of God, wrought through the prayers of ZION.

Let all suffering and afflicted ones everywhere know that God is no Respecter of persons — He loves and heals all alike who come to Him in simple, childlike faith.

Take God at His Word! Trust Him fully!

He is just the same today!

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever."—Hebrews 13:8.

The same Savior!

The same Healer!

The same Cleanser!

The same Keeper!

O suffering one, will you not take Him to be your Savior, Healer, Cleanser and Keeper?

Christ is All and in all!

— APOSTLE WM. S. PECKHAM.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MR. J. B. SCOTT

Zion, Illinois,
November 1, 1919.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Administration Building,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer.

Peace to Thee!

I herewith send in my testimony for LEAVES OF HEALING, praying God that, by reading the same, others may come to ZION, accept her glorious teachings, and be blessed in spirit, soul, and body.

I began teaching country schools at the age of eighteen, and, three years later, I was so reduced in health that I, as well as my acquaintances, concluded that I had not long to live.

During this time, my attention was called to the subject of phrenology. I read the works of Samuel R. Wells, Dr. O. S. Fowler, George and Andrew Comb, and other writers on that subject. I also read works on hydropathy, or the water cure.

The writers of these books told the people what the authors of the leading medical works of the world said about drug and medicine taking; and I found that these so-called great scientific doctors, with their own mouths, condemned the whole business.

While engaged in this study, I continued taking doctor's medicines and patent medicines. I did this until I was twenty-three years of age. In August of the year 1872, I burned all the medicine that was in my possession. From that time on my health began to improve. The people contended that I was making a big mistake in taking this step, saying that if I got sick enough to die, I would surely call in a doctor. I told them then, that if I got sick enough to die and could not die without a doctor, I would not die at all. Quite a number of those hearty, rugged, would-be good advisers are now in their graves, while I am still alive; and I believe it is because of my firm stand against this iniquitous business.

From this time up to the year 1898, when I first received LEAVES OF HEALING, I did not know God's way of healing; but I praise His Name, I did know enough to let drugs alone. I had learned not to take poison when I was sick.

At the age of nineteen, I had contracted a severe cold, which settled on my lungs, leaving me with an aperture in my left lung which pained me greatly for twenty-eight years. In the year 1886, while in school in Valparaiso, Indiana, I was examined by Dr. Yohn, one of the professors. He advised me to go to California, or Texas, or Minnesota, or Florida, saying that if I wanted to live, I must get out of school immediately. However, I remained there until the next year, when I went to a farm. My health improved, but on taking the least cold, the pain in my lung would return.

Through overwork and exposure during the summer of 1895 and the winter of 1895-1896, I was compelled to quit work entirely. Humanly speaking, my time in this world was short. I had not learned to ask God to heal me, nor did I think or believe that He would do so.

However, I would not have a doctor or take any medicines. All I could do was to cry to God for mercy; for I wanted to live—my wife and children needed my help. I did not know anything about Dr. Dowie or his work, but God was good to me and healed me. In a few days, I dismissed the hired man and did my own work. God healed the sore lung so perfectly that I have had no difficulty since, and it is now more than twenty-three years since then. Praise His Name!

Two years later, October 1898, my sister came to visit me and brought two copies of the LEAVES OF HEALING, asking me to read them. The first one I read contained Dr. Dowie's sermon entitled, "You Dirty Boy." I read this through without saying a word, and then turned to my sister and family, and, striking my hand upon my knee, exclaimed: "That is just exactly right!" Since that time, I have read all the Zion literature that I could get.

I have been sick a number of times, but I always have put my trust in God and in the Lord Jesus Christ, and I have been delivered each time.

In the early winter of 1914, while standing in the slush of melting snow, I caught cold in my lower limbs and contracted rheumatism. This caused me very much pain, and, at the last, I could sleep very little. I could walk about some during the day and do a few chores, but when night came, the suffering was so intense that I could scarcely endure it, and I could sleep but a few minutes at a time. This continued for three successive nights and until two o'clock of the fourth night, when I concluded to send a telegram to the General Overseer for prayer. At the very moment that I did so, the pain left me, and I went to bed and slept four hours, not waking until morning. I had been instantly and completely healed.

Thus, you see, God answered me eight or ten hours before he prayed. Then I remembered Isaiah 65:24—

"And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear."

I thank God that, now, after nineteen years of waiting and praying, He has given me the blessed privilege of living in this City of God, where I have communion and fellowship with His Saints.

I am looking and praying daily for the Coming of the Lord, which event I sincerely believe to be right at hand.

I have not the least intention or desire to live anywhere else in this world than in this truly City of God. Therefore, all I do is to the end that this people shall be my people and their God, my God; and this shall be my home while I live, or till Jesus comes.

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

(Signed) JACOB B. SCOTT.

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"THE TIME OF THE END"

Report of Address Delivered by Apostle Anton Darms, During Zion's Nineteenth Feast of Tabernacles Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U.S.A., Wednesday Morning, July 16, 1919. Conducted by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by E. M. S.)

(Continued from last week)

Almost Universal Apostasy Betokens the Coming of the Son of Man

The Lord Jesus Christ gave a great deal of definite teaching for this particular period of time. Matthew the Twenty-fourth Chapter, Mark the Thirteenth Chapter, and Luke the Seventeenth and Twenty-first Chapters, all clearly outline this period of Seven Years, and show that during this time faith will be utterly lacking, violence will be supreme and dominant, as it was before the flood, "and because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold." Universal apostasy shall set in, and Jesus says of this period, "When the Son of Man cometh, shall He find (the) faith on the earth?"

At this time, though it is before the Rapture, it can be said, as perhaps at no other time during the Church Period, that faith is wanting, the Word of God is despised and the Lord Jesus Christ is put aside. When Jesus spoke the words, "When the Son of Man cometh," He did not have reference to the time before the Rapture, because He would not have said Son of Man, because He comes as Lord to the Church. Where the expression "Son of Man" is used, it has reference to His capacity as the Ruler of mankind, to His position as King of kings and Lord of lords, to the Kingdom that will be committed to His hands and the government to be placed upon His shoulders.

Wherever "Son of Man" is found in the prophecies of the Word of God, it has reference to His Kingdom being established at the Revelation of Jesus Christ from Heaven to earth, when He shall set up His Millennial Kingdom.

We shall follow these events in a general way. It will be impossible for us to read in detail the various items that are given on this subject, but I will take time to read just a few references concerning this Seven Year period.

We will read something about "The Time of Jacob's Trouble" in the Thirteenth Chapter of Jeremiah. This is one of the fundamental chapters in the Old Testament bearing on this period.

The Third Verse speaks of the restoration of the Jews to Palestine in unbelief.

For, lo, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will bring again the captivity of My people Israel and Judah, saith the Lord: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.—Jeremiah 30:3.

There is no reference made there that they want to accept what God has for them, or that they want to return to the Lord Whom they rejected and accept Him of Whom they said, "We will not have this Man to reign over us" (Luke 19:14).

At the same time, it is God working to bring about Daniel's Seventieth Week and take up His dealings with Israel.

The Times of the Gentiles Being Rapidly Fulfilled

The Times of the Gentiles began with the time of Nebuchadnezzar and have been running almost two thousand, five hundred and twenty years. The last Seven Years have not come yet, but I believe that we have reached the time when the Times of the Gentiles are being rapidly fulfilled.

The Word of God uses the word "fulfillment" in connection with the Revelation. The word "fulness" is used by Paul in Romans the Eleventh Chapter in connection with the Rapture, where he says that Israel shall be put aside "until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in."

Israel will be trodden down, or the Jews will be scattered over the earth until God has finished His program—the selection of the Church from the Gentile nations and the Jews alike, the Body of His people for Himself. That is when the fulness of the Gentiles takes place.

The word "fulfilled" is used, with reference to the Revelation, by the Lord Jesus Christ in the Twenty-first Chapter of Luke, where He says, "Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled." Jerusalem shall no longer be a hiss and a byword, but shall be the Throne of the Lord (Jeremiah 3:17), and Ezekiel said in the last words of his wonderful book "Jehovah-Shammah," "The Lord is there." It means that the Lord must set up His habitation in Jerusalem, and the people who have rejected the Lord will have accepted Him, because the "Times of the Gentiles will then have been fulfilled.

We have "The Time of Jacob's Trouble" in the Fifth Verse:

For thus saith the Lord; We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace.

They think they are going to have peace when they make a covenant with the Antichrist. They would not make a covenant if they did not expect peace. He will proclaim himself to be a man of peace, and that he will be able to subdue all the elements who oppose and rebel in his ten nations of Nebuchadnezzar's image — the ten toe condition. They will find out that he is not a peacemaker, but that he will break the covenant of peace and that they will have trouble instead of peace.

Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness?—Jeremiah 30:6.

If you should go to the City of Jerusalem, you would find that on every Friday morning hundreds, and perhaps thousands, of pious, devoted Jews wail and weep outside the temple walls over the judgments that have befallen their people, and pray for the time when the curse shall be removed.

A Remnant in Israel Shall be Saved Out of Jacob's Trouble

Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble, but he shall be saved out of it.—Jeremiah 30:7.

There are wonderful words of hope and encouragement for God's chosen people — Israel and the Jews.

Therefore, though the Antichrist sets up his image and puts an end to the worship of God, a remnant will refuse to bow to this image, but will accept God and His Word through His chosen messengers and will be redeemed in the midst of trouble and tribulation.

For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord of hosts, that I will break his yoke from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him.—Jeremiah 30:8.

Jeremiah was a prophet during the reign of Zedekiah. The Lord sent Jeremiah to Zedekiah on a mission. The Lord told Jeremiah that he should make a yoke and place it upon his shoulders and go to Zedekiah and deliver this yoke and tell him that they were to submit themselves to Nebuchadnezzar. It was in the plan of God, that the Jews must submit themselves from

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this time forth to Nebuchadnezzar, because they had compromised. They had given way to Baal worship and had given up to the passions and lusts of the flesh and allied themselves with the Gentiles. It was ordained of God, from a governmental standpoint, that God's rule would cease over them and they were to be submissive to the Gentiles, because they gave themselves up to idol worship as practised by the Gentiles.

Jeremiah also sent a yoke to all the other kings around Palestine with the same message — that they were to submit themselves to Nebuchadnezzar.

Here we reach the place that this yoke that was placed upon Jacob and the twelve tribes, particularly the two tribes, at the time of the Babylonian captivity, is to be removed and they are again to be set free by the rule of the Coming King.

But they shall serve the Lord their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them.

Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the Lord; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid.

For I am with thee, saith the Lord, to save thee: though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee in measure, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished.—Jeremiah 30:9-11.

Monarchy, democracy, republicanism and all rule shall cease and give way to the rule of God upon the earth.

In the Eleventh Verse, we have the return of the twelve tribes to the Promised Land at the beginning of the Millennium.

The Restoration of National Israel to the Entire Land of Promise

In Ezekiel, Israel is set forth as a valley of dry bones, and when the breath of God comes upon them, Israel, having been torn and scattered and peeled among the Gentile nations, they will once more begin to stand up in this national resurrection as a separate and independent Nation. We have seen how Israel will return in unbelief. Here is where they will return in large numbers and will occupy the entire domain given to Israel.

In this connection, it will be interesting to know that Israel never did take possession of the land or country that God promised to give them. I might also say that they had not even taken possession of the best of the Land.

The dominion promised to Israel extended all the way from the River of Egypt to the River Euphrates. The struggle of this World-War has taken place with reference to that great territory and to the vast granaries that are found in the land of Mesopotamia along the River Euphrates. The control of the road from Berlin to Bagdad and these vast granaries, has been a very live question.

The children of Israel never took possession of much outside of Palestine proper, and a little east of the River Jordan, which was allotted to the tribes of Gad, Reuben and Manasseh by Moses before his departure.

At the Coming of the Lord, the ten tribes of Israel, that never have been discovered, and the Jews will occupy this vast area, and the rule of God will be established in Jerusalem, and Israel shall then become the messengers ruled over by the Church and directed by the Saints who will come back with the Christ to rule over His Millennial Kingdom. Israel shall then take her place and fulfill the prophecy given to Abraham—

And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.—Genesis 22:18.

For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.—Isaiah 11:9

For thus saith the Lord, Thy bruise is incurable, and thy wound is grevious.

There is none to plead thy cause, that thou mayest be bound up: thou hast no healing medicines.

All thy lovers have forgotten thee; they seek thee not; for I have wounded thee with the wound of an enemy, with the chastisement of a cruel one, for the multitude of thine iniquity; because thy sins were increased.

Why criest thou for thine affliction? thy sorrow is incurable for the multitude of thine iniquity: because thy sins were increased, I have done these things unto thee.

Therefore all they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey.—Jeremiah 30:12-16.

God's Judgment Upon the Nations that Oppress the Jews

All the nations that come up against God's people will be held responsible for their ill treatment of the Jews and God's Own chosen people.

Jesus said it was right that the Gentile nations should feed His people and be kind to them. This is set forth in the Twenty-fifth Chapter of Matthew. The nations that have mistreated God's chosen people will be devoured when Christ begins His Millennial reign. That is, their national identity will be extinguished completely and they will have no part in the Millennial Kingdom.

For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord; because they called thee an outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after.—Jeremiah 30:17.

There are a number of passages which show that this time of Jacob's Trouble, as outlined in Isaiah the Second Chapter, is the day of man's humiliation throughout all the world. Man will be humiliated for his rebellion against God. The judgments that will come upon man according to the Book of The Revelation will affect every man, woman, and child on the face of the earth, and mankind everywhere will be greatly humiliated.

Isaiah 10:5-7 tells us that it is the day when God shall spoil the hypocritical nation. Israel is called the hypocritical nation.

God has no use for a hypocrite, who makes a big profession and fails to live up to it. What will God do with a nation that plays the hypocrite as Israel and Judah have done for so many centuries?

Ask a Jew if he believes in God and he will say "Yes;" if he believes in the Scriptures and he will say "Yes;" if he believes in Moses and he will say "Yes;" if he believes in David; if he believes in the Prophet foretold by Moses; if he believes in the Seed given to Abraham; in the Servant set forth by Isaiah and he will say "Yes." Ask him if he believes in the Son of God, Jesus Christ of Nazareth, and he will say "No."

What hypocrites Israel and Judah have been and are today! What a stench in the nostrils of Almighty God to profess to be a great nation of faith with their synagogues, the Law of Moses and circumcision, and yet reject the Messiah, the Son of God, the Savior of the World! Isaiah says:

And His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of His Government and Peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His Kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.—Isaiah 9:6, 7.

The Jews are found in every nation of the world today. They control the wealth, the commerce, and the press to a very large extent. We might say, the Jews stand forth at the very pinnacle in all the undertakings of the nations today.

Holiness to Replace Filth in the Purged Jerusalem

In that day shall the branch of the Lord be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel.

And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he that remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, even every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem.

When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.—Isaiah 4:2-4.

I like to think that God wants a city where everyone will be holy, and everyone that dwells in Jerusalem after it is purified by God will be holy. Let us remember that it will take some work before that state is reached. The Lord will have a great deal to do in Jerusalem before that takes place.

The filth in Jerusalem has been of the most abominable kind found in any city of the world and the time will come when Jerusalem, as set forth in the Book of The Revelation, will be called Sodom and Egypt.

Is it any wonder that the cities of the world are becoming like Sodom? The same sins and wickedness shall be found in the cities of the world as in the days before the flood. The same sins will be committed in these cities as were committed in Sodom. Jerusalem will be partaker in these sins, but God will wash them all away. The Lord will take away the filth of Jerusalem by the spirit of judgment and the spirit of burning, and I believe that is the only way that Zion can be cleansed.

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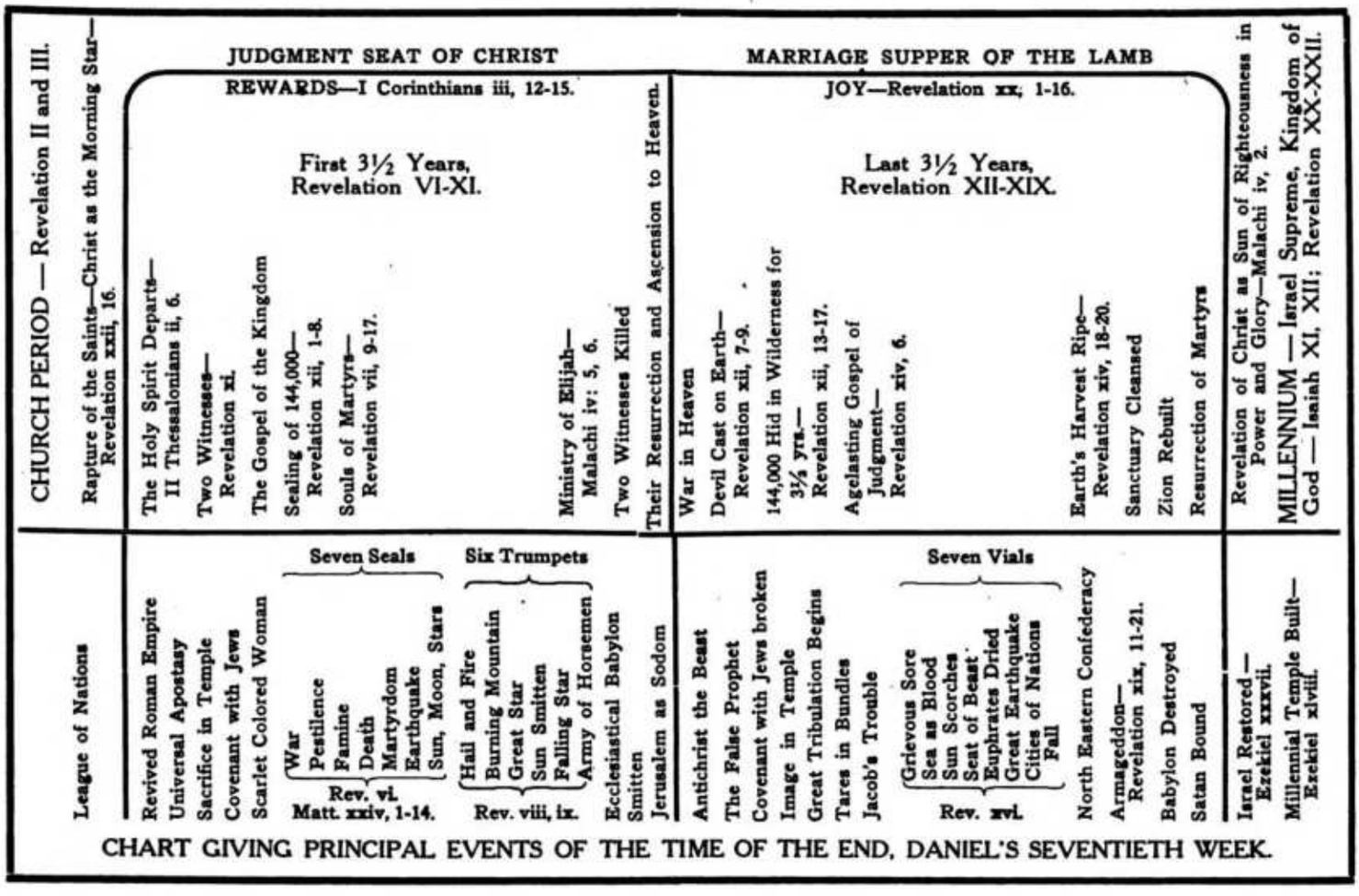


CHART GIVING PRINCIPAL EVENTS OF THE TIME OF THE END, DANIEL'S SEVENTIETH WEEK.

I believe that it is well pleasing in the sight of God for His saints to establish a place where they may dwell — a clean habitation for themselves and their God.

Zion a Testing Ground for the Children of God

I believe it was the providence of God that John Alexander Dowie established the City of ZION. It was intended that no one but ZION people should live here, and God has permitted other elements to come here in order to test us. It is the time for the proving and testing of our faith, as to whether we will be contented with wickedness within our borders, or cry to God as a Church and as a people for deliverance from all such. Any preaching, therefore, that comes from this platform is never too severe for me.

The words recently spoken by our leader about the hypocrites are none too severe for me.

I believe if this people will fully surrender to God, as our leader exhorts us to do, the spirit of burning and the spirit of judgment will come upon the enemy and they will do as the Bible says, "They shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways."

The glory of God will shine upon every home and institution, and upon all her assemblies.

Think of the wonderful assembly that will be held in the City of Jerusalem when all the nations shall go up there and worship at the Feast of Tabernacles.

Why should not the Church have her members come up to the Feast of Tabernacles? Why should unbelief keep any saint of God away, when such a wonderful program, concerning the Coming of the Lord, has been prepared? Why should they not heed the call and receive the preparation and training for Millennial rulership that God is giving to you and me through this Feast of Tabernacles?

I have placed on the blackboard an outline of the principle events recorded in the Word of God, that are to take place during "The Time of the End," known as Daniel's Seventieth Week.

You will notice that prior to the Rapture we have the Church Period, the development of which from Pentecost down to the time of the Rapture, is set forth in the Second and Third Chapters of the Book of The Revelation.

It is impossible to give all the events recorded, but enough are placed on the chart to give you a general idea of the events to take place during the Seven Years, known as "The Time of the End."

During the first three and one-half years, covered principally by Chapters Six to Eleven in the Book of The Revelation, we have the Revived Roman Empire, under the reign of the Antichrist, his covenant with the Jews, the seven seals and the six trumpets.

The Sounding of the Trumpets Takes Place During the First Half of the Week

Some Bible students place the six trumpets in the second half of the Week, but I believe that the Ninth Chapter of The Revelation shows conclusively that these trumpets take place in the first half of the Week.

The statement is made in connection with the fifth trumpet (Revelation 9:4) that those men who have not the seal of God in their foreheads are to be affected by this fifth trumpet, proving from this fact that the one hundred and forty-four thousand sealed ones spoken of in the Seventh Chapter had not yet been hidden away in their hiding place prepared for their protection from the onslaughts of Antichrist, according to Revelation 12:6, 14, for a period of three and one-half years. This fifth trumpet, therefore, must take place before the middle of the Week, because those that have been sealed are still scattered among the people who are to be tormented by the "locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power," and only those who have the seal of God in their foreheads shall escape.

This trumpet also gives evidence that the middle of the Week has not yet been reached, from the statement in the Twentieth Verse, that notwithstanding these terrible judgments the sufferers of this terrible plague "yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils (demons), and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk." Had this trumpet taken place after the middle of the week, we undoubtedly would have

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our attention called, not to the worship of "devils and idols of gold" as much as to the worship of the Dragon and the Image of the Beast set up in the temple at Jerusalem, which worship must be practised by all the people then living in the Revived Roman Empire at the peril of their lives, according to Revelation the Thirteenth Chapter, Verses Fourteen and Fifteen.

The seventh trumpet sounds and the seven vials are poured out during the last half of the week covered by chapters Twelve to Nineteen in the Book of The Revelation.

This chart, simple as it is, will enable everyone to adjust and properly place the most important events to take place during the "Time of the End."

After the Rapture, the first thing we find is the departure of the Holy Spirit. As the General Overseer has said, the Holy Spirit has come to create a body — an organism — in which Jesus the Christ may dwell. Not until this body has been completed, consummated, and taken up in the Rapture, will the mission of the Holy Spirit have been finished.

The Restraining Power of the Holy Spirit

The Epistle of Paul and the Second Chapter of Second Thessalonians tells us that the Hinderer — the Holy Spirit — shall be taken out of the way, the One Who strives with you and keeps you from committing terrible wickedness.

The Holy Spirit is sent forth to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment. The Holy Spirit is rebuking unbelief and is convicting the world of sin. Some people are still being regenerated and converted through the power of the Holy Spirit today, because He is sent to convict the world and because He is still hindering the final consummation of iniquity and keeping back the tremendous floods of iniquity that shall sweep over the earth.

When the Hinderer shall have been taken away, the man of sin and son of perdition will be revealed — he of whom Daniel speaks in the Ninth Chapter who shall confirm a covenant with many of the Jews for one week.

Then we have Antichrist and the work of his rulership for seven long years over the ten nation Revived Roman Empire.

We have the Antichrist set forth as a great man of peace and a great conqueror. He comes on the scene pretending to be the champion of peace but soon he goes forth as a great warrior.

In the first seal set forth in The Revelation, Chapter Six, we have the Antichrist riding on a white horse with a bow and he goes forth to conquer.

In the second seal, we have the Antichrist coming forth as a man sitting on a red horse; in the third seal, as a man sitting on a black horse; in the fourth seal, as a man sitting on a pale horse. He goes from bad to worse, so that the people that go under his rule are not only compelled to face wars, but pestilence, famine and death itself. In the fifth seal, we have the martyred remnant.

Under the reign of Antichrist, one-fourth of the population of the earth will be killed during the first half of his reign, because of the judgments that come forth in these seven seals.

In the sixth seal, we have great earthquakes. The sun becomes black as sackcloth and the moon becomes as blood.

And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.—Revelation 6:13.

The Lord Himself gave teaching and made these things plain in the Twenty-Fourth Chapter of Matthew. He said of this period:

And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

All these are the beginning of sorrows.

Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for My Name's sake.

And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.—Matthew 24:6-13.

It is not "the end" that Paul speaks of in the Fifteenth Chapter of I Corinthians, that the Lord is speaking of in this passage. It is the end of Daniel's Seventy Weeks.

Wonderful Privileges and Opportunities Set Before the People in Zion

The General Overseer has been used of God to declare Dispensational truths in a most marvelous way. I believe an opportunity has been given to this people to understand the unfolding of prophecy as it has not been given to any other people in all the world.

When a prophetic conference is called outside of Zion, they have ministers from all over the world and from different denominations. When the conference is over, and you want to follow up their work, you have no way of doing it, because they have no way of sustaining and communicating the work they have begun. They are helpless! In these prophetic conferences, some good teaching is given, but they fail to accomplish what we are able to accomplish in Zion and what we shall accomplish during this Feast of Tabernacles by the teaching that is being given, and by the teaching that has been given by the General Overseer during the past few years.

The result of this teaching today is that Zion stands forth as the only people, as the only Church, as the only organization, as the only institution, and as the only City on the face of the earth that proclaims the Second Coming of Christ and makes the necessary preparation for His coming.

We are not preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, as the General Overseer has plainly taught. The Gospel that we are preaching is the Gospel of the Grace that was revealed on Calvary for the purpose of creating the elect body for the Christ Himself, and which Gospel shall cease to be proclaimed when that elect body has been completed and the Rapture of the saints has taken place.

When the Gospel of the Grace of God ceases to be preached then no longer will opportunity be given to the people to obtain the blessing of the Heavenly Destiny, of Immortality, and of Rulership with Christ. Never again, during this or any other period will another opportunity be given, as is given to you and me in the Church. God will not refuse still to bless mankind, because He withdraws the Gospel of the Grace of God. The Gospel will be proclaimed to mankind, but the Gospel that will be proclaimed from that time will be the Gospel of the Kingdom.

Daniel's Seventieth Week Postponed Through the Rejection of the Messiah

John the Baptist proclaimed that "the Kingdom of Heaven" was at hand, and had they accepted the King, Daniel's Seventieth Week would have been attached to the sixty-nine weeks and the glories foretold by the prophets would have followed upon the sufferings foretold by them, but because they rejected the King, He said that He would reject them and also Jerusalem. How could the Kingdom be set up without Jerusalem, without His people or with His people scattered throughout the earth, and with the Gentiles in dominion?

They had rejected Him, and the Lord said:

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!

Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.—Matthew 23:37, 38.

The glory of God departed and God no longer took any notice of the temple of Jerusalem. Titus and his Roman cohorts besieged the city in the year 70 A. D. and prophecy was fulfilled. There was no city, temple or people left, and therefore there could be no Kingdom.

At this time, Israel is again being gathered in fulfillment of prophecy. They are building the university and restoring the Hebrew language. They are making their preparation for the building of the temple, and God is bringing His organized forces together from all the world to establish Jerusalem again as a center of rule and government. It looks, therefore, from every standpoint, as though it will be possible for the Millennium soon to begin and Jerusalem be ruled by Jesus Christ.

And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.—Matthew 24:14.

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In the Eleventh Chapter of The Revelation you have the story of the two witnesses. This Chapter tells how they will proclaim the Gospel, witness for God, and prove their Divine credentials by keeping back the rain from Heaven, even as Elijah said, "There shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word," and there was no rain for three and one-half years. During this period, there will be no rain for three and one-half years as a Divine credential upon these two witnesses. People in all the world will wonder how it comes that it does not rain, and it will be published in the newspapers that it is because of these two witnesses, who are standing up and proclaiming that they are the servants of the Most High God, Who has created Israel, Judah and Jerusalem for His Millennial Rule and Kingdom.

You will see that the wrath of the people will be poured out on these two witnesses, Elijah and Moses. Fire will come forth and devour their enemies and then they will realize that they cannot hurt the messengers of God, until their witnessing is done (Revelation 11:3-13).

Through the work of these two witnesses large numbers will believe and will be slain, because they accept Christ, and the souls of the martyrs will call for vengeance from Heaven.

What is going on in Heaven during all this time, while the seals that I have spoken of are being opened, and while Heaven has sent messengers to protest against the wickedness of man, and the earth itself protests by earthquakes, and creation groans for the manifestation of the sons of God?

What will take place in Heaven?

There will be something going on in connection with the saints.

Most people have the idea that after the saints are taken to Heaven that will be the end of everything.

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.—II Corinthians 5:10.

We will not be judged for our salvation, for that took place on Calvary. We will be judged for the way we have lived. There will be no reward given to any that have been unfaithful in their services to God, that have failed to obey the call of God and do such things as would abide and endure the test.

How thankful you and I should be in ZION that we have an opportunity of knowing what it means to build upon the foundation such enduring material, testimony, service, toil and work for the Master as will abide throughout Eternity! What gratitude there should be in our hearts to respond to all the calls that are made, to sacrifice and place everything we have on the altar, so that when the time shall come that we are called to stand before the Judgment Seat of Christ, we shall not be among those who will receive no reward. You and I should not be among those to whom it must be said, "You have had the opportunity and the light, but you have failed, therefore, I can give you no reward. I cannot tell you to rule over ten cities, five cities, nor even one city." You cannot rule, because you have not made the preparation, or built upon the foundation gold, silver and precious stones. Your interests, as a professing disciple of Jesus Christ, have been centered in yourself and not in Christ. Many times, when you have had an opportunity to do something for Him, you have failed to do it and Christ has not been your all in all.

My brothers and sisters, let us not trifle with God's call in ZION. God has a purpose here for each and everyone. Let us know that these are great days of training for us. We have an opportunity to study the Word, listen to the call, and examine ourselves whether we are in the faith. We should do everything we can to work for God and give out the message of the grace of God. If we live up to our privileges, we shall have our reward.

To some, greater rewards will be given. There is the "Crown of Righteousness" that everyone can have. We all can have a crown, if we will be faithful to the opportunities that are given to us, and the Devil will not be able to accuse us, though he seeks to bring up things against us. If we have been faithful to God, and He will carry us through.

During the three and one-half years of witnessing by the Two Witnesses, there will be one hundred and forty-four thousand (144,000) sealed. These Two Witnesses are killed in the City of Jerusalem after three and one-half years, in the middle of the week, and lie dead and unburied in the streets for three and one-half days. They will then receive the call, "Come up hither!" and will be raised from the dead and ascend up to Heaven.

We then have something taking place in Heaven: a war in Heaven where the judgment against the Devil will be consummated and he will be deposed from his heavenly place of dominion over the Gentile nations and will be cast down by Michael, the Archangel. He will be cast down to the earth and will take possession of the Antichrist who will rule as an incarnate devil for three and one-half years.

We have the Devil taking possession of the Antichrist: and then we have the revelation of the Satanic Trinity. As God revealed Himself — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit — the Devil also has a plan of a great world religion and shall finally bring out his candidates. He will say, "Here is the trinity to be worshipped"—the Dragon, the Beast, and the False Prophet.

The image of the Beast will be set up in the Temple at Jerusalem, and all men will be compelled to have the mark of the Beast and to fall down before the image or else, as has been said many times from this platform, the people will forfeit their lives and millions will be slain, because they have refused to bow down and worship the image.

Then begins the particular time of the last three and one-half years set forth by Jeremiah as the Day of Jacob's Trouble, because the covenant that the Antichrist confirmed with the Jews will be broken and he will show what he is.

What Antiochus Epiphanes did, when he sacrificed a sow on the altar at Jerusalem, will be as nothing compared with what the Antichrist will bring upon Jerusalem. He will put his own image in the Temple at Jerusalem.

We have the seven seals in the Sixth and Seventh Chapters of The Revelation; the six trumpets in the Eighth and Ninth Chapters, which both take place in the first half of Daniel's Seventieth Week; and the seven vials in the Sixteenth Chapter, which are consummated in the last three and one-half years; then we have the end of this period: in Heaven the marriage supper of the Lamb takes place and the wonderful joy of sitting down with the Lord in Heaven and there partaking of the bountiful feast, and of being united with Christ; and then takes place, before the final revelation of the Christ here upon earth, the work of cleansing.

The filth of Jerusalem must be washed away and we find that the Lord Jesus spoke a great deal about how this will take place. In the Thirteenth Chapter of Matthew, Jesus speaks of the tares that will be bound in bundles and burned with fire. We find that the sanctuary will be cleansed and at last, when the Devil shall bring all his hosts from the North, West and South up to the Battle of Armageddon in the Valley of Esdraelon arrayed against God, there will take place the final destruction of the image foretold in Nebuchadnezzar's dream and Daniel's interpretation, that the stone would fall upon the ten toes and bring about the utter destruction of the nations of the earth.

Jesus Christ will come forth from Heaven upon a white horse, and His Name shall be called "The Word of God."

And He hath on His vesture and on His thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

In the Nineteenth Chapter of The Revelation, we have the adoration, praise and admiration of Jesus the Christ as the coming Ruler and King over the nations of the earth.

Then, we find the utter destruction of Babylon — all of man's self-made systems, whether governments, churches; education, or business — by the crushing power of the great Stone. During the Millennium, there will be no individual interests and no kingdoms allowed that will refuse to recognize Jesus the Christ, but He will be supreme. The Lord will come forth as the Sun of Righteousness.

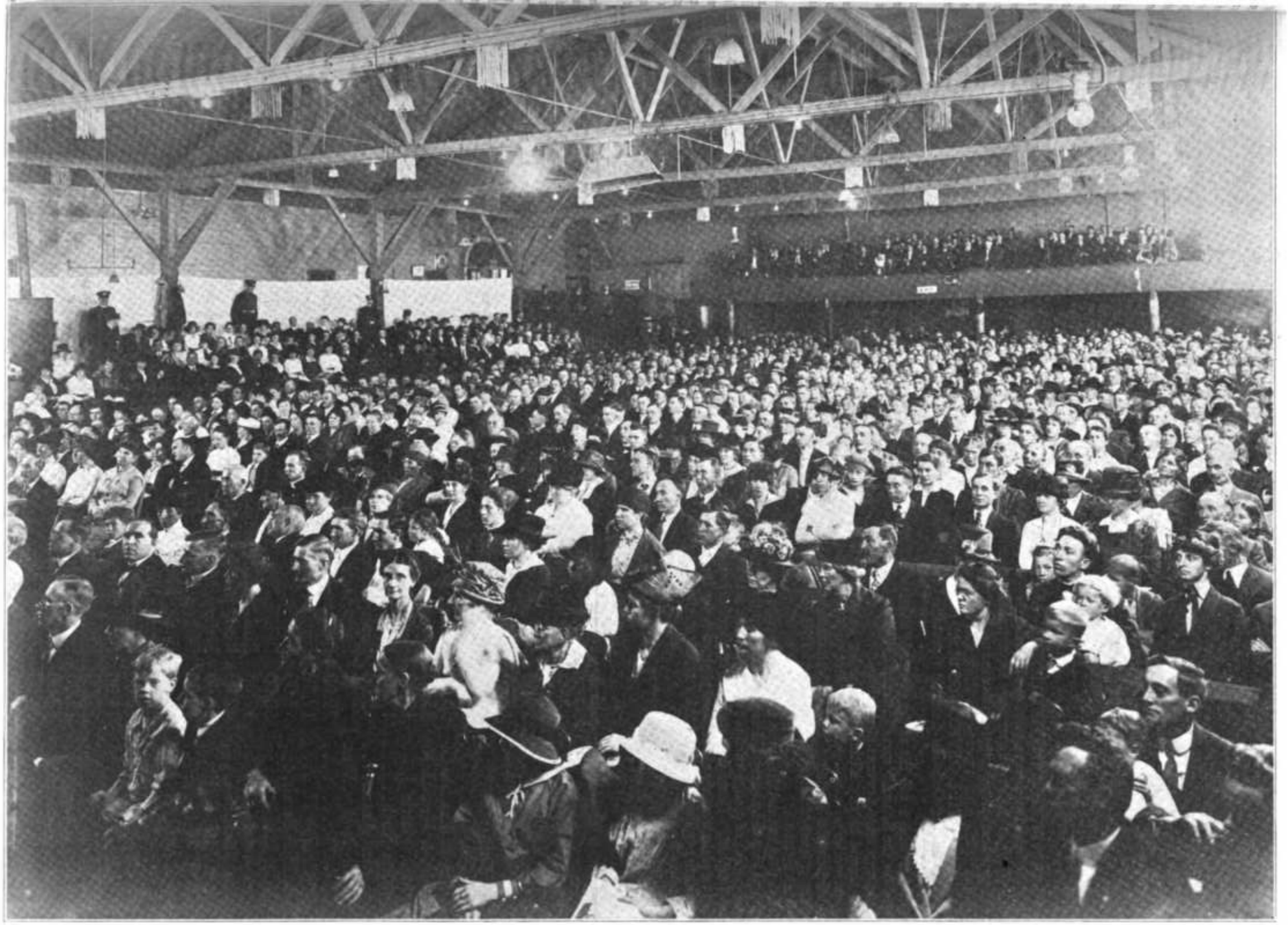
The Sun of Righteousness shall arise with healing in His wings. —Malachi 4:2.

Israel will find that its wounds will be healed and the Lord will destroy its enemies and set forth His Millennial Rulership in its destined City — Jerusalem.

Israel and Judah shall again be united — the two broken sticks, broken as it were for many hundreds and even thousands of years since the rebellion of Rehoboam.

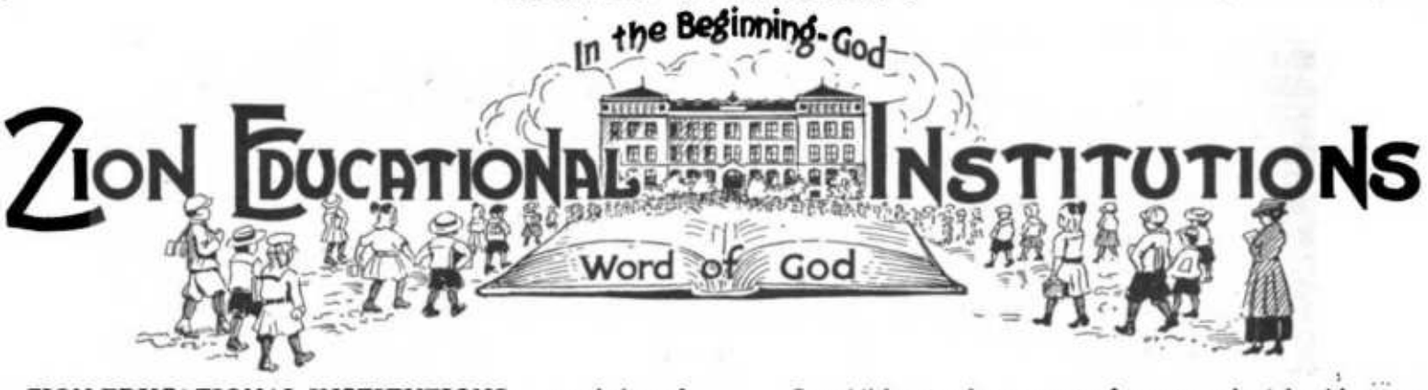
When the Sun of Righteousness shall appear, thes two broken sticks — Israel and Judah — are reunited and Jesus Christ reigns supreme as KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

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This is a Picture of the Greater Part of the Audience Which Assembled in the Auditorium in the City of Racine, Wisconsin, on Lord's Day Afternoon, September 28, 1919, When Wilbur Glenn Voliva (Successor to John Alexander Dowie), General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, Delivered an Address, Entitled, "The Sure Word of Prophecy; or, The History of the World Prewritten." (Address Published in LEAVES OF HEALING, Vol. 45, No. 6.) Special Music was Furnished by Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, and Zion Senior Orchestra.

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ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS — consisting of Kindergarten (for children five years of age), Junior School (covering a period of eight years), Preparatory Department (covering a period of four years), Department of Music and Art, etc. — are free to all children and young people in ZION and are supported entirely by the FREE-WILL OFFERINGS of the officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION.

We print herewith a full list of the names of those who have made pledges for the School Year, October 1, 1919 — October 1, 1920, with the respective amounts pledged.

If there should be any mistakes in the list as printed from week to week, notice of same should be sent to Apostle Anton Darms, Administration Building, and the mistakes will be corrected in the next issue of LEAVES OF HEALING following the receipt of such notice.

We trust that within the next few days pledge cards will be filled out and sent in by every officer, member, and friend of the Church. One form of pledge card is for individuals, and another form is for families. These cards should be carefully filled in and it should be plain whether the amount pledged is for the entire year or so much per month. All family cards should state the number in family making the pledge.

In addition to the amount of money raised in this manner, two SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS are taken each year — one at the All-Night Meeting and one the second Lord's Day of the Feast of Tabernacles.

All of the teachers are paid regularly each month, and the total amount necessary for the School Year, 1919-1920, is $30,984.00, exclusive of all the allowances for engineers, janitors, fuel, interest on investment, taxes, etc.

The enrollment, exclusive of the Department of Music and Art, is nearly Nine Hundred.

You will readily see that the plan of charging no tuition and supporting the Schools by Free-will Offerings, puts all of the children and young people on the same basis and gives all the same opportunities.

With praise to God for His blessings upon ZION Educational Institutions, with heart-felt appreciation for the earnest cooperation of all who have helped support these Institutions, and praying His richest blessings upon all, I am

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA
President.

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS—PLEDGES

October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920

Name	Amount per year
Aborn, Mrs. Nellie M.	$ 3.00
Aiuppy, Mr. Ross	30.00
Albright, Miss Ella E.	25.00
Albright, Mr. & Mrs. H. H.	12.00
Allen, Mr. Louis Wm. (Family — 4)	40.00
Anderson, Mr. & Mrs. A. C.	50.00
Anderson, Mr. & Mrs. D. K.	25.00
Anderson, Mrs. Hattie J.	12.00
Anderson, Miss Ruth	12.00
Andreason, Mr. Anton	5.00
Armstrong, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. J. (Family — 7)	25.00
Atkins, Mr. George H.	12.00
Augsburger, Miss Sarah	3.00
Babbitt, Mr. & Mrs. L. L.	60.00
Bagg, Miss Muriel	12.00
Bagley, Miss Susanna	42.00
Bailey, Mr. & Mrs. E. E.	50.00
Bailey, Mrs. J. W.	10.00
Bailey, Mrs. Lottie & Miss Lulu	10.00
Bailie, Mr. I. W. & Alta	28.00
Bailie, Miss Mae	15.00
Bales, Mr. J. N.	15.00
Ball, Mr. & Mrs. Luke	15.00
Ballegooyen, Mr. George	12.00
Ballegooyen, Mr. W. V.	24.00
Bark, Miss Anna	10.00
Barnes, Mrs. Carrie	9.00
Barron, Miss Margaret A.	12.00
Bartelt, Mr. & Mrs. J. W.	24.00
Barton, Mr. M. P. & Wife	25.00
Barton, Mr. & Mrs. Will A.	24.00
Baughman, Mr. & Mrs. L. R.	25.00
Baughman, Mr. & Mrs. J. W.	30.00
Beall, Mr. George & Family	50.00
Becker, Mr. T. R.	50.00
Becker, Miss Ida	24.00
Bennett, Mr. & Mrs. F. W.	10.00
Bennett, Mr. Harold	12.00
Bennett, Rolland Oliver	36.00
Bennewate, Mr. & Mrs. O. R.	12.00
Bennewate, Mr. & Mrs. Wm.	30.00
Berger, Mr. C. M.	15.00
Biddle, Mr. A. H.	60.00
Biddle, Mr. S. G.	30.00
Bird, Mrs. Jennie	1.00
Bird, Mr. J. D.	30.00
Bishop, Mrs. Ida A.	60.00
Bishop, Mr. H. H.	25.00
Bittle, Mr. Isaac	20.00
Blanks, Mr. J. H.	60.00
Boehmke, Mr. Theodore	24.00
Bohl, Mrs. Martha H.	12.00
Bohlken, Mr. & Mrs. A.	40.00
Borden, Mr. & Mrs. A. H.	100.00
Bower, Mrs. Daisy G.	10.00
Bowers, Mrs. Mabel	12.00
Boyd, Mr. & Mrs. Leo B.	24.00
Boyd, Mrs. M. A.	6.00
Bradshaw, Mrs. C. E.	6.00
Brady, Mrs. Dora E.	12.00
Bright, Mr. & Mrs. George	40.00
Brison, Mr. Irving	12.00
Brockway, Mr. Charles W.	12.00
Brooks, Mrs. Jannet	10.00
Brown, Mr. & Mrs. E. L.	12.00
Brownbridge, Mrs. A. E.	2.00
Brownell, Mr. Joseph Samuel	5.00
Bull, Mr. W. J. & Wife	30.00
Bull, Mr. & Mrs. F. S.	25.00
Burgess, Mr. & Mrs. A. S.	65.00
Butler, Mrs. J. & Miss Gertrude	10.00
Caldwell, Mrs. Catherine	12.00
Callahan, Mrs. Eliza	20.00
Campbell, D. A.	20.00
Capp, Mr. Arthur O.	15.00
Capp, Mr. & Mrs. Clarence	15.00
Carey, Miss E. Irene	12.00
Carey, Mr. E. L. & Wife	72.00
Carey, Stacy	12.00
Carlson, Mr. & Mrs. Hilmar	25.00
Carsley, Mr. Glenn W.	40.00
Casperson, Mr. G.	10.00
Clark, Miss Lucy B.	15.00
Clark, Miss Myrtle	10.00
Clayton, Mr. & Mrs. Percy	40.00
Clendinen, Mr. & Mrs. W. H.	120.00
Clough, Mr. & Mrs. Harold R.	25.00
Cobb, Mrs. Gussie	25.00

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Name	Amount per year
Collett, Miss Sadie	$ 12.00
Collett, Mrs. W.	18.00
Colwell, Mr. Wm. E. & Wife	48.00
Congdon, Mr. & Mrs. E. R.	40.00
Congdon, Mr. & Mrs. H. W.	25.00
Conner, Mr. A. J.	60.00
Cook, Mr. Denver R.	50.00
Cook, Mr. & Mrs. J. A.	50.00
Coppins, Mrs. Mary E.	6.00
Cordell, Mr. & Mrs. Harold	12.00
Corder, Mrs. C. B.	12.00
Cowell, Miss Hattie J.	20.00
Crain, Miss Dorothy	24.00
Cramer, Mrs. Johanna	18.00
Crane, Mr. & Mrs. C. W.	50.00
Crary, Mr. E. J.	18.00
Crawford, Misses Esther & Grace	20.00
Currie, Miss Emily	5.00
Darms, Mr. and Mrs. Anton.	75.00
Davis, Mrs. & Artlissa	24.00
Davis, Mr. E. R. & Family (Family 7)	40.00
Daymude, Mrs. & Elsie	40.00
Dean, Miss Alice B.	10.00
Denman, Mrs. C.	12.00
DePew, Frederick H.	3.00
DePew, J. Alexander	12.00
DePew, Mr. Jasper H. & Wife	36.00
Detienne, Mr. J. P.	60.00
Detienne, Mr. N. S.	60.00
Diebold, Mrs. Catherine	50.00
Dodson, Mr. & Mrs. C. W.	50.00
Dow, Mr. & Mrs. J.	60.00
Dreyer, Mrs. Theodore	12.00
Dulmage, Miss Mabel	15.00
Dunn, Mr. & Mrs. W. C.	20.00
Duske, Mr. Gustave	12.00
Edwards, Mr. D. D. (Family — 6)	25.00
Edwards, Mr. Wm. M.	25.00
Eliason, Mr. & Mrs. Jno.	36.00
Ellingworth, Mr. Fred	12.00
Ellinwood, Mrs. Sarah M.	60.00
Emanuelson, Mr. E.	25.00
Emanuelson, Mrs. A. M. & Miss Gertrude	40.00
Emanuelson, Miss Rose	25.00
Emanuelson, Mr. &Mrs. V.E.	24.00
Erickson, Miss Christine H.	25.00
Erickson, Mr. Louis	100.00
Farrar, Mr. & Mrs. Samuel G. (Family 8)	50.00
Fay, Mrs. Martha V.	10.00
Federmeyer, Mrs. Minnie A.	12.00
Ferguson, Mr. T. H. & Family	60.00
Fitch, Mrs. Adelaide V.	4.00
Flanagan, Mrs. M.	10.00
Flanagan, Mr. Thomas	60.00
Forby, Mr. & Mrs. Theodore	120.00
Foster, Mr. E. A. & Wife	50.00
Foster, Mrs. Mary A.	12.00
Frazell, Mrs. Pearl	25.00
Friedell, Mr. H. M.	$ 18.00
Gamerdinger, Mr. Jacob & Wife	36.00
Gellinger, Mr. & Mrs. A.	12.00
Gillette, Miss H. D.	25.00
Gillis, Miss Grace I.	10.00
Goodburn, Mrs. J. A.	24.00
Gooden, Mr. J. H.	36.00
Goodwin, Mr. W. D. & Family (Family 3)	50.00
Gould, M. Harvey A.	50.00
Green, Mr. & Mrs. H. L.	12.00
Greenwald, Mrs. Amanda	12.00
Greer, Anna	3.00
Greer, Chas. W.	30.00
Greer, Miss Hattie M.	5.00
Greer, John A.	5.00
Greer, Mrs. Lucie	25.00
Greer, L. Estella	2.50
Greer, Ruth	2.00
Griffith, Mrs. E. G.	25.00
Griffith, Mrs. Estella M.	10.00
Gruman, Mr. Henry A.	20.00
Guggenbuhl, Mr. & Mrs.	36.00
Guschausky, Mr. August	12.00
Hacker, Mr. Jas. A. (Family — 8)	30.00
Hammer, Mrs. Anna	24.00
Hammer, Mr. J. G.	60.00
Hammock, Mr. & Mrs. Aug.	12.00
Hampe, Mr. & Mrs. Herman E.	50.00
Hanni, Mr. & Mrs. N.	100.00
Harwood, Mr. Ernest E. (Family — 6)	50.00
Hazel, Mr. Louis E. (Family — 4)	40.00
Hazel, Mrs. M. C.	4.00
Heck, Miss E. S.	12.00
Heggen, Mr. & Mrs. B. O.	12.00
Henry, Mr. & Mrs. R. Y.	30.00
Hill, Mr. F.	18.00
Hindman, Mr. & Mrs. A. G.	24.00
Hinshaw, Mrs. Emma M.	15.00
Hire, Mr. & Mrs. L. J.	120.00
Hoffman, Miss Ellen T.	30.00
Holcombe, Miss Alice M.	25.00
Holcombe, Miss Maud	25.00
Holgate, Mrs. Anna M.	12.00
Holgate, Mr. Frank	25.00
Hollingshead, Mr. George E.	12.00
Hollingshead, Mr. T. H.	60.00
Hollingsworth, Mrs. M. S.	10.00
Hosken, Miss Ethel	24.00
Hosken, Miss Mary A.	80.00
Howell, Miss Ethel	12.00
Howell, Mrs. M. (1)	25.00
Hoyt, Mr. W. H.	60.00
Hueneryager, Mr. & Mrs. A. E.	100.00
Hughes, Mr. & Mrs. A. G.	50.00
Hughes, Mrs. Bessie	15.00
Ingold, Mr. & Mrs. W. A.	24.00
Ison, Miss Bessie	24.00
Jackson, Miss Julia E.	$ 6.00
Jackson, Mrs. Rachel	5.00
Johns, Mrs. Carrie & Katherine	50.00
Johnson, Miss Ruth	15.00
Jones, Mrs. Mary H.	25.00
Jordan, Mr. Willis F.	40.00
Just, Mr. John G.	12.00
Kapple, Mrs. Amanda	4.00
Kasten, Mr. Fred L.	30.00
Kelley, Mrs. Louise Wolf	40.00
Kemman, Mr. David J.	15.00
Kesler, Miss Bertha	12.00
Kesler, Miss Dorothy E.	5.00
Kesler, Mr. & Mrs. F. M. & Miss Gladys	10.00
Kesler, Miss Mabel	5.00
Kesler, Mr. & Mrs. N. T.	30.00
Kettell, Mrs. Emily	12.00
Kinnear, Mr. Stanley U.	50.00
Klammer, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. F.	24.00
Klemin, Mr. Charles	20.00
Knepper, M. F. L.	6.00
Koetz, R. M.	36.00
Kofoed, Mr. & Mrs. M.	24.00
Kresge, Miss Genevra	15.00
Kresge, Mr. & Mrs. Howard W. (Family 3)	12.00
Krinner, Mr. A.	36.00
Kruse, Miss Anna Marie	2.00
Kutz, Mr. & Mrs	120.00
Lambert, Mr. George W.	50.00
Landphere, Mrs. M. A.	5.00
LaRose, Mrs. Grace	30.00
LaRose, Mr. & Mrs. N. J.	45.00
LaRose, Mr. & Mrs. P. M.	20.00
Larsen, Mr. & Mrs. Karl W.	6.00
Lawrence, Miss Ethel A.	12.00
Lawrence, Mr. Otto	12.00
Lee, Mr. & Mrs. A. O.	60.00
Lee, Miss Bessie I.	18.00
Lee, Mr. Earl E.	36.00
Lee, Mrs. E. J.	40.00
Lee, Mr. Harold D.	36.00
Lee, Miss Marion T.	42.00
Leech, Mr. Edgar L. (Family — 7)	24.00
Leech, Mr. G. C.	40.00
Leech, Mr. & Mrs. James B.	20.00
Leech, Miss Lutie	10.00
Leitch, Mr. Leslie	15.00
Leitch, Mr. W. D. (Family — 4)	25.00
Leitch, Mrs. Sarah	5.00
Lewis, Mr. Peter George	72.00
Lippincott, Mrs. H. (Family — 4)	17.00
Lippincott, Mrs. O.	10.00
Littlefield, Miss Zona	20.00
Lloyd, Miss E. M.	50.00
Luce, Mr. Wm. I.	10.00
Ludlow, Mr. Chas.	30.00
Luke, Mrs. E.	12.00

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Lush, Mrs. Elizabeth	$ 20.00
Luther, Mrs. Francis A.	25.00
Luther, Mr. H. H.	25.00
Lyon, Mr. & Mrs. E. D.	5.00
Maclachlan, Mr. & Mrs. Donald	24.00
Main, Mr. & Mrs. J. A.	12.00
Mallory, Miss Susie E.	20.00
Mann, Mr. A. L.	72.00
Mark, Mr. Benjamin (Family — 4)	36.00
Marshall, Mr. Alvin	100.00
Marshall, Miss Gladys	25.00
Martin, Mr. C. A.	40.00
Martin, Miss Harriet	15.00
Mason, Mr. C. R.	75.00
Mason, John & Jennie	25.00
Maxwell, Miss Nettie	3.00
Mayhak, Mr. & Mrs. Paul	100.00
McConnell, Mr. & Mrs. J. H.	40.00
McCormack, Mr. B. E.	24.00
McCormack, Mrs. M. C.	5.00
McCormack, Mr. W. B.	6.00
McCulloch, Mr. & Mrs. A. G.	24.00
McCulloch, Mr. & Mrs. C. L.	12.00
McElroy, Mr. & Mrs. R. G. (Family — 3)	12.00
McEwen, Mr. Thos.	30.00
McGarrahan, Mr. Chas. H. & Family	40.00
McIntosh, Mr. Duncan	15.00
McIntosh, Mr. & Mrs. P. & Miss Ethel	60.00
McKerlie, Mr. & Mrs. A. E.	36.00
McKinley, Miss Alta	5.00
McKinley, Miss Edna	5.00
McNeill, Mr. A. D.	84.00
Meeker, Mr. & Mrs. F. W.	25.00
Mehaffey, Mr. E. A. (Family — 3)	60.00
Meitz, Mrs. Louisa J.	25.00
Melin, Mrs. Lucie W.	15.00
Melvin, Mrs. Eva J.	12.00
Metzler, Miss Margaret	12.00
Middleton, Mr. & Mrs. C. E.	10.00
Mill, Miss Pearl	6.00
Mill, Miss Vern	5.00
Miller, Mrs. Carrie	24.00
Miller, Mr. G. C. & Family (Family 5)	25.00
Mintern, Mr. M. J. (Family)	24.00
Mischler, Mr. E. G. & Family	60.00
Moderow, Mr. John	60.00
Molinski, Mr. M. P.	12.00
Mole, Mr. Frank	25.00
Moore, Mrs. A. J.	12.00
Mories, Miss Mary	24.00
Morey, Mr. Zenas	25.00
Moughmer, Mr. D. E.	25.00
Moughmer, Miss Esther	15.00
Moughmer, Mr. Francis A.	75.00
Moulton, Mr. Marshall	40.00
Murphy, Miss Frances	5.00
Myers, James (1)	$ 12.00
Myers, Joanna	2.00
Myers, W. H.	50.00
Myhre, Miss Athol Iola	18.00
Naffziger, Mr. Valentine & Family	24.00
Neal, Mr. & Mrs. Dale	25.00
Neeve, Miss Dorothy	5.00
Neeve, Miss Marjorie	5.00
Neilson, Mrs. M. B.	12.00
Nelson, Miss A. Amelia	24.00
Nelson, Mr. Fred	12.00
Nelson, Mr. & Mrs. E. G.	25.00
Nelson, Mr. Thomas H.	60.00
Nicholson, Mr. J. G., Mrs. & Ethel	60.00
Norton, Mr. David	25.00
Norton, Mrs. Grace	10.00
Oakes, Mr. & Mrs. C. W.	25.00
Oakes, Mr. & Mrs. H. S.	25.00
Oakes, Mrs. Mary	12.00
Oas, Mr. & Mrs. O. B.	50.00
Oberholtzer, Mrs. M.	12.00
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THE APOSTOLIC OFFICE
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In the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion we teach that the Apostolic Office was intended to be perpetual in the Church.

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion was founded, under God, by John Alexander Dowie, in Zion Tabernacle Number Two, in the City of Chicago, February 22, 1896, with five hundred charter members.

At that time, he spoke as follows, on the subject, "Is the Apostolic Office a Perpetual One?" —

"All the way through, reading about the Church, you come up against the Apostles, from the first mention of the word by Jesus Himself.

"The Apostolic Office comes first; the Prophetic Office, next; the Teaching Office, next.

"I affirm that the Church cannot be Christian, and cannot be Catholic, unless it is Apostolic.

"The Apostolic Office must be declared as belonging to the Church, if we shall form a Church; and it shall be declared to be a PERPETUAL OFFICE.

"It is our duty to declare that the Church of God shall eventually, and as speedily as possible, be so organized. We have nothing to do with consequences. God will call His Apostles in His Own time and way, by the Holy Spirit."

A LIST OF THE NAMES OF THE APOSTLES MENTIONED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

Now the names of the twelve apostles are these: The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James, the son of Zebedee, and John his brother.

Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the publican; James the son of Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus;

Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed Him.—Matthew 10:2-4.

The thirteenth Apostle was Matthias. (Acts 1:26.)

The fourteenth Apostle was James, the brother of the Lord.

Paul says, in Galatians 1:19:

But of the other apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother.

John Alexander Dowie, the founder, under God, of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, in commenting on this verse, said:

"James, the brother of the Lord, was a new Apostle, because in the Apostolic Band there were two named James, and neither of them was a son of Mary, because one was James the son of Alphaeus, and the other was James the brother of John, and both James and John were sons of Zebedee.

"Therefore, neither of the two named James in the Apostolic Band, while the Christ was living, was the brother of the Lord. On the contrary, we have the statement in Scripture that after He called the first twelve (Mark 3:21), Jesus' brothers did not believe in Him.

"He had four brothers (Mark 6:3), James, Joses, Judas (or Jude), and Simon, sons of Mary, and also sisters.

"These four brothers of our Lord were not believers in Him, apparently, until after His death, or thereabouts, when they became believers in Him and were among His disciples in the upper room on the day of Pentecost. (Acts 1:14.)

"Paul came up to Jerusalem about four years after that time and found that James, the brother of the Lord, was an apostle. So that the fourteenth Apostle is James, the brother of the Lord."

The fifteenth and sixteenth Apostles are Barnabas and Saul.

Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.

As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.

And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away. — Acts 13:1-3.

"From that moment they became Apostles.

"They were sent away as Apostles, and they were called Apostles throughout the whole of the Acts of the Apostles.

"Barnabas is called an Apostle just as much as Paul. Saul's name was changed to Paul.

"Barnabas and Saul were not elected at Jerusalem to be Apostles; they were chosen by God, and were ordained by Him, through the Prophets and Teachers, eleven years after the Christ's resurrection.

"Saul was only a teacher and prophet for ten years after his conversion, and eleven years after the Christ's reascension he became an Apostle by the Act of the Holy Spirit's calling him out from the second and third ranks of the first three offices of the Church, the Prophets and Teachers.

"Now we have Matthias, and James the brother of the Lord, and Barnabas and Saul, — four new Apostles who took places vacated by death in the Apostolic Order."

The seventeenth Apostle was Apollos.

In I Corinthians, Fourth Chapter, and Sixth to Ninth Verses, Paul says:

And these things, brethren, I have in a figure transferred to myself and to Apollos for your sakes; that ye might learn in us not to think of men above that which is written, that no one of you be puffed up for one against another.

For who maketh thee to differ from another? and what hast thou that thou didst not receive? now if thou didst receive it, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received it?

Now ye are full, now ye are rich, ye have reigned as kings without us: and I would to God ye did reign, that we also might reign with you.

For I think that God hath set forth us the apostles last, as it were appointed to death: for we are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men.

The eighteenth and nineteenth Apostles were Andronicus and Junias.

Salute Andronicus and Junias, my kinsmen, and my fellow-prisoners, who are of note among the Apostles, who also were in Christ before me.—Romans 16:7.

The twentieth Apostle was Epaphroditus (Philippians 2:25):

Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labor, and fellow-soldier, but your messenger, and he who ministered to my wants.

The word "messenger," in the margin of the revised version, is translated "apostle," and it ought to have been put in the text.

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"The Blessed Hope of the Church and the False Hopes of the World"

A Report of the Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, in the Auditorium, Racine, Wisconsin, U. S. A., Lord's Day Evening, September 28, 1919.

(Reported by E. I. C.)

TEXT:

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them who are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others who have no hope.

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also who sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.

For this we say unto you by the Word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent (go before) them who are asleep.

For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words.—II Thessalonians 4:13-18.

ADDRESS

We are living today in the most remarkable period of the world's history. I would rather be living on the earth today than at any other time since God said, "Let there be light."

There are many troubles, there are many vexations, there are numerous perplexities, and the statesmen are at their wits' end, and the people generally cry, "Lord, what next?"

We are living in the days of wonderful inventions, when it would seem as though man had reached the acme of attainment; in the days of wireless telegraphy, when from San Diego, California, the time of day was exchanged with the city of Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, almost ten thousand miles away; in the day when the contents of a man's stomach can be photographed, and when the bones can be photographed through the flesh; in the day when it seems that nothing more remains to be discovered or invented.

But who knows?

Now a man tells us that he is superintending the instruction of an airship, on which he expects to ascend so close to the planet Mars as to carry on a conversation with the inhabitants — if there are any! No one knows.

But with increased knowledge, with every great invention, the miseries of mankind have multiplied, and instead of contentment being the general condition, the world has reached the culmination of unrest. Many solutions are propounded, but, so far, these solutions have not solved anything. One writer said the other day, "If everybody would adopt the Golden Rule, all would be lovely;" but "can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots?"

Jesus Christ said: "Except a man be born anew, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God."

A Radical Change Effected Through the New Birth

Now, the New Birth is a figurative expression, used to describe the change that takes place in the disposition of a man's spirit. To illustrate: My grandfather was a Republican; my father was a Republican speaker in every campaign. When a man, to the third generation, is a Republican, a very great change has to be wrought in him before he can become a Democrat. And so the "natural man" — the descendant of Adam — never becomes spiritual until a change takes place, which is called the New Birth. You may write the word "Republican" on that man's forehead, and the word "Democrat" on this man's forehead, and the word "Socialist" on this man's forehead; then you may erase them all and put "Socialist" on the Democrat's forehead, "Democrat" on the Republican's forehead, and "Republican" on the Socialist's forehead; but you have the same men that you had when you started. Their hearts are not changed a particle, and they will remain so until a radical change is effected.

It is a difficult thing to preach in these days. The majority of the preachers are talking to empty chairs — and I never have heard an empty chair say "Amen" yet, or seen one put anything in the contribution box!

The main reason they are preaching to empty chairs is because they have NO ISSUE and NO MESSAGE, and people do not go where there is no issue and no message.

In this country, at one time, a line was drawn. It was called "Mason and Dixon's line." The Southerners who were north of that line made hasty steps to the South, and the Northerners who were south of that line made hasty steps to the North. The issue was made, the battle was fought, the victory was won, and the government at Washington was saved.

No man can get an audience, no man can create any interest, who has not an issue and who has not a message.

What is the Popular Conception of a Preacher Today?

If I wished to print a Funny Column in either one of my papers, I would get the off-hand opinion of one hundred citizens as to what was their conception of a minister, and it would surpass anything that "Bill" Nye ever wrote!

What is the Popular Conception of a Minister?

It is so reprehensible that I tell the people I am not a minister, but a business man, although I preach. It makes me think of [illegible]'s story: A father and a mother had four sons, all old enough to go to college. One night the father and the mother sat around the fireside discussing what they would do with these boys — John, James, George, and William.

The father says, "Now, John is the brightest one of all four sons. I think we ought to make a lawyer out of him!" His mother says, "All right; I think he would do well at it."

They discuss the second one, and conclude that they will give him a business course and make a merchant out of him. Then they decide to make a politician out of the third one and send him to Congress. Now, the fourth one never was very bright and he was weak in body as well as in mind, and, although he was a boy, he had a voice that sounded like a fifteen-year-old girl. So the father said, "Well, Mother, what shall we do with him?"

"I don't know," she said, "I don't think he is fit for anything!"

"Well," the father said, "I'll tell you what we'll do — we'll put him in the ministry!" (Laughter)

It is the truth that there are more "sissies" and more wretched failures in the ministry than in any other line of activity.

Ministerial "sissies"! Softies, I call them, — and the world is full of them! Why, if a merchant in the City of Racine attempted to run his store for six months as the average church is run, a receiver would take charge at the end of that time, and you know it as well as I do!

The conception of a minister — what is it?

Is it a man upon whom Almighty God, Who created the universe, lays His hand, and calls, and equips, and empowers, and sends out into the world with a message from Heaven?

Is that the conception?

Why, who pays any attention to the average preacher today?

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God's Ministers Ambassadors From the Government of Heaven

A minister called of God is AN AMBASSADOR FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF HEAVEN! Do you understand that? And some day, before very long, God Almighty will break off diplomatic relations with this earth and will instruct every one of His ambassadors to come to Heaven.

Now, suppose one of you men were to pack your trunk tomorrow and strike out for Tokio. You say to the neighbors, "I am the United States' ambassador to Japan;" and you go and present yourself to the proper official in Japan, who says, "I have had no notification from Washington of your appointment!"

"Well, I am the ambassador, all right!"

"Have you any credentials?"

"No, I haven't."

"Who appointed you?"

"I appointed myself!"

You would be received (!), would you not?

But when the President of the United States designates a man as ambassador to the government of Japan, and his appointment is properly ratified and the credentials are drafted and the government seal is put upon them, and he is sent to Tokio, he is received as the representative of the United States government, and he is your representative, he is my representative. Back of him are the President, the vice-President, the Cabinet, both Houses of Congress, the United States navy, and the United States militia; and if there should occur any diplomatic difficulties, the President, through the Secretary of State, finally would notify the United States ambassador, "Ask for your passport and return to the United States."

Have you met any ministers who have come from Heaven with credentials and with a message of authority?

Have you?

NO!

The Divine Call to the Ministry

There was a time in the Methodist church when it meant something to get into the ministry; when it meant something to be a member of the Methodist church. They believed in the New Birth, in conversation, and in experimental religion; and if you went to a circus you were put out of the church. When a man presented himself as a candidate he had to give evidence that he had experienced the New Birth.

Where is the Divine call to the ministry today?

The rank and file of the preachers just assume it, because they cannot do anything else in this world, and because they think that they can get fried chicken and apple butter and pumpkin pie, and some kind of a living. The rank and file of preachers in the United States today are having "hard sledding," make no mistake about it, because they have no issue and no message, and the people will not go to hear them.

No doubt there were people in the service this afternoon who did not like some things that I said. What do I care? If I am going to agree with everything that you believe, then you are wasting your time and I am wasting mine. I do not ask any one in Racine to tell me what to preach nor how to preach, and I shall permit no man on God's earth to tell me what to preach nor how to preach — and I certainly will not permit any woman to do it!

Man's Thinking Does Not Govern in God's Universe

Beloved, it makes no difference what I think, and it makes no difference what you think; it makes no difference what I say, and it makes no difference what you say!

We will say that some of you gentlemen and I are standing on the sidewalk, and a wire has fallen down at the side of the street. A man comes along and says, "Gentlemen, there is a live wire; you had better keep away from it!" All right; we keep away from it. But soon a man comes along and he reaches over to touch the wire. We call out to him, "Don't touch that wire; it will kill you!" But he replies, "Get out! It won't hurt anybody!"

Does his thinking govern it?

He takes hold of the wire — and his "thinking machine" works no more!

Now, some people say, "Mr. Voliva, I don't think there is any God!"

That is a nice position for a human being to take, is it not? You know better than that! Down deep in your heart you know that THERE IS A GOD, and down deep in your heart you believe in Him; and if you say you do not — well, I would not like to sit by your deathbed!

Terrible Remorse Accompanies the Death of an Infidel

When I was a little boy there was a six-foot man who used to twit me for going to Sunday school. He said to me one day, "Pooh! your religion is all bunk. There isn't any God! When I die, I want So and So (a man whom I knew) to put a log chain around my waist, hitch a horse to it, and drag me up and down the streets of the town. I'll show the people, some day, how an infidel can die!"

At the age of eighteen, I was sent away to college. When, later, I came home for a few weeks' vacation, that man was reported to be near death, and I was very anxious to know if he was keeping up his bravado.

Finally, he asked for a preacher. Well, now, that was a funny thing for a fellow to do who was going to show how an infidel could die, and have his dead body dragged up and down the streets!

A preacher whom I knew very well was sent down to see him. He took him by the hand and said, "Mr. ————, have you any pain?" He answered, "My God! I haven't got a bit of pain, but I am suffering from a remorse that is worse than hell!" The preacher spoke a few words to him, and he sank back. And what do you think were the last words which the family heard him saying? — "NEARER, MY GOD, TO THEE!"

That will be true of any one of you sitting here tonight in health and strength, with good eyes and good ears and good lungs — your body well and strong and throbbing with health. You say, "I haven't any time for God, and for all that talk about a fellow's repenting of his sins and getting saved and being converted and 'born again'!" No; but just wait six months, when that big frame of yours is stretched out on a bed. Your lungs are full of consumption, your cheeks are all sunken in, and you are anaemic — you are dying by inches! I will guarantee that if I could step in by your bedside you would have a different story to tell!

Beloved, I would not be such a coward as to wait until death before accepting my God and my Lord Jesus Christ! I would not give the Devil forty-five years of my life, and then, when he kicked me out and started to foreclose his mortgage on me, come whining around God! I would be a MAN!

Now, it makes no difference what any man thinks; it makes no difference what any man says!

God's Approval the Only Thing of Importance

A man sat in a little ticket office at the gate that led through an iron fence at a railway station. There was to be a big excursion that day, and the first excursion train was to pull out at a certain time. The people were crowding around the gate, anxious to get through; but the man just sat there unconcernedly. They kept growling and fussing at him, and finally he said, "That doesn't hurt me! There is one man only whom I bother anything about! Do you see that eight-story building yonder? That window there on the sixth floor is the general superintendent's office. He is the only man I think about or bother about!"

As a preacher of the Gospel, I am not bothering about any man or woman. There is just One in the universe about Whose opinion of me I am concerned, and that is God Almighty, Who sits in the heavens; and if He approves of me, then everything else is all right.

My subject tonight is: "The Blessed Hope of the Church and the False Hopes of the World."

Beloved in Jesus the Christ: The wind-up of this old world is near at hand! I want you to put that down in your mental scrapbook. We are standing on the threshold of the last seven years of this old world's history. The Word of God tells us, in the most wonderful prophecy between the lids of the Bible — Daniel 9:26, 27 — that the last period in this old world's career will be exactly seven years, and that these seven years will see "a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation." Tonight, signs hang on every hand warning us that its doom is sealed.

I know that this strikes the rank and file of the people as something very funny; but if you only could sit in Shiloh Taber-

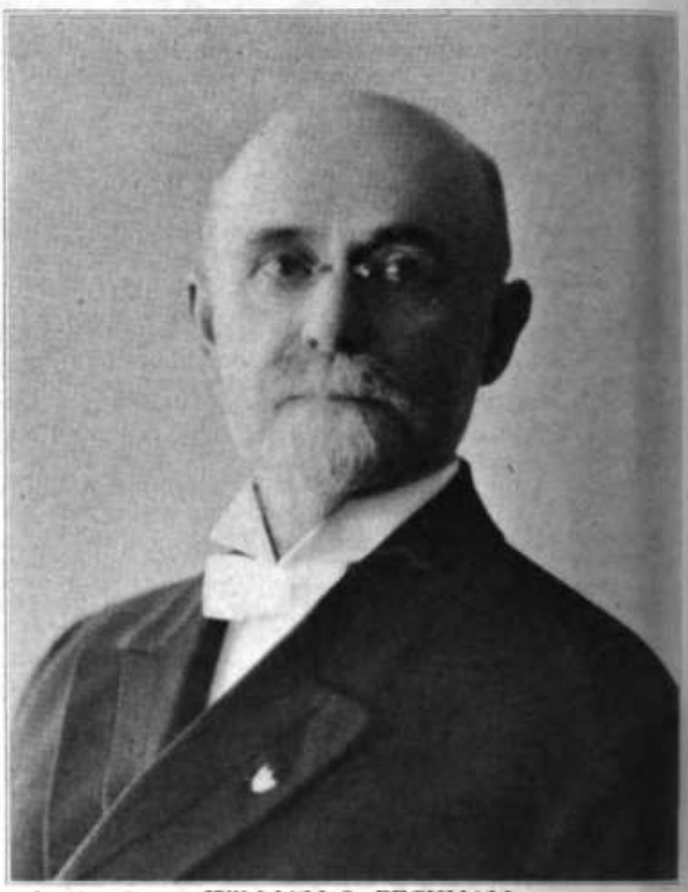
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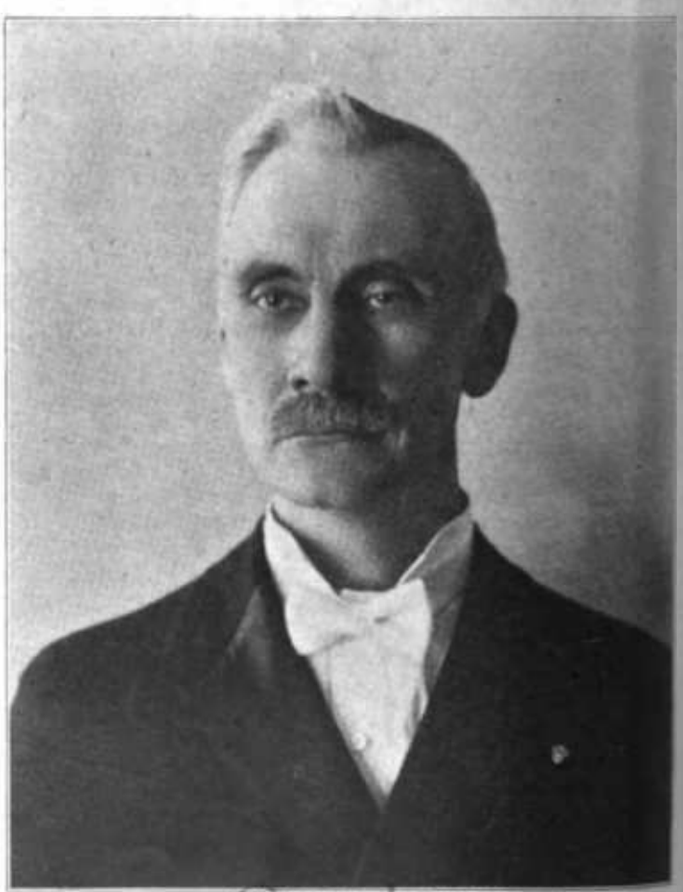
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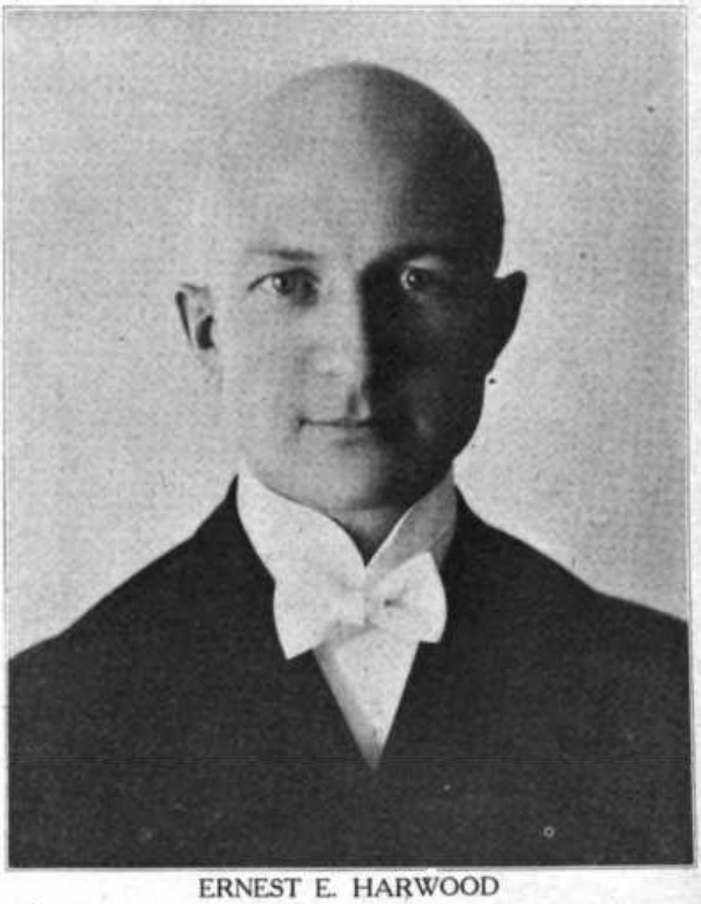
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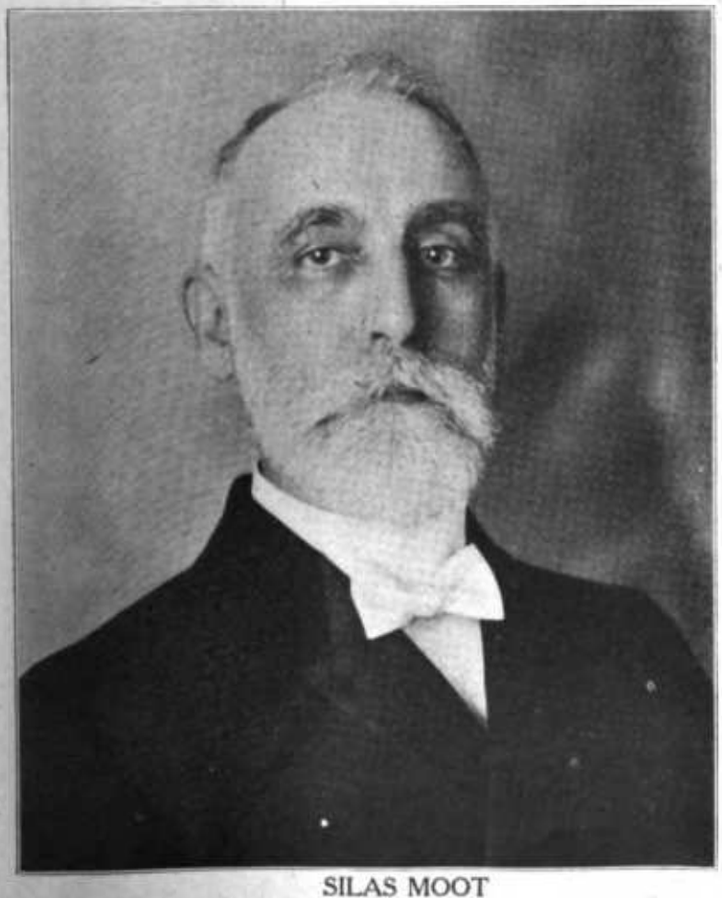
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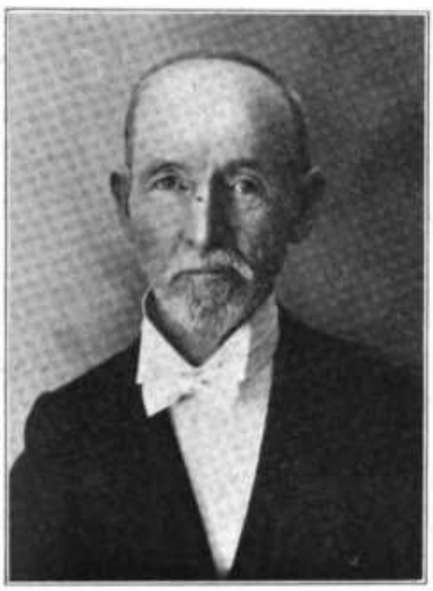
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nacle every Lord's Day for months and hear the Word of God expounded (which I could not do in a little thirty-minute address here tonight), you would find out that it is not so funny, and that there is a promise in the Word of God that before the storm breaks God Almighty will take all His children out of this world.

The Next Great Event on God's Program — The Rapture

At the beginning of this seven-year period there takes place THE RAPTURE.

What is the Rapture?

Some moment — it will be the same moment in all the world — the trumpet will sound (you heard it read tonight), a voice, the voice of Jesus Christ, will shout, "COME UP HITHER!" and the archangel Michael, the commander-in-chief of the angelic forces, will direct the angels to gather every saint in all the earth, and "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye" they will be transformed from mortal into immortal beings, and, together with the "dead in Christ" who have been raised, will be "caught up to meet the Lord in the air." Immediately, the world's autocrat, the man on horseback, who lives in Europe tonight, will be revealed. He will take the reins of government, and no man will be able to breathe without his consent. If you wish to read a most remarkable chapter on this gentleman, read the Thirteenth Chapter of Revelation.

Now, the Jews will get Palestine, and the fact that they are returning there in large numbers now constitutes one of the greatest signs of the approaching end. Jesus said:

Now learn a parable of the fig tree: When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh. (Matthew 24:32).

The fig tree is the Jewish nation, and the Jewish nation, which has been an exile for two thousand years, is throbbing with life in the Zionistic movement tonight, and soon millions of Jews, in airships and on warships and commercial vessels, will be returning to Palestine.

During the first two hundred and twenty days of the seven years they will rebuild their Temple, the plans for which already are drawn and the arrangements made for their execution.

The False Hopes of the Allied Nations to Center in the Antichrist

This autocrat — the Antichrist — will confirm a covenant with the Jews to protect them and to exercise sovereignty over them. They will resume their Mosaic worship and will keep the daily sacrifice in that Temple. He will be a great diplomat, and no doubt will be a university graduate.

Let me tell you when this autocrat will appear on the scene — when strikes become universal, endangering all property, and lawlessness breaks out! In this struggle between Capital and Labor the allied nations will cry for a deliverer.

This man will come out of Greece — out of one of the four divisions of the restored empire of Alexander the Great — and, like Napoleon, he will stand the machine guns on the street corners. He will be given the control of the monopolies, and corporations, and banks, and railroads, and telegraph lines, and so on, and he will sit in his seat of authority. No man will be able to buy or sell, or *breathe*, without his consent.

That man casts his shadow before us tonight!

I say tonight: The Bible prophesies the league of nations; the Bible foretells that the head of the league of nations will be the forerunner of the head of the Revived Roman Empire.

This league of nations will tie you hand and foot, and will put the world under the control of about three men, mark what I say! The United States is due for a mighty awakening, and if the Senate ratifies the covenant of the league of nations, it will start internal dissension and political upheavals such as it never has seen before.

The United States Will Withdraw From the League of Nations

So surely as God lives, before long the United States will withdraw from the league of nations, and will become, in the providence of God Almighty, one of the "sheep" nations — the succorers of the Jews.

Many people shout for the league of nations who know nothing about it!

You buy two horses and three cows from an old farmer, and he will write out a contract on the back of an old envelope. Take that same transaction to a lawyer, and he will cover five pages. Then you have to go to the circuit court to find out what it means, and then one of the parties appeals to the appellate court. The judge there says that the circuit court was wrong, and then you have to go to the state supreme court to find out what that contract means!

You know, a shrewd man can draft a document in such a way that it is not what it *does* say that amounts to anything, but what it does NOT say!

The average person could no more fathom the covenant of the league of nations than a little girl here could repeat for me the first chapter in Xenophon's "Anabasis," although if I asked her to spell "dog" or "cat," or to give me the nine digits, or to do a sum in addition or subtraction, no doubt she could do it.

The average person advocates the league of nations because he thinks it will keep the world out of war. I want to tell you that it has in it the seeds of the greatest world wars that ever have been fought — I leave it to any man who is highly educated enough and competent enough to read it and understand it!

That is the situation!

What are men and women to do who do not know the Bible — men and women who do not read it, who do not study it, who do not have it preached to them, who do not know that these things are there?

How many people today believe in the Second Coming of Jesus the Christ?

That is the question!

How many ministers believe in the Second Coming of Jesus the Christ?

The Second Coming of Christ the Hope of the Church

The Second Coming of Jesus the Christ is THE HOPE OF THE CHURCH, but *the hopes of the world* are phantoms, they are delusions, they are a snare, and they are doomed to absolute failure!

You hear a great deal of talk about the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God. That is all "bunk." God Almighty is not the Father of any man or woman but a Christian man or woman. Do you understand that? Jesus Christ said to a certain company, "YE ARE OF YOUR FATHER THE DEVIL!"

God is not the Father of any man or woman who is not converted, who is not a child of God, who has not been "born anew."

All this talk is nothing but a lot of nonsense —it is simply a beautiful sentiment that deceives the people for a little time!

The Brotherhood of Man and the Golden Rule — "Do unto others as you would be done by"!

Yes, if I am a tool of the Devil I will "DO" you, and "DO" you properly, too!

Now, reverting to a thing that I said this afternoon, beloved: There is very little Democracy in this world.

I have been a politician since I was ten years of age.

The One-Man-Rule Obtains in All the Activities of Life

Let me tell you something: You may take one hundred men and put them in a room together, and if they begin considering some matter ONE MAN WILL BOSS THAT WHOLE AFFAIR!

The story is told that Abraham Lincoln called his cabinet together one day; and after submitting a certain proposition to them he said, "All in favor, say 'Aye!'" and he said "Aye!" Then he asked:

"All opposed say, 'No!'"

And all the cabinet said, "No!"

"Gentleman," he said, "the 'Ayes' have it!" — and they did.

Mr. E. H. Harriman, not long before his death, said in a magazine article: "In every meeting of the directors of the railroads with which I have been connected it has been my word that has gone, every time."

Every township is run by a boss; every county is run by a boss; every state is run by a boss! The politicians are like a deck of cards — the more you shuffle them the dirtier they get! (Applause.) The rank and file of politicians are shysters and tricksters and liars!

Now, all these propositions — the league of nations, and so

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on — will get you nowhere! I do not doubt but that President Wilson is sincere in this whole matter, but I do not agree with him.

Great Upheavals and Wars Soon to Involve the Nations

We shall see some very great upheavals in this land before six months more, and you mark what I say! Things are moving with lightning rapidity, and preparations are being made for another war right now. Germany, Russia, Japan, China, Turkey, Persia, and Egypt will unite, and will form the great northeastern confederacy, led by the king of the north. The nations of western Europe will form themselves into the Revived Roman Empire, led by the Antichrist. Every nation on earth will have compulsory military training.

After three and one-half years of the last seven years of Gentile Times have gone by, Mr. European Autocrat — the Antichrist — will march on Jerusalem. Instantly, a dispatch will go to the king of the north in Russia stating that the ruler of the Revived Roman Empire is on his way to Jerusalem. The king of the north will have his army mobilized, and he will give the order to start for Palestine. The two armies will meet there with their two hundred million soldiers, and they will have a battle front one hundred and seventy miles long.

As they are about to crush the Jewish remnant in Jerusalem between the upper and the nether millstones, all at once they see a little circle in the sky, and they watch it. It grows larger, and they talk to each other about it. They send up their airships. They have heard something about Jesus Christ's coming to reign on this earth, and they have laughed at it and pooh-poohed it, and have said, "Any man who will talk about the Lord's coming down out of Heaven to reign over this earth must be crazy! We don't take any stock in it!" The circle widens, and all at once they see coming out of that open door in Heaven THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

The Battle of Armageddon Approaching With Lightning Rapidity

Read Revelation 19:11:

And I saw Heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and He Who sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He doth judge and make war.

Following Him are the angels and all the saints, and they come lower and lower.

Then these two armies unite, and they say, "We will not have Him to rule over us! We will destroy Him!" And then, in the Valley of Megiddo, the battle of Armageddon will be fought, as described in Ezekiel the Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth Chapters, when the dead will cover the field, and when it will take them seven months to bury them. For seven years the inhabitants of Palestine will burn for firewood the wood gathered from the implements of warfare.

That is what we are coming to!

It is not a very pleasant message — and yet it *is* a pleasant message. *I* rejoice! I say, if it has to come, let it come!

The rank and file of the people today do not believe in God; they do not believe in Jesus Christ; they do not believe in the Bible. There is no Lord's Day today.

There were four hundred thousand divorces in the United States during the year 1918, and five thousand in the courts of Chicago alone last month.

Very few people keep the Lord's Day nowadays! Automobiles have destroyed its sanctity. Men, women, and children in millions roam over the earth on the Lord's Day, and never go to the house of God.

The family altar is almost unknown.

The moral restraints are gone, and today the people are reaping what they have sown. "They have sown the wind, and they will reap the whirlwind."

We are right upon the threshold, tonight, of a worldwide revolution, make no mistake about it — you may shut your eyes if you wish!

Let me tell you, we are not getting the news from Europe. For the most part, we are getting a pack of lies, and we have been for a long time! I have talked with men who have come right from Europe, and I know that what I say is true.

There is not a statesman in England tonight who is not trembling in his boots for fear of the revolution that is coming in England.

The Dreadful Conflict Between Labor and Capital is at Hand

Beloved in Jesus the Christ, the conflict between Labor and Capital is here! It has been coming for twenty-five years, and it is reaching the crisis tonight. Every railroad in England is tied up; not a train has run since yesterday morning. In Italy, more than one million are on a strike. The king of Italy has disposed of his villas, of his private yachts, of his country estates; and so have many of the English aristocracy.

Mr. Schwab delivered two speeches recently, in which he said: "Gentlemen, it is coming! You and I may not like the thought of it, but it is coming, and we might just as well make the best of it!"

They cried, "We are fighting for democracy! We are fighting to destroy autocracy! Autocracy of every kind must go!" One of the worst forms of autocracy is THE AUTOCRACY OF WEALTH.

Some persons, you know, think that there is only one kind of drunkenness. Whenever you speak of somebody's being drunk, they think he has had beer or alcohol — liquid fire and distilled damnation, we call it.

Alcohol is LIQUID FIRE!

I have seen a woman drunk on jewelry — so drunk that her husband could not get her by a jewelry store until she had gone in and handled the sapphires and the pearls and the opals and the diamonds — drunk! drunk! Some women are drunk on dress, and they will go into a big store and slip out with a bolt of silk. They steal it because they are drunk on silk. Some persons are drunk on automobiles. There are all kinds of "drunks"! The people are drunk on money.

Years ago, I preached in a certain church down East, and most of the young women who attended made their money in the factories. They were good girls, too. But there was one girl who had inherited a large sum of money, and she would not come to church until after the service had begun and everybody was seated. You know, she did not want to brush up against those factory girls. So I just watched my chance, and one Sunday, when I saw her come tripping down the aisle, I gave her some buck-shot, and told her that she was made out of the same kind of dirty mud as were those factory girls. Of course, she did not like it, and she was going to have nothing more to do with the church. I simply said to her, "Take your money and go to the Devil with it! What do I care for it? I have told you the truth."

I hate codfish aristocracy — it stinks!

Great Abilities God-Given for the Service of Others

I weigh over two hundred pounds, and I am in the pink of health; but because I weigh over two hundred pounds shall I go over here and jump on a little man, and box his ears, and hit him, and kick him off this platform? Is that why God gave me that strength? No! He gave me that strength so that I could go out and saw wood for a widow! He gave me that strength so that I could help my weaker brother!

Now, suppose God made me a giant as an organizer and as an executive, and suppose I go down to Chicago and sell those two abilities for fifty thousand dollars a year — is that what God gave them to me for? NO! I have organized several industries, which do a business of over two million dollars a year, and I have a pay roll of six hundred thousand dollars a year. I never have taken a cent — I give it to humanity.

Why, these fellows who are creating monopolies and corporations and cornering everything would corner the atmosphere and put a meter on our windpipes and make us pay so much per cubic foot, if they could, — the infernal scoundrels! They have just as much right to corner the air as they have to corner the gas and the gold and the petroleum.

I gave them some buckshot some months ago. I read in the paper that John D. Rockefeller had purchased a million dollars' worth of bonds, and right below that notice — was an article stating that he had raised the price of gasoline three cents a gallon.

Now, who paid for the liberty bonds? Did he? He did not pay a nickel for them — *you* helped to pay for them; *I* helped to pay for them! We paid for them, and he was given the honor! (Applause.)

Right is right, and that is all there is to it!

RIGHT IS RIGHT!

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Mind, Money, and Muscle Entitled to Proper Reward

I would like to know why Mind gets all the reward, while Money and Muscle are shut out in the cold! I would like to know what could be accomplished in building a railroad, launching a flour mill, or anything else, without Muscle! Then I say, GIVE MUSCLE ITS PROPER SHARE OF REWARD, and take every infernal scoundrel who sells "watered stock" and put him in the penitentiary! (Applause.)

For instance: I am going to organize a great enterprise. I have three sons. I say to the first one, "Now, John, I will give you $75,000 in stock;" and to the next one, "I will give you $50,000;" and to the youngest, "I will give you $10,000." They do not put a nickel into the company, and they do not pay a cent for it. Then I give my wife a good "chunk," and I give my daughter, Flora Dora Albertina Eliza Jane, a lot of stock. We are incorporated for five million dollars, and three million dollars of that amount is this "watered stock" that I and my wife and daughter and sons have. Then the men who work in the factory have to toil and slave in order that dividends may be paid on this "watered stock"!

Let me tell you that I am not "talking through my hat"!

I am at the head of an organization today that has done some things.

I scheduled in the circuit court at Waukegan, in 1907, for eighty-three cents, and I have tonight control of a great deal of property. I have launched institutions and industries, organized them, engineered them, with the help of faithful brethren. I never have had one red cent out if it, either, and I do not intend to! I pay out six hundred thousand dollars a year in wages now, and I have distributed among the people who work in these institutions more than one hundred thousand dollars.

The Issuing of Watered Stock a Great Crime Against the Innocent Purchasers

The railroads in this country have twelve million dollars' worth of "watered stock" upon which they have to pay dividends to a crowd of parasites who never have earned a dollar in their lives.

If I can get some one else to take my place in this organization, I shall run for President! (Laughter and applause.)

Beware of politicians!

Beware of preachers!

Beloved, take any fifteen preachers — no two believe alike; no two of them preach alike; and they say they get it all from the same Book!

I have been in different cities, and have seen the invitations, "Come to our church!" It makes me think of a town where the saloons used to have a sign up, "Come here for the biggest mug of beer!"

What is a man going to do, standing on a corner, when one church says, "We are right!" and another church says, "*We* are right!" and fourteen others say, "Come to us"? What is a poor fellow to do?

I am here to tell you, beloved in Jesus the Christ, that this Book (the Bible) is THE INSPIRED WORD OF GOD — verbally inspired! God Almighty wrote it.

Every word I say is reported by a stenographer. She writes it up, and then editors take it and prepare it for publication. But I am the author of it, and I will take the responsibility before man, God, and the law of the land for what I say.

The Universality of Sin a Fact Beyond Question

God Almighty wrote the Bible. It is verbally inspired. In it you have revealed the plan of God. It tells you and me that we are SINNERS — every last one of us! Why, everybody in this house tonight has stolen something! There is not one here who would dare get up and say, "Mr. Voliva, I have never stolen anything in my life!" If there were, I would say, "You are a liar!"

There is no one here who would dare say, "I have never told a lie!" I would not believe you!

I stole jam and jelly when I was a boy, and told my mother the rats took it. How they got it off the fourth shelf I never have been able to explain. But she did not ask me that question.

That reminds me of the story of the old colored preacher who was preaching. He said: "Now, the Lawd, He made the first man and He leaned him up agin the fence to dry."

"Hey dar, mister," said a fellow in the audience, "who built dat fence?"

"You shut up," said the minister; "another question lak dat will spile all the theology in the world!"

So my mother did not ask me how the rats got the jam off the fourth shelf, and I had to confess it!

I came to Chicago and listened to John Alexander Dowie, the greatest man this world ever has seen, and I do not fear any successful contradiction — the greatest organizer; the greatest preacher — one of the foremost intellects of the world. As the "Chicago American" said: "In the head of John Alexander Dowie you find the brains of Napoleon Bonaparte, Charlemagne, and Alexander the Great."

A Genuine Repentance Involves the Act of Confession

I heard him preach on repentance and cleaning up the life, and, oh, what a scathing sermon it was!

There were two things in my life that were not right. What were they? I shall tell you one of them: When I was in college, I was pastor of a church in Indiana one hundred and twenty-five miles from the college. My roommate lived in the neighborhood of that church, and he traveled on the Illinois Central Railway. He had a ticket good for thirty days, and the conductor overlooked it. Now, I was going to that church to preach the next Sunday, and I rode on that ticket. When I heard John Alexander Dowie preach, I wrote a letter of confession to the President of the Illinois Central Railway and enclosed a check for the price of the ticket, with interest added for all those years. I received a nice letter back.

The other thing was this: When I was in college there was keen competition between two merchants, and a number of the students stopped trading with the first merchant and went down the street to trade with the other merchant. I was well known by everybody there. One evening, I had been trading at this second merchant's, and when I came back the proprietor of the other store met me and said, "Why, hello, Mr. Voliva! Where have you been?"

"Oh," I replied, "I have been down to see Professor Howard!"

That was a lie. Now, when you tell one lie, you usually have to tell two in order to get out of the first one. The next morning I heard a knock on my door — it was Professor Howard. "I called to tell you, Mr. Voliva, that I am very sorry that I did not hear the bell last evening when you called at my house."

See the position in which it placed me?

I had to say, "Oh, that is all right!"

Now, after I heard Dr. Dowie preach, I wrote Professor Howard a letter, and I told him that when I told that merchant I had been to his (Professor Howard's) house, it was a lie, and that the fact of the matter was that I had been down at the other store trading, and had not cared to tell him where I was.

I confessed those two things; and I say tonight before God: If there is one thing in my life that is not straight, I want to confess it and make it right, even if it takes everything I have in the world; even if it means death. I want to be able to look every person straight in the eye, and live a clean, honorable, upright life.

Belief in God Exists in Man as a Permanent Attribute

Beloved friends, down deep in your hearts YOU BELIEVE IN GOD — and you know it! There is not a man or a woman in the city of Racine, I do not care how low-down he or she may have become, who has not a good spot in his or her heart — that is all there is to it!

In the Church of which I am the head, under God, we are ONE FAMILY — ONE PEOPLE. There are no aristocrats and no nabobs.

When I preached in a certain city, a lady said to me: "We don't receive any poor people into *our* church!"

"Well," I said, "it must be a church of the Devil!"

Listen, ladies and gentlemen: PRIDE IS IN THE HEART!

Now, what is it you have to do, men and women?

YOU HAVE TO REPENT!

BENEDICTION

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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 Apostolic Office Perpetual in the Church

(Continued from page 146.)

The twenty-first Apostle was Jude — "the servant of Jesus, the Christ, and the brother of James."

"He is generally considered to be one of the brothers of our Lord, and is the writer of one of the Catholic Epistles in the New Testament, which would have no claim to infallible authority if it were not the writing of an apostle."

This list of the names of the twenty-one Apostles was arranged by John Alexander Dowie in February, 1896, and presented to the people assembled for the purpose of listening to an address preparatory to the formal organizing of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

I Thessalonians 2:6 unquestionably mentions Silvanus and Timotheus as Apostles of Christ. If you will read the first verse of I Thessalonians the first chapter, you will observe that it begins: "Paul and Silvanus, and Timotheus;" and then in the sixth verse of the second chapter we have the expression —

We (meaning Paul, Silvanus, and Timotheus) might have been burdensome, as the apostles of Christ.

These two would, therefore, make the number twenty-three.

There is still another Apostle mentiond, namely, Titus — in II Corinthians 8:23:

Whether any do inquire of Titus, he is my partner and fellow helper concerning you: or our brethren be inquired of, they are the messengers (apostles) of the churches, and the glory of Christ.

From the above quotations of Scripture, you will observe that TWENTY-FOUR APOSTLES are mentioned in the New Testament.

THE SUPPLEMENT PICTURE

This week's issue of LEAVES OF HEALING (Volume 45, No. 10) contains a Supplement Picture of WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA (Successor to John Alexander Dowie), General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION.

ADDITIONAL PLEDGES FOR THE SUPPORT OF ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

SCHOOL YEAR 1919-1920

November 24, 1919.

Name	Amount per year
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Anderson, Miss Esther	10.00
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Nero, Mr. & Mrs. E.	25.00
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Schelhorn, Miss Belle	10.00
Shumaker, Mr. & Mrs. R. H.	25.00
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November 25, 1919.

Name	Amount per year
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Strachan, Mr. Geo. (Family 3)	200.00

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(Wilbur Glenn Voliva)

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BAKING INDUSTRY
OFFICE SUPPLY
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ZION BANK

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Total amount of business done by all the institutions for twelve months — July 31, 1918, to July 31, 1919	2,154,920.00
Total capital invested in Zion Institutions & Industries, October 31, 1919	525,187.07
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—WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

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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

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ZION'S ALL-NIGHT WITH GOD

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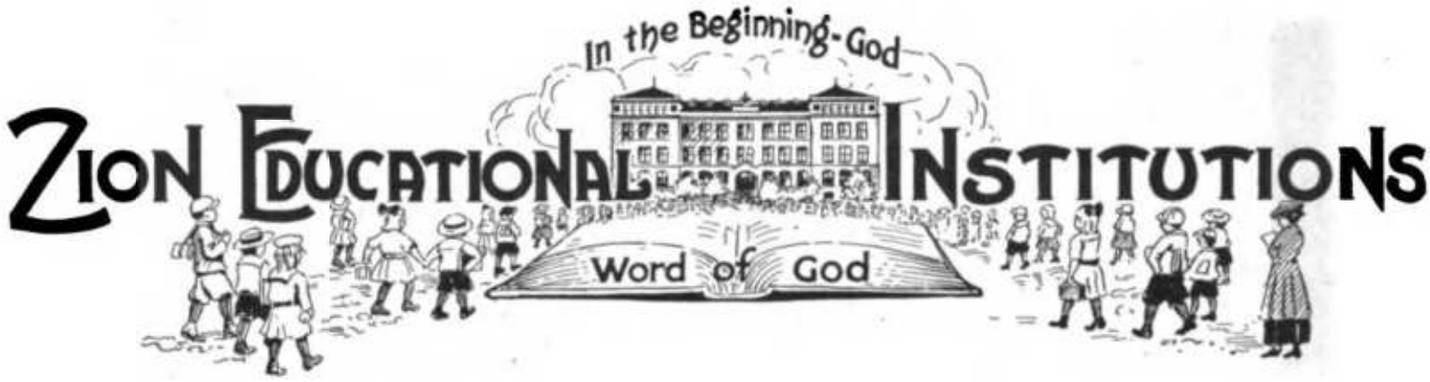
Zion, Lake County, Illinois

All Welcome

THE SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

To be taken at the All-Night Meeting, will be devoted entirely to ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS. Let all Zion Rally and make this Offering at least $5,000, and as much more as possible

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For two months now (October and November) we have given the officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion the privilege of filling in pledge cards for the support of Zion Educational Institutions, for the School Year, 1919-1920. Up to date 690 cards have been received, with pledges totaling $18,476.

We are printing in this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING additional pledges under the two dates — November 28th and December 1st.

The next issue of LEAVES OF HEALING will be devoted almost entirely to ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS. A splendid picture of the main Educational Building will be printed, and also a very interesting photograph, as a supplement, of more than 900 of the teachers, pupils, and students. The entire list of names of all persons sending in pledge cards will be printed in this issue.

Lists then will be prepared as follows:

First: Names of all officers who have not sent in pledge cards.

Second: Names of all parents who have children in Zion Schools who have not sent in pledge cards.

Third: Names of all members of the Church who have not sent in pledge cards.

The response to this call should have been unanimous long before this.

Zion Educational Institutions are free to all pupils and students and are supported entirely by the free-will offerings of the officers, members, and friends of the Church.

Families who are not able to contribute anything toward the education of their children will be looked after, but it is a serious question whether there is a single family of this kind within Zion's ranks. If there should be a family with seven children in the schools, and they are not able to contribute more than one dollar, or two dollars, or five dollars a year, then fill in a pledge card. There are many in the Church who have no children in the schools who are willing to contribute liberally for the support of the Schools. Every family should do its part. Every individual should do his part.

Let us, at once, make this matter unanimous and all go forward together!

The total enrollment of different pupils and students in Zion Educational Institutions is 1046. Think of what the proper training of 1046 pupils and students means for the future of Zion!

Those who do not respond within the next week will then be visited by the officers and a prayerful effort will be made to enlist the support of everyone within Zion's ranks.

Faithfully yours,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA
President.

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SCHOOL YEAR 1919-1920

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December 1, 1919.

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"DIVINE HEALING AND THE SECOND COMING MESSAGE"

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ADDRESS

I have been thinking of this great City of Chicago, with its population of more than two and one-half millions, and that "God so loved the world that He gave His Only Begotten Son."

Why?

In order that they might be SAVED FROM THEIR SINS, and from all the consequences of their sins!

The main consequences of sin are SICKNESS, DISEASE, and DEATH.

Let us think, then, of what God has done for humanity! We talk of a mother's love for her child — we see exhibitions, on her part, of this love; we speak of the love between husband and wife, and of love in other relationships: but the love of God cannot be defined. The Bible tells us we do not know its depth, or height, or breadth. The love of God is measured by what it has done, and the greatest exhibition of that love was the giving of Jesus the Christ.

I wonder how any man or woman can reject the love of God! But we know from observation that only here and there do we find one who responds to the love of God and accepts Jesus as his Savior, Healer, Cleanser, and Keeper.

So far as my part is concerned, I have provided this building (with the assistance of others), I have printed and distributed thousands of notices announcing these meetings, and I have spent hundreds of dollars in newspaper advertising; and now there is one question in my mind and heart, as I stand here this afternoon: Lord, what more can I do than I already have done? If there is one thing more that I can do for the people, it will be a very serious matter if I do not do it. But I do not know of another thing.

Salvation and Healing Provided in Jesus Christ for every Sinner

I have been in the ministry actively, regularly since I was nineteen years of age; and, as I said here Lord's Day, I preached my first sermon — or *tried* to preach my first sermon — when I was sixteen years of age. I preached on the text, "Jesus of Nazareth passeth by"—on that simple little story in the Eighteenth Chapter of the Gospel of St. Luke. In every service that I conduct, I always feel that Jesus is passing by, and that every sinner can find in Him salvation if he only will; that every sick one, every diseased one, every crippled one, every afflicted one, can find healing if he only will; but that I have no right to say there ever again will be another opportunity. I have no right to hold out to you the hope of another day, for I do not know. I have no right to say that you ever will be situated just as you are this afternoon, or that you ever will have another opportunity to seek God, to accept Jesus the Christ, and to obtain salvation, healing, and cleansing.

The Word of God tells us that "NOW is the accepted time; behold, NOW is the day of salvation." I emphasize this in all my teaching and preaching, because I have no assurance that I ever shall hold another meeting, or that there will be another opportunity for you.

I am talking to you this afternoon as a man facing the judgment; as a man who may be preaching his last sermon and giving his last talk, and who, at the close, may be called to stand before God and give an account of his ministry and his stewardship.

We are living in the year 1919. We are not living in the days of Noah, although these are days exactly like the days of Noah; we are not living in the first year of the Christian era; that is, the year in which Christ was born in Bethlehem.

Preaching the Gospel of the Grace of God

I am here for one thing, and for one thing only — TO PREACH THE GOSPEL OF THE GRACE OF GOD; to be instrumental in the saving and the healing of the people; to bring every one I can into the light! I am not here to entertain you — I am here with nothing except the Gospel of the Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ; and on that platform I shall go forward, whether it is with a dozen people or with a thousand, it makes no difference.

Lord's Day evening, as I went home, I passed a big moving picture theater, and a mass of humanity was crowding into it. Then I passed a church building — and I saw two women and a man going in. It was a mammoth building, too.

These things show the times in which we are living.

The trouble with the people today is, they have perverted appetites. The great masses are so full of the world, so taken up with the flesh and the Devil, so enamored of moving picture shows with their vile, suggestive subjects and films, that I am very sure the time is growing short. It is growing so short that it would be no surprise to me if God closed the door of grace and mercy any day. It is not going to remain open forever.

Some day the last sermon will be preached in Chicago, and the last appeal made, and the last announcement distributed, and the last religious paper handed out.

I am as willing to put in two hours teaching one man or one woman, as I am to teach a thousand. I shall do my part and do my duty; and if I can get one more person ready for the Coming of the Lord, I shall be happy. That is the message for this afternoon.

The world talks of the end of the world — the papers are full of it. They talk about the destruction of civilization; they talk about a world-revolution; they talk about universal chaos. They know it is coming. The child of God, however, lifts up his eyes when he sees these things coming to pass, just as Jesus told him to do; the child of God rejoices and thanks God that the day of his redemption is drawing nigh.

Now, I desire to be very simple, and to make you understand a few things, this afternoon. I pray that God will help me to be as simple as a little child.

Men and Women Created by God With Responsibility and Accountability

First of all, we who are assembled in this room — who are we? and what are we?

In answer to the first question: We are men and women, all of us, I believe, having reached the age of maturity, and we are in our right minds. We are the creation of God. He created us. A great many people today, in their worldly wisdom, deny that. They will not admit that there is any God. People do not like the idea of responsibility and accountability, and millions work day and night to dispose of God and the hereafter, and to get rid of the thought that they will be held responsible and accountable, in order that they may be libertines and that they may give rein to passion and serve the world, the flesh, and the Devil.

A man may say to me, "Mr. Voliva, I don't believe there is any God."

"Well," I answer, "what you believe and what you say will not dispense with the existence of God! Your wish is the father of the thought — you really wish in your heart that there were no God, because you are a wicked man and you do not want to do right."

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Another will say, "There is no hell!"

That does not put hell out of existence!

A man may say, "There is no such thing as electricity;" but let him take hold of a live wire, and he soon will find out! Or he may say, "Fire cannot burn the flesh." Let him take hold of a red-hot poker, and he will find out very quickly that what he thinks and what he says about it have nothing to do with it.

We know — and every man knows — that there is a God, and that we are responsible, moral, and accountable beings. Every man and every woman knows that, I do not care how they may try to shake it off! Multitudes in this great City of Chicago, one of the most cosmopolitan cities of the world, are endeavoring, in the rush of life, to get rid of any thought of God.

I want you to ponder for a moment over how many people out of the 2,500,000 in this City are Christians, are saved men and women. Of course, you do not know, but you have some idea!

How many in this City, out of 2,500,000, attend religious service on the Lord's Day?

Why, you would be dumbfounded if you really knew the figures!

Sodom and Gomorrah Conditions Prevail in the Cities of the World Today

I suppose all of you are familiar with the narrative of Sodom and Gomorrah, are you not? When the Lord told Abraham that He was going to destroy the cities, Abraham said: "Lord, if I can find fifty righteous, will you spare them?" And the Lord said: "Yes, I will spare them for the sake of fifty." Abraham looked, and he could not find fifty. He kept on bringing the number down, until finally he said: "Lord, if I can find *ten* righteous persons will you spare them for their sakes?" And the Lord said: "I will spare them for the sake of ten." Abraham searched and searched in vain — he could not find ten. They were not there.

Now, what were the inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah doing? They had gone after the world, the flesh, and the Devil, and they would not listen to anything about God. One cannot expect to accomplish anything with a man who thinks of nothing but the world, the flesh, and the Devil, and who has crowded God out.

We have come down to June 3, 1919. Some of you are older than I am. Every twenty-four hours sees a marked change for the worse.

Persons have said to me in the last year in this City: "I do not have to repent of my sins, as you demand; I do not need salvation. I can find some one who will pray for me, who will not ask me to do anything"—meaning a Christian Scientist, or some little so-called mission, instituted by the Devil, where the Word of God is not taught and where they get no salvation.

I can show you thousands in ZION who have been *transformed;* who have passed out of darkness into light; who are, indeed and in truth, Christian men and Christian women, their lives proving it. That is the one thing that counts!

Salvation and Healing Wholly Dependent upon the New Birth

You and I are members of the old Adamic creation — that is, so far as the flesh is concerned — referred to, in the Scriptures, as the "old man," the "natural man." You know what the "natural man" is, just as well as I do; you know what fruits he bears; you know how he lives. That is the reason Jesus Christ said: "Except a man be BORN AGAIN..."

THE "OLD MAN" MUST DIE — and some persons are not willing to go through the process! There is no salvation without it, there is no healing without it.

The first thing in which I am interested this afternoon is this: Are you a saved man, a saved woman, and do you *know* you are saved? Or do you belong to the world? Are you of the world, worldly? Are your interests in the world? Which, to you, offers the greater attraction — the prayer meeting or the moving picture show? Which, to you, has the greater charm — the Bible or a deck of cards?

I have heard preachers exhorting the people to do this, that, and the other thing. Why, it would be just as sensible for a man to stand up in the midst of a cemetery and exhort those who were sleeping in the graves to arise and help mow the lawn!

What is the use of giving exhortations that have no application to the people who sit before you? It is illustrated by this: The Third Chapter of Colossians, Verse One, says:

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above...

Now, what good would it do for an individual to stand up and exhort men and women to "seek those things which are above," when they never have been "risen with Christ"?

A man who is not "risen with Christ" seeks the things of the world; he has no interest in the things about which I am talking this afternoon.

Attributes and Deeds Indicate the True Follower of the Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus said "Ye cannot serve God and mammon." That is one of the first things that we need to learn if we profess to be Christians and followers of the Lord Jesus Christ.

A Christian's thoughts are the opposite to the thoughts of a man of the world's!

A Christian's talk is the opposite to the talk of a man of the world's!

A Christian's deeds are the opposite to the deeds of a man of the world's!

A Christian does not lie!

A Christian does not take the Name of God in vain!

A Christian is clean! He is clean in his thoughts, he is clean in his words, he is clean in his acts — he is a "new creature" in Christ Jesus.

You cannot play with the Christian religion!

Not only did Jesus say, "Ye cannot serve God and mammon," but He said, "HE WHO IS NOT WITH ME IS AGAINST ME."

There it is!

Are we *for* Christ, or are we *against* Him?

Briefly,— as to salvation — all men have sinned. So long as a man takes the position that he is all right; that he can save himself, and that he does not need a Savior, you cannot do anything with him.

If there is some one here this afternoon who does not believe in God, it will be useless for me to talk to you.

In each of us is a spark of Divinity that cries out after God. A man who can bury that spark has become pretty low, there is no question about that!

You know as well as I do that there is nothing on this earth that can satisfy. Money, houses, lands, position, honor,— everything the world can give — only nauseate, leaving still the empty void that cries out for satisfaction.

There is one Satisfaction only, and that is GOD!

NOW, ALL HAVE SINNED.

Conviction of Sin the First Part of the Mission of the Holy Spirit

What is the first part of the mission of the Holy Spirit? Is it to make a man happy? NO! The first mission of the Holy Spirit is to make a man *miserable,* to convict him of his sins. No man or woman who has been convicted of sin is very happy. Happiness comes when the individual surrenders to God, repents of his or her sins, cleans up the life, and makes things right.

When you are under conviction, you are MISERABLE! A great many people try to run away from it.

If a man is under conviction, it is for him to say whether he will surrender to God and live for God, or whether he will continue serving the world, the flesh, and the Devil.

You know, a man always receives his pay! If he serves God he gets his pay, and if he serves the Devil he gets his pay. The Bible says: "He who soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption" (Galatians 6:8)—and millions are doing it today! They reap cancer and tuberculosis and locomotor ataxia and paralysis, and all kinds of the Devil's coin.

The Devil pays the people off — there is no question about it!

There is salvation, there is healing, there is cleansing, for every person who will turn to God. God is no Respector of persons.

That is the thing, and that is why I am here,— to get people saved, to get them healed.

It is the greatest thing in the world to see a sinner saved and cleansed and transformed from a devil into a Christian; and that is what God will do for a man or a woman. That is what Jesus died to do; and He is here to accomplish it.

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"We are Living in the Very Closing Hours of the Present Age"

I do not know what your conviction is about the time in which we are living. As I said a few moments ago, the door of grace will not remain open very much longer; and when I say that I know what I am talking about! I need no other sign and no other event to know that we are living in the very closing hours of the present Age and that it soon will come to its close, and the day of grace and mercy will be over.

I am not surprised at anything that happens today. I am not astonished in the least that there are very few persons who have any interest in Divine things. I have no right to expect it to be otherwise. I do thank God, however, that here and there you will find one man or woman who is hungering and thirsting after God. You do not find many, but it would be an awful thing if there were not one. It is a radically different situation from what it was thirty years ago, or from what it was fifteen years ago.

Every day the prayer requests, which come from men and women far and wide, say: "Pray for me!" "Pray for my child!" "Pray for my wife!" "Pray for my husband!" When I pray for them I always say: "Father, I thank Thee that here is one more person out of earth's teeming millions who has turned to Thee and is crying to Thee, and who wants to be prayed for!"

There are very few!

If Wilbur Glenn Voliva came to Chicago expecting to find tens of thousands of people waiting to accept Jesus, he would be a blind man. But he knows better!

We have come to the close!

Individual Choice Determines the Destiny of Everyone

The number of the Church soon will be completed!

Will YOU be among that number? That is the question!

You *can* be, if you will!

Will you be among that number, or will you be numbered with Antichrist's following?

There is no compulsion!

You cannot compel anybody to be a Christian! You cannot compel anybody to give up the world and accept Christ! It is a matter of choice on the part of the individual. You may take either way you wish — the straight and narrow way that leads to life eternal, or the broad way that leads to destruction. In the broad way you will find a vast multitude, and in the straight and narrow way you will find very few.

It is a plain proposition! You can go either with the multitude or with the few.

Where is the multitude going?

I do not need to tell you: you know as well as I do!

In this Church, which God Almighty has established as a place of refuge for His children, we have no time, no use, no place for the world, the flesh and the Devil.

Church members galore in the City of Chicago go to the same places that the world goes to; they do the same things the world does; they act as the world acts — there is no difference.

The last thing in the world that I would be is a hypocrite! It is useless for a man or a woman to profess to be a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ when no one can tell the difference between his or her life and the lives of the people of the world.

When a man is converted, when he becomes a "new creature" in Christ, he has new desires and new appetites, and they are just the opposite to the desires and the appetites of the "old man."

Salvation and Healing Cannot be Purchased With Money—They are God's Gifts

Salvation is free — free in the sense that you cannot buy it!

Healing is free — you cannot buy it! If healing could be bought, a great deal would be bought. The people of the world spend their millions in trying to get healing. The statement has been made in the papers that Rockefeller stated he would give several millions if he could obtain a new stomach; but the doctors and the surgeons cannot give it to him! Multiplied millions are spent in trying to get healing for the body, but the people do not get it. Healing from *God* may be had "without money and without price!" It is just as simple as when a little child asks for a piece of bread and butter.

The reason some persons do not get any healing is because they are self-righteous and full of pride. It is the simple, child-like faith and trust in God that brings the blessing.

Now, that is all I shall say, this afternoon, along this line. I want to talk to you a little on one or two other matters.

I am surprised and sad when I find how few persons have been taught anything on the Second Coming of Christ. That is the message for this day! Although it is true that some will yet be saved, it will not be very many. The number that will make up the Church is almost complete, but the door is still open.

The Second Coming of Jesus Christ the Message for Today

The message today is that Jesus Christ, Who ascended into the heavens, is soon to descend, and all the saints on this earth are to be changed "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye," and caught up to meet Him in the air.

The people hear nothing about the Coming of the Lord in the churches, and I shall tell you why: The Church, in the Bible, is called the Virgin. Now, only the Church that is really and truly the Church of Jesus Christ wants Him to come. Men and women who are flirting with the world, the flesh, and the Devil, and who are living worldly lives, do not want the Lord to come; they do not want to see Him. I should not want to see Him, either, if I were living a double, hypocritical life; but if I am living the *Christian* life, the one great desire of my heart is His Coming, because there is no other hope for this poor old world.

Things are going from bad to worse, and they will continue to grow worse until the Lord comes to begin His reign.

This afternoon I shall show you, from the Scriptures, what is meant by the period that is called the *"time of the end,"* and I trust that when this meeting closes you will understand what it means — and if you do, you will know more than nine-tenths of the preachers know.

There are, in the Scriptures, definite statements using these exact words — the "time of the end." Your children who go to school here in Chicago, and any of your sons and daughters who may be going to college, learn about other periods of time, but they do not learn anything about the period known as the "time of the end." They learn all about so many thousand years B. C., and about 1919 A. D., and about the different nations, and about the dates of different wars, but they never learn anything about the "time of the end"— because the teachers know nothing about it.

You go to Sunday school and you listen to sermons by the hundreds, but you never hear anything about it — because the preachers do not know themselves.

The "Time of the End" a Time of Revolution and Destruction

The "time of the end;" or, in other words, the time when the affairs of this world will be wound up!

Some persons like to think things are going to continue here forever; but not so! The people of the world are beginning to tremble in their shoes, and they discuss the end of the world, and the destruction of civilization, and world revolution, and so on and so forth. One very rich Englishman — so it is reported — sold all his property and moved into a common house, because, he said, a world revolution was coming.

The "time of the end" will be seven years long. I want you to get that!

In the Eleventh Chapter of Daniel and the Fortieth Verse we have the words:

And at the time of the end—

There are the exact words that I am using; and in many other places you will find this exact expression.

We are living in the year 1919 — nineteen hundred and nineteen years since the Christ was born in Bethlehem. The important question, this afternoon, is: WHERE ARE WE ON THE STREAM OF TIME? Events show that we are coming right up to the beginning of this period — THE "TIME OF THE END."

You must get this in your minds before you can study the Rapture and understand what is meant and what it involves.

It is awful to me to have persons in an audience say, when I mention the Rapture: "What is he talking about?"

Think of members of the churches not knowing anything about the Coming of the Lord and the catching up of the saints to meet Him in the air! Although they do not know, YOU can know.

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The Most Beautiful Message Ever Told to Men and Women

The Bible settles, in numerous places, that this period — the "time of the end"— will be seven years long, and it tells us the things that are going to happen during that period. That is the reason I say that what has happened in the world — the great war of 1914 and the epidemic that swept millions into their graves, for instance — is only the beginning; and when I say that some persons get angry. They say, "Tell us something pleasant!" Well, I can tell you the most pleasant, beautiful thing that ever was told to men and women, and that is that JESUS IS COMING FOR HIS SAINTS! So far as this world is concerned, when it enters this period there will be the "time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation" — and we are coming right up to it.

One of the last signs that prove that it is right at hand is the return of the Jews to Palestine in unbelief. That is the last sign before the Lord comes into the air for His saints.

There are two returns of the Jews to Palestine. One is at the beginning of the "time of the end," when they will return in unbelief, still rejecting the Messiah, and the other one is at the close of the "time of the end," when they will accept the Messiah. There will be just seven years between them.

The British empire, together with Italy, France, and the United States, already has promised Palestine to the Jews. The corner stone of their university has been laid.

Nathan Strauss, of New York, known as "the grand old man" among the Jews, has offered to pay the fare of every Jew who wants to go to Palestine. Already they have enrolled in this country tens of thousands who are anxious to go there.

That is the last sign!

A Prophetic Warning Against the United States Entering the League of Nations

Another sign that shows we are coming right up to it is the formation of the league of nations—for which I have no use at all. I would not touch it with a forty-foot pole. This country has no business having anything to do with it, because she will burn her fingers if she does.

The League of Nations is simply the forerunner of the Revived Roman Empire; and while the capital of the League of Nations may be Geneva for the present, it will have to go to Rome, and it will be a question of time only.

The Revived Roman Empire will be the "ten toes" of Nebuchadnezzar's image, which toes will be part of clay and part of iron.

All this talk about democracy and about "making the world safe for democracy" is right in line with the condition described by Nebuchadnezzar's image dream thousands of years ago. At the present time, the "ten toes" are being formed.

Take the Rhine-land republic that was formed yesterday, with Doctor Dorne as the president — that is simply another step toward the Revived Roman Empire. Everything that is transpiring in the peace conference, although the men themselves may be unconscious of it, is simply the working out of prophecy.

Austria will be reduced to about six million people, and, according to the Word of God, all below the Danube must go into the Revived Roman Empire, and so must all Germany below the Rhine. Ireland will be detached from the British empire because she is not a part of the old Roman empire; therefore, she cannot be a part of the Revived Roman Empire. That is why they are having so much trouble over there.

The boundary lines are drawn!

No one can tell what a day will bring forth!

The Coming Allignment of Germany and Russia

Whether Germany signs the peace treaty or not makes no difference — she will be allied with Russia, and Russia will lead the Northeastern Confederacy.

The greatest sign is the budding of the "fig tree"—the Jewish nation. That ought to be enough to make you open your eyes, especially those who profess to be Christians.

The one great event that will transpire at the beginning of the "time of the end" is THE RAPTURE. Let us see if we can get a little light on it. I shall touch on these points, and then you can take your Bibles and read for yourselves.

The Jews will return to Palestine under the direction and protection of the allies.

Everything is headed toward the time when this world will be bossed by one man. Senator Johnson showed that in his address in the United States senate yesterday, and I agree with him entirely, because, as a Bible student, I cannot take any other position.

The head of the Revived Roman Empire will come to his throne at the appointed time. There are many descriptions of him in the Bible. We shall read them in a later address, and not burden ourselves with it this afternoon. I am simply giving you the name of the period of time that is now blowing its breath right in your face, in the face of Chicago, in the face of the world — the period soon to be ushered in — the most awful period in the history of the world.

God Rewards the Earnest Seeker After Truth

Turn to the Second Chapter of Second Thessalonians. If you really are seeking the truth, God will give it to you.

I knew a woman in Cincinnati — Mrs. Harvey, a colored woman (she is in Heaven now); some of you members knew her — who was given up to die with a tumor about half as large as a wash-tub. She could neither read nor write. She was healed in ZION. That tumor all came away. She learned to read and write in a very short time, because she asked God to give her Divine wisdom and to teach her; and I have heard her read the Bible in a public meeting.

God is no respector of persons! He may be found of any man or woman who earnestly seeks Him!

Mark this Second Chapter of Second Thessalonians and read it, and God will show you what it means.

Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ,—

The doctrine of Christ's Second Coming fills a very large place in the Bible.

—By the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him,

That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

Some busy-bodies in the first century had been writing letters and signing Paul's name to them, to the effect that the Coming of the Lord was then at hand. Paul is correcting that error.

The "Day of Christ" and the "Day of the Lord" Defined

You have in your Bible, "day of Christ." Now, that should read, "DAY OF THE LORD." Let me tell you what the "day of the Lord" is. The "day of Christ" and the "day of the Lord" are two different days. It says "day of the Lord" in the margin. The "day of the Lord" is this seven-year period of which I have spoken. It is called elsewhere "the great and terrible day of the Lord."

The "day of Christ" will be the day when He comes for His saints.

The Lord's Day is the Millennium — a thousand years.

There is the difference!

I shall repeat it: The one thousand-year period is the LORD'S DAY; the "time of the end" is the "DAY OF THE LORD;" the day of the Rapture will be the "DAY OF CHRIST."

In the First Chapter of Revelation, when John says he was "in the Spirit on the Lord's Day," it means that he was caught forward in a vision to the Millennium!

Now, some one had been telling the Christians that the "day of the Lord" was at hand; and Paul said:

. . . Be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ (day of the Lord) is at hand.

The "day of the Lord" was not at hand then, but the "day of the Lord" is at hand THIS AFTERNOON.

Notice this:

Let no man deceive you by any means: —

That is why one has to be on his guard today. It is enough to make a Christian man despair some times, even though he knows that the elect of God cannot be deceived.

Look at the false systems there are in the land — Mohammedanism, Christian Science, Millennial Dawnism, Bahaism, Spiritualism, New Thought, Theosophy!

A horrible condition!

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Humanly speaking, it makes a man despair of reaching any one. If people would throw away all these old papers and books, and so on, and would read their Bibles, they would get straightened out.

Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come the falling away —

That is the GREAT APOSTASY!

The Apostasy of the Church Fast Reaching its Climax

Is there one here this afternoon with a knowledge of the churches who will deny that there is an AWFUL APOSTASY? It cannot be any worse than it is! That is another positive proof that the end is right at hand.

Do you think that the Lord Jesus Christ ever intended His Church to give oyster suppers, pork-and-bean suppers, moving picture shows, and vaudeville performances? Or did He intend that His Church should preach the Gospel of the Grace of God?

I read an article by a minister who said: "Let every church building at once be turned into a moving picture show house."

Well, is that what ministers are called of God for?

So far as I am concerned, I shall simply read my Bible and preach the GOSPEL — nothing else. And if the people do not want it, all right! I shall do as Noah did — bear my testimony, and let it end there. If I have to bring a moving picture show here in order to get the people to come, this building will stay empty! I shall pay the rent, but it can stand empty. I shall preach the Gospel and the Second Coming of Christ; I shall teach the people and do all I can to get them saved and healed and cleansed and blessed; but that is all. I will not vary an iota. I believe there are people in Chicago who want a church of that kind.

Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day (the day of the Lord) shall not come, except there come the falling away first,—

The Professing Church has Been Captured by the World

We *have* the falling away, and it is indescribable! Yet how angry some persons become when I say that the churches are drifting — drifting — drifting, and that the world is capturing them. Who is there that does not know it is true?

One writer in a religious paper last week said: "The prayer meeting is a thing of the past."

WHY?

The members of a church cannot be in a moving picture theater and a prayer meeting at the same time!

I should like to visit fifty churches in this City on prayer meeting night and ascertain the number in attendance. It would be enough to make a man drop dead! This condition of things has been coming for the last twenty-five years.

(To be continued next week)

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Jacobsen, Gertrude Ruth
Jacobsen, Herbert Lorenz
Jacobsen, Raymond August

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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"HAVE YOU READ THIS BOOK?"

By Apostle Willis F. Jordan

I. What the Bible is:

1. The word "Bible" is from the Greek word "Biblos" — meaning *The Books;* hence, it is a great collection of books: a library within itself.

2. As the Bible is One in its entirety, it is known as "The Books" — "The One Book." Each book is in its ordained place; a part of the whole, not one can be dispensed with. For instance, Genesis and Revelation are the beginning and the consummation of the Divine Volume.

3. About forty men were used in writing the Bible. 1600 years in all were covered — Moses was the first: John was the last.

4. Jesus said the Bible — the New Testament — would be written.

I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

Howbeit when He, the Spirit of Truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of Himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak: and He will shew you things to come. — John 16:12, 13.

5. The human writers of the Bible were Divinely guided. II Peter 1:21 — Holy men spake and wrote as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. This is called — *The Inspiration of The Bible,* The Bible is inspired in its sentences, its thoughts, and in the very words. Note such words as

"Before," in Ephesians 1:4.

"From," in Matthew 25:34.

"Unto Him Who is able *to keep* you from falling," in Jude 24; and,

"If *you do* these things you shall never fall," in II Peter 1:10-11.

"Work out your own salvation," in Philippians 2:12; and,

"It is God Who worketh in you," of Verse Thirteen.

II. The Bible Must Be Properly Divided

in order to be understood, and understandable to others.

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth. — II Timothy 2:15.

1. The Bible is all written to, and about, three different classes (I Corinthians 10:32), the Jew (Israel), the Gentile, the Church of God.

The Gentile is not the Jew;

The Jew is not the Church;

The Church is neither Jew nor Gentile.

2. Divide Bible relative to the Judgments —

(1) *Of Christ in the Church's place.* Compare —

There is therefore now no condemnation to them who are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. — Romans 8:1.

And to wait for His Son from Heaven, Whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus, Who delivered us from the wrath to come. — I Thessalonians 1:10.

Because He hath appointed a day, in the which He will judge the world in righteousness by that Man Whom He hath ordained; whereof He hath given assurance unto all men, in that He hath raised Him from the dead. — Acts 17:31.

And as it is appointed unto all men once to die, but after this the judgment. — Hebrews 9:27.

(2) *Of the Saints for rewards.*

But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. — Romans 14:10.

Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.

But if any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire. — I Corinthians 3:12-15.

Look to yourselves that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. — II John 8.

(3) *Of Gentile Nations at Christ's Coming.*

Compare Matthew 25:31-46; Joel 3:1-3, 9-16.

(4) *The Great White Throne Judgment.*

And I saw a Great White Throne, and Him Who sat on it, from Whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the Book of Life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and Hades delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

And death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

And whosoever was not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire. — Revelation 20:11-15.

3. Divide the Bible relative to the two Resurrections.

Both are referred to in John 5:28, 29.

I Thessalonians 4:13-18 — The dead in Christ shall rise first.

4. Divide the Bible dispensationally. The Bible covers a period of 7,000 years. The seven thousand years are divided into seven Dispensations.

(1) *The Edenic* — From the Creation of man to the Expulsion from Eden.

(2) *Conscience* — From Eden to the Deluge.

(3) *Human Government* — From the Deluge to the Call of Abraham.

(4) *Abrahamic, or that of Promise* — From Abraham to the Exodus and Giving of Law on Sinai.

(5) *Mosaical, or that of Law* — From Sinai to the Crucifixion.

(6) *Grace* (Ephesians 3:2), *or the Church* — to the Rapture — I Thessalonians 4:13-18.

(7) *The Fullness of Times* (Ephesians 1:10), This Dispensation is also called the *Restoration of All Things* (Acts 3:20), *The Building again of David's Tabernacle* (Acts 15:16). It reaches to the end of the Thousand Years (Revelation Twenty). It is also called *The Kingdom* in Luke 19:11-15.

What applies to one Dispensation does not apply to another; hence, the need of the right Bible division.

5. These are the natural and Heaven-given divisions.

Then we have also:

(1) The Old and New Testament Divisions.

(2) The Old Testament is divided into Law, Prophets, Psalms (Luke 24:44).

(3) The New Testament is divided into —

The Biographical (Life of Jesus from four viewpoints);

The Historical (The Acts of the Apostles);

The Epistolary or Didactic (The Apostolic letters); and

The Prophetic (The Book of the Consummation — The Revelation of Jesus the Christ).

The Seven Branched Candlestick in the Temple was a type of this Seven Branched Word of God.

The Candlestick had four branches on one side and three on the other, all running out from the one upright central stem. In the Bible, that Upright Central Stem is the Lord Jesus Christ. He is its Center. Without Him there could be no Word of God —

God, Who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

Hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, Whom He hath appointed Heir of all things, by Whom also He made the ages.—Hebrews 1:1-2.

I Peter 1:25 —

But the Word of Jehovah (the Lord Jesus Christ) endureth forever. And this (He) is the Word Who by the Gospel is (now) preached unto you.

WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH HIM?

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ZION—HER MESSAGE AND HER MISSION

By Apostle Carl F. Viking

ZION'S mission is to prepare a people for the Rapture, the glorious event when the Lord Jesus shall come in the sky to receive from this world His own.

This preparation has begun and is going on with ever increasing power and deepening spiritual life, in faith, obedience, consecration and sacrifice, in anticipation of that high and exalted place with Christ on His throne in the Millennial Kingdom.

As a people we know that the time is exceedingly short and precious, and therefore there must be no delay, no parley, no ease, no folding of arms, no stargazing, no let up on the Devil; but a continuous going forward with determination to win through to the uttermost, and to do our part till the day is done.

Truly, it is the last hour!

Truly, the angelic hosts in heaven stand at attention, ready to leap into position when God's clock strikes the hour for the glorified Lord to descend into the sky!

Truly, the nations, tottering and shaken by political earthquakes and wars, full of anarchy and conflagration, are getting ready with lightning rapidity for the Great Tribulation!

Truly, this sin-cursed, disease-smitten, demon-possessed, and blood-stained earth, at last stands aghast with unspeakable apprehension!

It is an overwhelmingly real and heart-searching fact that the Bride is getting herself ready. If there was no other sign, this should be enough.

In the hundreds of different church organizations throughout the world, there are individuals who will answer the call, and prepare themselves to meet the Bridegroom; but the great mass of the membership are so engrossed in earthly, and worldly, and fleshly things that they will simply refuse the message.

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION has no right to exist if like unto these churches. God has established ZION for a purpose, at this hour. There is a holy fire burning in the ZION ministry, nourished by the pure oil of the Holy Spirit, and getting brighter and brighter as the darkness deepens.

ZION'S message is primarily to the church. The vile habits of drinking, smoking, gambling, theatre-going, and carousing in the churches is an outward sign of an inner spiritual booze. The tobacco stench and wine-drunk is nothing compared to the wretched spiritual stench and vomit behind it.

The churches are sinking wholesale into hell. The conditions are appalling — the unbelief and the unpreparedness at this moment. How anyone can be ready for the Coming of the Lord, and still be affiliated with whisky, and tobacco-soaked preachers, and all the modern doings of society, I fail to see.

One day you will sorely regret not having taken a wholehearted stand for God. In a measure I can tell you what that stand means. It means to stand with ZION. You must renounce the world and the worldly church. You must go outside the camp for Christ. You must carry a cross.

A CRUCIFIED MINISTRY

ZION'S cross is manufactured by the Apostasy, and laid on ZION'S back. We are willing to be nailed to this cross, till we exchange it for ZION'S crown. No cross, no crown. They say we have no love. We are willing to be the only church on earth "without love." Yes, we are willing to be called "refuse" for Christ. This cross gives intense suffering, and were it not for God's sustaining power, no one could bear it. ZION'S stand is a sacrifice. Moses took a similar stand, and so did all the prophets of God. To carry the cross is an honor. No pastor or missionary, however devoted to his special field or church, can realize ZION'S cross. Some have felt the prick of the thorns near that cross as they have contended for the faith. Some have shuddered and drawn back.

There is only one cross today — ZION'S, and it is the last cross before Jesus comes. What will not ZION'S crown be! There is absolutely no cross in being a Congregationalist, Baptist, Presbyterian or Methodist; there used to be, but there is none now.

You have got to have a real cross or you have no cross at all. To be a modern Christian entails no cross. But why is it necessary for ZION to be crucified? The church must be crucified to the world in order to preach the Gospel of the Cross of Christ with effect. Tell me of a church with a crucified ministry, and I will call it ZION. These are exceedingly fundamental things. (Matthew 17:24; 10:37-39; Galatians 5:24; Ephesians 6:14; Matthew 23:24.)

John Alexander Dowie was a man called of God to shoulder an Elijah ministry at the end of the age. He came in the spirit and power of Elijah. In five years' time the whole civilized world was compelled to listen. He held up a stinking humanity. The Laodicean church was shaken by one man. What a rumpus he made among its clergy! He started the midnight cry. He was ostracized, condemned, crucified. But the compensation was great.

A COWARDLY LETTER

The following brings out the real issue up-to-date. A new brother is being prepared for crucifixion. Judas is kissing him now. Will the cross be too heavy for him? God grant that he will remain faithful to the end. John Alexander Dowie was formerly a Congregational minister. But he could no more continue there than I could, or any other ZION officer could, in his former church. Dr. Dowie was unwilling at first to form any church organization, but he had to. Multitudes came and were blessed, but many went back to their luke-warm boxes and died. So he had to gather them in, and keep them red-hot for God; and this was God's plan. The people were saved, and healed, and brought into ZION.

A Congregational missionary in China not long ago, wrote to one of our ZION members in Shanghai, urging him to break away from us and leave ZION, suggesting, that if he could not see his way to do it while living in Shanghai, that he better move either to Nanking or Woosung, where it would be easier, and at the same time saying, that ZION is an "ignorant American sect," "the most ignorant of religious sects," "the ZIONIST sect is such an unreasonable, unbiblical, unloving lot of demagoguery." "It takes an educated man only a glance to see Voliva is no master of thought or of English," "don't follow leaders like Voliva and his tribe."

The thing is this. The reverend professor is jealous.

What he says about ZION'S ignorance is wilful misrepresentation, and why he appeals to learning is clear, as our brother is an educated man and a professor in a government school. The fact is, he is not ashamed to testify that he was a gambler, unspiritual, unprepared. ZION found him and scrubbed him, the Holy Spirit took possession, and he is now a devoted child of God. The missionary in his letter has acknowledged the change. He says: "I was very happy to find how happy and thoroughly devoted you are in your renewed Christian faith and service." "Surely your enthusiasm comes not from these (Voliva's tribe), but from a heart at peace with its God."

He also noticed that our brother was healed of malaria. He continues: "For instance I rejoice that you are so free from your old trouble malaria."

But then, he tries to explain away Divine Healing with his Congregational brain-dust. He says: "I think it quite possible that your new spiritual life has made it possible for your body to function more properly."

The fact is, our brother was taught Divine Healing in ZION, was prayed for, with the result that God answered definite prayer.

Our brother is now looking for the coming of Jesus and his joy is great. God used ZION, there is no question about that.

Why did God not use the professor? Why did not the professor rescue him from the Gambling Devil? I will tell you why. Brain-dust cannot do it. Theology does not save. Theories are useless. You must have the Christian religion — Christianity — the full Gospel as proclaimed in ZION.

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"The Story of Asa Modernized and Zionized"

By Elder O. L. Tindall

Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.

Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.

Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.

Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.

Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer.

Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages are come.—I Corinthians 10:6-11.

ZION is simply history repeating itself. We are passing through the same experiences as did the Jewish Fathers, thousands of years ago.

We sing that the God Who lived in their day is just the same today. We ought to make a better showing, however, as we have far more light, in every way, than they had.

The principles of the government of God's Kingdom remain the same for all Ages. They are very simple and also very few. We find them in this story of Asa.

Azariah, the Prophet, said to King Asa and his people —

.....Hear ye me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin; The Lord is with you, while ye be with Him; and if ye seek Him, He will be found of you; but if ye forsake Him, He will forsake you. — II Chronicles 15:2.

We say the same thing to ZION today. The principles are the same, but the methods are different. They dealt with the material more than we do; they used carnal weapons, while we must use spiritual ones.

And they entered into a covenant to seek the Lord God of their fathers with all their heart and with all their soul;

That whosoever would not seek the Lord God of Israel should be put to death. — II Chronicles 15:12-13.

That would be called drastic treatment in these times; but that principle still prevails. All men who will not seek God will be destroyed, sooner or later.

However, God has taken the work of destruction out of our hands; for He says: "Vengeance is Mine;" and Jesus said to Peter: "Put up thy sword." Our weapons are not weak, but are mighty, through God, to the pulling down of strongholds.

The story of King Asa has many useful lessons for ZION, although Asa lived nearly three thousand years ago.

ISRAEL WAS A THEOCRACY, and is ZION'S model for building a theocracy on the earth at this time — the end of the Age.

Israel always had a "one man rule:" the only kind that God ever established. The very name itself shows this. A kingdom never has two or more rulers at the same time: neither has a democracy any place in the Kingdom of God.

God always appoints His man, and He will stand by him, and will see him through, if the man is faithful and true to his trust.

When Asa was about to go against an Ethiopian army which was vastly superior to his own, he prayed:

.....It is nothing with Thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power: help us, O Lord our God; for we rest on Thee, and in Thy Name we go against this multitude. — II Chronicles 14:11.

That is an example for all time and for all circumstances.

Israel, as a Theocracy, had the Divine elements in her. ZION'S motto was clearly demonstrated: "Where God rules man prospers." Only when Israel sinned, did she suffer defeat and disaster.

God ruled in the whole administration of that Nation, as He should in every city, state, or national council. He made the laws for the ecclesiastical, for the business, or commercial, for the educational, and for the political departments.

Asa was a good man and he did that which was right in the sight of God. He pleased God, but he did not please everybody, by any means. It is woe to that man who does! He had war from the start and his foes were numerous and powerful.

He had a well trained army; so should ZION. That is what ZION is for — to train soldiers for our great conflicts for God. Our battles are just as real as were Asa's. Paul realized that: for he said:—

...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. — Ephesians 6:12.

The old apostate churches of today have no wars — a good sign that they are dead.

Asa had about three hundred thousand trained men — "mighty men of valor." Zerah, the Ethiopian, came out against him with an army numbering one thousand thousand, and with three hundred chariots.

Asa prayed, and went out against the vastly superior force, and he easily put them to flight.

So, ZION believes the Book which says that one shall chase a thousand and two shall put ten thousand to flight.

In the beginning of his ministry, Dr. Dowie, almost single-handed, fought all of Chicago, and he triumphed over all the forces of the mighty press, pulpit, medical fraternities, masons, etc., etc.

ZION has had her conflicts all along the way, and she is likely to have them more and more as the end draws nigh.

ASA PUT THINGS RIGHT

He destroyed all the idols; "For he took away the altars of the strange gods, and the high places, and brake down the images, and cut down the groves."

He believed the First Commandment: "Thou shalt have no other gods before Me."

That is one of ZION'S first principles.

Asa began with his own mother. He removed her from her office as queen, because she had made an idol in a grove. Asa cut down her idol, and stamped it and burned it at the brook Kidron.

Men have idols today which must be destroyed.

Covetousness is idolatry, Paul says. The natural man is always covetous, seeking only his own. Whatever a man loves more than God is his god. We need not go to China, or Africa to see idolaters. They are in our own homes and in our own hearts.

How many men stay out of ZION because of father, or mother, or wife, or children!

"Suffer me first to go and bury my father," said a man to Jesus. "Let the dead bury their dead," came the answer.

The same old excuses are still going up to God, and never were they worse than at the present time: "I have bought a piece of ground;" or "I have bought five yoke of oxen;" or "I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come."

Think you that we have not the same jealous God that Moses and Asa had to deal with? What says the gentle Jesus?

If any man come to Me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple. — Luke 14:26.

Who can stand this test?

What will become of these careless professors of discipleship, who give all kinds of trivial excuses to God? When the Bridegroom comes, will they be left behind?

ASA AND ALL THE PEOPLE MAKE A COVENANT WITH GOD

And they entered into a covenant to seek the Lord God..... with all their heart and with all their soul;

And they sware unto the Lord with a loud voice, and with

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shouting, and with trumpets, and with cornets. — II Chronicles 15:12, 14.

They were not afraid to celebrate with the band, and music, and noise. Why should we, therefore, laud and honor our great heroes, and statesmen, and be afraid or ashamed to praise our God with trumpets and stringed instruments?

Asa Cleans up and then Builds

Also he took away out of all the cities of Judah the high places and the images: and the kingdom was quiet before him.

And he built fenced cities in Judah: for the land had rest —

Therefore he said unto Judah, Let us build these cities, and make about them walls, and towers, gates, and bars; while the land is yet before us; because we have sought the Lord our God, we have sought Him, and He hath given us rest on every side. So they built and prospered. — II Chronicles 14:5-7.

Asa built many cities, and they were all Zion cities, too. Can you imagine God building any other kind? Do you think that He would put up a theater on one corner and a dance hall on another, or that He would build a pool-room and a saloon, and a drug store, and a Baptist church, and a Presbyterian church, and a Campbellite church, etc., all through the city? That is the way the Devil builds cities; the world is full of them. The Devil and his crowd are very angry because Zion says:

"God should have, at least, one city on His earth, where He rules: where God's people and their children can dwell in security, and be free from the contaminating evils of the Devil and his institutions."

Asa called all of the faithful ones, out of all the tribes, to come to Jerusalem.

God's children should come together. There is strength in unity. So, Zion is calling for God's true children to come out of the various tribes, or churches, and to come to Zion.

It is said: "They fell to him out of Israel in abundance, when they saw that the Lord his God was with him." Note what it was that drew them to him and to his city: it was not for the loaves and fishes — for fat jobs — but rather, because the Lord was with him. It was God and His great truths that drew them.

The first thing that they did was to make an offering unto the Lord to show their gratitude. They sacrificed seven hundred oxen and seven thousand sheep to Jehovah. At present prices, that would bring no small sum. It would go far toward paying off Zion's indebtedness — just what ought to be done today, so that Zion could go forward in her good work! May God's people see their opportunity and their duty, and come up "to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty!"

Asa Loses Courage and Faith and Joins the Fearful

Alas, how are the mighty fallen! After his great victories in war, and faithful work in leading the hosts of Israel, there comes another test, and Asa is tried in a new way, it would seem.

After six and thirty years of a successful reign, Baasha, king of Israel, came up against Judah. Why the old king should now waver and lose courage and not dare to trust God in this conflict is hard to understand. It surely shows the frailty of poor, weak human nature. How fitting the exhortation of the Apostle:

Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. — I Corinthians 10:12.

Asa became possessed of a fearful heart, and he sent to Benhadad, king of Syria, to form a league with him in an effort to go against the king of Israel.

Benhadad came, and Israel was defeated. Asa and his people, no doubt, were saying: "The league is a great success."

Cannot Zion sympathize with Asa on this league question? How often she has been enticed to form a league with the enemy of God and His work! It seems a plausible, and an easy way out. The people of God have often been tricked by the Devil in this way; and the old apostate churches of today have made that kind of a league with the world. Their trust is in the arm of flesh, and not in God. God has always been against this combination. He forbade His people to mix up with the heathen, and still insists that they be a separated people.

"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers" and, "Come out from among them" are still the commands of God.

Asa's success was of short duration. He had God to deal with. Hear what God has to say to the king, through His Prophet:

And at that time Hanani the seer came to Asa king of Judah, and said unto him, Because thou hast relied on the king of Syria, and not relied on the Lord thy God, therefore is the host of the king of Syria escaped out of thine hand.

Were not the Ethiopians and the Lubims a huge host, with very many chariots and horsemen? yet, because thou didst rely on the Lord, He delivered them into thine hand.

.....Herein thou hast done foolishly: therefore from henceforth thou shalt have wars.

Then Asa was wroth with the seer, and put him in a prison house; for he was in a rage with him because of this thing. And Asa oppressed some of the people the same time. — Chronicles 16:7-10.

A faithful prophet warned the king and rebuked him. That prophet was not very politic, you say, or else he would not have run his neck into that noose and got into jail. The modern popular preacher does not do such foolish (?) things. This was not confined to Asa, and his times.

Peter, and John the beloved, were put in jail, as also were Paul and Silas. So Zion's prophets have been more than once. This is a very good sign of Apostleship. John the Baptist had his head cut off because he was brave enough to rebuke a wicked king.

Asa got mad because the preacher was too personal, and insulted him. No good man will become angry at righteous reproof. The Psalmist said:

Let the righteous smite me; it shall be a kindness: and let him reprove me; it shall be an excellent oil. — Psalm 141:5.

Men hate to be reproved. Jesus found it so, and it caused His death. Preaching smooth things is now the order of the day, in all pulpits, except Zion's. Zion's preachers are called "calamity howlers."

Asa went the way of all traitors and backsliders, and those who forget their first love.

Asa Became Diseased

No wonder, when he had blacksliden and gone to the Devil for help! Is it any wonder now, in his sickness, that he goes to the doctors? No, he is not in a condition to offer the prayer of faith for anything.

See the difference now, from the time when he offered that humble prayer for help against that great host of Egypt, when the Lord heard and delivered him. It is the righteous man's prayer that avails much.

Asa Slept with His Fathers

He died in good form. No one was arrested for not having a doctor, as Zion men are sometimes.

And they ..... laid him in the bed which was filled with sweet odours and divers kinds of spices prepared by the apothecaries' art; and they made a very great burning for him. — II Chronicles 16:14.

That is what the apothecaries are good for: to spice up the carcases of old apostates, and prepare them for burning; but it does not prepare them for Heaven.

Will we learn our lessons? The Old Book has many of them for us.

Right Hand of Fellowship

The following-named persons received the Right-Hand of Fellowship, Wednesday Evening, September 24, 1919, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, ILLINOIS:

Hill, Mr. Charles H. .....Kansas
Hill, Mrs. Arline Isadora.....Kansas

BAPTISMS

The following-named Believer was baptized by Triune Immersion on November 28, 1919, by Apostle S. Moot at Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois:

Jones, Mrs. Alice M. .....Michigan

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"Latter-Day Lessons From the Tower of Babel"

By Elder Thomas H. Nelson

IT is written of the Fathers that "all these things happened unto them for types." They are written for "our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages are come."

By consulting the Eleventh Chapter of Genesis, it will be found that, away back in the morning of time when the human race was an infant, it grew tired of God's control, and God's plan of getting men to Heaven; it conceived a better mode of operation and a more efficient and satisfactory plan to take men to glory.

Here is a sort of parabolic figure of the world's latter-day history foretold:

The Babylonian race stepped from its oriental cradle and with its back toward the rising sun — consequently treading in its own shadow — "journeyed from the East" to the muddy "plains of Shinar." There, in its infant idiocy, it determined to complete "a tower whose top should reach unto Heaven."

The race would become robbers of God by "climbing up some other way" and taking forcible possession of the celestial world, thus proving themselves the children of their Satanic inspirer, who was himself expelled from Heaven for a similar desire and act.

In the muddy plains in which they now dwelt there was "no stone," no God-made mountain rock with which to build such a tower, so they were forced to "make brick and burn them thoroughly" and "slime had they for mortar."

But though they prospered for a time, God finally reigned confusion upon them and the Babel builders were "scattered abroad on the face of the earth."

Thus it is seen that this "Babel" business contained the disease germs of its own eventual death, and also brought about the very "scattering abroad" which it was intended to avoid.

In a new sense do we find history repeating itself, and now, in the evening of time, we find the race in its dotage or second childhood, doing in effect that which it did in the morning of its infancy: namely, building a system of human salvation apart from God's Divine Gospel plan — really a political and ecclesiastical Babel Tower.

The unity of the Spirit on Gospel lines, typified by the "one speech" of this Chapter, is gone. The race has grown tired of the old-fashioned Gospel demands, and has purposed to reach Heaven by its own efforts.

Human organizations and reforms of all kinds, are the cry today. They have turned their backs toward the Source of Gospel light, the Sun of Righteousness, and, in the gloom of their own shadows, have journeyed "from the East," the birthplace of all Divinely given religion. Religion is oriental in its origin, while reform is occidental in its rise.

Now, in the muddy plains of moral "Shinar," the churches are erecting their Babylonish edifice of latter-day, human reform.

A brick is of human origin, while God alone can create stone; and, as "they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar," we look for some human substitute for the Divine in religion today.

We find that the builders of this modern edifice of organization take even those into membership who are living irreverential, inconsistent, and unclean lives, and who often do not even pretend to have renounced their sins. Intellectuality, worldly respectability, and money are generally the disgraceful graces and the eminent features in these church members.

The modern revival is often simply the throwing open of the church doors and an invitation to Egyptians, Babylonians, Canaanites, and heathen, all to come in on their own terms. Then this degenerate Laodicean church, which loves to "make a fair show in the flesh," swells and struts and boasts of her accessions, conversions, and progress in converting the world; when in reality the world is converting her into a moral harlot, and her houses of prayer where the masses will not attend, into dens of thieves.

Thus a war of conflicting creeds and teachings is carried on until some places are cursed with churches, while "Babel confusion" reigns and sin holds sway. The tendency of sin is to divide and scatter the power of God; the work of the Holy Spirit is to unify and harmonize them. The coming of Christ alone can offset the degeneracy in modern man-made religion as was foreshadowed by the unity among the disciples on the Day of Pentecost.

A modern popular revival is simply a Babylonish brick kiln in operation, where man-made Christians of the "Billy" Sunday order, or baptized worldlings are converted into "brick baked thoroughly," for this spiritual Babel Tower. "Slime had they for mortar," continues the inspired writer. Yes, the "brick" in this modern tower is not held together by the cementing power of God's life of love, but by selfishness. They join the church for policy's sake, who seek their own, "not the things which are Jesus Christ's." God's real children are likened in the Bible, not to brick, but to "living stones" "built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone." They are said to "grow up a spiritual temple in the Lord." Cement is liquid stone, and as it hardens a stone wall built of cement becomes a solid stone wall. This is God's illustration of Christian unity.

As man makes brick, but God alone can make stone; so man can make visible members, but it takes the recreative power of God in conversion to make Christians or "living stones."

Religious and political confusion reigns universally today because God is displeased with the modern Babel builders, who reject His Gospel plan and erect their own anti-christian and evolutionary "tower" to Heaven. No two of their leaders can speak the same thing. Their political and theological language has been confused.

The difference between a modern and a Holy Spirit revival is just the difference between a brick kiln and a stone quarry. There is never any noise in a brick kiln; there is no need of any louder noise than the splash and slush of mud mixing puddlers. Not so in a stone quarry: there is here the ring of steel and stone in conflict; here the sparks fly; drills and hammers in noisy operation are here interrupted, at intervals, by the thunderous roar of dynamite or blasting powder and shivered rocks.

Here is God's illustration of the counterfeit and the genuine in religion.

Though there is no more particular good in the noise of a revival meeting than there is in the noise of a stone quarry, yet noise is the accompaniment of power, and there is little accomplished where it does not exist. The noise of a blast of powder does not split the rocks, but the exploding powder and the splitting rock are always accompanied by noise. The great Apostle to the Gentiles spoke of the "things that accompany salvation."

Oh, for more laborers in the Lord's stone quarries, and for a withering destruction of the Devil's popular religious and political brick kilns! Amen and amen!!

Dear reader, are you ready to escape the coming tribulationary Day of Judgment, when the vials of God's righteous wrath shall be poured out upon a harlot church and a Christ-rejecting world, while they are still laboring to build this latter-day anti-christian Babel Tower?

Oh, turn to the Lord while you may!

"Now is the day of salvation," repent and have faith in Christ.

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Notes of Thanksgiving to Zion's God

"It is a Joy to Pay Tithes"

————, Pennsylvania.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Enclosed please find postal order for tithes to date. It is indeed a joy for me to pay them.

I enjoy reading the LEAVES OF HEALING and THEOCRAT. They are about all I ever do read.

My prayer to God is, that I may keep the faith and be ready to go, when He comes.

Yours faithfully in Jesus the Christ,
(Signed) L. H. KELLIHAN.

"The 'Leaves of Healing' are So Good"

————, Washington.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I write to thank you for prayer offered in my behalf.

My limb and foot are better, for which I am very thankful to God. Again I ask you to pray that I may be made whole for the honor and glory of God.

Some time ago, Mrs. Brady asked you to pray for my mother, thank God, she is better. Please ask God to heal her, and to help my folks to see ZION. Mother does not read English, which makes it hard.

I cannot find words to express how thankful I am to God for ZION, and would be so thankful if we were there.

The LEAVES OF HEALING are so good, and I do all I can to send them out.

I long so much to win someone to Christ. Please pray that I may be a blessing to someone.

May God richly bless you all in this great work.

Your Sister in Christ,
(Signed) ELIN M. ERICKSON.

Graciously Blessed Through Zion's Prayers

————, Pennsylvania.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I received your letter in answer to my request for prayer, and I wish to thank you for your prayers.

God has graciously blessed me, and I am now quite well again.

May God richly bless you in ZION, is my earnest prayer.

Your sister in Christ,
(Signed) M. E. ZIMMERMAN.

"I am so Pleased With 'Leaves of Healing'"

————, Kansas.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I will write you a letter, telling you of my experience.

I am saved, Praise the Lord! He is my Saviour, Cleanser and Keeper. I love Him more and more every day.

I had rheumatism in my arm, but He has healed me through prayer.

I am so pleased with LEAVES OF HEALING. They do me so much good. I sit down and read the whole paper before I get up.

May God's richest blessings rest upon ZION.

(Signed) MRS. SALLIE STEWARD.

Living in the Ninety-first Psalm

————, ILLINOIS.
October 1, 1919.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

It gives me pleasure to write concerning my experience in Restoration Work during the past year.

My way of doing was to go into a community, live the ZION teaching, get acquainted with the people, and let the people get acquainted with me. I told them that my business was to recommend Jesus the Christ by my living and that farming, in which I was engaged, was a side-issue to make expenses.

People became interested and I gave out about one thousand LEAVES OF HEALING. I paid $260.00 railroad fares, $30.00 for LEAVES OF HEALING, and, with the help of my wife, made a living for three of us out of this side-issue — farming.

As a result, one family of five have made out their application forms for membership in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION.

I came nearer living in the Ninety-first Psalm during that time than ever before. I know nothing so good for one's physical and spiritual health as Restoration Work.

Faithfully yours,
(Signed) DEACON SAMUEL SCHAD.

Felt Lost Without the "Leaves of Healing" and the "Theocrat"

————, Canada.
October 10, 1919.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I take the pleasure of sending you $5.00 to apply on my subscription to LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT. I was away in the hills for so long that I didn't realize the time had expired. I will see that it does not happen again. When I got home I had nothing to read and felt lost without the papers, but thanks be to God, I receive a number again and enjoy reading them.

May God bless you in your work,
(Signed) TOM WILSON.

Great Joy in Sending Tithes to the Storehouse

————, Indiana.
October 20, 1919.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
ZION, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee!

As I am sending you the tithes, for daughter and myself, I thought perhaps you would like to hear a word of testimony. I rejoice that we are able to help ZION.

I praise the Lord for His keeping power and His blessings to us in many ways.

I read LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT and hand them to my neighbors to read. I also mail them to others.

Trusting and praying that they may be a blessing to someone, I am

Yours for God and ZION,
(Signed) MRS. MAUD WHISMAN.

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(Wilbur Glenn Voliva)

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Total amount of business done by all the institutions for twelve months — July 31, 1918, to July 31, 1919	2,154,920.00
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Administration Building
Zion, Lake County, Illinois

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—WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

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Possibly the thought of this one word Christmas conveys in many ways a different idea, feeling, impulse or emotion to each one of us. This largely depends upon our early associations, from the cradle up, we might say. To many of us our earliest recollections hang around the Christmas Tree — the presents and the good cheer from everyone — scenes that nothing could erase from our memories are associated around the Christmas festivities — the preparation of all kinds of good things — the Holly and the Mistletoe decorations — the coming home of brothers and sisters — the songs and music — the games and the Christmas dinner where the father and the mother have conspired to have everything conducive to the climax of happiness for the whole year. Why should it not be so? Is it not the most joyful occasion that this world ever saw?

Let us celebrate this day with a happy, joyful, holy enthusiasm. The world has indeed lost untold and immeasurable blessings by neglecting to recognize this one great birthday, but let us who believe that the Savior was born do all in our power to make Christmas Day the best day of the year.

It is essentially a children's day. We who are older can get our joy in making and seeing the children happy. However, we are all children on Christmas Day. All like to give and all like to receive presents, not simply for their value in money, but for the love and good feeling that prompts the giver.

Let us all first of all see that we get the true Christmas spirit in our own hearts; it will then unconsciously manifest itself to others. Remember it is those of us who are older who are forming in the hearts and lives of the youngest among us what they should be able in later years to look back upon as ideal Christmas Days.

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A detailed list will also be found in The Theocrat.

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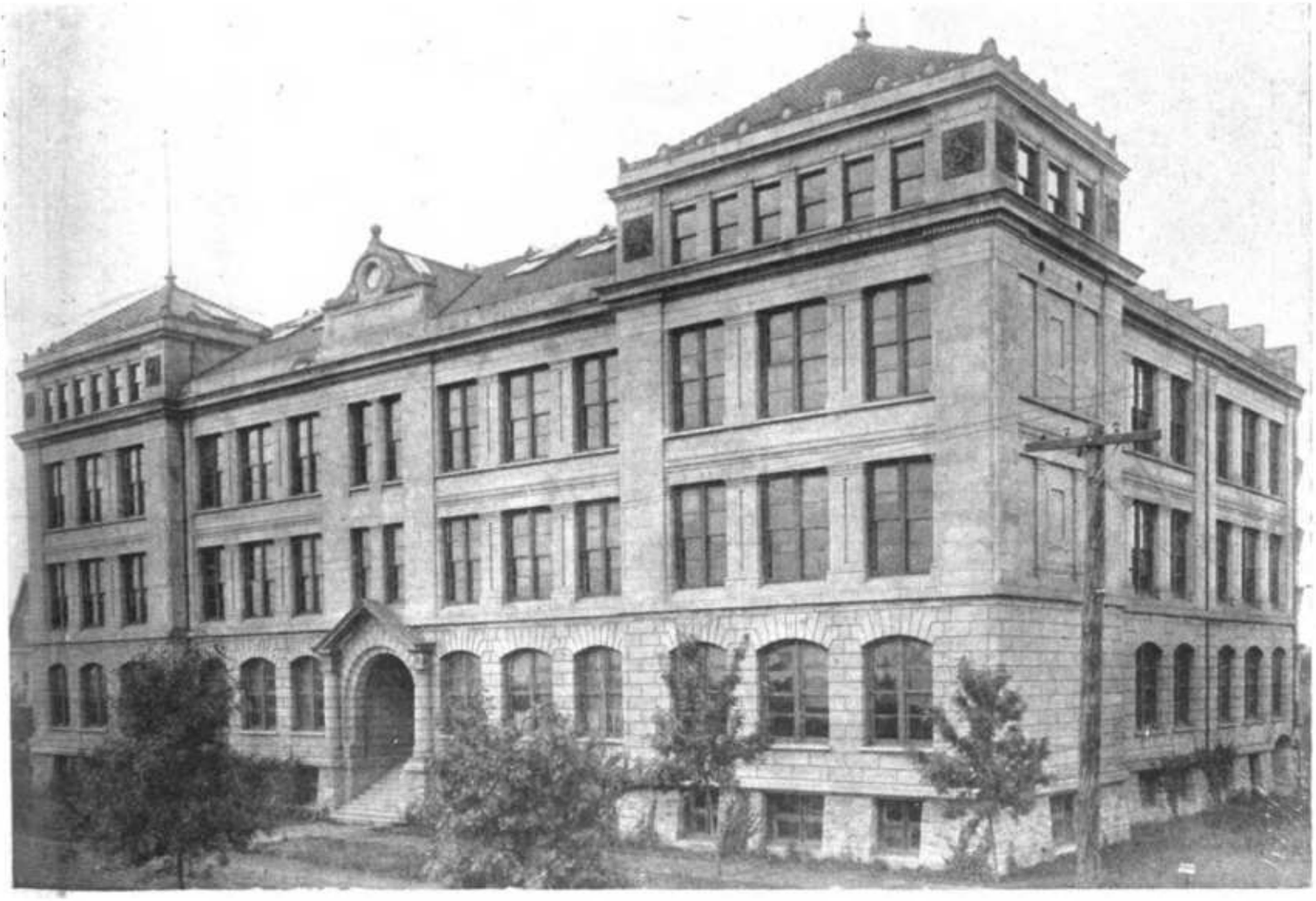
I am the Lord that healeth thee.

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

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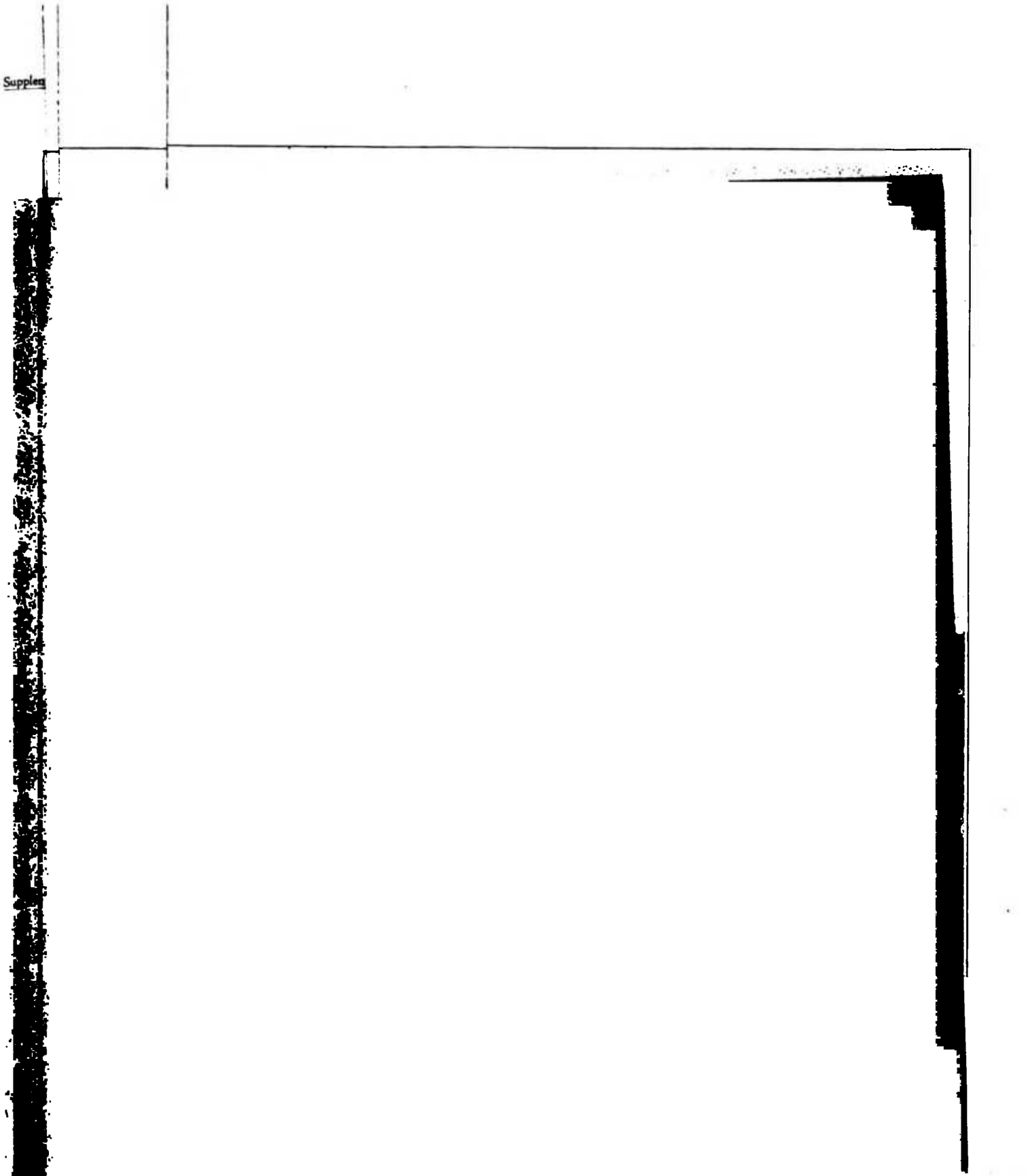
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What Are Zion Schools Worth to You?

By Apostle Anton Darms

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS are an indispensable and inseparable part of the ZION movement. The training of the children and young people in ZION, is of the utmost importance to any one who has the future of ZION at heart. Without this training, the ZION of the coming generation will be absorbed by the elements of the world.

The world has many educational institutions with boundless resources. They offer splendid facilities for obtaining an education, which enables one to engage in the activities of this life. The institutions of the world are endowed with multiplied millions of dollars which generous spirited men have donated for the purpose of training future citizens.

There are elements at work, however, in the educational institutions of the world, that are undermining the welfare of the coming generation, in a very manifest way.

Wherever the spiritual welfare of the chidren is overlooked or neglected, deterioration, insubordination, and degeneration are sure to follow. The mind of the child cannot be trained at the expense of the spirit. The intellect must needs be supplied with the knowledge of God, as well as with the knowledge of the affairs of the world in which we live.

Mental culture without God, creates monstrosities. The asylums and penitentiaries of the land bear out this statement. Education without regeneration, leaves the heart of man untouched, and makes him an abject slave to every human passion and desire.

Man's material interests are legitimate as long as they do not interfere with or subordinate the higher, the spiritual, the eternal interests of mankind. To deprive the children of the knowledge of God, as revealed in His Inspired Word, is to rob them of the greatest inheritance which God ever ordained for man's training and development.

A stream can rise no higher than the fountain from which it receives its supply. The coming generation can rise no higher, in the attainment of virtue, character, goodness, nobility, and heavenly-mindedness, than the ideals set daily before them in the homes, schools, colleges, and universities where the training is received.

Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter?

Can the fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? either a vine figs? so can no fountain both yield salt water and fresh.—James 3:11-12.

ZION SCHOOLS, in their ideas, ideals, principles, and practices, have nothing in common with the methods of worldly educational institutions.

What can you expect your children to be, when you send them to schools where the Word of God is utterly disregarded: where Jesus the Christ is despised; where the Blood shed upon Calvary is trampled upon; where the Holy Spirit is grieved; where the Church of Jesus Christ — the one institution founded by the Son of God, to be the exponent of Salvation and Redemption — is utterly repudiated?

Do not blame anyone but yourself when your sons and daughters are carried away by the torrents of unbelief, higher criticism, evolution, and agnosticism, and eventually, every atom of love that you at one time instilled into their minds and hearts, is taken away, and at last, shipwreck is made of their faith.

What can you expect your children to be, when you permit them to associate daily with those who profane the Name of Jesus; with those who lie and steal, and are guilty of the grosser immoralities of children and young people who know not God?

What can you expect your children to be, if you allow them to associate with those who attend moving picture shows and theatricals and dances? Then, there is the wide spread use of cigarettes and tobacco, and the equally disgusting habit of chewing gum. Also, the reading of novels, fiction of all kinds, and other trashy literature, to contend with.

How can you cope with all of these, when your children are daily exposed to their degrading influence?

Do not be surprised if your children get away from God; — lose their interest in the preaching of the Gospel; stay away from the House of God on the Lord's Day, and from the mid-week prayer meeting.

Oh, what a terrible thing you will have to answer for, if you put a stumbling block in the way of one of these little ones! Jesus said of such that it would be better that a millstone were hanged about his neck and he were cast into the midst of the sea.

Can you excuse yourself of the consequences of your children's waywardness, when you send them to institutions of learning where the spirit of the world, the flesh, and the Devil prevails?

The ZION SCHOOLS have been founded for the definite purpose of teaching the children how to love and serve God. Here, they are taught by godly teachers and instructors, what it means to follow Jesus as their Savior, Healer, Cleanser, and Keeper; what it means to be regenerated and converted; what it means to study the Word of God, and to pray; what it means to attend the House of God, and to sing praises in His Sanctuary; what it means to look forward to the glorious appearing of the Great God and our Lord Jesus Christ.

ZION SCHOOLS are established upon a sure foundation — the Word of God. Building upon that foundation makes for true Christian character. Christian character makes one immune from the evils of the world and secures for ones self the approval and favor of God, not only for time, but for Eternity. The life established upon that foundation — the Everlasting Rock of Ages — Christ Jesus — cannot otherwise than have real value, sterling worth, abiding security, and assured success.

ZION SCHOOLS are the training ground for ZION'S coming generation. The conception of ZION SCHOOLS was born of God. They are unique from every standpoint. They stand in a class by themselves.

You have no medical trust controlling ZION SCHOOLS.

Your children need not be exposed to the accursed practice of vaccination; they hear no profanity or vulgar language in their association with others; they are not taught the silly "Mother Goose" and "Santa Claus" fables and myths; they are not doped with the astronomical and geographical bunk that the earth revolves on its axis, in a supposed rotation around the sun; nor are they taught that the disappearance of a ship at sea is a sure proof of the rotundity of the earth.

Your children here, are not filled up with the wisdom of this world, which is foolishness with God.

The Word of God is the principal textbook in all of the training given in the ZION SCHOOLS. The study of it is made of the utmost importance in training the children, even as it was ordained of old, by the Lord, in His Words given to Moses, with reference to the great subject of training a new generation in Israel:

And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.—Deuteronomy 6:6-8.

Inestimable blessings must come to those who are given the opportunity, in their training and education, of being instructed in the Word of God. The beautiful stories of the Bible are a most charming inspiration to children, as well as to adults.

Who can read the story of Jacob lying down at Bethel by night, dreaming of the angels ascending and descending on a ladder reaching to the Throne of God; who can read the story of a little child being placed in the bulrushes and set out on a bank of a river, and finally rescued, adopted, and trained, by the king's daughter, and later on, made a mighty leader for God's chosen people; who can read the story of how three hundred chosen men, under the leadership of Gideon, with their lamps

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and torches, were able to strike consternation into the mighty hosts of the Midianites and come off more than conquerors; who can read the touching story of the shepherd boy, whose heroism, killing the Giant, single-handed, with a few pebbles taken from the brook, thrilled all the land of Israel, and inspired them to throw off the yoke of the Philistines, and become a mighty people under the reign of David and Solomon; who can read the thrilling story of Daniel and the three Hebrew children — the Three cast into the fiery furnace, because of their devotion to Jehovah, and the One cast into the den of lions, because of his determination to pray with his windows open toward Jerusalem; who can read the thrilling stories of the returning exiles, rebuilding the Temple and the walls of Jerusalem; who can read the thrilling stories of the mighty miracles wrought through Jesus Christ, the Son of God, as recorded in the Gospels; who can read the story of how the angel delivered Peter from prison by opening the iron gate, and brought him safely through the different wards, in the face of the guards appointed for his safe-keeping; who can read the thrilling story of Paul and Silas in the jail at Philippi, when, at midnight they sang praises unto God, and the Lord answered by an earthquake which brought conviction to the jailer and was the means of his conversion; who can read the thrilling story of the rescue of Paul and his party of two hundred and seventy-six souls (Acts 27:37), in the midst of a terrific storm on the Mediterranean, on his way from Cesarea to Rome, when the angel appeared to Paul on the ship, and assured him, in the face of despair and death, that all on board would be brought safely to land; — who can read these and many other similar and even more thrilling stories recorded in the Word of God, as is daily being done in the ZION SCHOOLS, and fail to have his heart deeply touched by the Spirit of God, and himself brought to the place of recognizing God as his Father, Jesus Christ as his Savior, and the Holy Spirit as his Comforter, Counselor, Consoler, and Guide?

ZION SCHOOLS, having the Word of God as their foundation, are prepared to give the very best training and equipment. Here, the children are taught how to fight the battles of life; here, they are instructed to use their time and talents for the honor and glory of God; here, they are taught what Zion means; what her ideas, ideals, principles and purposes are, and what their own opportunities and responsibilities in Zion will be.

The General Overseer has engaged a large force of consecrated men and women to teach in the ZION SCHOOLS. The purpose of these teachers is not merely to impart knowledge, growing out of the various subjects taught in the schoolroom, but, more than that, they endeavor to awaken in the hearts of the children, a love for God and for His Precious Word.

There is need of discipline also, even in the ZION SCHOOLS, but this is carried out in the Spirit of Christ, in cooperation with the home.

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.—Proverbs 22:6, 15.

Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right.—Proverbs 20:11.

Every day's work is opened with Chapel exercises, where the Word of God is read; where Gospel hymns of praise are sung, and the blessing of God is earnestly invoked upon one and all, through earnest prayer. Every class period is opened with prayer.

The General Overseer has assumed large financial obligations in opening and maintaining the ZION SCHOOLS. It required faith in God, to provide all the equipment and to engage all of the teachers and other workers necessary to operate the ZION SCHOOLS.

In addition to the regular school curriculum, a large place is given to music, singing, art, domestic science, manual training, and other interesting subjects.

All instruction given is free. No charges are made in any department; rich and poor alike, are on the same basis, as it ought to be among God's people.

A beautiful spirit prevails throughout the ZION SCHOOLS.

Have you understood what your part is in helping the General Overseer to find the necessary resources? Have you prayed about the matter as to what extent you are able to provide these resources?

Does it mean anything to you to have the children and young people in Zion trained in ZION SCHOOLS? The members and friends of Zion have a wonderful part to share in the privilege and joy of training the children and young people of Zion. Everyone in Zion should daily pray for the ZION SCHOOLS. You, however, can help answer your own prayers by supporting the ZION SCHOOLS to the utmost ability that God has put within your hands. Everyone, without exception, can do something in this matter.

Next to paying your tithes, each and every member and friend of Zion at headquarters, or in any other part of this or other lands, should consider it his greatest privilege to make a monthly contribution for the support of ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS. You should fill out your card, stating the amount that you will subscribe for the ensuing school year, and send your card to the Ecclesiastical Secretary, Apostle Ernest E. Harwood, at headquarters.

Have you done so? If not, do not delay!

If all of the members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion throughout the world, will feel the responsibility of training the children and young people in Zion as does the General Overseer, and will do their part in the support of ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, there will be no lack of funds, wherewith to carry on and enlarge this most important work in Zion.

Do not be contented by giving the least that you can; rather, decide how much you can do. Do not be satisfied by giving Ten Dollars, merely, when you could give One Hundred Dollars. Do not be satisfied by giving only One Hundred Dollars, when you could give One Thousand Dollars. Pray that God will put it upon the heart of some one in Zion to endow the ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

What a joy to know, in Eternity, that your money was at work for God, in the training of citizens for Zion! We will be judged for our works when we stand before the Judgment Seat of Christ.

Will you be able to say then, that you did your utmost to support ZION SCHOOLS, or will you have to confess, with shamefacedness, that you were derelict, careless, and indifferent, in this most important matter?

The very future of the making of Zion is in your hands, as you respond to the General Overseer's call in furnishing the means necessary to carry on this great work.

In the last analysis, when your work is done, as a part of your own salvation, you will be held accountable, not only as to the amount of earthly treasures you have gathered, but as to what you have done in the way of evangelizing the world, through the sending out of workers to preach the Gospel of the Grace of God, and as to what you have done for the training of your own, and the children of others in Zion.

Answer the question for yourself: "What are ZION SCHOOLS worth to me?" Answer the question, not with words only, but back them up by self-denial and self-sacrifice, in doing all that you can to support ZION SCHOOLS!

Some people object to having their spiritual thermometer tested by the contributions or donations they give from their pocketbooks; for though they might be loud in their profession of love and interest for God's work, their pocketbooks would show Zero.

Some people object to having the measure of their spiritual life gauged by their money; but Jesus did not hesitate to condemn the Pharisees, even though they put much into the treasury of the temple, because they had not manifested the self-denial and the interest, and the self-sacrifice, that the poor widow did who gave all that she had.

If your pocketbook has the lockjaw, God will work a miracle upon it, and break its iron bands, and loosen it up, so you can give more generously if you will to have it so. What do you say?

Do not give grudgingly, whatever you do, for "GOD LOVETH A CHEERFUL GIVER."

But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give: not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver.

And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:—II Corinthians 9:6-8.

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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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"Baptizing them into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

The following-named believers were baptized by Triune Immersion by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, on December 5, 1919, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, ILLINOIS, U. S. A.:

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THE SUPPLEMENT PICTURE

This week's issue of LEAVES OF HEALING (Vol. 45, No. 12) contains a Supplement Picture of more than 900 of the pupils and students, together with the teachers, of ZION Educational Institutions.

The total enrollment of different pupils and students in all departments is 1046.

Readers of LEAVES OF HEALING should have this picture framed, and hang it in a good place in their homes.

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ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS — consisting of Kindergarten (for children five years of age), Junior School (covering a period of eight years), Preparatory Department (covering a period of four years), Department of Music and Art, etc. — are free to all children and young people in ZION and are supported entirely by the FREE-WILL OFFERINGS of the officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION.

We print herewith a full list of the names of those who have made pledges for the School Year, October 1, 1919 — October 1, 1920, with the respective amounts pledged.

If there should be any mistakes in the list as printed, notice of same should be sent to Apostle Anton Darms, Administration Building, and the mistakes will be corrected.

We trust that within the next few days pledge cards will be filled out and sent in by every officer, member, and friend of the Church. One form of pledge card is for individuals, and another form is for families. These cards should be carefully filled in and it should be plain whether the amount pledged is for the entire year or so much per month. All family cards should state the number in family making the pledge.

In addition to the amount of money raised in this manner, two SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS are taken each year — one at the All-Night Meeting and one the second Lord's Day of the Feast of Tabernacles.

All of the teachers are paid regularly each month, and the total amount necessary for the School Year, 1919-1920, is $30,984.00, exclusive of all the allowances for engineers, janitors, fuel, interest on investment, taxes, etc.

The enrollment is 1046.

You will readily see that the plan of charging no tuition and supporting the Schools by Free-will Offerings, puts all of the children and young people on the same basis and gives all the same opportunities.

With praise to God for His blessings upon ZION Educational Institutions, with heart-felt appreciation of the earnest cooperation of all who have helped support these Institutions, and praying His richest blessings upon all, I am

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA
President.

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS—PLEDGES

October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920

Name	Amount per year
Aborn, Mrs. Nellie M.	$ 3.00
Aiuppy, Mr. Ross	30.00
Albrant, Miss Grace E.	6.00
Albright, Miss Ella E.	25.00
Albright, Mr. & Mrs. H. H.	12.00
Allen, Mr. Louis Wm. (Family — 4)	40.00
Anderson, Mr. & Mrs. A. C.	50.00
Anderson, Mr. & Mrs. D. K.	25.00
Anderson, Mrs. Hattie J.	12.00
Anderson, Mrs. Mary	10.00
Anderson, Miss Ruth	12.00
Anderson, Mrs. C.	4.00
Anderson, Miss Esther	10.00
Andreason, Mr. Anton	5.00
Armstrong, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. J. (Family — 7)	25.00
Atkins, Mr. George H.	12.00
Augsburger, Miss Sarah	3.00
Babbitt, Mr. & Mrs. L. L.	60.00
Baer, Mr. Dana M.	5.00
Bagg, Mr. C. M.	25.00
Bagg, Mr. Chester	15.00
Bagg, Miss Muriel	12.00
Bagley, Miss Susanna	42.00
Bailey, Mr. & Mrs. E. E.	50.00
Bailey, Mrs. J. W.	10.00
Bailey, Mrs. Lottie & Miss Lulu	10.00
Bailie, Mr. I. W. & Alta	$ 28.00
Bailie, Miss Mae	15.00
Baker, Mr. Wm. A. & Family	50.00
Bales, Mr. J. N.	15.00
Bales, Mrs. J. N.	10.00
Ball, Mr. & Mrs. Luke	15.00
Ballegooyen, Mr. George	12.00
Ballegooyen, Mr. W. V.	24.00
Banes, Mrs. VanFossen	6.00
Bark, Miss Anna	10.00
Barnes, Mrs. Carrie	9.00
Barron, Miss Alice E.	12.00
Barron, Mrs. Margaret A.	12.00
Barrowcliff, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. and John	25.00
Bartelt, Mr. & Mrs. J. W.	24.00
Barton, Mr. M. P. & Wife	25.00
Barton, Mr. & Mrs. Will A.	24.00
Baughman, Mr. & Mrs. L. R.	25.00
Baughman, Mr. & Mrs. J. W.	30.00
Beall, Mr. George & Family	50.00
Becker, Miss Ida	24.00
Becker, Mr. T. R.	50.00
Bennett, Mr. & Mrs. F. W.	10.00
Bennett, Mr. & Mrs. G. F.	24.00
Bennett, Mr. Harold	12.00
Bennett, Rolland Oliver	36.00
Bennewate, Mr. & Mrs. O. R.	12.00
Bennewate, Mr. & Mrs. Wm.	$ 30.00
Bennewate, Miss Esther M.	12.00
Benson, Mr. Herman	50.00
Berger, Mr. C. M.	15.00
Biddle, Mr. A. H.	60.00
Biddle, Mr. S. G.	30.00
Bierhals, Mrs. Anna	6.00
Bird, Mrs. Jennie	1.00
Bird, Mr. J. D.	30.00
Bishop, Mrs. Ida A.	60.00
Bishop, Mr. & Mrs. H. H.	25.00
Bittle, Mr. Isaac	20.00
Blanks, Mr. J. H.	60.00
Boehmke, Mr. Theodore	24.00
Bohl, Mrs. Martha H.	12.00
Bohlken, Mr. & Mrs. A.	40.00
Book, Barbara	3.00
Borden, Mr. & Mrs. A. H.	100.00
Bouck, Misses Mary & Martha	24.00
Bower, Mrs. Daisy G.	10.00
Bowers, Mrs. Mabel	12.00
Boyd, Mrs. Clara S.	10.00
Boyd, Mr. & Mrs. Leo B.	24.00
Boyd, Mrs. M. A.	6.00
Bradshaw, Mrs. C. E.	6.00
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Bright, Mr. & Mrs. George	40.00
Brison, Mr. Irving	12.00
Brockway, Mr. Charles W.	12.00
Brooks, Mr. & Mrs. Edgar (Family 6)	25.00
Brooks, Mr. Frank	50.00
Brooks, Mrs. Jannet	10.00
Brown, Mr. & Mrs. E. L.	12.00
Brown, Mr. W. B. & Family.	36.00
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Buell, Mrs. Helen	5.00
Buell, Mr. Lucius H.	10.00
Buhmann, Miss H. A.	20.00
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Corder, Mr. Robert G.	15.00
Cowell, Miss Hattie J.	$ 20.00
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Cramer, Mrs. Johanna	18.00
Crane, Mr. & Mrs. C. W.	50.00
Crary, Mr. E. J.	18.00
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Effting, Mr. G. W.	20.00
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Greer, Chas. W.	30.00
Greer, Miss Hattie M.	5.00
Greer, John A.	5.00
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Greer, Ruth	2.00
Griffith, Mrs. E. G.	25.00
Griffith, Mrs. Estella M.	10.00
Griffith, Mrs. O. J.	5.00
Grosskreutz, Miss Emma	25.00
Gruman, Mr. Henry A.	20.00
Guggenbuhl, Mr. & Mrs.	36.00
Guschausky, Mr. August	12.00
Guschausky, Miss Clara	6.00
Hacker, Mr. Jas. A. (Family — 6)	30.00
Hammer, Mrs. Anna	24.00
Hammer, Mr. J. G.	60.00
Hammock, Mr. & Mrs. Aug.	12.00
Hammond, Mr. & Mrs. G. B.	20.00
Hampe, Mr. & Mrs. Herman E.	50.00

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Hampson, Mr. & Mrs. E. J.	$ 5.00
Hanni, Mr. & Mrs. N.	100.00
Hanni, Miss Ella M.	15.00
Hanni, Mr. Rollie M.	25.00
Hanni, Mrs. Roy	25.00
Harkness, Mr. W. J.	25.00
Hartle, Susie E.	12.00
Harwood, Mr. Ernest E. (Family — 6)	50.00
Hazel, Mr. Louis E. (Family — 4)	40.00
Hazel, Mrs. M. C.	4.00
Heck, Miss E. S.	12.00
Heggen, Mr. & Mrs. B. O.	12.00
Hendricks, Mr. & Mrs. C. L.	50.00
Henry, Mr. & Mrs. R. Y.	30.00
Hickok, Mrs. Fred	5.00
Hill, Mr. F.	18.00
Hill, Mr. T. Orvin	25.00
Hindman, Mr. & Mrs. A. G.	6.00
Hinshaw, Mrs. Emma M.	15.00
Hire, Mr. & Mrs. L. J.	120.00
Hoffman, Miss Ellen T.	30.00
Holcombe, Miss Alice M.	25.00
Holcombe, Miss Maud	25.00
Holgate, Mrs. Anna M.	12.00
Holgate, Mr. Frank	25.00
Hollingshead, Mr. George E.	12.00
Hollingshead, Mr. T. H.	60.00
Hollingsworth, Mrs. Louise	12.00
Hollingsworth, Mrs. M. S.	10.00
Hooker, Mrs. Jennie	20.00
Hotham, Mr. J. F. & Family (Family 8)	12.00
Hosken, Mrs. R. E.	12.00
Hosken, Rhoda E.	18.00
Hosken, Miss Ethel	24.00
Hosken, Miss Mary A.	80.00
Hosken, Mr. Ernest W.	24.00
Howell, Miss Ethel	12.00
Howell, Mrs. M. (1)	25.00
Hoyt, Mr. W. H.	60.00
Hueneryager, Mr. & Mrs. A. E.	100.00
Hughes, Mr. & Mrs. A. G.	50.00
Hughes, Mrs. Bessie	15.00
Huston, Mrs. Elizabeth	5.00
Huth, Mr. & Mrs. Carl L.	20.00
Ingold, Mr. & Mrs. W. A.	24.00
Irish, Miss Violet E.	12.00
Ison, Miss Bessie	24.00
Jackson, Miss Julia E.	6.00
Jackson, Mrs. Rachel	5.00
Jacobsen, Mrs. Christine	2.00
Johns, Mrs. Carrie & Katherine	50.00
Johnson, Mrs. Geo.	10.00
Johnson, Mrs. Maria	12.00
Johnson, Mr. Nels	10.00
Johnson, Miss Ruth	15.00
Johnson, Clifford J.	25.00
Jones, Miss Ada S.	5.00
Jones, Miss Lulu M.	5.00
Jones, Mrs. Mary H.	25.00
Jordan, Mr. Willis F.	40.00
Just, Mr. John G.	$ 12.00
Kapple, Mrs. Amanda	4.00
Kasten, Mr. Fred L.	30.00
Keig, Mrs. Ellen	12.00
Kelley, Mrs. Louise Wolf	40.00
Kemman, Mr. David J.	15.00
Kemmerle, Mrs. Mary	12.00
Kesler, Miss Bertha	12.00
Kesler, Miss Dorothy E.	5.00
Kesler, Mr. & Mrs. F. M. & Miss Gladys	10.00
Kesler, Miss Mabel	5.00
Kesler, Mr. & Mrs. N. T.	30.00
Kessler, Mr. & Mrs. D. Oman	12.00
Ketcham, Mr. R. C.	25.00
Kettell, Mrs. Emily	12.00
Kinnear, Mr. Stanley U.	50.00
Klammer, Mr. E. J.	40.00
Klammer, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. F.	24.00
Klawonn, Mrs. B. A.	25.00
Klemin, Mr. Charles	20.00
Kline, Mrs. L. W.	6.00
Knepper, Mr. Leslie Frank	12.00
Knepper, M. F. L.	6.00
Kochendorfer, Mr. & Mrs. F.	100.00
Koetz, R. M.	36.00
Kofoed, Mr. & Mrs. M.	24.00
Kohr, Mrs. Hettie	12.00
Krebs, Mr. C. H.	30.00
Krebs, Miss Kathryn	10.00
Kresge, Miss Genevra	15.00
Kresge, Mr. & Mrs. Howard W. (Family 3)	12.00
Krinner, Mr. A.	36.00
Krueger, Mr. Wm. B.	25.00
Kruse, Miss Anna Marie	2.00
Kuechler, Mr. & Mrs. Paul.	25.00
Kurrasch, Miss Augusta	20.00
Kutz, Mr. & Mrs.	120.00
Laffy, Miss Mary J.	12.00
Lambert, Mr. George W.	50.00
Landphere, Mrs. M. A.	5.00
LaRose, Mrs. Grace	30.00
LaRose, Mr. & Mrs. N. J.	45.00
LaRose, Mr. & Mrs. P. M.	20.00
Larsen, Mr. & Mrs. Karl W.	6.00
Lawrence, Miss Ethel A.	12.00
Lawrence, Mr. Otto	12.00
Lee, Mr. & Mrs. A. O.	60.00
Lee, Miss Bessie I.	18.00
Lee, Mr. Earl E.	36.00
Lee, Mrs. E. J.	40.00
Lee, Mr. Harold D.	36.00
Lee, Miss Marion T.	42.00
Leech, Mr. Edgar L. (Family — 7)	24.00
Leech, Mr. G. C.	40.00
Leech, Mr. & Mrs. James B.	20.00
Leech, Miss Lutie	10.00
Lehmann, Miss Elizabeth	18.00
Leitch, Mr. Leslie	15.00
Leitch, Mr. & Mrs. A. F.	15.00
Leitch, Mr. W. D. (Family — 4)	25.00
Leitch, Mrs. Sarah	$ 5.00
Lewis, Mr. Peter George	72.00
Lippincott, Mrs. H. (Family — 4)	17.00
Lippincott, Mrs. O.	10.00
Littlefield, Miss Zona	20.00
Lloyd, Miss E. M.	50.00
Loehrke, Mr. & Mrs. Paul	15.00
Long, Mr. & Mrs. Wm.	10.00
Loy, P. S. & Family	15.00
Lubke, Chas.	50.00
Luce, Miss Mary	12.00
Luce, Mr. Wm. I.	10.00
Lucy, Mr. & Mrs. Delbert (Family 5)	25.00
Ludlow, Mr. Chas.	30.00
Luke, Mrs. E.	12.00
Lupton, Mrs. Geo. F.	50.00
Lupton, Mr. Geo. F.	50.00
Lush, Mr. & Mrs. L. R.	30.00
Luther, Mrs. Francis A.	25.00
Luther, Mr. H. H.	25.00
Lyon, Mr. & Mrs. E. D.	5.00
Lyons, Mr. & Mrs. W. H.	12.00
Mabbett, Mr. Albert W. & Family	24.00
Mackie, Richard	12.00
Maclachlan, Mr. & Mrs. Donald	24.00
Main, Mr. & Mrs. J. A.	12.00
Mallory, Miss Susie E.	20.00
Mallory, Mrs. Margaret B.	12.00
Maltby, Mrs. J.	10.00
Mann, Mr. A. L.	72.00
Mapes, Mr. L. P. & Wife	25.00
Mapes, Mr. Chas. C.	25.00
Mapes, Miss Rilla	12.00
Mark, Mr. Benjamin (Family — 4)	36.00
Marshall, Mr. Alvin	100.00
Marshall, Mr. J. A. & Mrs. Delia	50.00
Marshall, Miss Gladys	25.00
Marshall, Mrs. Zora V.	25.00
Martin, Mr. C. A.	40.00
Martin, Miss Harriet	15.00
Martin, Mrs. H. E.	12.00
Martin, Miss Lucile	20.00
Mason, Mr. I. S.	25.00
Mason, Mr. C. R.	75.00
Mason, John & Jennie	25.00
Maxwell, Miss Nettie	3.00
Mayhak, Mr. & Mrs. Paul	100.00
McClaskey, Mr. J. W.	15.00
McConnell, Mr. & Mrs. J. H.	40.00
McCormack, Mr. B. E.	24.00
McCormack, Mrs. M. C.	5.00
McCormack, Mr. W. B.	6.00
McCulloch, Mr. & Mrs. A. G.	24.00
McCulloch, Mr. & Mrs. C. L.	12.00
McDowell, Mr. Joseph	12.00
McElroy, Mr. Geo.	12.00
McElroy, Mr. & Mrs. R. G. (Family — 3)	12.00

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McEwen, Mr. Thos.	$ 30.00
McGarrahan, Mr. Chas. H. & Family	40.00
McGrath, Mrs. Susan L.	5.00
McIntosh, Mr. Duncan	15.00
McIntosh, Mr. & Mrs. P. & Miss Ethel	60.00
McKerlie, Mr. & Mrs. A. E.	36.00
McKerlie, Ella	25.00
McKerlie, Mr. N. W.	15.00
McKinley, Miss Alta	5.00
McKinley, Miss Edna	5.00
McNeal, Miss Olive	6.00
McNeill, Mr. A. D.	84.00
McNutt, Mr. & Mrs. R. and Family	200.00
McQueen, Mr. & Mrs.	12.00
Meeker, Mr. & Mrs. F. W.	25.00
Mehaffey, Mr. E. A. (Family — 3)	60.00
Meitz, Mrs. Louisa J.	25.00
Melin, Mrs. Lucie W.	15.00
Melvin, Mrs. Eva J.	12.00
Metzler, Miss Margaret	12.00
Middleton, Mr. & Mrs. C. E.	10.00
Middleton, Mr. & Mrs. Chas.	20.00
Mifflin, Mr. & Mrs. C. K.	12.00
Mill, Mr. Hugh & Wife	20.00
Mill, Miss Pearl	6.00
Mill, Miss Vern	5.00
Miller, Mrs. Carrie	24.00
Miller, Mr. G. C. & Family (Family 5)	25.00
Minikus, Miss Ruth	12.00
Mintern, Mr. M. J. (Family)	24.00
Mischler, Mr. E. G. & Family	60.00
Mitchell, Miss Belle	10.00
Mitchell, Mrs. Sallie B.	5.00
Moderow, Mr. John	60.00
Mole, Mr. Frank	25.00
Molinski, Mr. M. P.	12.00
Moore, Mrs. A. J.	12.00
Moot, Mr. S. & Family	20.00
Morey, Mr. Zenas	25.00
Morey, Mr. Emmett W.	24.00
Mories, Miss Mary	24.00
Morrison, Mr. & Mrs. Floyd.	12.00
Mortenson, Mr. Tyge	40.00
Moughmer, Mr. D. E.	25.00
Moughmer, Miss Esther	15.00
Moughmer, Mr. Francis A.	75.00
Moulton, Mr. Marshall	40.00
Murphy, Miss Frances	5.00
Murphy, Mrs. T. Stanley	25.00
Myers, James (1)	12.00
Myers, Joanna	2.00
Myers, W. H.	50.00
Myhre, Miss Athol Iola	18.00
Nacker, Mrs. J. & Miss Rosa.	15.00
Naffziger, Mr. Valentine & Family	24.00
Neal, Mr. & Mrs. Dale	25.00
Neal, Lanson & Wife	25.00
Neave, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. E.	25.00
Neave, Mr. Theodore	$ 12.00
Neeve, Miss Dorothy	5.00
Neeve, Miss Marjorie	5.00
Neilson, Mrs. M. B.	12.00
Nelson, Miss A. Amelia	24.00
Nelson, Mr. Fred	12.00
Nelson, Mr. & Mrs. E. G.	25.00
Nelson, Mr. & Mrs. Harry E.	25.00
Nelson, Mr. Thomas H.	60.00
Nelson, Mr. N. W. & Wife	10.00
Nero, Mr. & Mrs. E.	25.00
Nicholson, Mr. J. G., Mrs. & Ethel	60.00
Nogle, Mr. & Mrs. C. E.	12.00
Noren, Mr. Walter	25.00
Norton, Mr. David	25.00
Norton, Mrs. Grace	10.00
Noteboom, Mrs. Johanna	5.00
Oakes, Mr. & Mrs. C. W.	25.00
Oakes, Mr. & Mrs. H. S.	25.00
Oakes, Mrs. Mary	12.00
Oas, Mr. & Mrs. O. B.	50.00
Oberholtzer, Mrs. M.	12.00
Offner, Mr. & Mrs. Henry	25.00
Offner, Mrs. Minnie	12.00
Okins, Florence E.	6.00
Olsen, Mr. & Mrs. Gustav	60.00
Orr, Miss Lucy	12.00
Orr, Miss Nancy	12.00
Osburn, Miss Olah	24.00
Osburn, Mr. S. W.	25.00
Ower, Mrs. Jessie & Miss Mary	10.00
Ower, Mr. George	12.00
Ower, Mrs. George	80.00
Paul, Mr. A. J. & Family	40.00
Paulger, Mr. & Mrs. J.	60.00
Paxton, Mr. E. B. & Wife	25.00
Paxton, Mr. J. H. (Family — 3)	30.00
Peacock, Mr. Wm.	35.00
Peck, Mrs. Carrie E.	12.00
Peckham, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. S.	200.00
Pedersen, Mr. P. M.	20.00
Pedersen, Mrs. Mathilda C.	5.00
Peetz, Mrs. R.	3.00
Pefley, Mr. & Mrs. W. H. (Family — 7)	52.00
Pember, Mrs. M. E. & Son	10.00
Percival, Emily	12.00
Perington, Mrs. Anna & Family	10.00
Peter, Mr. Joe	72.00
Peters, Mrs. Augusta	12.00
Peters, Mr. Forest N.	50.00
Peters, Robert J.	24.00
Peterson, Mr. H. G.	50.00
Peterson, Mr. O. F.	10.00
Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver	36.00
Petoskey, Mr. Thomas F. & Wife	12.00
Petrie, Miss Dorcas J.	12.00
Petrie, Misses Jessie & Agnes.	25.00
Petrie, Miss Ruth M.	10.00
Pfleeger, Mr. Fred	25.00
Pflueger, Miss Barbara	30.00
Pihl, Mrs. Anna J.	$ 12.00
Pihl, Mr. Herbert	18.00
Pihl, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph R.	25.00
Piper, Mr. & Mrs. Chas. J.	24.00
Piper, Mr. & Mrs. Loren	25.00
Pitcher, Mr. C. R. & Family (Family 5)	60.00
Pollock, Mr. & Mrs. Robt. J. & Family	50.00
Potter, Mr. H. W. (Family — 3)	75.00
Powell, John E.	5.00
Pratt, Mr. Alfred E.	18.00
Pratt, Mr. W. C.	35.00
Price, Mr. Matthew N.	20.00
Priddy, Mr. E. L.	30.00
Randle, Mr. & Mrs. M. V.	30.00
Randolph, Mr. M. C. & Family	25.00
Ray, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lee (Family 5)	25.00
Reasoner, Mr. H.	20.00
Reder, Mr. E. W. & Family	40.00
Redmond, Miss Violet	12.00
Reed, Mrs. Esther G.	5.00
Reid, Mrs. Christina	10.00
Reid, Miss Katherine	15.00
Reimers, Mr. & Mrs. Herman	12.00
Rendall, Mr. J. B. (Family — 7)	18.00
Renevier, Mrs. Rosa	10.00
Reynolds, Mrs. Ida and Miss Erma M.	25.00
Rice, Mrs. E. S.	9.00
Richards, Mr. & Mrs. C. N. & Family	100.00
Richards, Miss Hazel	20.00
Richardson, Mrs. G. J.	20.00
Richardson, S. A.	5.00
Richert, Mr. Fred	25.00
Robbins, Mr. & Mrs. A. G. W.	15.00
Robbins, Mr. & Mrs. A. W.	20.00
Robbins, Elder & Mrs. G. E.	20.00
Robertson, Mrs. M. J.	100.00
Robinson, Mr. & Mrs. F.	36.00
Robinson, Mr. N. A.	36.00
Robinson, Mr. Percy (Family 5)	25.00
Ross, Mr. C. J. (Family—3)	20.00
Rossman, Mrs. Wilhelmina.	5.00
Rowden, Miss Marie	12.00
Rozeboom, Mr. & Mrs. R.	25.00
Ruby, Mr. & Mrs. W. O.	12.00
Ruchti, Miss Lydia	12.00
Ryan, Mrs. Margaret	6.00
Sach, Mr. A. E.	25.00
Saunders, Mr. & Mrs. Alfred	25.00
Saunders, Miss Blanche	12.00
Schad, Mr. & Mrs. S.	60.00
Schelhorn, Miss Belle	20.00
Scheurle, Miss Amalia	36.00
Scheve, Mrs. Anna & Family (Family 3)	12.00
Schlappi, Mr. Ezra	25.00
Schlappi, Miss Mina	10.00
Schleter, Mr. Emil (Family 6)	25.00

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Schleter, Mr. & Mrs. Fred	$ 25.00
Schleter, Mr. & Mrs. H. W.	36.00
Schmalfuss, Mr. W. E. (Family — 4)	60.00
Schmalfuss, Mr. Wm. E. Jr.	15.00
Schmidt, Mr. & Mrs. W. H.	10.00
Schott, Mr. Fred (Family 5)	25.00
Schuessler, Mr. John	20.00
Schuessler, Miss Esther	5.00
Schuessler, Miss Lydia	5.00
Schwager, Mr. R. & Family (Family 5)	50.00
Schweichler, Mrs. Mathilda	150.00
Scott, Mrs. Carrie & Family	20.00
Scott, Mr. J. B.	50.00
Scripter, Mr. Otis	25.00
Sefton, Mr. & Mrs. A.	24.00
Seger, Mr. E. E.	12.00
Seys, Mrs. Mary E.	18.00
Shafer, Mr. & Mrs.	70.00
Shaw, Mr. Henry O. & Family	75.00
Shelly, Mrs. Permelia	10.00
Shleter, Mrs. T.	12.00
Short, Mr. & Mrs. Paul M.	15.00
Shumaker, Mr. Willard V.	24.00
Shumaker, Mr. Van B.	25.00
Shumaker, Mr. & Mrs. R. H.	25.00
Smith, Mr. Andrew	15.00
Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew	50.00
Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Lowe	25.00
Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Mark	12.00
Smith, Mr. Percy F.	11.00
Snelling, Mr. A. H.	36.00
Spencer, Mrs. Sarah S.	12.00
Stahl, Mrs. Emma	12.00
Stanley, Mr. & Mrs. Harry	10.00
Stanley, Mrs. Lucy	12.00
Stanton, Mrs. Margaret N.	6.00
Stark, Miss Nina Caroline	36.00
Steel, Mr. Ralph	120.00
Steffen, Miss Gertrude	24.00
Steiner, Mr. & Mrs. John	60.00
Stewart, Mr. Clyde H.	25.00
Stewart, Mr. Robert	60.00
Stocker, Mr. A. C. & Wife.	7.00
Stokoe, Miss Jennette	2.00
Stommel, Mrs. Katherine	50.00
Storey, Mr. & Mrs. R. G.	15.00
Stottelmyer, Mrs. & Mr. Smith	10.00
Stouffer, Mrs. E. E.	25.00
Stouffer, Miss Mabel	50.00
Stow, Mr. & Mrs. L. P.	24.00
Strachan, Mr. Geo. (Family 3)	$200.00
Strom, Mrs. Ursula	10.00
Strom, Miss Ursula	12.00
Studebaker, Mr. & Mrs. B.	25.00
Sutherland, Mrs. A. V.	5.00
Suttie, Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd	50.00
Sutton, Mr. H. W. (Family — 3)	40.00
Swank, Mr. & Mrs. V. O.	12.00
Swanson, Mr. & Mrs. A.	50.00
Swanson, Mr. Henry F.	120.00
Swanson, Mr. & Mrs. J. W.	75.00
Sweeney, Mr. Benjamin	25.00
Sweeney, Mr. & Mrs. W. B.	20.00
Tabler, Miss Mary	6.00
Tabler, Mr. N. L.	12.00
Taplin, Mr. Ernest G.	12.00
Tate, H. W. & Family	30.00
Taylor, Mrs. E. L.	12.00
Taylor, Mr. George E. & Miss Rosa M.	50.00
Taylor, Miss Gladys	12.00
Taylor, Mr. John (Family — 6)	36.00
Taylor, Mr. J. P. & Mrs. A. Bowers	10.00
Taylor, Mrs. Mary H.	10.00
Taylor, Mrs. Mary	12.00
Taylor, Mr. W. D. (Family — 5)	24.00
Taylor, Harrison O.	12.00
Teeple, Miss Eva Mae	5.00
Teeple, Miss Lillie	12.00
Thomas, Mr. John D.	60.00
Thomas, Mrs. S. D.	12.00
Thompson, Mr. B. C.	20.00
Thompson, Mrs. B. C.	5.00
Thompson, Mrs. Christy A.	15.00
Thompson, Miss Mary F.	75.00
Thorpe, Mr. Dustin & Wife.	60.00
Thurston, Mr. & Mrs. Wells	12.00
Tilbury, Miss Cora	25.00
Tilbury, Mr. Charles M.	60.00
Tindall, Mr. O. L.	40.00
Tollefsen, Mrs. Esther	12.00
Townsend, Mrs. Orrilla	12.00
Triplett, Mrs. E. S.	3.00
Turner, Mrs. Eva M. & Miss Nora J.	27.00
Turner, Mr. & Mrs. A. J. & Miss Jane	20.00
Uhlik, Mr. Chas.	24.00
Umbarger, Mrs. M. E. & Daughter	12.00
Underwood, Harriet	$ 20.00
Underwood, Mr. J. R.	150.00
Urbanick, Mr. and Mrs. S.	5.00
Valkenaar, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. H.	30.00
Vedder, Mr. Irving	5.00
Vilmont, Mrs. Anna Y.	2.50
Vinnedge, Miss F. E.	2.00
Voliva, Mrs. Rebecca	24.00
Voliva, Miss Ruth S.	25.00
Voliva, Mr. Wilbur Glenn (Family — 2)	120.00
Wagnell, Mr. Arthur & Wife	50.00
Wait, Miss Sarah J.	6.00
Walker, Mrs. Inez & Daughter	24.00
Wallace, Mr. & Mrs. J. C.	3.00
Wamsley, Mr. & Mrs. C. B.	96.00
Wamsley, Mr. & Mrs. F. B.	25.00
Wartzenluft, Mrs. G.	36.00
Waters, Mrs. Anna	12.00
Watson, Miss Kate	12.00
Wedekind, Mr. Arthur	5.00
Wedekind, Mr. Edwin	5.00
Wedekind, Mr. & Mrs. Geo. E.	25.00
Wedekind, Mr. & Mrs. Geo. W.	40.00
Werner, Mrs. Mary J.	12.00
West, Mrs. Alice	10.00
Whiteside, Mr. & Mrs. Mark R.	25.00
Whiteside, Mr. Robert W.	25.00
Wiedman, Mr. George E. & Family	60.00
Williams, Miss Nellie	9.00
Windle, Miss Grace	12.00
Winn, Mrs. Annie & Daniel & Victor	24.00
Winterbottom, Mrs. & Mr.	12.00
Winterbottom, Rena	6.00
Wise, Mr. George (Family — 6)	25.00
Wise, Mr. & Mrs. Grover	25.00
Woelke, Miss Della	12.00
Wohler, Miss Catherine	12.00
Wolcott, Mr. & Mrs. J. H.	25.00
Wood, Mr. Thomas	60.00
Wood, Mrs. Elmira C.	1.00
Woodman, Mr. P. W. & Family (Family 12)	15.00
Wright, Mr. A. A. (Family)	48.00
Zinkula, Mrs. Rose	12.00
Zollinger, Mrs. Emily	3.00
Zoratto, Mrs. Susanna	3.00
Zoratto, Mr. Tony	3.00
Zweizig, Mr. J. Harold	35.00
Zweizig, Mrs. Louise	12.00

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"DIVINE HEALING AND THE SECOND COMING MESSAGE"

A Report of the Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, in Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A., Tuesday Afternoon, June 3, 1919.

(Continued from Vol. 45, No. 11.)

I do not have to club a Christian to get him to come to prayer meeting. I do not club any one. If I had an apple tree in my back yard which I had to club every day in order to get it to bear apples, I would cut the thing down and *quit*. A healthy apple tree does not have to be clubbed and beaten in order to get it to bear apples — it cannot help bearing them. When a man is converted and loves the Lord Jesus Christ, he cannot help being in the prayer meeting; he cannot be kept away.

— And that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition.

There is the plain prediction of the two things which Paul says will take place before this "day of the Lord" begins. You may not grasp all this in one meeting, but it is very simple.

— And that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

There is the head of the Revived Roman Empire. He is called the "beast," he is called the "little horn," he is called the "wilful king," he is called the "king of fierce countenance," and he will reign during the "time of the end." Then no one will be able to buy or sell without having his mark in the right hand or on the forehead.

The League of Nations is preparing the way for the appearance of this man.

All this talk about the League of Nations and about the abolishment of war is a delusion of the Devil; it is a piece of pure deception; it is what I call *the world's false hopes*.

The apostate church is being deceived by it. All the churches are booming it; and they say, "Not only must we have a League of Nations, but we must have A LEAGUE OF CHURCHES." The Bible says they will have both, and it calls one POLITICAL BABYLON and the other, ECCLESIASTICAL BABYLON.

Confusion!

Do not let me hear any one in this Church talking about the league of churches. I would not touch it with a thousand-foot-pole, because God Almighty is going to destroy it. I want nothing to do with it — nothing whatever; and that is according to the Word of God.

All the saints will be taken out, with the Holy Spirit; and then all that will be left will be this worldly, apostate mass that God has spewed out of His mouth.

— The son of perdition;

He is living in Europe this afternoon, although no one knows who he is. He will not be recognized until after the Church is taken out and the Holy Spirit goes.

Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, —

He is the false Messiah — the superman — and the Jews will accept him as such.

— So that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

Think of a man of that kind!

Think of a man becoming so degraded and so reprobate that he can stand up and proclaim himself to be God! That is what this man will do — and do you wonder at it? He will be given control of all the banks and all the railroads; he will have his own coin, with his own image and superscription, and he will boss everything.

Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?

And now ye know what HINDERETH —

The Holy Spirit!

The Church is not quite complete. This man cannot be revealed so long as the Holy Spirit is here.

— Now ye know what hindereth that he might be revealed in his time.

For the mystery of iniquity doth already work; only He who now hindereth will hinder, until He be taken out of the way.

And then shall that Wicked be revealed, —

At this point the Church is caught out of this world and the Holy Spirit ascends with it. Immediately, the Antichrist, the ruler of the Revived Roman Empire, is revealed, coming out as a rider on a white horse, carrying a bow but no arrow; and he is at once proclaimed as the world's superman — the greatest man who ever lived.

It is easy enough for a Bible student to see and understand these things.

What more is there to take place? There may be another chapter or two in the development, but that is all. Yet how few have any interest!

A Methodist preacher visited ZION CITY, and one of our deacons spoke to him about the Coming of the Lord. He said, "Pooh! the Lord will not come for a million years yet."

What can you expect of the poor people? They have no interest in it!

A man who does not love the appearing of His Lord is not a Christian!

A man who is not looking for the appearing of His Lord never has been converted!

THE COMING OF THE LORD IS THE ONE HOPE OF THE CHURCH!

No one will be taken up in the Rapture who does not love His appearing!

And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His Coming:

Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and SIGNS AND LYING WONDERS,

Some persons say to me, "Do not the Christian Scientists have healings?"

Yes; they have healings.

What does it say here?

The work of this man, the false Messiah, will be characterized by signs and wonders wrought by the power of the Devil.

...TRY THE SPIRITS...

Every spirit that CONFESSETH NOT THAT JESUS CHRIST IS COME IN THE FLESH IS NOT OF GOD...(I John 4:1, 3)

That is one of the tests!

All these false systems deny that Christ came in the flesh. Christian Science denies it, and declares absolutely that Jesus was not the Christ. Millennial Dawnism (Russellism) declares that Jesus, before He was born of the Virgin Mary, was the archangel Michael.

— Signs and lying wonders,

What more is necessary in order to prove that we are in the last years of the Age than the appearance of Spiritualism, Christian Science, New Thought, Bahaism, and so on and so forth?

They are absolute, positive proof that the Age is closing. They are preparing the way for the world's acceptance of Antichrist — make no mistake about it!

And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in those who

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perish; because they received not THE LOVE OF THE TRUTH, THAT THEY MIGHT BE SAVED.

There you are!

The majority of persons who go out of a meeting before it is over have no relish for the reading of the Word; they do not care anything about it.

One of our Seventy workers in the City of Melbourne handed a copy of the LEAVES OF HEALING to the cashier in a big restaurant. She was brought under conviction and she came to my meeting. She said, "I would give the world, if I had it, if I never had seen LEAVES OF HEALING nor heard tell of ZION!"

"Well," I said, "there is only one thing for you to do, and that is to surrender to God."

She surrendered, and she was baptized "into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

That is Christian baptism!

Every Christian should go into the baptismal waters and obey the command of the Lord Jesus Christ, and be baptized properly. Perhaps you have been sprinkled, perhaps you have had some water poured on you, perhaps you have been immersed by single immersion; but that it not CHRISTIAN BAPTISM. Christian Baptism is *Triune Immersion* — "into the Name of the Father, and into the Name of the Son, and into the Name of the Holy Spirit."

A Triune God!

In ZION, we obey the commandment of our Precious Lord!

I was brought up in the Methodist church, and I walked in the light that I had; but when I saw that Triune Immersion was Christian Baptism, I obeyed. I always walk in all the light that my Heavenly Father gives me. That is the thing for a Christian to do! He should not say, "Well, I have been this, that, and the other — what difference does it make?"

I was a minister for years, and I was baptized by single immersion; but at last I saw that it was wrong. It was introduced by Eunomius, a heretic, who was a Unitarian, and who denied the Divinity of Jesus Christ.

We do not baptize you in order to make you a Christian: we baptize you because you are a Christian. When God puts the seal of the Holy Spirit upon you, going down into the water is the outward sign of an inward cleansing; it is notice to the world that you have given up the world and all it means, and that henceforth you belong to God and to His Church.

Now, there is the trouble:

— They received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

And for this cause God shall send them STRONG DELUSION, that they should believe a lie:

Beloved, it makes my heart bleed to see the way in which the people are being deceived! I can only do so much. Let me read you a church ad that appeared last week in one of the papers. Oh, it is an awful thing!

"DO YOU WANT TO BE BAPTIZED WITH THE HOLY GHOST AND WITH FIRE?"

I say, NO! TEN THOUSAND TIMES, NO! God forbid! Think of the deception!

The baptism of fire is THE DAY OF JUDGMENT upon a godless world at the Coming of Christ in the Revelation, when He comes in glory. Then think of Christians praying for a baptism of the Holy Ghost and of fire! It is a horrible thing! It is unbelievable! It is crass ignorance! The people know nothing about the Word of God.

The baptism of the Holy Ghost was ON THE DAY OF PENTECOST, FOR EVERY MEMBER OF THE CHURCH FROM PENTECOST DOWN TO THE RAPTURE. There is no other baptism of the Holy Ghost, just as there is no other crucifixion of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ was crucified on Calvary for you and for me, and for every member of the Church, and for all humanity — if they will accept it. We cannot pray for the repetition of the crucifixion.

Paul says:

ONE LORD, ONE FAITH, ONE BAPTISM. (Ephesians 4:5)

That "ONE BAPTISM" was on the Day of Pentecost. It was for every member of the Body of Christ between Pentecost and the Rapture, and it never will be repeated.

All this talk about a "second blessing" is demoniacal and Satanic. There is no such thing in the Word of God. You could not find it if your life depended on it! The teaching that a man can be a Christian and not have the Holy Spirit is a Satanic lie, too. You cannot be a Christian and NOT have the Holy Spirit.

The Eighth Chapter of Romans, Verse Nine, says:

...Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His.

This getting down on a bench and crying and praying and singing is all demoniacal.

An individual has no right to pray for the Holy Spirit. God Almighty fulfilled that promise long ago. What is the use of asking God to do something that He already has done? It is a matter of your RECEIVING! When you are truly converted and regenerated, *then and there* you receive the Holy Spirit. That is the plain teaching of the Word of God!

All this wild fire is demoniacal; it is false doctrine, and leads to insanity and to the wrecking of many well-intending persons.

It is the "works of the flesh"!

The baptism of the Holy Ghost was on the Day of Pentecost, and the baptism of fire will be at the day of judgment, on a wicked world. Does it not say that "He will burn up the chaff with fire" (Matthew 3:12)? He will not burn up the saints; but He will burn up the wicked.

There are many delusions, but the people will have it; so what can you do with them?

Our business is to take what God has given, and not to pray for Him to give it over again! The Holy Spirit was given on the Day of Pentecost, and it is for you and me to receive God's Gift.

For instance: I place here a reservoir containing twenty gallons of bright, beautiful, sparkling spring water. You are thirsty, and I say, "Come and receive it!" Will you hold a prayer meeting and plead for three hours for water? Well, it would be just as sensible as for people to go to these abominable meetings, where they wallow on the floor and make fools of themselves, and pray for the baptism of the Holy Ghost!

Paul says:

FOR BY ONE SPIRIT ARE WE ALL BAPTIZED INTO ONE BODY... (I Corinthians 12:13)

That means EVERY MEMBER OF THE CHURCH.

The Word of God is perfectly plain — but the people would rather have a delusion; that is where the difficulty comes in!

Those who go to these places to get the baptism of the Holy Ghost, get the BAPTISM OF HELL, and they jabber like coyotes, crow like roosters, and bark like dogs. It is another sign showing that we are very close to the Second Coming of the Lord.

"TRY THE SPIRITS"!

A woman tried to tell me that speaking in tongues was the greatest of the nine Gifts of the Spirit. I said, "Sister, where is your proof for it? According to Paul, it is the *least* of the nine Gifts, is it not? Read your Bible!"

Most of us have all the "tongue" we need. That is *my* candid opinion! We cannot even control the one we have!

Turn to Ephesians 1:13:

In Whom (Christ) 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.

If you will look at the margin, you will find that the correct reading of that verse is:

In Whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in Whom also HAVING BELIEVED, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise.

In other words, when they *believed* they RECEIVED THE HOLY SPIRIT.

I mention this as an illustration of how people get deceived and lied to and tricked. It is a horrible thing!

Another thing: It is absurd to pray for *more* of the Holy Spirit; it is unscriptural. The Holy Spirit came as a *Person* on the Day of Pentecost; and when you receive the Holy Spirit you receive ALL THERE IS OF HIM. Before Pentecost, He was given *in measure;* but not since Pentecost.

The Holy Spirit dwells within all believers. Therefore, you have no right to pray for more of the Holy Spirit.

I pray: "My God and Father, I yield myself wholly, unreservedly, absolutely, to Thee, that the Holy Spirit may fill me

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and have free, full course in my heart and life." That is my part. That is the way to pray.

As to whether you are filled with the Holy Spirit depends upon your surrender and your obedience to God.

The Bible is a wonderful Book!

Think of saying, "Have you had your Pentecost?"

Pentecost was a Jewish festival. The baptism of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost was a thrown-in event, just as the Church is a thrown-in institution. Some Lord's Day afternoon I shall cover this subject.

You have had, this afternoon, part of the Second Chapter of Second Thessalonians.

The reason people are deceived is because they will not believe the truth; they will not receive it. That is the difficulty!

What will happen to them?

An awful thing! Not only will they get into trouble with the Devil, but they will get into terrible trouble with God.

And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:
That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

There you are!

It is as plain as "two times two are four"!

At this point the Rapture will take place, the Holy Spirit will ascend, and the Antichrist will appear on a white horse to begin his seven-year reign.

Now, what do we mean by the Rapture?

Turn to First Thessalonians the Fourth Chapter, beginning with the Thirteenth Verse. These verses tell you what the Rapture is:

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them who are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others who have no hope.
For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also who sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.
For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, —

That is, by Revelation.

— That we who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent (go before) them who are asleep.

You must remember that two companies will go up in the Rapture. The spirits of all the saints are in Paradise, which is the outer court of the third heaven. When the trumpet sounds, they will receive their spiritual bodies, and they will come with Jesus; and those who are alive will not go before them. The order is: the sleeping saints first; then the living saints, who will be changed "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye."

For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, —

What will that shout be? Read Revelation the Fourth Chapter. The shout will be: "COME UP HITHER!"

The door of Heaven will open. Every saint of God today stands on the threshold of that open door.

— With a shout, with the voice of the archangel, —

That is, Michael. He is the commander-in-chief of the angelic hosts, who are the guardians of the saints.

— And with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

That is the Rapture!

By it we mean, the changing of the living saints from mortal to immortal beings quicker than I can snap my finger — unknown to the world, unseen by the world. If the trumpet were to sound now, every saint here would be changed "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye," and would go right out through these walls. Walls will be no barrier to the immortal.

No one but the saints will hear the shout; no one but the saints will see the Lord. He will not be seen with the physical eye when He comes at this time; He will simply come out of the third heaven into the first heaven. There He will rest, and there He will be met by the saints.

When He comes in *glory*, the world will see a door opened in the sky; and then "every eye shall see Him, and they also who pierced Him: and all the tribes of the earth shall mourn because of Him" (Revelation 1:7). The whole world will see this door open. Christ, riding upon a white horse, followed by the saints and the holy angels, will descend to this earth and fight the battle of Armageddon, which will be the last war until the close of the Millennium.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

There are very few who are interested in it. If all were brought together in the City of Chicago who are looking for the Coming of the Lord in the face of an unbelieving, a sneering and a scoffing world, and a worldly church, it would be a very small company.

We are coming right up to this event!

Oh, what joy in knowing the Bible!

I tell you, I would not allow a husband, or a wife, or any relatives, to keep me from being ready for my Lord!

Those who are left behind must come under the rulership of the Antichrist. They will not be allowed to buy nor sell unless they have his mark on their hand or on their forehead, or the number of his name; and any who refuse will be executed by an electric guillotine. Millions will be executed. Blood will run in rivers. That is what the Word of God says is going to happen.

It is coming!

If I did not know the Lord were coming, I would not give the snap of my finger for my life!

The Devil is taking possession of men.

Last Lord's Day, when one of the Apostles was preaching and giving the Scriptures on the Antichrist, one man said, "What kind of looking animal is he?" And, later on, when the Apostle was describing the Rapture, a man said, "What is that stuff you are giving us? It is the first time we ever heard of anything of that kind!"

A man said to one of our workers, "Have you a ticket you can sell me to go up with the Lord when He comes?"

That is what one finds today. It is almost universal. Where there is one who is interested in God and in Divine things, there are ten thousand who will laugh in your face. But it is not surprising! The Lord said:

As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.....
Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot....
Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed. (Luke 17:26, 28, 29)

That is where we are this afternoon!

The conditions are frightful! horrible! indescribable! What an awful responsibility the preachers have! What do you suppose the members of these churches will say to the ministers the next morning after the Lord has come, and they find that loved ones are missing? The newspapers will have big headlines about it, and there will be a very interesting time for a few hours. Then it will blow over. Why, they will take these preachers out and hang them to telephone poles, and they will say, "You deceived us! Had you done your duty, we would not be left behind here! You told us that the Coming of Christ was at death!"

What a silly lie!

The Lord, Who sits as the Son of Man, this afternoon, upon the throne of His Father in the third heaven, and Who was seen to ascend from the Mount of Olives, again will descend, just as literally, just as visibly, as when He ascended.

If there were anything in my life that was not put in order, I would put it in order at once. There is no time to be lost.

The thing to do is to make the surrender!

I have no personal desires or ambitions. I say — and I know what I am talking about — that ZION, the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, is GOD'S PLACE OF REFUGE FOR HIS SAINTS.

The majority are content with vaudeville shows and godless choirs and empty sermons; but there is nothing in them.

A gentleman said to me the other day, "I go to the Episcopal church every Lord's Day; but I might just as well stay at home. I do not get anything."

He is right!

A man must have a MESSAGE!

The average preacher knows nothing about these things. He laughs at them.

Let us go forward and give our testimony. Perhaps we shall reach some one who is dying, some one who is deep in sin.

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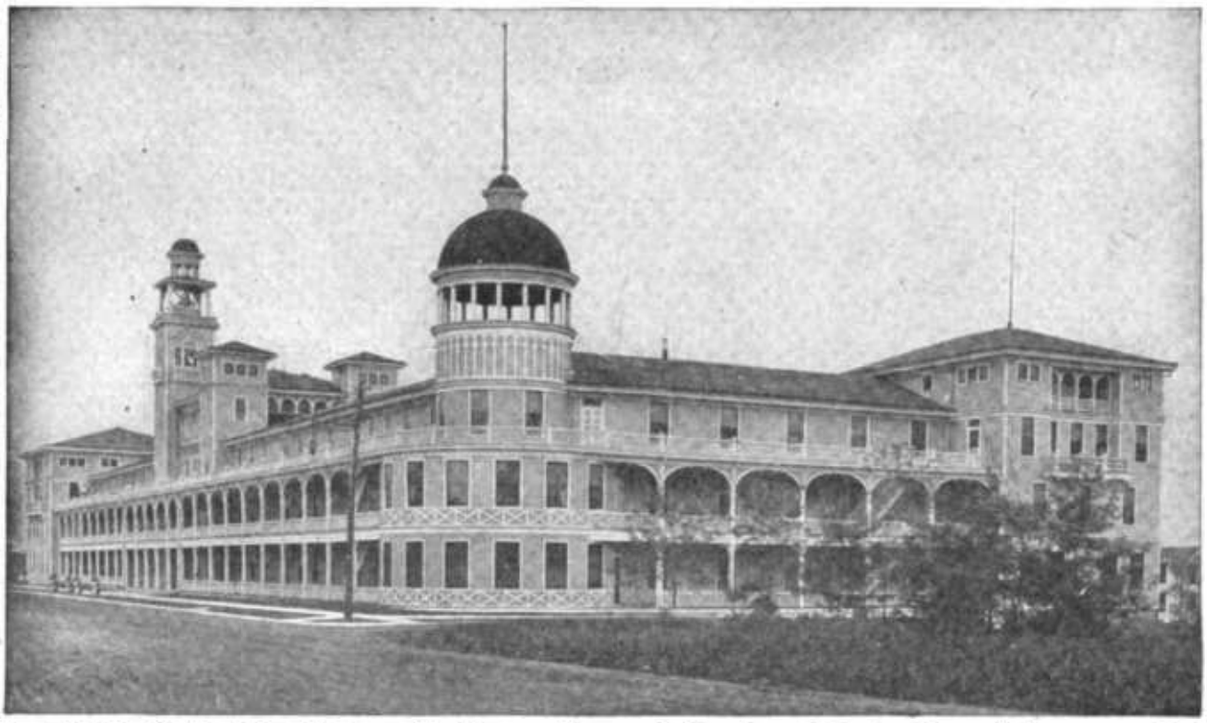
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"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, Who is Christ the Lord.

"And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

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"Surely He hath borne our griefs (sicknesses) 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." — Isaiah 53:4, 5.

"When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick:

"That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses." — Matthew 8:16, 17.

What a Wonderful Healer!

"How 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." — Acts 10:38.

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Zion delights to honor Christ and to declare that "Christ is All and in all."

Zion has many living witnesses to the saving and healing Power of God.

It would be impossible to record in Leaves of Healing all that God has wrought during the year 1919.

The following Photographs represent only a few of the testimonies published during the past year; but these are given as special evidence of what God is willing to do today, for those who will repent, trust and obey Him.

The half cannot be told!

We lay them all at Jesus feet.

"And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen." — John 21:25.

Surely the happy faces appearing on these pages declare that God has done great things for them, whereof they are glad.

To Christ be all the glory!

O wondrous love!

O wondrous Gift!

"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." — John 3:16.

— Apostle Wm. S. Peckham.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MRS. M. L. BOUCK

3101 Elizabeth Avenue,
Zion, Illinois.
November 20, 1919.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

It is with joy, and the deepest gratitude to my Heavenly Father for the wonderful blessings He has bestowed upon me during the past six months, that I write this testimony. Human words can never express the happiness and peace which fill my heart, but I shall endeavor to tell what God in His great love and mercy has done for me.

I am at an age when most women pass through a trial of weakness. One day in April, 1917, I helped my husband lift a sick person from the bed into an easy chair, and as I was doing so, I felt something give way in my left side. It did not hurt very much that day, but the next day it bothered me, and from that time until May, 1919, it gave me a great deal of trouble, sometimes causing great suffering every step I took, or whenever I lifted, or reached up.

In March, 1918, as I was doing some work which required reaching, I was seized with a terrible pain in my heart and things began to get black before my eyes. I asked for the door to be opened so that I could get some air, but the suffering continued and by noon I could scarcely breathe. My daughter-in-law asked for prayer and relief came, but I did not get full deliverance. Strange feelings came into my head, and great weakness came over my entire body. My head and back ached constantly for weeks.

In the early part of an evening in May of the same year, I felt very queer and knew that I could not possibly live unless God intervened. I asked my son's wife to call up and ask anyone to pray, whom she felt could pray the prayer of faith, for me at nine o'clock. At that hour, we at home united in earnest prayer, and I went to bed with the assurance that God would keep me. However, the Devil fought hard. My head became worse and it seemed to fill up with blood and I felt a great pulse beating on the top of my head. One of my little girls was in bed beside me, and the other two in the next room. The Devil tried to make me believe that I would never look on their faces again and at the same time I knew that if I took them to kiss them, or even to look at them I would lose the victory. This was about midnight. My head was driving me wild, and I could not remain in bed. The blood began to run down my throat and I had to swallow until it ached.

I called to my daughter Mary (I saw no need of waking any of the rest of the household — God alone could help me) and together we went downstairs, although I could never tell how I got there. The fight was desperate. I walked the floor and prayed. Finally about three o'clock in the morning relief came instantly. I fell asleep in a chair which had been drawn up by the fire. After a little I awoke and we went upstairs to bed and I slept until morning. For nearly three months afterward, I was in a terrible condition, having profuse nose bleeding, which always left my head worse. For several days every month I suffered all but death. Some very earnest prayers were offered for me, and I seemed to be better at times, but I did not get my healing.

I went on in this way until January, 1919. About noon one day I had a most terrible spell with my heart and head. My heart seemed to swell up at least four times its natural size and go into my head and burst. For several days I knew nothing. My life was despaired of and the Devil was determined to win, but I am thankful that God's power is unlimited. Others can tell more about the fight when I was unconscious. It was five days before I came to myself and then I felt dazed. My heart felt like a large sore and my mind seemed weak. I could remember nothing and I could see nothing and I thought I was going blind, but God delivered me of that in a few hours. God wonderfully blessed me, and I gained strength rapidly, but when I tried to walk, I could not lift my feet from the floor. God also took that weakness away and I was soon able to walk as usual. However, my head bothered me continually. Sometimes my throat, head, ears, and different parts of my whole body would get numb, and my nerves seemed all unstrung. Then there would be entire nights that I would not close my eyes, and I would be worse in every way the following day. I could have nothing touch my head and sometimes I had to let my hair hang down. There was most terrible agony at the base of my brain, which I could never explain. How Satan hates to give up!

This suffering continued until May 4th, 1919, when I was sitting in Shiloh Tabernacle. This was the first time I had been out for five months. As I sat there listening to the General Overseer, my head was relieved of that awful distress, and then the Devil began to fight harder than ever. From Sunday evening until Friday evening I surely thought at times that I would lose my mind. I could not talk — I had to pray without ceasing. The Devil brought everything he could to worry me until it seemed that I could fight no more. I thought of my three little girls who need a mother's care and watchfulness so much now; and also my two boys. They all needed me, but as Friday wore away I felt my nerves screaming at each other, my heart was failing me, and my courage was almost gone.

My daughter-in-law called up for prayer. I felt so badly that I could not keep still, but walked from one room to another, until at last about five o'clock I thought I must give up. Living or dying, I was God's, I could do no more. I was sitting in the kitchen when I felt myself weakening all over. Seemingly unable to fight any longer, I went into another room and laid down on the couch. It seemed to me that I had been very cold, and as I was getting warm I felt drowsy, and sounds seemed to be very far away, and from that I passed into unconsciousness.

The next I knew, I saw Apostle Taylor, Deacon Blanks, and my family around my bed. Apostle Taylor had just prayed for me, and there seemed to be a hot band around my waist about six inches wide, and every bad feeling had gone and I felt perfectly well. It seemed as though I was an entirely new creature. I went to sleep and slept all night, and awoke next morning feeling like a new person. Everything looked bright, and there was a new joy, praise and thanksgiving in my heart. I kept quiet all day Saturday to please my children, but it was hard for me to do it. Sunday I felt even better, and on Monday I could scarcely contain myself, but as my daughter-in-law insisted upon it, I crocheted all day, and that night I felt like myself. From that time on I took on flesh, gained steadily, and have been rejoicing in the Lord ever since.

Words can never tell all that God has done for me, and I do thank Him for Zion, and for the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church where Divine Healing is taught and lived. I thank all of God's people who prayed for me and fought for me all through those dark hours when I knew no one. I thank them all, and I know God in His great love and mercy will reward everyone of them.

About sixteen years ago I was healed of consumption. My children have been healed of many serious sicknesses. I have trusted God for spirit, soul, and body, for nineteen years, and have passed through many dark times, but have never thought of turning from God's way.

Praying God's richest blessings upon you, and upon God's work in Zion, I remain

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,
(Signed) MRS. M. L. BOUCK.

CONFIRMATORY TESTIMONY OF MRS. STACY BOUCK

Zion Home.
Zion, Illinois.
November 23, 1919.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I consider it a great privilege indeed to confirm the testimony of my mother-in-law, Mrs. M. L. Bouck, and I can truthfully say that the half has not been told. I know that all she writes is true, because I was with her all the time from April, 1917, to May 9, 1919, when she received her healing. There were times, especially during her unconscious state in January, 1919, that her suffering was so great that her face would change color. I never witnessed anything like it before and never wish to again.

She speaks of having given up and laid down on the couch about five o'clock in the evening. I was in the kitchen when she screamed and told us to take the heavy stone off her head. We went in to her and she soon became still, and if I had not known that she was breathing I would have thought that she had passed away. We immediately called Apostle Taylor. He was not in, but we left word for him to come as quickly as possible. I then called for my father, Deacon Blanks, who came right away. She grew cold and her hands and fingers became stiff and clinched. About six or six-thirty, she trembled so that it seemed to me the very room shook.

In the meantime, we had made the davenport into a bed, and my husband, his two sisters, and father managed to lay her on it. She was helpless as well as stiff, and was still unconscious. She lay with her face turned upward as one dead. I was tempted several times to go and see if she was breathing, but I did not yield. I knew that God COULD and WOULD heal, although I confess that I had to fight to keep fear out of my heart. I felt so deeply for my dear husband and his three sisters and their father. Their hearts must surely have been torn during that hour of trial.

Apostle Taylor came in about eight-thirty. She still lay in

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the same position — unconscious. We all gathered around the bed. He read the Scriptures for a while, and we knelt in prayer. Before he finished praying, he went over and layed his hands upon her and commanded the demon of disease, in Jesus Name, to leave her body at that very moment and that she might be made perfectly whole. We got off our knees. He bent over her and said, "Peace to Thee, Sister Bouck." It was the first time I had seen an instant healing and it has been a great help to me spiritually. That alone was enough to convince me that I was in God's Church.

Mrs. Bouck has been well and healthy ever since. and rejoices daily in the Lord her Keeper, as well as Healer.

I thank God for Zion, and Zion's leader.

It is my prayer that I may be a help to someone who has not yet found salvation and healing.

Your Sister in the Christ,

(Signed) MRS. STACY BOUCK.

CONFIRMATORY TESTIMONY OF DEACON J. H. BLANKS

Zion, Illinois.
November 23, 1919.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

It gives me great pleasure to confirm the testimony of Mrs. M. L. Bouck.

The daughter-in-law, to whom she refers several times in her testimony as having ministered to her in her illness, is my daughter, hence I was with the family frequently during the period mentioned in her testimony, and can positively confirm it to the minutest detail.

I know that she suffered greatly during the year 1918 at intervals of about four weeks with congestion of the brain. She had all the unpleasant, disagreeable manifestations — headaches, vertigo, feeling of fullness and throbbing in the head, flashes of light, noises in the ears, eyes weak with a desire to keep them closed all the time and mental distress which was indescribable.

In January, 1919, this congestion assumed the apoplectic form. She went into unconsciousness, and remained so for five days. During that time, she had nearly all the symptoms of cerebral apoplexy. Great weakness and partial paralysis remained for some time after she regained consciousness. God heard prayer and overruled the work of the enemy and she was raised up, but her restoration to health was not complete.

She continued to have occasional periods of suffering until one day during the month of May, 1919, she began suffering with congestion of the brain again, and all the symptoms increased in severity rapidly during the day, until the congestion assumed the apoplectic form and she went into a state of unconsciousness about five o'clock in the evening. My daughter called Apostle Taylor, but he was out on another errand and could not come at once, so she called me. I went down and stayed with them until Apostle Taylor arrived. He read the Scriptures, and we had a season of prayer, and he prayed for her with the laying on of hands, and the answer was immediate and complete. She immediately regained consciousness, and felt the healing and cleansing power of God flowing through her body, and has been as well, healthy, and strong as she ever was in her life from that time to this.

Faithfully yours in the Master's service,

(Signed) J. H. BLANKS.

EDITORIAL NOTES

By John Alexander Dowie

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GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND ON EARTH PEACE AMONG MEN IN WHOM HE IS WELL PLEASED."

ONCE MORE the anniversary of God's Unspeakable Gift, His well-beloved Son, has come back to this sin-stricken and disease-smitten race which He died to redeem. And to all our readers we wish

A HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND A GLAD NEW YEAR.

ONCE MORE we lay some of our Christmas Crowns at the feet of Christ, and send forth to every land the Story of His Unchanging Love as the Savior, Healer and Cleanser of His people.

DARK WAR CLOUDS lower over the nations, and an insane desire for War has been aroused by the Devil in this fair land in the breasts of many. The mountains and valleys of Armenia are re-echoing with the fanatical cries of the demon-possessed Moslem assassins, and the dying agonies of outraged tens of thousands whose only crime is that they bear the Name of Christ.

THE CRY of the oppressed is heard from every land, and the gold of the rich is eating like a cancer into the hearts of its owners. The vilest men are exalted to highest places in cities and in nations, and the wicked walk on every side. Men's hearts are failing them for fear, and the wisest amongst rulers know not whither they are going.

But, amidst all, we hear the cry

"ZION, THY GOD REIGNETH."

SEATED on His Father's Throne, the patient Christ is waiting for the hour when Mercy's last appeal has been rejected, when the Day of Vengeance shall dawn, and the Time of the End be fully come. Meanwhile the Voice of Mercy cries aloud, Repent, Believe, Receive. The Day is far spent. The Night is at hand. Let us work whilst it is called Day.

OUR HEARTS are filled with Peace: for we are sure that in all things we desire to do those things that are pleasing in our Father's sight. We care nothing for what men do, say, or threaten.

ONE DESIRE alone possesses us, and that is to fulfil our appointed Mission in this world to preach the Gospel of the Grace of God in all its fulness.

CHRIST'S PROMISE is being fulfilled in us as we preach it, and "The Signs follow" which He said would follow. Salvation and Healing, Holiness and Happiness are attending the preaching of the Word, the ministry of Prayer and the exercise of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. We are much encouraged, and are going forward without fear and in love to tell the story in these pages of the wonderful works of God in these latter days.

OUR LITTLE WHITE DOVE has carried God's Message through all the days of the year now closing into your homes and hearts. We thank you all for your loving appreciation, and for the countless tokens of God's approval which have been bestowed upon these LEAVES OF HEALING which our Dove carries.

"BRETHREN, PRAY FOR US."

Consecration of Children

The following-named Children were Consecrated to God through the laying on of hands and of prayer by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, Lord's Day, December 7, 1919, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, Illinois, U. S. A.:

Carswell, Alice Emily.....Illinois
Carswell, Eva Ellen.....Illinois
Carswell, Ruby Katherine.....Illinois
McElroy, Myrtle Bell.....Illinois

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Christmas Crowns for Christ from Zion

FOR unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His Kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The Zeal of the Lord of Hosts will perform this. — Isaiah 9:6, 7.

And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.

And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a Son, and shalt call His Name JESUS.

He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of His father David:

And He shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of His Kingdom there shall be no end. — Luke 1:30-33.

And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His Name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins.

Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a Son, and they shall call His Name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. — Matthew 1:21-23.

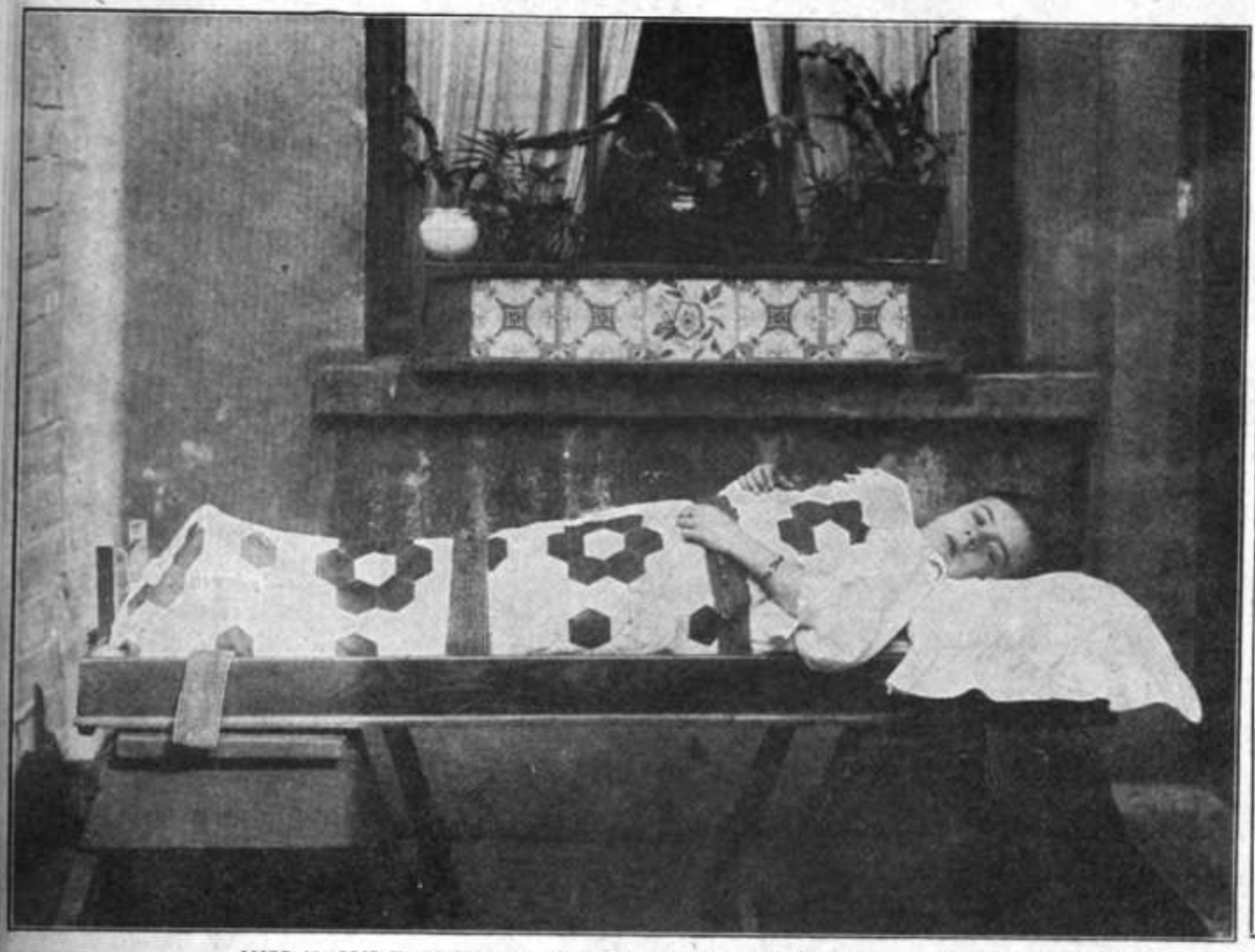


DEACON HERMAN G. PETERSON AND FAMILY

Father Healed of Inflammation of the Bowels; Mother Healed of Strangulated Hernia; Children Healed of Many Diseases.

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Miss Naomi Taylor, Miraculously Healed of Terrible Hip Disease, After Lying on a Tray and Wearing a Weight for Over Three Years.

Testimony given by her mother, Mrs. Dorothy Taylor, Rose Cottage, The Harbor, Heysham, Lancashire, England, on the platform of Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Lord's Day, Afternoon, May 17, 1914.—(Vol. XLIV. No. 22.)

MISS NAOMI TAYLOR, AS SHE LAY ON THE TRAY FOR OVER THREE YEARS



MISS NAOMI TAYLOR
AS SHE APPEARS TODAY



MR. ABBOTT TAYLOR

MR. ABBOTT TAYLOR
Perfectly Healed of Strangulated Hernia by the Power of God, in Answer to Prayer After Reading "Leaves of Healing." (Vol. XLV. No. 1.)

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MRS. OTTO FOLKERS

Instantly and Permanently Healed of Neuritis After Sending in a Prayer Request to Zion. Later Healed of Catarrh, La Grippe, Bronchitis, Pneumonia, and Eczema of Ten Years Standing, by the Power of God, in Answer to the Prayer of Faith. (Vol. XLV. No. 8.)



MRS. DELIAH KING (In her 102nd year).

Healed of Cancer of the Tongue by the Power of God in Answer to **the Prayer of Faith. (Vol. XLIII. No. 18.)**



MR. JACOB B. SCOTT

MR. JACOB B. SCOTT

Delivered From the Use of Drugs and Medicines; Healed of Lung Trouble, Rheumatism and Many Sicknesses, and Raised Up When Near to Death by the Power of God in Answer to the Prayer of Faith. (Vol. XLV. No. 9.)



MR. AND MRS. TONY ZORATTO

Husband Delivered from Roman Catholicism; from Drunkenness, Tobacco, Profanity; and Healed of Fractured Collarbone. Wife Healed of Tumor of Left Breast, Pneumonia, Asthma, and Lumbago, by the Power of God, Through Faith in Jesus. (Volume XLIV. No. 25.)

MR. AND MRS. TONY ZORATTO



MR. AND MRS. AUGUST SWANSON AND FAMILY

Father Delivered From the Use of Liquor and Tobacco, Brought Out of the Apostate Lutheran Church, and Healed of Blood Poisoning; **Mother Kept** from All Sickness; Children, Who Never Tasted Medicine, Healed of Diphtheria, Sprained Ankle, Broken Arm, Inflammation of the Bowels, and Other Diseases. (Vol. XLV. No. 4.)



MRS. S. O. HALL

MRS. S. O. HALL

Instantly and Permanently Healed of Bright's Disease and Wonderfully Delivered When in Peril From Complications and Conditions Attending Childbirth. (Vol. XLIV. No. 5.)



MRS. SUSIE BARTON-SMITH

MRS. SUSIE BARTON-SMITH

Healed of Pleurisy, Abscess of Bone in Head, Appendicitis and Inflammatory Rheumatism Involving the Entire Body, by the Power of God, in Answer to the Prayer of Faith in Zion. (Vol. XLIII. No. 24.)

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MISS MABEL SARAH STOUFFER

Quickly Healed in Zion of Stomach Trouble of Long Standing, Deafness, Toothache, Sprained Arm, Influenza, Kidney Trouble and Nervous Prostration, the Result of a Surgical Operation. (Vol. XLV. No. 3.)



MR. AND MRS. CU HWUN-CONG

Mr. Cu Hwun-Cong Delivered from Gambling, Covetousness and an Unclean Life. Mrs. Cu Hwun-Cong Healed of Hallucinations and Demon Oppression — "Evil Sickness" — by the Power of God in Answer to Prayer in Zion. (Vol. XLIII. No. 16.)



MR. AND MRS. TSIH UONG-ZEE

Glorious Deliverance of Mrs. Uong-Zee, Shanghai, China. When at Death's Door, in Answer to the Prayer of Faith, Through the Laying On of Hands, in the Name of Jesus. Also Saved from Idolatry and Demons. Husband Saved; and Nephew Healed of Rotting Bones. (Vol. XLIV. No. 20.)

But thou, Bethlehem, Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall He come forth unto Me Who is to be Ruler in Israel; Whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting. — Micah 5:2.

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,

Saying, Where is He Who is born King of the Jews? for we have seen His star in the east, and are come to worship Him.—Matthew 2:1, 2.

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"The Incarnation and Character of Christ"

Report of Service Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, December 21, 1913, Christmas Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. M.)

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: In the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, the Ninth Chapter, the Sixth and Seventh Verses; and also in St. Luke, the Second Chapter, the Tenth and Eleventh Verses.

Let every one give very close and prayerful attention; in as much as every word, in God's Holy Word, is there for a purpose; and if we would understand, even in a measure, God's revelations, we must give close attention to every word.

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

There are five names given in this selection of Scriptures — Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace.

The third line: "And the government shall be upon His shoulder." Following the Names —

Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His Kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.—Isaiah 9:6, 7.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to ALL PEOPLE.

For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Savior, Who is Christ the Lord.—Luke 2:10, 11.

Beloved in Jesus the Christ, we are approaching another Anniversary of the birth of Jesus the Christ in Bethlehem; and I purpose, having prayed for God's guidance, to talk to you this afternoon — though I realize the incompetency of any man to do justice to the Subject — of Jesus the Christ.

When I realize that more than two hundred names are used, in the Old and New Testaments, to give to humanity something of an understanding of the Person Whom we have come to know as Our Savior, Healer, Cleanser, and Keeper, I realize, more fully then ever before, the weakness of the strongest man, when it comes to the point of talking about Jesus the Christ, the Son of God — God manifest in the flesh, and making the people understand even some of the things of which the speaker himself may have a faint understanding.

Days Given to Agonizing Study of the Five Names

I have spent, in the aggregate, not only hours, but days, in studying the five names that I have read to you, in the Ninth Chapter of Isaiah, the Sixth and Seventh Verses; and I do not profess this afternoon, to be able to go very deep into the meaning of any of them. While I believe that I have begun to see and to understanding something of the meaning of the Names "Mighty God," the "Everlasting Father," yet, there is in my heart an agonizing cry that goes up to God, that I may be able to enter more fully into their meaning, and may be guided and helped in holding up Jesus the Christ before all the world; because our call is to preach Christ and Him crucified, to a sinful, suffering, lost and dying world.

The Trinity of the Godhead Plainly Taught in God's Word

God is Christ, and Christ is God — the same, and yet, in some sense, not the same.

The moment we open the Bible, we are face to face with the declaration: "In the beginning God" — and then follows the words — "created (literally) the heavens and the earth."

In the First Chapter of John, we read: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." I desire you to notice, particularly, the Third Verse, — keeping in mind the words, "created the heavens and the earth" — "All things were made by Him; and without Him was not anything made that was made." And again, in Hebrews, the First Chapter, and the Second Verse, the last sentence: "By Whom also He made the ages."

Continuing our reading in the First Chapter of Genesis, we come to a very remarkable statement, in the Twenty-sixth Verse: "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness."

To Whom was He talking?

There is no doubt, but that, in this instance, we have broached, what we have come to know as, the Doctrine of the Trinity; and the only reasonable position, in the light of other Scriptures, is that God was addressing the second and third Persons of the Godhead — the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Jesus the Christ One of the Council of the Triune Synod

When we come to study the word "Counsellor," we will find, from reading in the Eighth Chapter of the Book of Proverbs, that Jesus the Christ was one of the Council of the Triune Synod, so to speak, and that we cannot justly limit Christ as a Counsellor, simply as the Light which has come into the world — the true Light to lighten every man.

The names "Mighty God," "Everlasting Father," the "Prince of Peace!" The Old Testament writers, in all probability, knew nothing about the Trinity; they, probably, knew nothing of any distinction between the three Persons in the Godhead; and that being the fact, the name used by Isaiah — "Mighty God" —is all the more significant.

Let us go back to the first expression; for it would require hours to complete the discussion, if we were to dwell upon the different prophecies, starting with the 15th Verse of the Third Chapter of Genesis, relative to the coming of the Great Deliverer.

The Messiah Came Not as an Angel, but in the Likeness of Man

The first statement we have: "For unto us a Child is born;" and the second — "Unto us a Son is given." The teaching of this first expression, is the Incarnation of Christ. We have the story in the New Testament — which I did not read, but you will find it in the First Chapter of Luke: the appearance of the Angel Gabriel unto the virgin Mary, the wonderful words that he spoke to her — words that are very plain and simple — showing that she was chosen and specially prepared to be the mother of the Son of Man. And Isaiah, in this marvelous prophecy, expressed that entire story — which we have in the First Chapter of Luke — in the one line: "For unto us a Child is born."

Let us remember that Paul, while it may be a little difficult to understand, brings out the facts, that Christ was not only made of a woman, but made under the law. Further, we are told, that He took not upon Himself the nature of angels, but was made in the likeness of man. He did not come as an angel, — as one of the order of the Cherubim — He came as a man; for He was sent to be the Son of Man, and He deliberately chose for Himself, the path which led through Gethsemane, and to Calvary; and He died for the sins of the world.

Jesus Christ, the Revelation of the Father

In this connection, I want you to notice the expression of Isaiah, "Everlasting Father." Not only was Christ made in

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the likeness of man, and took upon Himself the nature of man, but, the one thing that He did was to point the world to GOD THE FATHER. It was not in the form of a king, of a brother, or any other form that man represents, so much as it was that of a FATHER that Jesus appeared. The one thing which Christ came to show to the world was, God as the *Father*.

What did He mean when he said, — "He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father?" He came to represent the Father, and to show to the world God as Father, — and in this sense He was the "Everlasting Father;" or, literally translated, "Father of Eternity."

"For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given:" — that is simply John 3:16, "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" — "and the government shall be upon His shoulder."

This is a declaration, that in and of the Mediatorial KINGDOM, which Christ will hand over to God the Father, He is the Governor — upon His shoulder shall be the government. The expression "upon His shoulder" is a figurative expression, and has in it the idea of a burden; sometimes symbolized by a key.

The Establishment of the Kingdom Continues Through the Centuries

There is still another fact declared here, about this government of Christ, that "of the increase of His government * * there shall be no end."

"Thy KINGDOM come: Thy will be done in earth as it is in Heaven." While it is true that there are many wicked people in the world, and while it is true that sin and the results of sin, are on every hand, yet, the aggressive work of establishing God's KINGDOM goes steadily forward. The Gospel of the KINGDOM will be preached to all nations. The KINGDOM of God will finally fill the world.

In this Remarkable Messianic Prophecy Five names are applied to Him, Who was the greatest of all God's Gifts to a sinful, sick, lost, and dying world.

Christ, the Wonderful in all His Attributes and Works

What was there about the Son of Man — the Son of God — that was not wonderful?

Everything about Him, all the way along, was calculated to call forth from the lips of men — "Wonderful!"

Why, the people were astonished at his teaching: for He taught them as One having authority, and not as the scribes and Pharisees. Just think of His relations to God! He said, did He not — "Before Abraham was I am"? And He prayed in that last prayer, in the Seventeenth Chapter of John: "And now, O Father, glorify Thou Me with Thine own self with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was."

What does Paul say!

He says: "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: **and took upon Him the form of a servant, ** and humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a Name which is above every name."

The word "wonderful" is the only word that can be used — wonderful in His relations to God, wonderful in His preexistence, wonderful in His birth, wonderful in His words and works, and wonderful in His ascension, wonderful when He appeared to Stephen, and wonderful when He appeared to Paul, and wonderful as He sits at the right hand of God — governing THE KINGDOM of God on earth; so that the gates of hell have never been able to overcome it!

Christ the Counsellor Through all Eternity

He is called "Counsellor."

I desire to read to you from the Eighth of Proverbs. Some people say: "I don't like the Old Testament; I read the New, but I do not read the Old." Let me read you something in the Eighth of Proverbs. I will read the Twelfth, Twenty-second and Twenty-ninth Verses:

I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge.
*** * Counsel is Mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding.**

Now notice the following!

The Lord possessed Me in the beginning of His way, before His works of old.
*** * When He appointed the foundations of the earth: then I was by Him, as One brought up with Him: and I was daily His delight, rejoicing always before Him.**

To WHOM does that refer?

It refers to Jesus the Christ!

Counsellor before the foundation of the world, before God brought the world into existence, Christ was the Counsellor — the Counsellor through all Eternity!

Every Follower of the Christ Watching and Waiting for His Second Coming

Then think of that dear old man Simeon! That is a wonderful story in connection with the birth of Christ. Notice what it says about him — he was "just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel. He was a watcher! And I thank God I am a watcher; I am watching for the second coming of Christ.

Are you?

Simeon was a watcher for the dawning of the morning; and it was Simeon who sang the song, sometimes called the "Nunc Dimittis;" you have it here in the Second Chapter of Luke, the Twenty-ninth to the Thirty-fifth Verses. In the Second Chapter, the Holy Ghost revealed to him that he should not see death until he had seen the Lord's Christ.

Was that not wonderful?

"And he came by the spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him after the custom of the law, then took he Him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

"Lord, now lettest thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy Word. For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel."

Oh, what a subject for a painter! Simeon with the little Babe Christ in his arms!

Then further, you have here the story of Anna, the prophetess, who was daily in the Temple worshiping God.

The Christmas Season a Time of Great Rejoicing

My brothers and sisters, we are approaching another Christmas Day — the Birthday of Christ. It is a time for great rejoicing, isn't it? There is not a child here, but that looks forward to Christmas Day.

I wish you all a very happy Christmas!

I trust there will not be one officer or member in this Church, who will not be happy.

My brothers and sisters, it is a time to put everything right, and to get things in the home as they ought to be.

May good cheer and joy reign supreme!

In the family gatherings, in the giving and receiving of gifts, during the Christmas Season, do not forget God! Do not forget Christ!

Only one more Lord's Day for the year 1919: a few more days and the book that contains your record for 1919, will close, and it will not be opened again until after the Archangel blows his trumpet, and the Heavens are rolled up as a scroll, and the elements melt with fervent heat, and you stand in the presence of the Great God. Then you will have to face your record for the year 1919:

I will tell you, my brothers and sisters, the closing of a year is a very solemn thing. I could weep as a year dies, and rejoice as a new year opens. The year 1919, is the nineteenth year of the Twentieth Century, and it only seems yesterday that the Twentieth Century dawned.

My brothers and sisters in Jesus the Christ, I do not know of anything more I can say. God's keeping power is within your reach, if you will only pay the price. There is healing for those who are sick; there is forgiveness for those who have sinned.

Let us think of these things!

May God bless you is my earnest prayer!

The CHOIR sang in RECESSIONAL — "FADING, STILL FADING THE LAST BEAM IS SHINING."

The GENERAL OVERSEER then closed the service with the

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"Zion's Christmas Message to The World"

By Apostle Anton Darms

HARK! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King:
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"

Joyful all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With angelic hosts proclaim
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."

THE sweet Christmas message once more comes to the world, that Christ was born of the Virgin mother to become the world's Savior and Redeemer. The night of the world's history was clouded with sin, and only one Star shone in the Heavens telling that there was still hope for the sinful race to be redeemed: it was the Star of Jacob.

The World Saved Through Jesus, the Christ

What would the world be today without the story of Jesus! What a change has taken place upon this earth since the Son of God began to crush the Serpent's head!

Sin can now be conquered!

Sickness can now be healed!

Death has lost its sting!

The Resurrection has taken place!

"Thanks be unto God, Who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Our very spirits should be thrilled with Divine joy that Jesus the Christ, the Eternal Word of God, was made flesh and took up His abode in our midst, and has indeed become our Savior, our Healer, our Cleanser, our Keeper, and our Coming Lord.

Zion's Glorious Christmas Message

This is our Christmas message to the world — that "CHRIST JESUS CAME INTO THE WORLD TO SAVE SINNERS."

It is true that the world is still indifferent to the purpose of Christ's coming. The world is still going on in unbelief and rebellion against God, and is reaping its daily reward of sin, sickness, death, and hell.

On it goes, in its mad rush for pleasure and wealth, knowing but little how brief is its time of enjoyment — and then the judgment!

No Christmas Joy Without the Christ

The world must have its Christmas, too; but how different it is from that of God's true children. Satan can give the world only a counterfeit of the real Christmas joy. It must have its Santa Claus, its presents, its chants, and songs; but there is no redemption in these from the power of sin.

Even the professed church of God has failed to set forth the real purpose of the birth of Christ, that He may save His people from their sins and become their Lord.

The Joy of Giving at Christmas

The wise men of old journeyed many days in order to bring their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh to Him Who was born King of the Jews.

Have you, my beloved reader, also brought your tribute to Christ?

"And I have brought to thee,
Down from My home above,
Salvation full and free,
My pardon and My love.
I bring, I bring rich gifts to thee;
What hast thou brought to Me?"

Have you received the gifts of the Christ in your spirit, soul and body?

Have you a real salvation — a deliverance from all the powers of sin in your life?

Have all your diseases and infirmities been healed through Jesus the Healer?

Has your life, your home, and your work been sanctified to the Master's use?

DELAY NO LONGER TO MAKE A TRUE REPENTANCE, A FULL CONFESSION, A COMPLETE SURRENDER TO GOD, AND TODAY LET JESUS CHRIST COME IN AND BE BORN IN YOU A LIVING SAVIOR.

Only when He has saved and cleansed you from sin can the Holy Spirit give you power in prayer, in soul-winning, in your every word and work.

No greater joy can come to you than to know that you have a part in the plan of God; and that you can do something whereby the blessings of God can come to those who are in sin, in sickness, in sorrow and in trouble.

Thus you will be one of God's chosen people.

Should not God's people be a united, a separate, a peculiar and a holy people?

Owning Christ as Lord

Should not all own Christ Jesus as their Lord, and Master?

When the Angel of the Lord appeared to the shepherds on Bethlehem's plains, He said:

"Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

"For unto you is born this day in the City of David, a Savior, which is CHRIST THE LORD."

Nineteen centuries of anniversaries of the birth of Christ have been celebrated in one way or another without any interruption, but where and when were a people ever brought together who dared fully to accept this "good tidings of great joy", in accepting God's greatest gift of His Only Begotten Son as "Savior, which is CHRIST THE LORD"?

The multitudinous forms of denominations, sects and missions professing Christianity have all missed the mark of accepting Jesus as their Lord. They have made lords of their own in the very act of schism in the Body of Christ, and have rejected alike with the world Christ as their ONE and Common LORD.

ZION stands forth, however, as a people, and as an organization, different from all other nations, churches, and movements, because she has brought together a people who have made it the business of their daily life to acknowledge Christ, not only as Savior and Healer and Sanctifier, but to put into practice the ultimate purpose of Christ's coming: to establish obedience to Christ the Lord.

Zion's Lord to Rule O'er All the Earth

Zion's work of proclaiming to "all people" that Christ is THE LORD has only begun.

The nations of the world — yea, even a lukewarm church — may rage and counsel together against the Lord and His anointed, yet He Who sitteth in the heavens shall laugh and have them in derision, because He is surely carrying out what He promised.

"I have set My King upon My holy hill of ZION. I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto Me, Thou art My Son; this day have I begotten Thee.

"Ask of Me, and I shall give Thee the heathen for Thine

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inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for Thy possession." — Psalm 2:6-8.

ZION, today, gladly acknowledges the Only Begotten Son of God as the One Who will be "My King upon My holy hill of ZION."

ZION will share the greatest inheritance ever given to men: — THE KINGDOM OF GOD THROUGH OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.

ZION has put before her people the highest standard which can possibly be given to mankind to attain unto: "CHRIST IS ALL, AND IN ALL." — Colossians 3:11.

THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF CHRIST'S REIGN

ZION'S message to the world at this time is that, under the Lordship of our Savior Jesus Christ, sin, vice, and crime, in all its forms, will be fully abolished from the earth; sickness and suffering will be exterminated; strife, sedition, war and bloodshed will be put an end to forever; poverty, pestilence, earthquakes, and all other disasters will be stopped; and instead of these blights and curses, prosperity, enlightenment, and progress all along every avenue of human activity will come to pass — and man, made in the Image of God Almighty, will once more find his rightful place in creation, and hold sway and dominion over land, sea, and sky.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The wilderness will be turned into a blossoming garden; the earth will be transformed into Paradise, for it shall be covered with "the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

ZION HERALDS THE COMING KING

Yes, ZION, you are on the right track; you have the message which the world needs. The Millennial reign of Jesus the Christ is surely coming, and the final Restoration will come to pass in due time.

GO FORWARD, O ZION! GO FORWARD!! You may, at times, be tested and tried, but NEVER LOSE YOUR VISION! NEVER FAIL IN YOUR DUTY! NEVER LAY THE ARMOR DOWN!

On Christmas Day acknowledge Him, our Savior, once more as your Lord, and do your utmost to bring these tidings of great joy to ALL people.

"Hail the Heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Risen with healing in His wings,
Light and life to all He brings;
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth."

Jesus Christ—Our Blessed Lord

Jesus, born of virgin mother,
Came from Heaven to earth for us.
God's Own Son became our Brother,
That He might deliver us.
We will love Thee; love and serve Thee;
Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord.

Angels sang at night the story;
Shepherds heard on Bethlehem's field.
Then the Heavens rang with glory,
When His birth was first revealed.
We will love Thee; love and serve Thee;
Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord.

Sin shall lose its power o'er us,
Sickness and disease must flee.
Full atonement made He thus,
Who has died on Calvary.
We will love Thee; love and serve Thee;
Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord.

Though He once a Babe was born,
Toiled as Man on earth below;
Now He sits upon the Throne,
Ever mercy to bestow.
We will love Thee; love and serve Thee;
Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord.

— APOSTLE ANTON DARMS.

He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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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CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS

By Elder Thomas H. Nelson

CHRIST at birth went in among the animals that man at death might go in among the angels; and for us the manger is the foundation of the throne.

TODAY we justly commemorate the fact that God, in Christ Jesus, come down to our level and lived with us, that men, in Christ Jesus, might go up to His level and live with Him.

IF love and liberality make Christmas cheer, why not have a Christmas each day in the year? for surely, the best use of time is the best preparation for eternity; and he who lives to live again will never die.

ON the primitive Christmas in the Birth at Bethlehem's stable, God honored the animals, dignified the family relation, reverenced fatherhood, blessed motherhood, enobled childhood, hallowed infancy, and pointed to a baby as the sweetest, the most sacred and saving agency in the world.

HAD the God-Life never appeared on earth, the human life could never appear in Heaven; but on this day — Christmas — Christ, as the Son of Man, entered earth's lowliest stable, that on one day afterward, men, as the Sons of God, might enter Heaven's most glorious mansions.

ALL HAIL to this unselfish, present-making season, when even fools may see that "it is more blessed to give than to receive"! The amaranths of love and sacrifice are paradisiacal plants; and though suited to every clime, they must be given congenial soil and wise cultivation to produce the most satisfactory results.

THE unselfish, present-making spirit of Christmas is but a proper perpetuation of our Heavenly Father's sacrifice in bestowing upon humanity the "Unspeakable Gift" of His Son. At this particular time, Christmas liberality, in general, is also both the fruit and proof of the fact that Heaven's primary Christmas Gift has not been bestowed in vain.

IF you have nothing else to give in this joyous day of Christian liberality, bestow a good example, a benevolent smile, a kind word, a sympathetic disposition; and such a generous display of the love of God will prove the possession of the God of Love Who always sees to it that "The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself."

THE Christian, like the Christ, born from Heaven, for Heaven, is never satisfied with negative virtues which consist in bestowing no injury upon the good, but ever displays positive and affirmative virtues which consist in bestowing blessings even upon the bad and ungrateful. We should all appreciate fully this liberal Christmas season that exalts generosity over justice, and pity over punishment.

THE Star of the East, that was seen by the Wise Men on that original Christmas, and has been seen by every truly "wise man" ever since, was the luminous morning orb of a new, historic day, wherein Truth was to triumph, Right was to reign, Virtue was to be victorious, and love was to be the law of life. The heart or home is dark indeed that has not been illuminated by the light of The Star of Bethlehem.

LOVE, whether human or Divine, reaches its climax, sacrifices freest, and manifests its greatest magnanimity when most ardently opposed. Religion, being merely a system of loftier love and Diviner sacrifices — we see how the Church has ever had her most shining examples of heroism and fidelity in the hottest fires of persecution. It is fair also, that this system of Divinely licensed prodigality, which lives to give and gives to live, should have chosen the occasion of the birthday of its Author as the season for the world's greatest love and liberality.

ALL the individual miracles of Christ, in the olden times, are surpassed by the greater and all-inclusive miracle of Christ's Personal Presence and His powerful achievements in the world today. This day of His nativity is the world's new birthday festival, and the presents that are in love bestowed, prove the Presence of the Great Love-Bestower. Since God in Christ Jesus made Himself human that man in Christ Jesus might make himself Divine, Christmas has almost become a universal family festivity, a time of making presents and bestowing gifts; and yet, the love of this Giver is more than the gifts of all those lovers to the world.

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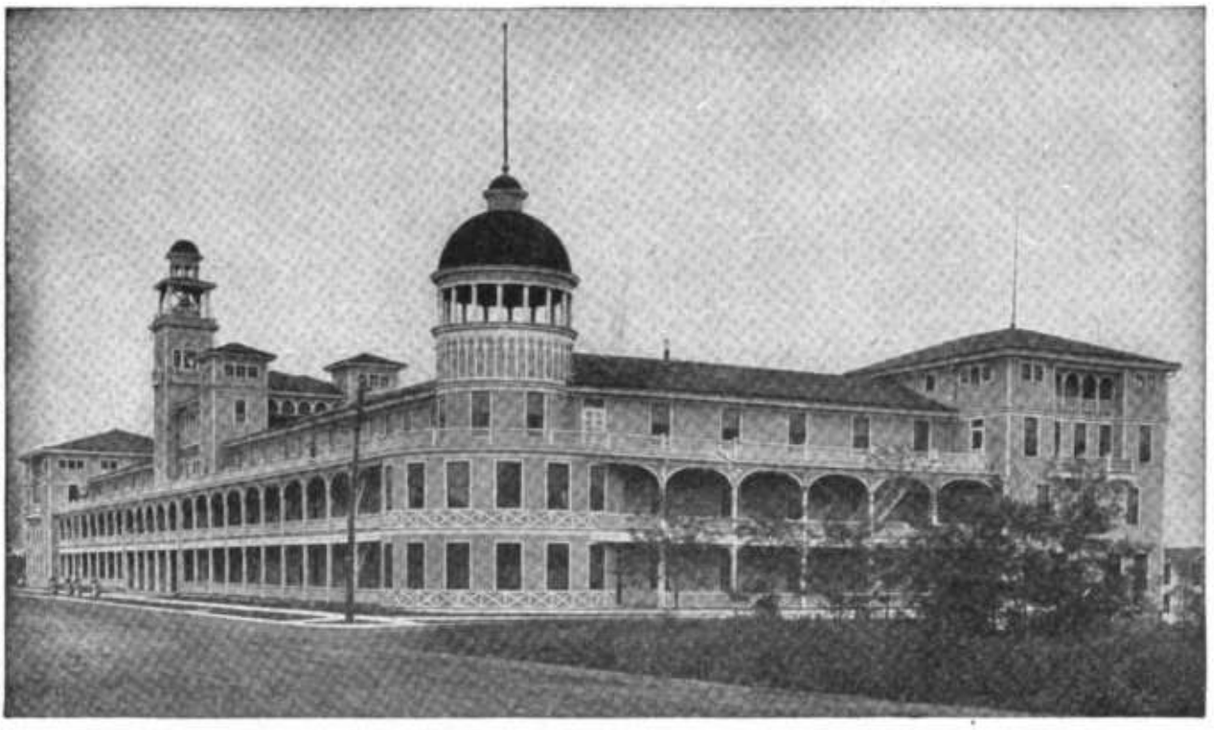
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All Welcome All Seats Free
Free-Will Offerings Only Received
"Christ is All, and in All."

Program

7:15 p. m. Music by Zion Senior Band

8:00 p. m. Processional
Junior White-robed Choir
Senior White-robed Choir
Robed Officers
Uniformed Guard

Special Musical Program

"O Great is the Depth" (from "St. Paul") Mendelssohn
"And Then Shall Your Light Break Forth" (from "Elijah") Mendelssohn
"Worthy is the Lamb" (from "Messiah") Handel

Address by the General Overseer

11:00 p. m. Sacrificial Offering
The Sacrificial Offering will be devoted entirely to Zion Educational Institutions

11:30 p. m. Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members
Ordinance of the Lord's Supper

2:30 a. m. Praise, Prayer and Testimony
Sunrise Hymn—"God be With You Till We Meet Again"
Benediction

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A COMPLETE RECORD OF ALL ALLOWANCES RECEIVED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA FROM APRIL 1, 1899, TO JANUARY 1, 1919

As an Elder in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, from April, 1899, to October, 1901
As an Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion for Australasia, from October, 1901, to February, 1906
As Gener Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, from February, 1906, to January 1, 1919

Year	Month	Monthly Allowance
1899	April	$ 65.00
	May	65.00
	June	65.00
	July	65.00
	August	65.00
	September	65.00
	October	75.00
	November	75.00
	December	75.00
1900	January	75.00
	February	75.00
	March	75.00
	April	75.00
	May	75.00
	June	75.00
	July	75.00
	August	75.00
	September	75.00
	October	75.00
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1901	January	100.00
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	April	100.00
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	June	100.00
	July	100.00
	August	100.00
	September	100.00
	October	65.00
	November	65.00
	December	70.00
1902	January	175.00
	February	175.00
	March	175.00
	April	175.00
	May	175.00
	June	175.00
	July	175.00
	August	150.00
	September	135.00
	October	135.00
	November	135.00
	December	135.00
1903	January	135.00
	February	130.00
	March	130.00
	April	90.00
	May	105.00
	June	125.00
	July	90.00
	August	100.00
	September	100.00
	October	150.00
	November	150.00
	December	150.00
1904	January	95.00
	February	150.00
	March	175.00
	April	$175.00
	May	175.00
	June	165.00
	July	165.00
	August	30.00
	September	70.00
	October	100.00
	November	110.00
	December	170.00
1905	January	150.00
	February	145.00
	March	145.00
	April	265.00
	May	135.00
	June	155.00
	July	215.00
	August	140.00
	September	180.00
	October	90.00
	November	80.00
	December	95.00
1906	January	Nothing
	February 1st—15th	Nothing
	February 15th—28th	50.00
	March	100.00
	April	100.00
	May	100.00
	June	100.00
	July	100.00
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	December	150.00

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Year	Month	Monthly Allowance
1914	January	$150.00
	February	150.00
	March	150.00
	April	150.00
	May	150.00
	June	150.00
	July	150.00
	August	150.00
	September	150.00
	October	150.00
	November	150.00
	December	150.00
1915	January	150.00
	February	150.00
	March	150.00
	April	150.00
	May	150.00
	June	150.00
	July	150.00
	August	150.00
	September	150.00
	October	150.00
	November	150.00
	December	150.00
1916	January	$150.00
	February	150.00
	March	150.00
	April	150.00
	May	150.00
	June	150.00
	July	150.00
	August	150.00
	September	150.00
	October	150.00
	November	150.00
	December	150.00
1917	January	150.00
	February	150.00
	March	150.00
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	June	150.00
	July	150.00
	August	150.00
	September	150.00
	October	150.00
	November	150.00
	December	150.00
1918	January	$150.00
	February	150.00
	March	150.00
	April	150.00
	May	150.00
	June	150.00
	July	150.00
	August	150.00
	September	150.00
	October	150.00
	November	150.00
	December	150.00
	Total Mos. 237	$31,810.00

GENERAL STATEMENT

Total Number of Months	237
Total Allowance Received	$31,810.00
Total Amount of Tithes Paid	3,181.00
Total Amount of House Rent Paid	7,793.00
Average Allowance Per Month for the Entire Period	134.22

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS — consisting of Kindergarten (for children five years of age), Junior School (covering a period of eight years), Preparatory Department (covering a period of four years), Department of Music and Art, etc. — are free to all children and young people in Zion and are supported entirely by the FREE-WILL OFFERINGS of the officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION.

October First we requested all officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION to fill in pledge cards for the support of the Schools for the Year, 1919-1920.

LEAVES OF HEALING (Vol. 45, No. 12, dated December 13, 1919) was devoted almost entirely to ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS. A picture of the Main Building appeared on the first page. A picture four and one-half feet long by ten inches wide, of more than 900 of the 1046 pupils and students, together with the teachers, was enclosed as a supplement. Five pages were filled with the names, together with the respective amounts pledged, of all individuals and families sending in cards.

In this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING we print the additional names and pledges, bringing the total number of individual and family cards to 822, and the total amount pledged to $20,901.00. The total amount needed for the allowances of the teachers, exclusive of all other expenses, is $31,000.00; thus leaving a balance of $10,099.00.

The two SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS — one to be taken at the All Night Meeting, December 31, 1919 — January 1, 1920, and the other at the Feast of Tabernacles in July, 1920 — will be used entirely for the support of the Schools.

We appreciate the responses that have been made, and we earnestly pray and hope that within the next few days every officer, member, and friend of ZION will respond.

We have put this matter plainly before the Church, so that every one is in a position to understand the entire situation. In ZION we are ready at all times to bear one another's burdens, and we do not expect from any individual or any family more than that which is right in God's sight.

Let us have pledge cards from every officer, member, and friend before the All Night Meeting!

Additional Pledges For the Support of Zion Educational Institutions--School Year, 1919-1920

November 21, 1919

Bereiter, Mr. Wm. C.	$18.00
Bishop, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph L.	45.00
Bull, Mr. Ralph	6.00
Danks, Mr. Albert H. & Family	25.00
Philyaw, Mr. & Mrs. G. E.	25.00
Stoddard, Mr. D. C.	5.00

December 11, 1919.

Anderson, Miss M.	$12.00
Berger, Mrs. C. M.	10.00
Berger, Miss Mabel L.	5.00
Butler, Mr. & Mrs. A. L.	12.00
Chambers, Mr. W. H.	40.00
Clough, Mr. W. C. & Family	25.00
Davis, Mr. Fred C.	25.00
Dean, Misses F. J. & H. L.	7.00
Faassen, Mr. & Mrs. Fred	10.00
Hill, Mr. & Mrs. L. A. & Family (Family 9)	50.00
Johnson, Mrs. Maie	$12.00
Loy, Mr. P. S. & Family	15.00
Neal, Mr. G. K. & Family	30.00
Orr, Miss Marie	5.00
Pugh, Mrs. L. D.	5.00
Regier, Mrs. Maria D.	2.00
Rodda, Mr. & Mrs. E. A.	12.00
Shepard, Mrs. M. L.	4.00
Suttie, Mr. Chas. A. & Wife	24.00
Tilbury, Miss Blanche	25.00
Voegeli, Miss Anna	5.00
Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Hugh	25.00
Zobel, Mr. Gustav	25.00

December 12, 1919.

Butz, Mr. Chas. W.	$12.00
Lindskog, Mr. L. N. & Family	75.00
McKerlie, Mr. & Mrs. Wm.	30.00
Nickum, Mr. Carl & Family (Family 3)	20.00
Shaw, Mr. P. W. & Family	$35.00
Turner, Mrs. Anna C.	6.00

December 15, 1919.

Bull, Ruth	$ 5.00
Clausen, W. B.	25.00
Dulmage, Mrs. E. G.	12.00
Gring, Mrs. Emma C.	60.00
Hardy, A. L.	12.00
Humphrey, Mrs. Florence	10.00
Mitchell, Mr. & Mrs. L. B.	15.00
O'Malley, Robert	2.00

December 16, 1919.

Bartholomew, Mr. & Mrs. Odias	$24.00
Butler, Mr. & Mrs. Sidney	15.00
Carswell, Mr. Colin James	15.00
Casperson, Mr. E. W. & Family	25.00
Hobbs, Mr. & Mrs. F. C.	12.00

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Inman, Mr. & Mrs. S. D.	$50.00	Ward, Miss Nora	$12.00	Luke, Miss Vera Mae	$ 6.00
McKinley, Mrs. Elizabeth	5.00			Peterson, Mr. L. M. & Wife	12.00
Preslar, Mrs. Ermina	6.00	**December 22, 1919.**		Rebmann, Mr. Chas. & Family (Family 4)	15.00
Stewart, Miss Rhoda	24.00	Beyer, Mr. & Mrs. Louis	$25.00	Swanson, Misses Esther, Jennie, Mamie & Ruth	20.00
Swank, Mr. & Mrs. O. M.	20.00	Carson, Mrs. Daisy	15.00	Vieth, Mr. A. & Family	33.00
Tate, Mrs. E. R.	10.00	Jensen, Miss Anna P.	10.00	Wheeler, Mrs. Eliza	2.00
Triplett, Mrs. Clara	3.00	Lipe, Mrs. Katherine & Miss M. L.	40.00		

INDIVIDUAL CARD

Zion, Illinois.....1919

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
President of ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS:

For the support of ZION SCHOOLS for twelve months — October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920 — I will contribute . . . . . $.....

Signed.....

Address.....

FAMILY CARD

Zion, Illinois.....1919

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
President of ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS:

For the support of ZION SCHOOLS for twelve months — October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920 — we (.....in number) will contribute $.....

Signed.....

Address.....

"THE BIBLE PICTURE OF TWO WOMEN"

By Apostle Willis F. Jordan

And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:

With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:

And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.—Revelation 17:1-7.

I. THE CHURCH OF CHRIST IS SMYBOLIZED BY A WOMAN.

1. She is first declared to be a virgin.

For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.—II Corinthians 11:2.

2. She is to become a bride.

Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to Him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife hath made herself ready.

And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they who are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.—Revelation 19:7-9.

3. She is presented as a great city, compact — the New Jerusalem — the seat of law and order (Revelation 21:1-11).

4. She is called, "The Mystery of God" (Romans 16:25, 26; Colossians 1:24-27; 2:2; Ephesians 5:32; Revelation 10:7).

II. THE GREAT FALSE SYSTEM of the first Scripture, the Devil's church, the wife of the Devil's man — the Antichrist, is likewise symbolized by a woman.

1. She is not a virgin, but a harlot — The Great Whore — Revelation 17:1.

2. She was spued out by the Savior (Revelation 3:16), when He Raptured the other woman — The True Church (Revelation 3:10).

3. The Devil's son, the Antichrist, then espoused her as his mistress, his paramour, and seated her in great earthly power on his Seven-Year, seven-headed, and ten-horned Beast of the Revived Imperial Roman Power (Revelation 17:1-3). Behold your World-federated Church of the last Seven Years!

4. The ten horns on the Roman Beast are declared to be ten kings confederate with the Antichrist. They form his imperial government, and during the first three and one-half years of Antichrist's reign, they uphold him, and his wife — the Great Whore, Babylon the Great, the World-federated Church.

5. Revelation 17:15 makes this Great Whore, at that time (the first half of the week), to have universal sway.

6. Verse Eighteen declares her to be also a great city — the city where the Divine peace and order is denied.

7. The Scriptures declare her to be also a mystery — the Devil's mystery — and to be composed of the Old Mother, and all the Harlot Daughters — the many fallen apostate protestant churches, sects, etc., — all confederate with Rome under the Antichrist.

8. The clothing that she will wear during the first half of the Seven Years, is described in Revelation 17:4.

9. Her bloody career, as outlined in God's Word — Revelation 17:6, first half of week; and Revelation 6:9-11.

III. HER MORAL CONDITION just before and during the time that Antichrist and his confederate kings support here — while she rides the scarlet-colored Beast.

1. Revelation 18:2 — "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen."

2. "And is become the habitation of demons, and the hold of every foul spirit" — the fulfillment of I Timothy 4:1-3; the "wandering stars" or spirits of Jude, Verse Thirteen.

3. "And of every unclean and hateful bird" — an echo of the parable of the Sower — Matthew 13:3, 19; also of the parable of the Mustard Tree — Matthew 13:31, 32.

If there is any unity in language, if there is any inspiration in Scripture, then in the Bible teaching concerning this woman — the Great Whore — we have a picture of just what Christendom will develop into, after Christ has spued it out of His mouth, when He has taken up the True Church to meet Him in the air.

One more fact remains to be considered:

In the middle of the week of seven years (Daniel 9:27), Antichrist will break his treaty with the Jews, and deny both the Father and the Son (I John 2:22), and turn on the Great Whore — Babylon the Great — and eat her flesh and burn her with fire (Revelation 17:15, 16, and 18:8).

Antichrist's effort to destroy the Jews, and his success in destroying the spued-out church system, and the complete overthrow of Christendom will constitute the "Time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation" — and the "Great Tribulation."

Thank God for Revelation 3:10, and I Thessalonians 4:13-18 with II Thessalonians 2:1, 6-8!

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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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W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager

EDITORIAL NOTES

BY APOSTLE WM. S. PECKHAM

"I WILL COME AGAIN, AND RECEIVE YOU UNTO MYSELF; THAT WHERE I AM, THERE YE MAY BE ALSO." — John 14:3.

ZION REJOICES over the Savior's coming to earth; but ZION rejoices today over the speedy return of her Lord for the Church, and seven years later in power and great glory to begin His glad Millennial reign over the earth.

The first rays of the "Bright and Morning Star" are already visible to the saints.

THE FULL GOSPEL of Salvation, Healing, and Holy Living, has been proclaimed with great power throughout the year, by means of the LEAVES OF HEALING and the messages of ZION.

The message of Christ's personal, imminent coming has rung out strong and clear from ZION, as her leader has spoken from week to week in ZION CITY and Chicago.

Signs upon every hand betoken the soon coming of the Lord from Heaven.

Are you ready for His coming?

THE HEAVENLY ANNOUNCEMENT of the Savior's birth made nearly two thousand years ago will soon change to the shout, "Come up hither!"

HOW QUICKLY the years pass!

Soon we shall gather in our last All-night meeting!

Soon the day of mercy and preparation will close!

Only a few more sacrifices, and our opportunity will be gone forever!

LET US IMPROVE the opportunity to be given at the All-night meeting, and make

A GREAT SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

for the ZION Educational Institutions which will be devoted entirely to the training of a royal generation in ZION who will welcome the Lord at His coming.

Behold our glorious Coming Lord
Descending in the skies,
With shout and trump, to claim His own;
The dead in Christ shall rise.

Behold the Rapture is at hand!
Caught up we soon shall be,
And, overcoming, win the prize
Of immortality.

W. S. P.

"EVEN SO, COME, LORD JESUS"

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Lessons From the Story of Blind Bartimaeus

A Report of the Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, August 24, 1919.

(Reported by E. I. C.)

INVOCATION

Let the words of my mouth and the mediations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight and sanctified unto this people, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

ADDRESS

I shall read in the Eighteenth Chapter of Luke, beginning with the Thirty-first Verse and reading to the close of the chapter.

Then He (Jesus) took unto Him the twelve and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man shall be accomplished.
For He shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on:
And they shall scourge Him, and put Him to death: and the third day He shall rise again.
And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken.
And it came to pass, that as He was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the wayside begging:
And hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant.
And they told him, that JESUS OF NAZARETH PASSETH BY.
And he cried, saying, Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy on me.
And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto Him: and when he was come near, He asked him,
Saying, What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight.
And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee.
And immediately he received his sight, and followed Him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God.

This chapter is made up of a number of interesting narratives — the first one, the parable of the importunate widow; the next, the parable of the Pharisee and the Publican; the next, the bringing of the little children to Jesus that He might bless them; then the approach of the young ruler, who asked the question, "What shall I do to inherit eternal life?" followed by the statements of Jesus relative to those who have riches — how difficult it is for them to enter into the Kingdom of God — and the statement of Peter that they (that is, he and the other apostles) had left all and followed Jesus; then the answer which Jesus made. Beginning with the Thirty-first Verse, for the third time, Jesus told His apostles about His Crucifixion, this time in greater detail than on either of the other two occasions. Then it is stated that "they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken." Beginning with the Thirty-fifth Verse, we have one of the twenty-six narratives of Divine Healing recorded in the first four books of the New Testament.

Twenty-six Miracles of Healing Recorded in the Four Gospels

Let no one think for a second that all of the miracles of healing which Christ wrought are recorded in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. The fact is that the twenty-six which *are* recorded are but a small fraction, a very small percentage of the great number of miracles which He wrought. The last verse of the Twenty-first Chapter of John tells us:

And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written.

In studying these twenty-six narratives, you will find no two alike, reminding us again that the Word of God has been arranged by the Holy Spirit, and that out of the vast number of miracles wrought the Holy Spirit has selected these twenty-six, each one of them presenting one or more of the phases of the subject of Divine Healing. Many of these miracles of healing are what may be termed *wayside incidents.*

Jesus the Christ seized every opportunity to preach the Gospel and to do good.

Among these wayside incidents, the healing of the man born blind from his birth, recorded in the Ninth Chapter of John, stands out as one of the most prominent.

This work of Christ's may be described as "sowing beside all waters." His ministry, for the most part, was a striking contrast to the ministry that has obtained for centuries, and to the ministry that exists today. It is often said: "Let us put up buildings, place seats in them and announce services, and if the people do not come, let them go!" That was not the policy of the Christ; He never lost an opportunity; and as we study this narrative — the healing of blind Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus — you will see, as you will see in the study of many of the other narratives, that He never was too busy, the occasion never was too important, to stop and give attention to one man.

The Resurrection of the Body Impossible Without Death

In the verses that I read to you preceding this narrative, we have one kind of blindness, and in the narrative of Bartimaeus we have another kind. Our natural inclinations and our natural wishes always are contrary to the mind of God. The twelve apostles could not see or understand how the work of Christ was to be terminated by His arrest, by His Crucifixion. You will recall that, on another occasion, when He referred to His Crucifixion, Peter rebuked Him and said, "Be it far from Thee Lord!" and that then it was that Jesus said to him, "Get thee hence, Satan: ... for thou savorest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men" (Matthew 16:22, 23). They did not see and they did not understand that there never could be any resurrection without DEATH. In the Thirty-third Verse He said, in a few simple words, that He would rise again; but they did not understand it. There are very few of the things of God that people understand today.

There are a hundred and one things in connection with ZION'S work, in connection with our own experience in ZION, that you do not understand; and there is a reason for it.

It is no trouble for me to thank God for everything that has happened.

Some persons think it is an awful thing that So and So is sick. Perhaps that is the best thing that could happen. You may not see it, but I can see it, whether I can put it into words or not.

Oftentimes we do not understand why prayer is not answered. God knows. Probably there is a tremendous gulf between your will and God's will, and until you have seen your sins and have repented and have reached a certain place it would be the greatest curse that ever could come to you, instead of a blessing, if God should answer your prayer.

Immediately following, we have the narrative of a man who was physically blind. He was a beggar. He sat by the wayside begging. Probably he was a man who was more or less known; to say the least, he was not a stranger, and he was not unknown in that locality.

It is easy enough for each one of you to comprehend what

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a man who is physically blind loses, except in so far as the things which you and I see are made real to him through other senses; and the extent to which this is done is indeed remarkable in the lives of many men and women who are physically blind.

The Power of Jesus Made Known Through Living Witnesses

This man evidently had heard of Jesus. How, the narrative does not tell us. The Name of Jesus, at the time this took place, had become well known. Those who had been saved and healed had testified. That is one way in which the Name of Jesus was made known then, and that is the way in which it should be made known today.

We are called upon to be witnesses, and to tell what God has done for us! Sometimes sinners are brought to God through a simple testimony. A never-ceasing stream of testimony should go out from ZION, from those who have been saved and healed.

You will understand that Jesus was on His way to Jerusalem — that, in fact, this was a royal procession; and, further, that He was going to Jerusalem for the last time.

When this blind man heard the tumult of the marching multitude, he asked what it meant, and he was told by some one, "Jesus of Nazareth passeth by!" That was enough. Immediately he began to shout, and to call upon Him, as the Son of David, to have mercy upon him.

That is what the publican did in the parable of the Pharisee and the publican — he simply asked "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!"

Blind Bartimaeus was not entitled to anything at the hands of God; neither are you. There was nothing that he could have done, and there is nothing that you and I can do, to bring salvation or to bring healing. You and I have nothing to give for it. It is the "free gift" of God!

What did the multitude do? They did exactly what they do today, and what they always have done!

The very moment that an individual starts toward God, they hinder!

Now, these were not people of the world. As you read the Bible, you will find, on more than one occasion, that it was the ones who were close to Jesus who put the obstacles in the way of individuals who were approaching Him. That is what they did when the mothers brought their infants to Him that He might lay Hs hands upon them and bless them. They rebuked them, and tried to turn them back.

Perhaps there are those in ZION who have kept some people out of this Church. There may be persons who think, "Well, I am in ZION; I don't want anybody else to come." That is not the right spirit.

Hindrances No Barrier to Earnest Seekers After Truth

So, on this occasion, they were very solicitous lest the procession be interrupted and be disturbed, and they commanded this man to hold his peace. But the more they told him to keep still, the louder he called.

That should be — and *is* — the spirit of every man and woman who has reached the place of decision and has decided to forsake the world and turn to God.

It is impossible to find a man or a woman who has accepted Jesus Christ in deed and in truth, who has not had hindrances put in his or her way.

It is a fact that, at the present time, one can go in almost any other direction he likes, except toward ZION, and find little opposition. Every individual who signifies his intention of taking his stand for God and for ZION will have a first-class row with his relatives and his professed friends almost instantly.

In doing Restoration work, you find that some people jump on you about Divine Healing, do you not? They know that we do not believe in doctors; therefore, they hate and despise us.

I do not believe in doctors because I BELIEVE THE BIBLE. I do not believe that God has anything to do with doctors and drugs, surgeons and knives. I do not believe there is any connection between them — none whatever; and I do not believe that anybody can take the Bible and establish a connection, either.

Eighty-six thousand men and women died of cancer in the United States during the year 1918 alone, notwithstanding the tens of thousands of doctors and surgeons, and the Rockefeller institutes for medical research, and all their boasting. They have had a splendid opportunity to do something, but they have done *nothing*. There is no doubt but that thousands of those people were hurried to the cemetery by the idiotic, shameful butchery imposed upon them by these tools of the Devil, who make the people believe that they know something when they know nothing.

It is just about a year now since the epidemic of influenza struck this country. This epidemic, in six months' time, swept six million people into their graves. The highest percentage of deaths was in the army camps, where they had the pick of the young men of the nation, all of them medically examined twice, and where they had all of the most up-to-date medical treatment.

The Christian Religion Involves the Giving Up of Many Lawful Things

Beloved in Jesus Christ, the Christian religion is something more than sentiment; it is something more than foolishness. The Chrstian religion involves the giving up of many tangible things.

The opposition here on the part of those next to Jesus was, to be perfectly fair, because they did not want the procession disturbed and because they did not want to be molested. Consequently, they commanded Bartimaeus to hold his peace.

This blind man, no doubt, had heard of Jesus for two years: perhaps a little longer. It may have been that a number of persons who had been healed by Jesus had stopped where this man sat by the wayside begging, and told him the story, and he had said to himself, "I will watch every day, every moment; and if I ever get an opportunity I am going to get my healing." And so he watched; and the greater the opposition, the more in earnest he was.

A little opposition is all it takes to knock many people over.

Now, we are told that Jesus commanded that this man should be brought to Him. The very persons who were putting the hindrance in the way were, perhaps, the ones who were sent to bring him. Whether they carried him or not, I do not know; perhaps they simply led him to Jesus. Jesus said to him, "What wilt thou that I shall do for thee?" and he said "Lord, THAT I MAY RECEIVE MY SIGHT." That was his request; that was his prayer. It was very simple. He had *faith*.

Faith Demands the Giving Up of Doctors and All Human Remedies

There is no healing without faith. A great many people talk of having faith, when the fact of the matter is that they have none at all.

This man had faith. He proved his faith by *sticking to it*.

When an individual reaches the place where he is going to trust God, he does away with doctors and drugs, surgeons and knives, once and for all!

You cannot trust God and mammon!

You cannot trust God and the doctors!

The apostate churches give the false teaching that the medical profession is the twin sister of religion. If they had said, "The medical profession is the *sin twister* of religion," they would have had it nearer right. What nonsense that is!

Jesus said, "RECEIVE THY SIGHT!"

Why?

Because the man had reached the place where a miracle could be wrought!

There is no trouble with God today; there is no trouble with the Lord Jesus Christ; there is no trouble anywhere, except with the people themselves, and that is all there is to it!

The Word of God is perfectly plain. Jesus died that we might have salvation, that we might have healing, that we might have cleansing, that we might have life eternal. The failure is on the part of the people.

True Faith Trusts God Whether Living or Dying

Some persons have a terrible battle! Thank God, we have hundreds in ZION who have reached the place where it is not a battle.

There is only one thing to do, and that is to TRUST GOD, LIVING OR DYING!

You know as well as I do that the wretched doctors cannot do anything for the people. They are a farce, they are a delusion, they are a snare of the Devil!

The only safe thing to do is to keep the armor on, to buckle it tight, and to trust God and go forward.

There are hundreds of witnesses today to the fact that God

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has blessed them and kept them. We are not one thousandth part thankful enough. We do not appreciate ZION, we do not appreciate the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, as much as we should. It is the only Church! It is the only organization! And I would to God that every one saw it!

Let us look at this narrative in a general way, and see what there is here for us.

This man was a beggar. That is what we are. I saw years ago, and stated it in meeting after meeting, — rebuking the pride of men and women — that the Church of Jesus Christ is not a beggar, but that YOU AND I are the beggars.

Christ is not a beggar!

Men and women are the beggars!

I do not propose to have my Lord made a Beggar!

No doubt blind Bartimaeus had tried various kinds of treatment that they had in his day, and which, probably, were just as good as the ones they have now — and, I suspect, less dangerous — but they availed him nothing. It is just so with a man in this world: after he has received everything that the world can give, he is exactly where he was when he began.

The Only Remedy for This Sick World is the Coming of the Prince of Peace

No man can find any satisfaction this side of God. He can get everything that the world affords; he can have everything the Devil offers — but he is just where he was when he started, and just as far from satisfaction.

I tell you, the old world needs a doctor now. We used to hear about this individual and that individual having a bad case of nerves and being very sick, but today we read that the *world* has a bad case of nerves and is very sick. Some say that the one remedy is the League of Nations, and that if that does not cure it there is no hope.

The only remedy for this old world is THE COMING OF THE PRINCE OF PEACE; and if you do not see it, God pity you! There is no other remedy!

There is no other satisfaction for any man or woman except JESUS CHRIST. Why? Because God, when He created us, planted within us a Divine spark which cries out after Him.

What a wonderful creation man is!

There is something down beneath the rubbish of sin and degradation which nothing the world can give ever will satisfy.

There is no satisfaction this side of God!

At the present time, all the organized religion there is in the world, outside of ZION, — that is, with the exception of a few individuals here and there who stand alone — is the religion of Cain.

In this parable of the Pharisee and the publican, what was the matter with the Pharisee? He thanked God that he was not as other men were, and he went on to tell that he fasted twice a week, and so on. Now, the Mosaic law required fasting only once a year. Why did he fast twice a week? It was simply an addition of his own — that was all. According to this Pharisee, from his standpoint he was a wonderful (?) fellow.

There is No Salvation by Works

What is the condition all over the world today? THE RELIGION OF WORKS! Let me emphasize something here: You may give a thousand dollars a year to buy clothes and provide homes for down-and-outers, and to provide good meals for them — BUT THAT WILL NOT SAVE YOU!

A great many people think they are going to Heaven because they feed and clothe the poor. God will say, "I NEVER KNEW YOU!" However, if such things in your life and in my life are the legitimate fruits of salvation, of regeneration, all right; but they are not the means of salvation.

You cannot buy your way to Heaven; and it is to those who attempt it that the Lord will say in that day, "I never knew you!" And He has not known them, because they are not His. They do not belong to Him. They never have been saved.

In these days, the old fundamentals are very distasteful and very unpopular, and the whole talk is "SERVICE," or the religion of works — the religion of Cain, which will land you in hell, sooner or later.

Here is another thing: Thank God for opposition! Opposition did not harm Bartimaeus; and it does not harm any true man of God. When ever I hear an individual complaining of a hard time, and of difficulties and opposition, I always think, "Well, there isn't much hope for him!" The man who made the remark that my enemies had done ten times more to make me than all the members of ZION, told the truth; although they will get no credit for it, because they are the tools of hell. I never have seen a stalwart man develop in a rocking chair, or wrapped up in lace curtains. I never have seen a man get anywhere in the Christian life who did not have opposition on every hand. I never have seen a religious movement that amounted to a row of pins that was not fought by the world, the flesh and the Devil day and night.

Zion Stands Uncompromisingly for All the Verities of Christianity

Whenever the time comes, beloved, that individuals can come into this Church without opposition, I shall begin to look around and see what has happened and what is the matter, because when an individual comes into contact with this organization he is coming into contact with an organization that *stands for something*. He is coming into contact with an organization that stands for THE VERBAL INSPIRATION OF THE BIBLE: and it means something to believe the Bible. He is coming into contact with an organization that teaches that JESUS THE CHRIST WAS VERY GOD manifest in the flesh; and it means getting into hot water to take that position, because these are the days in which the churches deny the Lord Who bought them. He is coming into contact with an organization that believes in GOD THE FATHER, GOD THE SON, AND GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT. He is coming into contact with an organization that believes in the CHURCH, as outlined and organized according to the records of the New Testament.

Is there an officer in this Church, is there a member in this Church who does not cry to God that we may, as a Church, be strictly in line with everything that is laid down in the New Testament? I have no right to add to it, I have no right to take from it, I have no right to change it.

Some persons say, "Well, what difference does it make whether I come to the Lord's Supper or not?" Let me tell you: I do not give the snap of my finger for the Hope that is before you if you do not see and recognize the Lord's Supper and attend to it strictly.

You say, "Well, I do not *have* to do this or that in order to become a member of ZION, do I?" No; but if you do not do these things after you become a member, I shall not take any stock in you, I tell you that right now.

The Attitude of the Truly Saved Man and Woman in Zion

You say, "Is it a condition of membership that I pay my tithes?" No; it is not a condition of membership. But if you become a member and have had the teaching, I expect you to walk in the light that God gives you; and if you do not do it, you will go into darkness.

I am not satisfied simply to take a look in through the gate: I expect to *enter*, and to have everything there is for me. Some persons are always looking around to see how *little* they can do and yet squeeze through.

The attitude of the truly saved man and woman is, "Lord, is there another thing that I should do that I have not done? If so, I shall not rest until I obey fully." That is the spirit of a man or a woman who is regenerated and converted.

"Is it a condition of membership that I go down to Chicago to distribute LEAVES OF HEALING and messages?" No; but I would not give much for you if you become a member and do not do it. If you were where you ought to be, we could not tie you down with a rope; because when God has gloriously saved and healed you, you ought to be anxious to go and tell the world about it.

This little story is very simple, and that is true of the whole Bible.

How very simple Jesus was!

The Twenty-third Psalm has one hundred and eighteen words in it, ninety-two of which are words of one syllable.

When you hear some preachers preach, you cannot tell what they are talking about because they are so learned and so scholastic, and because they use big words of seven syllables which you do not understand — and which they do not understand themselves. That is not true of the Word of God. It is so simple that a man who is really and truly in the Spirit finds it difficult

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to measure up to the standard, as a minister of the Lord Jesus Christ, and present it to the people.

The Mighty Truths of God's Word Clothed in Simple Language

No more beautiful thing ever was written than the Twenty-third Psalm. If you are in the habit of repeating Scripture, the Twenty-third Psalm is a beautiful thing to repeat. The Shepherd and the sheep! Ninety-two words of one syllable! That is the hand of Inspiration. The Great, Almighty, All-wise, Infinite God, when He wrote the Bible, put it in simple language.

Take John 3:16 and count the words of one syllable each:

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.

See how simple it is!

Do you think that you can become a Christian and not encounter any opposition?

You can be a Methodist, or a Presbyterian, or a Baptist, and have no opposition. It means nothing, you know, to be a Methodist — absolutely nothing! If there are any Methodists here, no doubt this will make you angry; but you can get angry, for all I care! I mean exactly what I say, and I am speaking the truth: IT MEANS NOTHING TO BE A METHODIST. You can be a Methodist and be a Freemason at the same time, and you can go into a Masonic lodge where you do not dare mention the Name of your Lord!

Now, I can hear some little fellow say, "Huh! I guess Freemasonry is a fine thing!"

It is? What is it?

"Well, it is a religion!"

Freemasonry Bars the Name of Jesus Christ From it's Entire Ritual

Is it the CHRISTIAN religion? If it were the Christian religion, could you take Jews into it? Do you think that all the prominent Jews of Chicago would be members of the Masonic lodge if it were the Christian religion? If it is a religion and it is not the Christian religion, then what religion is it?

IT IS THE DEVIL'S RELIGION!

They have an altar, they have the Bible, they have a square and compass on top of the Bible. That is for the purpose of tricking Methodist preachers, bishops, and elders. They do not dare mention the Name of Jesus Christ in a Masonic lodge.

It means nothing to be a Methodist!

Brethren, the only thing to do in these last days before the Lord comes is to give them HELL!

You can be a good Methodist and live at the end of a dirty old pipe, which stinks worse than a nest of skunks. Of course, you can!

The Devil is a first-class Methodist. He is an officer in good standing.

What I say about the Methodists can be said about them all.

What does it mean to be a Roman Catholic?

You can be a Roman Catholic and at the same time be a harlot, a whoremonger, a saloon keeper, a brewer, an inmate of the Joliet penitentiary. You can do anything in the catalog and be a Roman Catholic in good standing.

What does it mean to be a Roman Catholic?

What does it signify?

Does it mean *anything?*

Does the Christian life mean anything to them?

Do they give up the ways of the world?

NO!

And yet "the world is growing better (?), and there are more Christians (?) than ever before"!

Christians Scarce and Ministers Apostate Today

Christians are as scarce as hens' teeth today! I read some statistics that were printed twenty years ago, and at that time less than seven per cent of the men in the United States ever darkened a church door. From the number of automobiles and bicycles and motorcycles that one sees on the Lord's Day — hundreds and thousands of them — it looks as though things are much worse now.

You say, "Our preacher preaches the Second Coming!"

Your preacher knows no more about the doctrine of the Second Coming of Christ than a baby does! With the exception of a few who have been reading the sermons out of LEAVES OF HEALING, they know nothing about it.

Opposition!

When you tell them you are going to join ZION they say, "Oh, they don't eat any pork!" They know that much about ZION.

Was there ever a dirtier thing than a hog? You could take a hog and put him in a wash-tub, and take a brush and some soap and scrub him, and perfume him, and then, when you let him go, he would make right straight for a hog wallow and tumble in! Think of it!

I was told the other day that it is a fact that you can take a catfish and dissect it, and find between all the layers of tissue *stratas of mud* — actual mud! Then people fry it and eat it. Well, if I want to eat fried mud, I shall go to a hole and get it, and not from a catfish!

Do you think God Almighty did not know what He was doing when He gave that law regarding unclean foods to Moses? I tell you, it never has been superseded nor surpassed, and the man who takes that law and lets it govern his eating will be a happy man, and of God's order.

Many people eat rabbit, when it is no more fit for human consumption than a cat, or a mouse, or a rat.

An individual can be a Methodist and eat pork. They have their church suppers, you know, and they sell pig in order to raise money for the parson.

God Commands His People to Get Out of the Churches and Come into Zion

Do you think the Lord is going to take them up when He comes? NO! God Almighty commands His people to get out of the rotten old Methodist church and to come into ZION; to get out of the Presbyterian church, the Roman Catholic church, and all the rest of the churches, and to come into ZION as the place of refuge which God has raised up for the saints. If you do not wish to come into it, all right! Stay out!

During the seven years, God Almighty says, "COME OUT OF HER, MY PEOPLE!" and I should like to know why, during the Church Period, they should stay there.

The voice of God rings throughout the world today, and by the world war He says to His saints, "Come out from among them!" By the epidemic that swept the world and laid millions of men and women in the cemetery, He says, "Come out from among them!" By the famine and by the pestilence, He calls, "Come out from among them!"

This afternoon, when the old world is tottering to its fall, is there one in this audience who does not see it? If you do not, God pity you — you are as blind as a bat! The men of the world see it, and they talk it. THIS OLD WORLD IS TOTTERING TO ITS RUIN!

God is calling His saints out!

When He calls them out, what is He going to do with them? They must find refuge somewhere! God Almighty has His organization, and in that organization He has His orders and His ordinances, make no mistake about it!

God is a God of ORDER; He is not a God of confusion!

Every man and every woman who comes into ZION — I shall put it another way: Not only every man and every woman who comes into ZION, but every man and every woman in this world today who separates himself and herself and takes his and her stand for God and against the world, the flesh, and the Devil, *will be persecuted.* But that is all right —

Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake. — Matthew 5:11.

The right kind of man is only made stronger by opposition!

We are against moving picture shows.

The Breath of Hell is in the Moving Picture Show Business

A magazine devoted to the moving picture world came to my office the other day, and the breath of hell is in it. Let me tell you that there is not a greater agency for the damnation of humanity today than the moving picture show business! But you can be a Methodist and go to the moving picture shows; you can

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be a Presbyterian and go; you can be a Baptist and go; you can be a Congregationalist and go! When I was a boy, you could not be a Methodist and do it!

Today there is no authority, there is no discipline, there is no order!

Thank God for ZION and for the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION!

May God make a Bartimaeus out of every one of us! The more we are opposed, the stronger we ought to become.

One preacher down in Pittsburg said, "We should put a sign on the corner of every church, 'Members wanted! No questions asked, and nothing required.'" He is right! What do they require?

I shall tell you what we require in this Church: Belief in *God the Almighty*, the Creator of the earth, the Heavens, the sea, and "all that in them is" — not in a principle, not in a God Who is far off, not in a God Who does not hear and answer prayer; belief in the *Lord Jesus Christ* — not in the Unitarian Christ, not in the Christian Science Christ, not in the Millennial Dawn (Russellism) Christ, but in GOD MANIFEST IN THE FLESH; belief in the *Holy Spirit;* belief in the *Inspiration of the Word of God.* If there is one whose name is on our roll who does not stand uncompromisingly, unqualifiedly for this Book (the Bible), your name goes off at once! I want no fellowship with any man or woman who does not believe that the Bible was written by God. It is THE WORD OF GOD, beginning with "in the beginning God created the heaven and the earth" to the last word of the last verse of Revelation.

The Book of The Revelation is the Capstone of All Prophecy

Let me read you a verse or two here:

...If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book. — Revelation 22:18, 19.

Where does that put every man and woman who claims to be receiving revelations from God?

The Bible is complete!

The Book of Revelation is the capstone of prophecy; it is the last book of the Bible.

I brand any man or woman as a liar who comes around with this "tongues" rot, or any of these other false religions, talking about how God revealed this and that.

The Word of God is COMPLETE!

The Holy Spirit, however, will make plain to His servants the revelations that He has put in His Book.

Thank God for opposition!

I do not want any one in ZION except those whom God brings. Some one says, "Wouldn't you like to have fifty thousand people here?" Well, if they were all God's children — yes; but I should rather have five thousand who are God's children than forty-five or fifty thousand who are the children of the Devil.

No man can come to Christ except God the Father "draw him."

You cannot belong to this Church and have anything to do with secret orders!

"Well," you say, "is it a condition of fellowship?"

No. I shall receive you as a member while you still are wearing a Masonic charm; but you will not wear it very long, because I shall keep at you until you will be glad to give it up!

The idea of one of these apostles, for instance, sitting here this afternoon as a minister of the Gospel, and then, on Thursday night, going to a Masonic lodge, where he cannot mention the Name of his Lord!

Blasphemous Masonic Oaths Taken by Apostate Preachers

That is where *your* preacher was the other night! You listened to him Sunday, and you said, "We have such a nice preacher! He doesn't hurt anybody's feelings, and he doesn't talk as Voliva talks!" Then — ladies — this beloved preacher goes into a Masonic lodge room, dressed in a way in which he would not want his wife or any of you ladies of his church to see him; and he gets down on his knees and swears that he will not violate the purity of a master-mason's wife, mother, daughter, or sister, IF HE KNOWS THAT SHE IS SUCH. In other words, if he does *not* know, it makes no difference!

When you come to hear me you go home and say, "I went to ZION CITY to visit my aunt, and I heard Voliva preach. The low-down scamp! I have never heard a fellow talk as he talked!"

Thank you! That is a high compliment! You would rather listen to an infernal hypocrite of a parson, who has disgraced you and every wife, mother and daughter in your church!

"Oh," somebody says, "listen how he talks! He will never win any one by talking like that! Why isn't he *nice?* Why doesn't he say *nice* things to us?"

Yes, that is what is the matter with the world today: they have had nice things said to them, until they have gone to the Devil. Everybody knows it!

If the Lord were to visit every house in hundreds of the towns in the United States, He would not find ten Christians in them. How do they spend their time? Smoking cigars; sucking cigarets or a dirty old pipe; squirting tobacco juice; playing cards; going to horse races, vaudeville performances, dances, moving picture shows, and all the rest of it! That is what they do!

The world is ripe for the judgments of God the Almighty!

Yes, opposition makes a MAN! I tell you, ZION, adversity does not frighten me. I am far more solicitous about ZION today when she is prospering, than I was six or eight years ago — far more solicitous! The people are in greater danger this afternoon than at any time since I have been General Overseer. Some of them are running after money, and it will damn them and take them to hell.

Selfishness and Greed are the Gods Worshiped in the United States

One writer said the other day: "Just two gods are worshiped in the United States — one is *selfishness* and the other is *greed.*

You had better keep your eyes on God, beloved. Everything else will fail you.

The dissolution of the present Age has set in, and the "times of the Gentiles" are dying, although they really and truly die at the beginning of the seven years. They are dying this afternoon, and all these strikes and all this industrial unrest are simply the death-rattle in the throat of the "times of the Gentiles."

Now, here is another thing: I find that there are very few who *stand up straight;* that there are a great many cowards.

How much of the present-day theology is simply the wish of a corrupt, depraved human heart! Be careful, or the Devil will deceive you, right on that one point!

One woman said, "If I really believed that my father were in hell, I would denounce God and I would never believe in the Bible again." That is a good illustration. I should like to know what that has to do with God Almighty, or His revelations, or with the Lord Jesus Christ!

Now, I said that blind Bartimaeus had heard of Jesus of Nazareth.

What about the people today?

How many have heard of Jesus?

Let us take our own work: let us think of the meetings that have been held, of the multiplied millions of LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT and the messages and the notices and the tracts that have been distributed — if I were to say ten million pieces, it would be under the figure.

Have they heard of Jesus? Yes!

Is there any one in this audience who has not heard of Jesus?

"Zion is God's Organization for These Last Days"

Is there any one in this audience who is spiritually blind — who never has seen the face of his Father in Heaven and the face of the Lord Jesus Christ? who never has seen the things above and the beauties and the glories of the world beyond?

Is there any one in this audience who never has heard of Christ?

Yes; you all have heard of Christ! You have no excuse! Everybody in Lake County has heard of Jesus, and has heard of ZION. But it does not do very much good, does it? ZION, to them, is simply a joke; but they will find out that ZION is GOD'S ORGANIZATION FOR THESE LAST DAYS!

ZION is no accident. It did not simply *happen* to be established.

The ZION movement and the Zionistic movement — the one having to do with the Church and the other having to do with Israel — were born in the same year, 1896. When we see the

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Zionistic movement with its preparations all made to reestablish Palestine, it plainly indicates that the time is just about up.

What I have said this afternoon makes most people angry, because they are *blind* and do not want to hear the truth. No doubt some Methodist will say, "You are a liar!" I say: YOU KNOW THAT WHAT I SAY IS TRUE! The Roman Catholics know that it is true; the Presbyterians know that it is true; the Baptists know that it is true. They all know that it is true that, as organizations, they have GONE TO THE DEVIL and are almost utterly corrupt.

That is my testimony!

That is my witness ere my Lord descends into the air to catch the saints out!

It is what this rotten old world needs to be told this afternoon, instead of being given mush and molasses and popgun wads.

Yes, they have heard of Jesus!

God Almighty, before His Son comes to take the saints out, will leave every one of them without an excuse. He is hanging His signs on every hand.

The Earthquake Which will Change the Face of the Earth

I notice that some geologists say that the earthquake that will rock the world may start in Alaska. Well, it may; it may start somewhere else. There is going to be an earthquake that will split the Mount of Olives, that will raise the surface of the earth, in and around Jerusalem, over fourteen hundred feet; that will create a river of sparkling water, which will flow out of Jerusalem; that will convert the Dead Sea into a sea of fresh water — an earthquake that will cause the islands to flee like a feather before the wind (Zechariah 14:1-8; Revelation 16:17-21).

I do not see how there could be any more signs!

Do you know that God Almighty cannot save a man against his will?

Do you know that God Almighty cannot heal a man against his will?

What has God done for humanity?

He has given His Only Begotten Son, Who came down from Heaven to this earth to live and teach and instruct and die, to be raised from the dead, to ascend into the Third Heaven and sit down at the right hand of God the Father. He has sent His ambassadors and messengers to preach the Gospel.

Everything that God Almighty can do has been done for the salvation of man— and look at the results today!

They say the world is growing better!

An automobile went by here the other day, and in it were three women puffing cigarets!

Immodest Dressing an Indication of Moral Decline

I am going to preach a sermon on how Christian women should dress some of these days. A writer recently said that in ten years the people would go naked, and one gentleman, in commenting on it, said: "At the rate women are progressing, it will be in less than ten years" — and I think he is right!

This immodest dressing is an indication of what is *inside,* and you can call me an old fogy and an old moss-back all you like. I am against the whole infernal business, and I shall condemn it so long as God gives me breath. You may do as you like — I started in to serve God, and I do not intend to fall in line with the Devil and go to hell at last. I am headed straight for Heaven, and I do not intend that the Devil shall get me, if I can help it by the grace of God!

There are hundreds and thousands of women and girls who are cigaret smokers today.

It is horrible! indescribable!

Do you know what my task is, and what I groan in my spirit to accomplish?

My task is to have A LITTLE OASIS HERE IN ZION — and it is very hard work! I tell you, it is hard to pour out your life-blood and to fall on your face and knees in an effort to get some persons to do right, and then to have them turn around and spit in your face. Nevertheless, we shall stick to it, brethren, until we drop dead at our posts.

The world is rotten! It is corrupt!

We are laughed at and made fun of because we stand for *decency!*

I have the highest respect for a woman, but I believe in decency.

There is a nice (?) future before us if mothers are cigaret fiends! Think of it! The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals swore out a warrant for the arrest the other day for a man whose baby, not yet twelve months old, smoked two cigars a day. He started by allowing that baby to suck a cigar when it was only a few weeks old.

The Devil knows what he is doing!

Then talk about a man being a Christian who smokes and chews!

So far as the churches are concerned, their members can do anything under the sun they like, and nothing is said.

ZION, shall we be engulfed with the rest, and go to the Devil? God forbid!

They have heard of Jesus! I am not shedding any tears over them because they have not.

What about you? You have heard of Jesus — will you surrender this afternoon, or will you go right on serving the world, the flesh, and the Devil?

What about it?

The Last Opportunity Comes to Every Man and Woman

There is one more thing here: This is the last opportunity that Bartimaeus ever would have had. Get that point! Jesus was making His last journey to Jerusalem, and there He was crucified.

Suppose that Bartimaeus had listened to these people who told him to keep still — he would have been left in his blindness!

I am not very sentimental, yet I have a tender heart, and I can cry as quickly as any woman here. I want you to notice this, brethren, — it has happened in ZION many a time.

How many people are there who, in a service like this, will laugh when you talk about the Second Coming of Christ? who will sneer when you tell them that Jesus of Nazareth is here this afternoon, and that they are having their last opportunity? Now, just watch those same people when they get into some difficulty or when they are smitten down with some vile disease! Let them be told that they have only a few hours to live — then watch them! They are COWARDLY! If I were in their place, I should surrender to God while I could sit upright in this Tabernacle, with my mind clear and my body strong, able to walk, able to talk, able to say to all the people, like a ***man,*** "I SURRENDER TO GOD!"

Here is another thing: How many times in history, men who have been in the very jaws of death have had, almost at their finger tips, the means of rescue, and have failed to take advantage of it! You can see — can you not? — that if blind Bartimaeus had listened to those around him and had kept still, he would have taken his blindness to his grave, although within a few feet of him was the Deliverer.

This afternoon, CHRIST IS HERE, THE HOLY SPIRIT IS HERE!

He is knocking at every heart!

The Holy Spirit Knocks at the Door of the Heart of Every Unsaved Person

Every unsaved man and woman in this audience: the Holy Spirit is knocking at the door of your heart this afternoon. Will you let Him in? If you do not, in all probability it will be a fatal choice, and you will have no one to blame but yourself.

There is a great deal in these words — "JESUS OF NAZARETH PASSETH BY."

Oh, it is such a wonderful story!

What does Christ say when He gives us the Parable of the Widow? He is talking to the Church, and He says that the Church "ought always to pray, and not to faint." The day of their deliverance is sure to come, and God will "avenge them speedily." That means *suddenly.*

Listen, beloved: In the conflict in which I have been the central figure for these fourteen years, I never have ceased to pray, day and night, it makes no difference how long I have to wait for the answer. Just so surely as God lives, the day will come when, in a second, God will avenge His people here, and will smite with speedy judgment every man and every woman who has lifted his or her finger against this work, bringing about the deliverance of ZION CITY in every detail!

When I say that So and So is a providential character, some persons say, "Do you believe that God sent Him?"

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There are two kinds of providential characters. Moses was a providential character, and Pharaoh was just as much a providential character as was Moses, God sent the one and the Devil sent the other; althought God said to Pharaoh, "For this same purpose have I raised thee up."

All that you and I have to do is to "PRAY, AND NOT TO FAINT;" and some of these days we shall see the ZION banner floating over all ZION CITY site. God will be vindicated, the reproach will be taken away, and the poor tools of the Devil who thought to turn ZION CITY into a city of the world and to damn it will be swept to destruction. Far better that they should never have been born! Far better that, when they were born, a mill-stone had been hanged about their necks and they had been "cast into the sea," than that they should have lived to be tools of the Devil and seek to destroy and damn God Almighty's work! It is a very serious business, I tell you!

That word "speedily" in the Eighth Verse means *suddenly*.

What did God do with Pharaoh and the Egyptian hosts? He bore with them for a long time while they held Israel in bondage, but the time came when He caused them to be swallowed in the Red Sea.

God's Work Cannot be Destroyed

The biggest fool on earth is the man who fights God. He may think that because he does not come to naught in a day, or a month, or a year, it is all right. It makes no difference how long it takes: so surely as God lives, if we pray and do not faint, God will "avenge His Own elect."

The thought in this Parable of the Widow is that if the unjust judge, who cares nothing for the widow and who fears not God nor regards man, will answer her, shall not God, Who loves the Church "as the apple of His eye," avenge her suddenly? He certainly will!

Yes, Jesus is here this afternoon!

There is coming a Lord's Day afternoon when you will not be here; this Choir will not be here — if they are what I believe them to be; I shall not be here. Then, if you are left, you must take your choice — deny the Lord, or have your head cut off.

Do you believe that?

Is it all Greek to you? If it is, God pity you! I feel sorry for you!

Sometimes I say, "Lord do you want me to say any more?" because I feel, in my heart, that enough has been said.

"Lord, should I say any more?"

Some people say, "Oh, the world is not half so bad as he makes it out to be!"

Isn't it?

It is A THOUSAND TIMES WORSE than you and I can imagine!

Sometimes I feel in my spirit that it may be a matter of only a few weeks before the Lord comes; and it *cannot* be a matter of more than a few years.

The "Times of the Gentiles" Will Die in Three Successive Stages

The "times of the Gentiles" are dying!

The "times of the Gentiles" were born in three successive stages, and it may be that they will die in three successive stages. If so, there is no doubt in my mind but that we have passed the first stage in their death and are approaching the second stage.

Is it hard for you to believe?

Do you think that all this talk about world revolution means nothing? If you do, you will be caught in a fool's trap. There is no well-informed, conservative man anywhere who, in his heart, does not whisper, "It is only a short time off!"

What are you going to do when the storm threatens to destroy you?

Your only hope of deliverance is the Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. There is no other! And if you, my brother, or you, my sister — deacon, deaconess, apostle, elder — can live one day without crying, "Lord Jesus, come!" — and that spontaneously — there is something wrong with you. If I lived a day without crying for the Coming of my Lord, I should sit down in the evening and say, "Voliva, there is something radically wrong with you somewhere! You are out of tune with God!" How could I, in the face of the signs, in the face of the threatened destruction of civilization, be asleep?

I am not wasting any sympathy or shedding any tears over those who have not had a chance. Everybody has had a chance!

I do not think that many more signs will be hung out.

My Bible tells me that "NOW" — TODAY — "IS THE DAY OF SALVATION." Do you know where it says that *tomorrow* is the day of salvation? If you do, you know more than I do!

...Behold, NOW is the accepted time; behold, NOW is the day of salvation. — II Corinthians 6:2.

I do not find anything that justifies me in giving you any hope that you will be here tomorrow. I have no right to count on tomorrow.

Beloved in Jesus the Christ, this Church will be *what you and I make it*. The Church is made up of individuals. The City of ZION will be *what you and I make it*. I hope you see that! All that is necessary is that, of the thousands of people here, there shall not be one who wants a moving picture show, or a theater, or tobacco, or liquor, or any of the vices of the world.

Now, the Lord said to blind Bartimaeus, "RECEIVE THY SIGHT: THY FAITH HATH SAVED THEE."

...We walk by faith, not by sight. — II Corinthians 5:7.

God has given to you and to me a wonderful heritage.

What is Involved in Finishing the Work in Zion

I ask you plainly: What is involved in finishing the work that we have to do here?

We must find the money with which to buy the things that once belonged to ZION. Well, then, let us get to work and DO IT, and let us pray at every family altar; let us pray as we go about our work. God will hear us! The tools of hell will tremble before the prayers of the thousands in ZION.

This is God's little City! He built it for the saints, and after a while He will take us all away with Him.

When we say that, some persons ask the question, "What will happen to ZION CITY after we are gone?"

Why do you ask that question?

Do you remember what the Lord said to Peter when Peter, after the Lord had told him that he was going to die by crucifixion, looked around and, seeing John, said: "Lord, what is *he* going to do?" Jesus said to him, in substance: "You attend to your own business! If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to you?"

What right have I to say, "Now, Lord, before I make another move or do another thing, you must tell me what is going to happen to this City after the Lord comes"? If I did, the Lord would say, "You attend to your own business! What will happen to this City is none of your business!"

I shall be in a better place! What do I care what happens to it? I am going to be an inhabitant of the New Jerusalem! Why should I care what happens down here?

I should like you to shut your eyes and look at your mansions in the skies, and then to tell me what you see up there.

Christ said:

In My Father's house are many mansions.... I go to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. — John 14:2, 3.

As you look up to your "Father's house," what kind of mansion do you see?

Do you see a dog kennel, into which you have to crawl in order to enter?

It frightens me when I see the way in which the people live the worldly life.

We are *in* this world, but we are not *of* it. We eat and sleep, and we dress this physical organism, in which the spirit lives, but it is only secondary.

The Curse of Mammon Worship has Gripped the World

What is the matter with the old world today?

It is WORSHIPING MAMMON — that is what is the matter!

A nice (?) state of affairs exists in this old world, does it not?

What is the matter?

Greed!

Selfishness!

MONEY!

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What good will their money do them? Let me tell you something: The time is not far off when it will be an unspeakable disgrace to be rich; when the rich man will travel and live under an assumed name; when men, if they have any money, will seek to hide.

Did you read the list of English dukes and lords who have sold everything they have in Europe and are on their way to British Columbia and to South Africa?

What is the matter with them?

They see the storm that is coming, and they are trying to escape with their plunder. But the day is coming when no spot on earth will be safe for them. A man who does not see the storm coming is a fool. He does not *want* to see it; that is the trouble?

The nationalization of industries in this country is only a question of time. There is no use living in a fool's Paradise. They admit that it is already an assured fact in England, and that England is face to face with a revolution; that it is a question of time only before the Lloyd George government goes to smash and the labor party takes the reins.

I say, the quicker the Lord comes and cleans up the whole business the better. And yet I read an article by a preacher the other day who said, "The next fifty years will be the most wonderful period in the history of the church."

The idiot! That is all he is!

A great many of these preachers go around over the country saying that the world is getting better and that the churches are getting better. They know they are not telling the truth!

Zion is the Only Place Where the Gospel is Preached in its Fulness

There is only one place in the world today where the Gospel is preached, and that is in ZION!

"Oh," you say, "yes, there is another — my church!"

All right! Will you arrange it so that I can speak there next Lord's Day evening? We shall see how much Gospel they have! I will guarantee you will have hard work getting out of that church alive, because I will "tear the hide off" the hypocritical old deacons and the "stinkpot" membership, until they will writhe and wail and gnash their teeth.

The ministers are big cowards — every last one of them! They are compromisers and temporizers!

There is only one free platform in the world, and that is this old platform in Shiloh Tabernacle, from which we can preach the whole Word of God, hit every sin in the catalog, and ask no one for any favors. Duplicate it in this world if you can!

How can a preacher who is called by the people and paid a salary be a free man? He cannot be!

ZION, let us close up our ranks tighter than ever!

Let us pull together!

Let us PRAY ALWAYS, AND NEVER FAINT!

Let us never give up, even though there is no light; even though the Heavens may seem to be as brass over our heads!

Let us STICK TO IT!

Let us KNOCK until the door is opened and the blessing is gained!

Is there one in this audience who is tired of sin, disgusted with serving the Devil, and who is ready to turn and serve God? There is my hand, and you have my prayers. Here are hundreds of men and women who love God, who will help you and pray for you.

God has done *everything* to save you!

I have done all that I can for your salvation, although it is poor enough at best!

Salvation a Matter of Choice and Surrender

It is for YOU, now, to decide! YOU must do something!

Jesus died for you!

The Holy Spirit came! He is knocking at your heart!

We have sung the hymns of praise, this afternoon! We have read the Word! We have prayed! We have exhorted you! We have given you this little story — this simple little story of Bartimaeus, with its lessons — not all of them, but some of them!

Now it is for YOU to say, "I will surrender to God!"

Take your stand for God, join hands with us, and let us go forward together!

BENEDICTION

Zion's Watchwords

1895. "Christ shall be magnified in my body." — Philippians 1:20.
1896. "Come, and let us join ourselves to the Lord in a perpetual covenant." — Jeremiah 50:5.
1897. "Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion, unto the Lord our God." — Jeremiah 31:6.
1898. "Guard the deposit." — I Timothy 6:20.
1899. "Go Forward." — Exodus 14:15.
1900. "I will bring you to Zion." — Jeremiah 3:14.
1901. "Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion, unto the Lord our God." — Jeremiah 31:6.
1902. "Thy God Reigneth." — Isaiah 52:7.
1903. "Till He Come." — I Corinthians 11:26.
1904. "I Will Come Again." — John 14:3.
1905. "Incarnation." — Colossians 1:27.
1906. "God Reigns." — Psalms 93:1, 97:1, 99:1.
1907. "God Reigns." — Psalms 93:1, 97:1, 99:1.
1908. "Jehovah Hath Founded Zion." — Isaiah 14:32.
1909. "For God Will Save Zion." — Psalm 69:35.
1910. "For God is With Us." — Isaiah 8:10.
1911. "Go Forward, O Zion." — Exodus 14:15.
1912. "Have Faith in God." — Mark 11:22.
"Faith without Works is Dead." — James 2:26.
1913. "Now is the accepted time." — II Corinthians 6:2.
"Redeeming the time." — Ephesians 5:16.
1914. "Zion, let not thine hands be slack." — Zephaniah 3:16.
1915. "Let us go up at once, and possess it (Zion City); for we are well able to do it." — Numbers 13:30.
1916. "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit yourselves like men, be strong." — I Corinthians 16:13.
1917. "Every life, every talent, every dollar: all that you are and all that you possess upon God's altar for the upbuilding of Zion."
1918. "But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer." — I Peter 4:7.
1919. "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the FAITH." — II Corinthians 13:5.
"Earnestly contend for the FAITH which was once for all delivered unto the saints." — Jude, Verse 3.

Right Hand of Fellowship

The following-named Persons received the Right Hand of Fellowship, Lord's Day, December 7, 1919, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, Illinois:

Bullivant, Phillip	Illinois
Butler, Mr. A. L.	Illinois
Butler, Mrs. D. A.	Illinois
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Carswell, Mr. Colin James	Illinois
Covington, Mrs. Ada	Illinois
Crum, Helen Beulah	Illinois
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DeVona, Mrs. Mabel Falley	Illinois
Gustafson, Mr. Finley C.	Illinois
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Hobbs, Elmer Glenn	Illinois
Hobbs, Ethel Pauline	Illinois
Hobbs, Mr. Floyd Collins	Illinois
Hobbs, Mrs. Sarah Pauline	Illinois
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Mann, Horace	Illinois
Mann, Wilbur	Illinois
Peter, Anna Ruth	Illinois
Peter, Helen May	Illinois
Peter, John Wesley	Illinois
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Total amount of business done by all the institutions for twelve months — July 31, 1918, to July 31, 1919.....	2,154,920.00
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—WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

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The year is now passing into history—the records have been made. Though but a short space of time many important events have transpired, yet amidst all the turmoil and strife, the unrest and uncertainties around us, causing at times considerable interruption in the regular routine of life, Zion has been steadily marching forward.

Our business in the store has remarkably increased. We have endeavored to maintain a just and fair business margin of profit, giving the people the best values possible.

We are always glad to correct any error to the satisfaction of everyone concerned. It is our ambition, however, in the future to make good progress along every line and trust that every Zion person realizes that we are here to make trading as pleasant and economical as possible. It is you that have made our success possible.

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We have purchased a nice variety of Calendars for the coming year, including one with a Scripture text for each day. They are for free distribution, one to each household, and may be had December the 26th and the following days. Should you be unable to come and get one, you can send us a postal, and we will reserve one for you.

Yours for a Happy New Year,

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GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Father Healed of Influenza; Mother Healed of Aenemia; Children Healed of Influenza and Many Diseases, by the Power of God, in Answer to the Prayers of Faithful Officers in Zion



MR. AND MRS. JOHN P. OWER AND FAMILY

ZION'S HOPE is in her army of children and young people now being trained in Zion Educational Institutions.

The Bible has been crowded out of most homes, and out of nearly all schools of learning.

True riches do not consist in houses and lands, stocks and bonds, gold and silver, but in treasures of mind and heart—true Christian character.

Earthly treasures perish with the using; but heavenly treasures endure forever.

In Zion homes God and Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit are

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given their rightful place, and in ZION Schools the Bible is the principal textbook. Therefore, a generation is being raised up that has faith in God, that believes in the precious promises of His Word, and knows how to pray and get an answer direct from God.

A CHRISTIAN GENERATION ARISING IN ZION

ZION is the children's paradise!

The family, whose remarkable testimony follows this article, praise God that they live in ZION CITY where they are ministered to by faithful shepherds in ZION; where their children are educated in Christian schools, and grow up under pure surroundings.

In the outside schools, children and young people are being taught the wisdom of men only, and are becoming little else than educated animals.

Theaters, moving picture shows, etc., are creating a generation of thieves and murderers.

The churches, with their hospitals and medical missionaries, etc., are creating infidels and destroying faith in the Word of God, and in the Divinity of Jesus Christ the Healer of His people.

ZION A HARBINGER OF THE MILLENNIUM

ZION is God's great depository of truth and knowledge — God's oracle! — the medium through which God is giving the revelation of His truth to a famine-stricken, war-torn, sin-cursed, and disease-smitten world. In her, truths — long hidden under the superstition and ignorance of an apostate church and ministry — have been and are being brought to light.

ZION is no accident! She is a providential organization, raised up in these last days by God to prepare a people for joint rulership with Jesus Christ in His Millennial reign.

Here we are training a people for rulership, who will rule in the fear of God and administer all things in accordance with the Divine plan as set forth in the Word of God — who will obey the laws of God for spirit, soul and body.

THE INEVITABLE RESULT OF ZION TEACHING AND TRAINING

Children in ZION know nothing else except to trust God.

Read the touching story of how father and little Charlie were healed of Influenza, and how wonderfully God answered prayer.

There is no more beautiful sight in this world than a child kneeling in prayer! And God wonderfully answers the little children's prayers in ZION.

It is the faith of a little child that all must have — simple, childlike faith in Jesus!

Again and again prayer has been heard for this family. It is a wonderful record! Surely they can testify to the truth:

"WHO FORGIVETH ALL THINE INIQUITIES;

"WHO HEALETH ALL THY DISEASES." — Psalm 103:3.

— APOSTLE WM. S. PECKHAM.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MR. JOHN P. OWER

Zion, Lake County, Illinois,
November 27, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to thee!

It is my heart's desire to praise God for the wonderful way He heard and answered prayer for myself and family when stricken with the Spanish Influenza.

I also want to thank you, and all those in Zion who prayed for me at that time when, humanly speaking, there was no hope of my recovery. But, thanks be to God! no matter how hard the Devil may try to destroy our lives, if our trust is fully in the Lord, He will deliver us from the very jaws of death.

On October 12, 1918, I suffered an attack of the Influenza. After being in bed four and a half days, I was able to get up. My wife was also sick with it at the same time, and was just able to keep going until I got up.

On October 25th, I was seized with a second attack, having been careless in exposing myself. I had to take to bed again on October 27th, and gradually grew worse. The inward fever and aching all over my body was so severe that it seemed I could get no relief. My wife went to the telephone and requested prayer for me, — and I do thank God that we live in a place where there are men who can pray the prayer of faith! God heard and answered prayer, and the terrible aching was taken away in a few moments, never to come back again during my whole sickness.

But the disease still worked on in my body. I began to have trouble with my breathing. It was becoming more and more difficult to get my breath. By the night of November 3rd I was having a hard fight and seemed to be gradually losing out. I had to cough as hard as I could to get a little phlegm up, which would help my breathing a little; but the closing in of my lungs was getting tighter and tighter, until at last it seemed as though everything closed right up and I could not get my breath. I could feel myself drifting, as it were, away.

My wife and sister, who were sitting by my bedside, saw that I was dying. They earnestly besought the Lord to spare my life, and He again answered prayer, and my lungs were opened up so that I could breathe freely. The life had already left my arms to the elbows, and part of my face. I believe that in about another minute all would have been over; but, praise be to God! He is more powerful than our adversary, the Devil, and would only allow him to go so far, and no further.

My heart, which by this time was getting into a very weak condition, began to cause me severe trouble. By the next night it was so weak there seemed to be just a faint fluttering of it. I lay for hours with the feeling that if I were to move it would stop altogether. But God brought me safely through this night also.

I had a number of comforting texts hanging on the wall in front of me. One read, "Let not your heart be troubled;" and another, "God shall supply all your need." I used to think to myself, "Yes, that is true; God has supplied my need for another night."

By this time my strength seemed almost gone. I used to repeat to myself, "God is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear? God is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?" So He had to be the strength of my life, for my strength was all gone.

Still the Devil was determined to do his worst to crush the life out of me. On November 6th I was attacked with pleuro-pneumonia; and what I suffered with this it would be impossible to describe. But I do thank my Heavenly Father that He was merciful to me and again answered prayer.

I never appreciated living in Zion so much before as I did during my sickness. It was very encouraging to me to have faithful Officers of the Church call and read God's precious promises to me, and pray for me, and to see how wonderfully their prayers were answered. Much of the time I was too sick to pray for myself. How I used to look forward, when suffering intensely, to the nine o'clock hour of prayer! because I knew many earnest Christians were offering up prayer for me and for those who were suffering.

For three weeks I had hardly any sleep, and almost nothing to eat. If I took nourishment it seemed to make me worse; so it was easy for me to go without eating, as I had no desire whatever for food; but I became very weak. Deaconess Farrar, who was taking care of me at this time, said I was simply dying of weakness. So we prayed about the matter, and I decided to eat in the Name of the Lord, trusting Him to cause the food to digest and to prevent the suffering which had resulted when I had taken it before. From that time on I had no more trouble along these lines; and in a few days my appetite began to return, and I gained steadily in strength.

It was seven weeks from the time I was taken to bed with the relapse until I was able to get out of bed again. Then I was almost skin and bones. I had stoppage of the bowels, and my kidneys refused to act; and, after I began to recover, I was almost blind for a number of days.

But God has brought me safely through all these troubles, for which I thank Him. Truly every good and perfect gift is from above and cometh down from our kind Heavenly Father!

My little boy, Charlie, eight years old, was seized with a second attack of the Influenza, after being up out of bed two weeks. In a few hours after complaining of not feeling well, he was in a raging fever, his breathing being very fast and difficult, while his heart was all a-flutter, and he sank into a sort of stupor. He was in such a serious condition that I said to my wife I could see he would not last long unless God speedily delivered him. We sent in a request for prayer for him, and went to God in earnest prayer ourselves, asking God to show us if there was anything in our lives which would be a hindrance to His answering our prayers, and to help us to make a full consecration of our lives to Him. In a few moments after prayer, the child fell into a quiet sleep, and recovered very quickly. He said to me when he awoke (he realized he had been very sick), "I don't know what we would do when we get sick like this if we had no Jesus to go to."

What a privilege it is to be able to carry everything to God in prayer!

While lying in the "valley of the shadow of death," my whole life seemed to pass before me. An awful regret took hold of me, to think I had done so little to win others for Christ. That song came to my mind often—

"Must I go, and empty handed,
Must I meet my Savior so?
Not one soul with which to greet Him;
Must I empty handed go?"

and I would think what a dreadful thing it would be to have to meet our Lord and Savior not having been the means of bringing at least one to Him, Who has done so much for us. There seemed to me to be so much more I might have done to try and win others to Christ, had I just been willing to make the self-sacrifice necessary.

It is my determination, God helping me, to render Him more faithful service than ever before, and endeavor to show by the life that I live that I am truly thankful to Him for all He has done for me.

I would like to ask all who may read this testimony to look over their past lives and see if they have done, and are doing, what they might do toward winning others for Christ. Each one has a work to do which no one but himself can do. If we do not each do our work, then it is left undone.

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"Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy Crown."

—Revelation 3:11.

I am faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

EDITORIAL NOTES

BY APOSTLE E. L. CAREY

FAITHFULNESS BRINGS ITS OWN REWARD.

WHO THEN IS A FAITHFUL and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?

Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods. — Matthew 24:45-47.

His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. — Matthew 25:21.

THE PSALMIST once said:

"Help, Lord; for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men." — Psalm 12:1.

Paul also wrote concerning Timothy in his Epistle to the Philippians:

"I have no man likeminded, who will naturally care for your state.

"For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's.

"But ye know the proof of him, that, as a son with the father, he hath served with me in the Gospel." — Philippians 2:20-22.

THE WORLD'S NEED has always been faithful men, and this is true today.

As we look out over the world today, we can ask the question appropriately which was asked by the writer of the Twentieth Chapter of Proverbs:

"...A faithful man who can find?"

TO FIND a faithful man is to find a prize.

We speak of faithfulness in the light of God's Word and as God counts faithfulness.

There are many men who are faithful to their earthly employers, but who are very unfaithful to their God. They are very scrupulous about pleasing those who are over them, but they do not seem to consider the ingratitude that they show towards Him Who is over all and above all — the Great, Supreme Being.

IT IS WRITTEN of Jesus Christ that He "was faithful to Him Who appointed Him." — Hebrews 3:2.

Every Christian, therefore, should be faithful; but we all know that there are very few people who call themselves Christians who are faithful.

The profession of Christianity, with most people, is simply like a coat that a man puts on today and takes off tomorrow, just as it suits him; — in other words, the profession of Christianity is assumed by many simply as a convenience, and, in fact, as a matter of selfishness to further their own selfish ends.

Alas that it should be said! but the statement just made must be admitted to be true, so far as the vast majority of professing Christians are concerned.

FAITHFULNESS TO GOD and, therefore, faithfulness to our fellowmen, in the highest sense of the word, is, alas, a thing that is very rare and hard to be found!

The Scriptures bear us out in this statement, and so also does history generally, and the experiences of God's most devoted children.

IT IS WRITTEN: "Moses verily was faithful in all his house."

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It is a very interesting study, in reading the Word of God, to note the different characters who are set forth and mentioned specially as having been men of God, and, therefore, considered faithful.

THE KINGS of Israel and Judah make a very interesting study.

How few there were of them who were good men!

Asa was a faithful man — so faithful that he did not even consider his mother, whom "he removed from being queen because she had made an idol in a grove." It is said that "Asa destroyed her idol, and burnt it by the brook Kidron."

We might mention another king; namely, Hezekiah, who was very faithful in removing the high places and breaking down the images and cutting down the groves of the idol worshipers; and it is said of him:

"He trusted in the Lord God of Israel; so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor any who were before him.

"For he clave to the Lord, and departed not from following Him, but kept His commandments, which the Lord commanded Moses." — II Kings 18:4-6.

HOW VALUABLE indeed to a nation is a truly faithful man, especially if he be found to occupy a high and responsible position!

What the nations need is the force of example and the rulership of men who think and act from the very highest motives. Such men are an inestimable blessing to the people, and such men will always live in the minds of the people.

PAUL was careful, in writing to Timothy, to instruct him to select faithful men, who would be able to teach others.

WHAT WONDER is it that there are so many strange and wicked doctrines taught today throughout the world, and believed in by so many!

The reason is clear!

The world lacks teachers; that is, faithful teachers — men who are faithful to God and to His Word.

It is said, "Like priest, like people." This is true!

When ZION says that the leaders of the religious organizations today have proven unfaithful, she is prepared to stand by her statement, and to give ample evidence that her statement is true. In fact, it is not only ZION that makes this assertion, but even men in the forefront of the various religious organizations make it.

THIS BEING SO, it is no wonder that the rank and file of the people who attend the churches and profess to be Christians are, as a whole, so unfaithful to God.

Surely the time is ripe for a people to arise who can be counted as faithful — a righteous people; a holy people!

This is what the Church of God must be, and what it certainly will be when Jesus Christ comes for His own.

IT IS WRITTEN that "the law shall go forth out of ZION and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem."

God will prepare and train ZION so that, in His time, this prophecy shall be fulfilled.

ZION is the training ground for God's children!

In ZION, Divine authority and discipline are taught and insisted upon; and this must be so more and more as time passes along, till, at last, a people shall have been so taught and trained that they will be fit and ready to meet Jesus Christ, and will be accounted worthy to be with Him as the Church "without spot or wrinkle."

FROM ALL that we have said, it is therefore apparent that every true child of God should be very diligent, and very earnest and prayerful, concerning these things, and so think and act that he or she shall not at the last, miss the mark, but be found to have attained to the "prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

A CHRISTIAN man or woman — especially a ZION man or woman — should make sure that he or she is pleasing God every day and should endeavor to improve the time and "grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ."

ZION PEOPLE have been taught a number of things that many of our Christian brethren outside have not the privilege of understanding, because they have not had the right teaching. God will, therefore, require more from them because of this.

A ZION MAN should never forget to pray every day to his God, at least, it seems to us, three times a day — morning, noon and night!

A ZION man should never let one day pass without reading the Word of God! If he does he will lose to that extent!

A ZION man should always be very faithful, — particularly concerning the payment of his tithes. God should always be first to him.

It is hard to conceive of a man who can be truly called a ZION man being unfaithful in the least degree concerning the payment of his tithes. The blessing or the curse of God, according to the Scriptures, will be his lot as he obeys His God or disobeys Him.

WE CANNOT TRIFLE WITH GOD; and God will not be trifled with!

The Word of God, it has been clearly shown, promises great blessings to the man who is true and faithful.

Those who shall sit with Jesus Christ on His throne, those who shall be counted worthy to reign with Him, will be those who have been faithful in all things.

AND WE WILL NOT NEED TO WAIT till then for reward, for God gives his reward now to those who love Him and who prove their love by their deeds.

A conscience void of offence is a splendid thing to have. It is the privilege of every man to have this — but how many are there who have it?

LET EVERY man, woman, and child, in ZION, give himself and herself, at this time, fully to God.

God's work calls for action!

Oh, the vast field that awaits ZION!

WE ARE LIVING in the last days of this wonderful Age. It will not be long ere the end comes! The signs are sure! They abound on every hand!

Brethren, let us arouse ourselves; let us be earnest; let us be true!

Let us lay hold of eternal verities and, as one man, march forward for God and for ZION!

THINK OF THE MILLIONS of men in Europe who have fought for their respective countries! They left homes, fathers, mothers, wives, and children. They gave their lives for the cause which they considered so dear.

Then, what about the children of God?

Shall we hold back aught from Him Who gave Himself for us?

Shall we forget that the interests of the Kingdom of God demand our all; yea, our very lives?

Let God possess all our love, all our talents, all our abilities, and all our property; yea, let every thing that we have be placed at God's disposal!

BRETHREN, if we do this, we shall be counted worthy to stand before our God, at the last, and receive the words of commendation:

"WELL DONE, THOU GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT!"

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"THE GREAT TRIBULATION"

Report of the Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, in Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A., Tuesday Afternoon, June 17, 1919.

(Reported by E. I. C.)

Let all turn to Ezekiel the Thirty-eighth Chapter. I am very anxious that you shall get these important chapters fixed in your minds and hearts, so that you can read them in your own homes.

I read to you last Lord's Day afternoon the Second Chapter of Second Thessalonians, which starts out:

Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him.....

The Chapters that I shall read this afternoon are much heavier than this Second Chapter of Second Thessalonians.

I have tried to make everything very plain. Perhaps it is so plain to me that I do not make it plain to you.

When we begin to teach a boy United States history, the first thing he studies in his textbook is the discovery of America, is it not? Then he goes on, studying chapter after chapter.

That is what we are doing here.

The "Time of the End," Now Creeping Upon This World

There is a period of time referred to in the Bible as the "time of the end," the "day of the Lord." That is the period that is now creeping upon this world. I have told you that as we approach the beginning of that period, the League of Nations will, according to the Bible, be formed, and that there will be another great combination, known in the Bible as the Northeastern Confederacy.

I noticed in the paper yesterday a statement which interested me very much — a statement of Paderewski's. You know of him as the great pianist, if you do not know of him as head of the Polish republic. He has given up the piano now to be a statesman. In an interview which he gave in Paris, June 15th, he said: "I look for a Russo-German alliance (that is, an alliance between Russia and Germany) against the League of Nations within ten years." Then he further said: "The Big Four have left a wide-open door to Germany in the east, and within ten years Germany will smash her way through Poland and will join Russia in a league of nations of their own."

If a big lion from Lincoln Park were to walk in that door, it would not take a prophet to see him, would it? A man could see him with his naked eye. And so it does not require a prophet to see the League of Nations now. The old Prophet Daniel foresaw it and described it; John the Apostle, on the isle of Patmos in 96 A. D., foresaw it and described it.

Ezekiel described the Northeastern Confederacy, headed by Russia. I shall read to you about it this afternoon. I shall read three chapters, which, although they are heavy, are very interesting.

Paderewski can see the Northeastern Confederacy; so can I. One does not have to be a prophet in order to see it, because it is in the air.

This world will be split into two camps!

Today, while you and I sit here so quietly and so peacefully, twenty-three wars are raging on this earth — harbingers of the glorious (?) period of peace!

The Three Leading Nations to Head the Northeastern Confederacy

This Northeastern Confederacy will be headed by Russia, Germany, and Japan — they will be the three leading nations; and they will be joined by China, Turkey in Asia, and so on.

The Bible tells us all about the "time of the end," during which period the saints will be up in Heaven, and during which you will have the League of Nations and the great Northeastern Confederacy. When this "time of the end" comes, these two world divisions will come together for a great battle in Palestine, around Jerusalem, and it will be in the midst of that battle that the Lord will come back to this earth with His saints to begin His wonderful thousand-year reign.

I shall read to you in the Thirty-eighth and the Thirty-ninth Chapters of Ezekiel, where you will find some intensely fascinating things. It is a description of the Northeastern Confederacy that is about to be formed.

And the word of the Lord came unto me (Ezekiel), saying,

That is, God revealed it. God, Who foresaw the end from the beginning and who wrote every chapter from the beginning, revealed to the Prophet Ezekiel that at a certain time the great Northeastern Confederacy, headed by Russia, would be formed,

Son of man, set thy face against Gog, —

Gog will be the name of the ruler of the great Northeastern Confederacy. The land of this great division of the world is called *Magog*.

— against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

If you will make a note here that "Meshech" is MOSCOW and "Tubal" is TOBOLSK, you will understand this better.

— and prophesy against him,

It may be that Lenine will be the ruler of the great Northeastern Confederacy — I cannot tell. It will be some man.

And say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I AM AGAINST THEE, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal (Moscow and Tobolsk):

Dire Punishment Awaiting Russia for Her Persecution of God's Chosen People

Why?

Because Russia, of all nations, has led in the persecution of the Jews, God's chosen people; and, sooner or later, she will be punished for the part she has had in massacring them. Therefore, God says:

— I AM AGAINST THEE, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

At this period — the middle of the last seven years of the wind-up of the affairs of this world — Gog, the ruler of the Northeastern Confederacy (later called the "King of the North") will come into Palestine with a vast army to fight the ruler of the Revived Roman Empire, the League of Nations. So God says:

And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, —

The army of the Northeastern Confederacy, for the most part, will be on horseback.

— all of them clothed with all sorts of armor, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords:

The Russians are the greatest horsemen in the world, and the most natural thing would be that this army would be on horseback. The Cossacks are Russians.

Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:

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Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, with all his bands: and many people with thee.

There is the line-up. It is also stated that this King of the North will conquer Egypt before he is finished.

Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them.

After many days thou shalt be visited: —

Now, notice:

— in the latter years —

The Period When the Affairs of This World Will be Wound Up

There is the seven-year period, the period during which the affairs of this world will be wound up.

— in the latter years thou shalt come into the land that is brought back from the sword, —

That is Palestine.

— and is gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations, and they shall dwell safely all of them.

Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee.

Thus saith the Lord God; It shall come to pass, that at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an evil thought:

That is, the invasion of Palestine.

And thou shalt say, I will go up —

Where will he go?

— to the land of UNWALLED VILLAGES; —

That is Palestine. Palestine will be the center of the closing scenes of the history of this world under the rule of man. This King of the North will say:

— I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will go to them who are at rest, who dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates:

To take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places that are now inhabited, and upon the people who are gathered OUT OF THE NATIONS, who have gotten cattle and goods, who dwell in the midst of the land.

That will be the condition of the Jews when they get back to Palestine: they will be immensely rich, and Palestine will be one of the richest places the world ever has seen.

Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?

The Northeastern Confederacy to Descend in Great Wrath Upon Palestine

That is exactly what the King of the North will come for — to despoil Israel and Jerusalem, and to take away from the Jews the great wealth that will have poured into Palestine. That will be during the last three and one-half years of the seven-year period, because the Jews return to Palestine during the first three and one-half years. There is a great deal being said about their return to Palestine now.

Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord God; In that day when My people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it?

And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, —

That is, out of Russia, principally.

— thou, and many people with thee, all of them RIDING UPON HORSES, a great company, and a mighty army.

Germany, of course, will play a very important part in all this; and what Paderewski said and what other statesmen are saying — what they foresee — is exactly what is going to transpire in the near future. The Northeastern Confederacy will be formed, and, as the Bible foretells here, they will come down into Palestine:

— all of them riding upon horses, a great company, and a mighty army:

And thou shalt come up against My people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be —

When?

— in the latter days, —

This is the seven-year period.

— and I will bring thee against My land, that the heathen may know Me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes.

That is, they come into this country to punish the unbelieving Jews, who will reject Christ as the Messiah.

Thus saith the Lord God; Art thou he of whom I have spoken in old time by My servants the prophets of Israel, who prophesied in those days many years that I would bring thee against them?

And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord God, that My fury shall come up in My face.

For in My jealousy and in the fire of My wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel;

That is, in Palestine.

So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men who are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at My Presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.

And I will call for a sword against him throughout all My mountains, saith the Lord God: every man's sword shall be against his brother.

And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.

Thus will I magnify Myself, and sanctify Myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I AM THE LORD.

That is the Thirty-eighth Chapter. It is a description of that which is drawing near.

"The Day of the Lord Will Come as a Thief in the Night"

Here is the main point, beloved hearers: The Bible tells us that this period will come upon the world as a "thief in the night" — HOW ABOUT YOU? That is why I am holding these meetings.

But the day of the Lord will come as a THIEF IN THE NIGHT .... (II Peter 3:10)

You and I have the Word of God and the "sure Word of prophecy," and, with our eyes open, we can see that this period is coming. We do not need to allow it to overtake us as a "thief in the night," it makes no difference how simple we are or how meager our education is. "God is no respecter of persons" (Acts 10:34), and every individual has the privilege of turning to Him and becoming a Christian. Those who do will not be overtaken as a "thief in the night" by this period.

You have heard the Word of God read in ZION, and you can see what is coming and be prepared for it; but the world is asleep, and the world will know nothing of this day until it strikes them.

There is a specific promise in the Bible that all Christians are to be kept from going through this period.

The Thirty-ninth Chapter:

Therefore, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel:

And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand.

Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee: —

This king and his army will fall and be destroyed.

— I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured.

In the Nineteenth Chapter of Revelation, an invitation is given to all the vultures to assemble in the valley of Megiddo for the great supper. We have the same thing here in Ezekiel.

Thou shalt fall upon the open field: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord God.

And I shall send a fire on Magog, and among them who dwell carelessly in the isles: and they shall know that I am the Lord.

So will I make My Holy Name known in the midst of My people

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Israel; and I will not let them pollute My Holy Name any more: and the heathen shall know that I am the Lord, the Holy One in Israel.

The Peace Conference Convened in Paris Ignored the Word of God and Prayer

The nations pay very little attention to God today. Take the peace conference in Paris — was there any prayer? Did they read a line of Scripture? No! It seems incredible that the President of the United States of America, of all men, could sit in that peace conference all this time without a line of Scripture being read or a word of prayer being offered.

Behold, it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord God; this is the day whereof I have spoken.

And they who dwell in the cities of Israel shall go forth, and shall set on fire and burn the weapons, both the shields and the bucklers, the bows and the arrows, and the handstaves, and the spears, and they shall burn them with fire seven years.

It will take *seven years* to clean up that battle field. You can see how that will be, when two hundred million soldiers will be gathered there.

So that they shall take no wood out of the field, neither cut down any out of the forests; for they shall burn the weapons with fire: and they shall spoil those who spoiled them, and rob those who robbed them, saith the Lord God.

This will be the gathering of the Jews on this field of battle after these soldiers are slain.

And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will give unto Gog a place there of graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it shall stop the noses of the passengers: and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call it The valley of Hamon-gog.

And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them, that they may cleanse the land.

Yea, all the people of the land shall bury them; and it shall be to them a renown the day that I shall be glorified, saith the Lord God.

And they shall sever out men of continual employment, passing through the land to bury with the passengers those who remain upon the face of the earth, to cleanse it: after the end of seven months shall they search.

And the passengers that pass through the land, when any seeth a man's bone, then shall he set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the valley of Hamon-gog.

And also the name of the city shall be Hamonah. Thus shall they cleanse the land.

And, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord God; Speak unto every feathered fowl, and to every beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to My sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, even a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel, that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood.

Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, —

Because all of them will be assembled there for this final battle.

—of rams, of lambs, and of goats, of bullocks, all of them fatlings of Bashan.

And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you.

Thus ye shall be filled at My table with horses and chariots, with mighty men, and with all men of war, saith the Lord God.

And I will set My glory among the heathen, and all the heathen shall see My judgment that I have executed, and My hand that I have laid upon them

The nations today are ripe — fully ripe — for the judgments of God the Almighty.

The Two Restorations of the Jews to the Land of Palestine

So the house of Israel shall know that I am the Lord their God from that day and forward.

And the heathen shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity: because they trespassed against Me, therefore hid I My face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword.

According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions have I done unto them, and hid My face from them.

Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for My Holy Name;

After that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against Me, when they dwelt safely in their land, and none made them afraid.

When I have brought them again from the people, and gathered them out of their enemies' lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations;

Then shall they know that I am the Lord their God, Who caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there.

This has reference to God's restoration of the Jews at the end of the seven years. Their restoration at the beginning of the seven years is the *Devil's* restoration. The Jews are going back to Palestine now, and in a very few months they will return there in large numbers.

Neither will I hide My face any more from them: for I have poured out My Spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord God.

I have read to you two wonderful chapters, and there is no need to explain them or to say anything about them. They are simply a description of the Northeastern Confederacy, led by Russia. Yet I will guarantee that the average preacher and the average church member do not know they are in the Bible. The preachers preach every Sunday on the glorious reign of peace (?) that is dawning, and they deceive the people.

Now, let us look at the Fourteenth Chapter of Zechariah for a few minutes, where we have a description of the same thing.

Behold, the day of the Lord cometh, —

The "day of the Lord" is this seven-year period of which I have spoken — the "GREAT AND TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD." This is the year 1919, and some day this period will dawn. It looks as though it is very near at hand.

Behold, the day of the Lord cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.

That is, Israel's spoil — all that she has gained and the wealth of the nations that she has gathered together. The nations will get together and take it all away from her.

For I will gather all nations —

ALL NATIONS! Where will He gather them?

— AGAINST JERUSALEM to battle; and the city —

That is, Jerusalem.

— shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

The Third Verse is the Coming of Jesus Christ in His glory at the end of this seven-year period, when the battle of Armageddon is fought:

Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when He fought in the day of battle.

Jesus Christ Will Descend to the Identical Place from Which He Ascended

From what place did Jesus ascend?

The Mount of Olives. And it will be the Mount of Olives to which He will descend. His literal feet will stand upon the literal Mount of Olives — the identical place from which He ascended.

Where?

— upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof —

Actually, literally, and materially.

— toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

Probably that will be brought about by an earthquake.

And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the Lord my God shall come, and all the saints with Thee.

Do you expect to come with Him?

Does every one in this audience expect to come back with Him?

The Glorious Destiny of the Saints With the Lord

What a glorious thing to be appointed a ruler by the Lord! What a wonderful thing!

— AND THE LORD MY GOD SHALL COME, AND ALL THE SAINTS WITH THEE.

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At the beginning of the seven years He will descend into the air and the saints will be transformed and caught up to meet Him. At the end of the seven years He will come back to this earth with the saints, descending, with them, to the Mount of Olives. Yet how few persons have any interest in it at all! Is it not a sad thing to think that your own loved ones, your own relatives, members of your own household — some of them — have no interest in it, take no notice of it, and laugh at it?

But the day of the Lord will come as a THIEF IN THE NIGHT .... (II Peter 3:10)

The people are too busy with the things of this world, the things of this life, to pay any attention to it.

That fine house and furniture — what will it amount to? They will soon dispose of them when Antichrist takes control of this world!

This seven-year period will be one massacre after another. Jesus said that unless the days were shortened, there would not be a man left alive on the earth.

One can see today the little cloud the size of a man's hand; and when this period dawns the cloud will cover the whole sky.

That is a wonderful promise!

— AND ALL THE SAINTS WITH THEE:

All the saints will come back with Him — every one of them — having immortal bodies, which cannot be shot, which cannot be hung, which cannot be stabbed, which cannot be harmed in any way.

We are living in great days! No doubt you have noticed that they have crossed the Atlantic ocean in airships.

The saints will descend and ascend just as the Lord did. The Lord ascended into Heaven more than once, for we know that He ascended immediately after He had talked to Mary Magdalene, and then descended.

The saints will be able to ride in trains, or automobiles, or airships; but if they do not wish to do so, they will be able to dispense with them altogether.

That time is coming, and it is not very far off, either. It is a beautiful thing!

— AND THE LORD MY GOD SHALL COME, AND ALL THE SAINTS WITH THEE.

Think of a man or a woman missing all that for the sake of a moving picture show, or a theater, or a dance, or some worldly thing! No wonder the Bible calls them fools — that is what they are! A man who does not believe in God and love and serve Him is a *fool,* that is all he is!

The Witness of Zion's Leaders Will Yet be Remembered

Chicago will remember Dowie and Voliva some day, you mark what I say! Wait until the next morning after the Rapture, and they will call to mind what Voliva's handbills said (millions of them have been distributed in this City), and they will remember, some of them, that when they were in this Tabernacle they laughed at what Voliva said, and sneered, and scoffed. But it will be too late!

It does not hurt a man of God to be laughed at, sneered at, scoffed at. They can call him a fool and everything else they wish, and it does not harm him. I would be ashamed if the world did *not* call me a fool.

The world receives its own!

The world knew not Christ; therefore the world does not know His true disciples. If you are on good terms with the world, the flesh, and the Devil, you are not a saint.

And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark:

That will frighten them! They are brave now, but just let the first indication of judgment appear and see what cowards they will be!

But it shall be one day which shall be known to the Lord, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light.

And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; —

That will be a literal river that will go out from Jerusalem after this mighty upheaval of the earth.

— half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be.

And the Lord shall be King over all the earth: in that day —

Beginning with the Millennium, which lasts for one thousand years, the only One Who will have anything to say about the government of this world will be the LORD JESUS CHRIST, "KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS." At the battle of Armageddon He will take the Antichrist and the False Prophet and hurl them into the lake of fire, and the King of the North will perish in the open field close to Jerusalem.

And the Lord shall be King over all the earth: in that day shall there be ONE LORD, and His Name One.

All the land shall be turned as a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem: and it shall be lifted up, and inhabited in her place, from Benjamin's gate unto the place of the first gate, unto the corner gate, and from the tower of Hananeel unto the king's winepresses.

Antediluvian Longevity to be Restored in the Millennium

There will be a great material change in the earth — an uplifting of the earth's surface — at this time. When the judgments came upon the earth there was a subsidence of the earth's surface, and that is one thing that helps to reduce the length of life. And so, at this point, there will be material changes in the earth's surface and great changes of the climate, so that again men and women will live to be eight and nine hundred years old. In fact, a child will be a baby until he passes his hundredth year. Nowadays, we are babies the *second time* when we are in our hundredth year — we are in our second childhood.

And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited.

And this shall be the plague wherewith the Lord will smite all the people who have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.

And it shall come to pass in that day, that a great tumult from the Lord shall be among them; and they shall lay hold every one on the hand of his neighbor, and his hand shall rise up against the hand of his neighbor.

And Judah also shall fight at Jerusalem; and the wealth of all the heathen round about shall be gathered together, gold, and silver, and apparel, in great abundance.

And so shall be the plague of the horse, of the mule, of the camel, and of the ass, and of all the beasts that shall be in these tents, as this plague.

And it shall come to pass, that every one who is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.

Jerusalem to be the Central Place of Worship for the Whole Earth

The remnants of the nations will be compelled to send representatives to Jerusalem to the Feast of Tabernacles. Jerusalem will be the central place of worship for the whole earth; and probably, at that time, the Lord will descend from the New Jerusalem (which will hover in the air over the *literal* Jerusalem) and will sit upon the literal throne of David, conducting the Feast of Tabernacles. The saints, in their glorified bodies, will direct the government of this earth through Israel, and there will be no mistakes made.

And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth, unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.

And if the family of Egypt —

Egypt is especially mentioned here.

— go not up, and come not, they have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the Lord will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

They will have to go to church *then!*

Have you ever stopped to think of how few persons go to church in these days?

Do you look around at the appalling conditions that prevail?

Have you ever noticed how few persons there are who want you to mention God to them?

Horrible conditions!

Yet the preachers tell you that the world is getting better! What a lie! I should hate to be in the place of these ministers who are deceiving the people! They tell the people, "Now, keep away from Voliva and ZION" — when ZION is the only place in which they can get the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. All right; let them stay away! If we spread the table and invite

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them to come and eat, we have done our part, and it will be all right when we stand before the judgment seat of Christ.

In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD; and the pots in the Lord's house shall be like the bowls before the altar.

Yea, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah shall be holiness unto the Lord of hosts: and all they who sacrifice shall come and take of them, and seeth therein: and in that day there shall be no more the TRAFFICKER in the house of the Lord of hosts.

There are three remarkable chapters. You can mark them, and at home you can sit down and study them and say, "Lord, I am Thy child. I love You supremely, and I want to know Thy Word." And God, by the Holy Spirit, will show you these things, and you will not go the way of the world.

Probably you will stand alone. I do not think you will have very much help from those around you. Sometimes a solitary member in a large family has to stand alone.

The Abomination of Desolation, Spoken of by Daniel

I shall read you a few verses in the Twenty-fourth Chapter of Matthew, beginning with the Fifteenth Verse:

When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place —

That will be exactly three and one-half years after this seven-year period begins. The Antichrist will have his image set up in the temple in Jerusalem, which will be "the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel." This Fifteenth Verse marks exactly the middle of this period.

— (whoso readeth, let him understand):
Then let them who be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

Otherwise, they will be butchered.

Let him who is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:
Neither let him who is in the field return back to take his clothes.
And woe unto them who are with child, and to them who give suck in those days!
But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:
For then shall be great tribulation, —

that is, during this period of three and one-half years — the last half of the seven years. This is the period during which the dead shall lie "from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth" and "they shall not be lamented; neither shall they be buried," — so the great prophet Jeremiah says. And do you not think that some things that are taking place in the old world make it look as though we are getting ready for it? There is nothing but unrest! There is no peace anywhere! The land is filled with violence! The life of a man today is of no more value in the eyes of the masses than is the life of a chicken — you know that as well as I do! It is just as it was in the days of Noah — the land is filled with violence and wickedness, and preaching makes no difference.

The Next Thing for This World is The Great Tribulation

I know perfectly well the time in which I am living, and I know precisely what to look for! The next thing is JUDGMENT, the moment the last member is added to the Church; and I do not think there are very many more to be added.

For then shall be GREAT TRIBULATION, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

That is what the Lord said.

And except those days —

The last three and one-half years.

— should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: —

Zechariah says that two-thirds of all the Jews will be slaughtered, and there are other passages of Scripture that indicate that three-fourths of the world's population will be destroyed by war, by famine, and by pestilence.

I notice that the man who preached the baccalaureate sermon at the Evanston University — their Sixty-first Commencement Exercises — said (using the words of Daniel that were written on the wall at the feast of Belshazzar):

"'MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN' is emblazoned on the capitalistic wall of America. America is at the fork of civilization's road. She must make her choice — either revolution or evolution — and do it quickly."

He is right!

He has sensed the signs of the times!

He continues:

"Since the war, there seems to have developed an agitation to put censorship on press and speech. The majority will rule, but the minority must be heard. Close the door to peaceful discussion, and you will soon have a Lenine and a Trotsky. Whenever the minority cannot speak, then Democracy will be dead in the United States. Some capitalistic interests have already heeded the handwriting on the wall."

That is true.

The League of Nations Covenant Drawn in an Atheistic Manner

In an address delivered by the president of the De Kalb University he attacked the League of Nations — the atheistic manner in which it was drawn — and said:

"When the representatives of Christian nations gathered at the Peace Conference to solve the human problems of this world, they as much as told God Almighty to take a seat on the side lines. They told Him, 'We don't want you!' They threw Him out. There has been no mention of the Deity and not an opening prayer, so far as can be learned. Nothing but chaos is bound to be the result when the Deity is so shamefully insulted. Some meetings and conventions open with prayer, but the greatest meeting of all history has not had a prayer.

"The time is coming when this country will once more simply be a colony of Great Britain. England was an enemy of this country in 1776, in 1812, during the '60's and in the '90's also. In 1917, she picked the United States to save her from annihilation. Great Britain is dictating to all of them. The United States is playing a minor part in settling the world's problems."

There will be an explosion shortly — you mark what I say! Bolshevism will be the thing that will bring about the League of Nations (the Revived Roman Empire), which, in turn, will bring about the Northeastern Confederacy.

Of course, these articles mean nothing to the millions who read them in the papers. The trouble with most people is that they will not move until they are *hit;* and then it is too late.

This subject — "The Great Tribulation" — occupies a very prominent place in the Word of God. As I have said, it is the last half of the "great and terrible day of the Lord."

The Saints of God to be Kept From The Great Tribulation

In Revelation 3:10 we read:

BECAUSE THOU HAST KEPT THE WORD OF MY PATIENCE, I ALSO WILL KEEP THEE FROM THE HOUR OF TEMPTATION, WHICH SHALL COME UPON ALL THE WORLD, TO TRY THEM WHO DWELL UPON THE EARTH.

There is the promise to the saints of God!

If I had my choice between preaching today and preaching in Noah's day, I should take Noah's day; and I shall tell you why — because, for one thing, the population is much greater and the inventions are far more numerous and far greater.

Have these inventions made the world better and happier?

No!

There never has been so much misery and unrest and turmoil as there is today.

Take automobiles — what have they done for the Lord's Day? They have ruined it! No one could persuade me to ride on a train or in an automobile on the Lord's Day for any other purpose than in the service of God, for my right arm! I could not think of such a thing as to go out for pleasure on the Lord's Day. Nowadays, however, there is no Lord's Day — it is a PICNIC.

The people will pay for it!

BENEDICTION

BAPTISMS

The following-named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion on December 19, 1919, by Apostle Silas Moot, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, ILLINOIS:

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"Blessed is the Man Who Endureth Temptation"

An Address Delivered at the Early Morning Meeting in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day, February 25, 1917, by Apostle William S. Peckham.

WE will turn this morning to the First Chapter of James for a little study. This is called the general Epistle of James, or Catholic, because it is not written to any one church, or people, but to all Christians everywhere, and as the first verse indicates it is written especially to the Jewish Christians scattered through Palestine and the surrounding country and, of course, containing lessons of encouragement and instruction for all Christians.

We shall confine our study to the first twelve verses of this chapter, which contain wonderful teaching concerning tests and the way to meet them and the reward to be obtained by enduring them.

James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ.

What a beautiful statement!

"A servant," and as the Apostle Paul puts it "a bond servant," not a slave, but one who willingly puts himself in the place of a servant, one who gladly serves without price, without wages and without any other thought than that of rejoicing in the Lord's service and of being a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ — one who is fully and wholly the Lord's.

It makes a great deal of difference how we serve. Some servants are a great joy to have around and some servants are such a nuisance, and it is all because of the way the work is done — the spirit with which they enter into the service rendered. There are some things that money cannot buy or pay for, and this is true of faithful service. There is nothing that will pay for faithfulness. We may do our work and do it quite well, but if there is lacking the spirit of faithfulness, heartiness, earnestness and gladness, it fails very largely.

That is the reason in ZION that in every one of these Institutions and in all the work, there is blessing and prosperity, because every one is toiling not for the dollars and cents, not in the sense that they are employees only, but in the sense that they are serving the Lord Jesus Christ. They are "bond servants" — servants who are serving willingly and who serve just the same whether they have big pay or little pay, whether they have no pay, save food, shelter and raiment only. Their hearts are in the work! That is the kind of people we must have to build ZION. We can be a great blessing or a great hindrance by the way we serve or by the way we work. There is a great difference in the way people do their work and in the way they serve.

We ought to have joy, gladness and happiness in everything we do for the Lord; everything we do for ZION. The Apostle James glorified God in the fact that he was a servant.

Now, as a servant of the Lord Jesus Christ, he sends forth greetings to these Jewish Christians who were scattered, we might say, all over the Roman world, because I believe Jewish Christians went into every part of the land that had been conquered by the Romans. We find them as far as Rome, and we read of them in many other places in the then Roman world. The world was ruled from Rome.

James has given his greeting according to the usual form with them.

James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.

My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations.

He says, "my brethren." They must have been Christians. He gives them a very excellent admonition:

Count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations.

That is our privilege also.

We must keep in mind, in studying God's Word, the meaning of words. Temptation has a double meaning; one meaning is in the sense of trials and testings, and the other meaning is temptation to do evil. In this chapter, he is speaking of trials that come to test us — all kinds of trials. It may be sickness. Perhaps that is the line along which you need to be tested. While God does not send, God often permits things for our good and to teach us, as it says here, patience. A great many people want to be healed right away. The fact that the healing does not come right away may be for the purpose of testing.

I would be glad to see everybody healed. There may be cases where patience is needed to be instilled and where God has to test you a little while before you get your healing. Can you endure such a test? Can you endure even to the end? Can you endure even to the loss of a loved one? Can you stand fast in the truth? It will work for the perfecting of your spiritual life and bring you to the place where you will be stronger in faith, hope and love.

Your test may be poverty. Perhaps you haven't as much of this world's goods as others. God has promised that He will supply all your needs. I tell you sometimes it is pretty hard to make ends meet. Do you lose your faith? "Count it all joy," and go through it and patience will result and greater strength of Christian character. We have testings every day — we are being refined — and if we stand the fires of trial — testings — we will get to be stronger Christians.

Have you a hard place to fill?

"Count it all joy," for all this will lead to something better and to the perfecting of your Christian character.

You may have to go through something terrible in order for God to prove you and to know that you are to be depended upon in every hour of trial, because darker days may be ahead, and God must have soldiers who will not shrink before the face of any foe. That is the kind of soldiers that God must have — the only kind that will take us through these battles.

The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptation.—II Peter 2:9.

The times of testing are before us — perilous times — and the times that will test the faith of every man and woman. Therefore, the Savior says,

Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee the crown of life.

If you are not faithful unto death you will not receive the crown of life.

You may make a good start, but something comes up that you do not undestand and you get discouraged and turn aside. You will not be crowned!

Will you be able to say with the Apostle Paul?

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:

Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing.—II Timothy 4:7, 8.

The great principle of ZION and the great principle of the Word of God is that you must be, in your spirit, like a great mountain and like the firm foundation of a great rock so that you cannot be moved.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.—I Corinthians 15:58.

Trials and testings are necessary and, if you have them, what are you to do? "Count it all joy." Do not be bothered about them. Rejoice in them, surmount them and be overcomers. Only the overcomers shall sit with Christ on his throne. When you fall into these temptations, know this that they are the trying of your faith. Thank God for every test — every trial! Rejoice!

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:—I Peter 1:6, 7.

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He is not talking about smoking, drinking, lying and stealing and all these things, but he is talking about the testings that come to try your faith; the things day by day that you do not understand and that are hard to bear on the natural side and that require a lot of faith to go through. Have faith in God!

Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

How many impatient people there are! How little patience some people have to wait upon God and to wait for things to come to pass! How little patience we have with God, and with each other! All these trials and testings work for patience, if we bear them in the right spirit.

But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

Perfection is the goal. The perfect man Christ Jesus is our Example.

This is James, the brother of our Lord, who wrote this Epistle.

That is the way to become a perfect man in Christ Jesus. We grow into the stature of the perfect man or woman in Christ. I do not understand that if we endure a few trials here we will be perfect and there will not be anything lacking, but that is the pathway to perfection and to a more perfect Christian character and life. The day will come when we shall be perfect.

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.—I John 3:2.

Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father Who is in Heaven is perfect.—Matthew 5:48.

This means that we are to be perfect in what has gone before — kindness, in our treatment of our enemies and so on — not sinless perfection. We are taught to forgive others because God has forgiven us.

We do not become perfect in a minute, not even by overcoming, forgiving our enemies and meeting trials and temptations and all the rest of it. We are not saved in a minute, except in the sense that we are pardoned and justified and Christ has become our salvation. We are saved in the sense that we are justified, but we have to keep on overcoming, and these evil habits and tendencies have all got to be taken away — we are being saved.

Work out your own salvation.—Philippians 2:12.

We have to continue on towards perfection. Sanctification is a continuous work. That is the teaching of God's Word. If we do not do these things, we will not be saved and we will not reach any degree of perfection.

What am I going to do with my enemies and those who try me and do wicked things and say things that are mean and hard? Apostle James says:

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, Who giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.—James 1:5.

How many do not know what to do!

What shall we do? Ask of God.

Would not that shut off a lot of bitter words and all the rest of it, if instead of going right after somebody, just talk to God about it and ask Him to give us wisdom in all these things.

The Word of God says, "Be slow to speak," and if we lack wisdom we are to pray and ask God for it. He is the source of wisdom. He is the source that we can reach at any hour of any day.

How are we to ask?

AUDIENCE: "In faith, believing."

APOSTLE PECKHAM: What does Jesus say about that?

And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.—Matthew 21:22.

That is the way to get answer to prayer. That is the only kind of prayer that amounts to anything. Prayer is the Christian's life. It is the foundation. It is the foundation for your life, for your service.

What does your Bible say? "Pray without ceasing." We ought to live in a spirit of prayer. I am afraid we do a lot of things without talking to God about it. I am afraid we rush ahead and fail to wait upon God.

There is wonderful teaching in the Hymn, "Take Time To Be Holy." Read it over and study it.

"Take time to be holy,
The world rushes on."

Take time to be holy. Wait upon God. I believe that patience is the queen of virtues. We need to cultivate it more and more. Patience toward God and patience with each other.

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.

He is restless and unsettled. He has not laid a good foundation. He is like the restless sea. Christians are just the same. If they have not faith, they are not anchored, but they are drifting with the tide. They are here and there. There is nothing sure about them. They are fickle, changeable and restless.

The man of faith is like a rock. The storms may beat about, but they cannot overthrow, provided you are founded upon the Rock of Ages, grounded in the faith, steadfast and immovable.

For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

I will never forget as long as I live a scene in ZION Central Tabernacle, Chicago. There was a great congregation. The building was packed to the very top gallery. While the doctor was speaking, a dear old colored woman — whose face was lit up with a light that a white skin could not give — walked down to the platform and she said, "Doctor, won't you please tell me how to pray and get an answer like you do." It was a beautiful sight. As the Doctor looked at her, I never saw such tenderness in his eyes. He said, "Sister, it has taken me many years to get to the place where I can pray and get an answer. You come to the meetings, be faithful, wait upon God, learn His truths and you will learn how to pray."

That is the great thing, to know how to pray. You will never receive anything, unless you have faith, because the double minded man is unstable. God wants you to have faith in Him. You cannot get anywhere without faith. You cannot pray without it.

A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.
Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted:
But the rich, in that he is made low: because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away.

That is a hard condition, is it not? It is hard to rejoice when you are put down as well as when you are put up. What are we going to do with it. It must refer to the qualities that exist among brothers and sisters. There should not be any high, or any low. The ideal cooperation, in the Kingdom is equal privileges, equal opportunities — "all for each and each for all".

Do not understand that there is to be equality on every line. God has endowed some with greater talents. He has entrusted us with these talents — some five, some ten, and the brother who has great talents is willing to put them on the altar. The man who has few talents is thereby lifted up and we share in the good things that God has given to us, and it makes a beautiful condition of society.

Suppose rich men would place their talents upon the altar for God, what couldn't they do? They are piling up their millions and they give here and there, but nothing in comparison with the millions they have. God wants us in ZION to live for each other and to have equality. Those who have great talents should not feel themselves above the others. They will have to come in and take their places.

We do not care for the things of this world. We are building ZION here and everybody is in it with all that he has — time, talent, earthly store — consecrated to the working out of this great problem, THEOCRACY, which is the rule of God, the coming of Christ and the establishment of His Kingdom upon earth. This is the great object, brothers and sisters. "In honor preferring one another." It means, rejoicing in the talents of those who can do things in any line.

We are one body and family, the finger is not jealous of that little toe and the little toe is not jealous of the finger. The great head is in perfect harmony with all the parts. The head cannot say to this part, "I do not need you." The eye cannot say to the ear, "I do not need you." They are all necessary in working out this great problem. Are you ready and willing to be the finger or the toe, or whatever part it is, and rejoice in the whole?

Have no thought of the "chief seats in the synagogue." Have no thoughts of the great positions. There are positions awaiting those who are faithful, that is true. We are to do the work that God has given us to do faithfully, then if God sees fit to raise us up it is all right, but we are living now to do the best we can wherever God has put us, or where those in authority have put us.

Do not think because you have not a great place that you are being kept back. The General Manager and the General Overseer are looking for efficient men. Very much depends upon

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it, and they are not going to keep anybody down. They are looking for men who can do things well. It is selfishness and a wrong spirit that interprets a move in any other way.

We have not risen fully to the Bible ideal or conception of ZION. We are away down in the cellar. I do not know that anybody is away up there in the top story. We have a long way to travel before we get there and as far as ZION is concerned we are in the basement, and some have gotten off in the dark corners. Get up to the next story! Get to the place where you see ZION in her beauty and her symmetry, and in the equality that must prevail along certain lines, and where we are one in Christ Jesus, and where we are citizens of the Kingdom of God!

What a wonderful passage of Scripture this is! We can study a few verses of Scripture and learn so much.

For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.

Riches are a dangerous thing and God's Word warns us not to trust in them:

Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, Who giveth us richly all things to enjoy.—I Timothy 6:17.

Covetousness is one of the most awful sins in the catalogue!

I presume that is the reason God has not called many rich to ZION. They are going to fade away as grass. There may be here and there one that will come through, but it says, "It is harder for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, than for a camel to go through the eye of a needle." The Word of God says so, but it does not say that none will be saved. There will be some saved all down through the centuries. There have been rich men who have been saved, but it took a mighty work of grace to do it. If we have our hearts centered on riches and are striving to get rich, we will lose out in ZION.

Riches constitute the standard of the world today. God has chosen the poor of this world and rich in faith as heirs of the Kingdom. You do not need to expect Him to build up ZION with rich men and it is not necessary. If every single one puts all that he has into ZION, we do not need any rich men and we won't have to look to them. Rich men want a good deal to say about things. The curse of the churches is the rich men, but in ZION we will take the poor, rich in faith, and build up ZION. I do not believe God is going to let us build it in any other way. There will not be many rich in ZION. They will not pay the price. Their hearts are on their treasures, which is money and property. They are not going to help very much in the building of ZION.

I praise God that there is a day coming that ZION as a whole will be rich and, if ZION as a whole is rich, each of us will be rich. If we walk uprightly before God, we will all share in the wonderful riches, the wonderful advancement and prosperity.

Tests have made ZION what she is today.

One of the most blessed verses in the Word of God is the 12th:

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.

In other words:

Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life. (A crown of eternal life.)

I am going to put this on the blackboard:

A CROWN OF ETERNAL LIFE.

The pathway to get it is given to you here. Are you striving for that crown of eternal life?

Every follower of Jesus Christ must be tested.

Happy is the man that endureth temptation. Jesus had to endure temptation as the One Who is our perfect example. He had to go up on the mount and meet the Tempter and overcome his temptations. Adam was tempted and did not overcome and hence there came upon the earth sin, sickness, disease and death. The second Adam — Christ — met every temptation with the Word of God and overcame and was perfectly victorious. It is said that He endured all these sufferings, trials and temptations "for the joy that was set before Him", and which is set before each one of us. There is a crown of life, if we endure to the end.

NO TEMPTATION, NO VICTORY; NO CROSS, NO CROWN!

ZION IN BUSINESS FOR GOD

By Apostle Willis F. Jordan

Let all ZION pray, study the Bible, think on pure things and be quiet.

God is our Guide; He will take care of us, if we are His; for all things work together for good to them who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

Consider Isaiah 54:17 —

No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of Me, saith the Lord.

That which applied unto Israel once, applies to ZION now.

The necessity of being strong and of a good courage. Joshua 1:5-9 applies in this respect, not only to the General Overseer, the Apostles and Elders, but to one and all in our beloved ZION.

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.

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 withersoever thou goest.

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt mediate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

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.

Isaiah 52:1: Awake, awake, put on thy strength, O Zion.

Isaiah 59:1: Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save;

Neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear.

Isaiah 60:1: Arise, shine: for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee (Zion).

Isaiah 60:12: For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee (Zion) shall perish.

Isaiah 14:32: What shall one then answer the messengers of the nation? That the Lord hath founded Zion, and the poor of His people shall trust in it.

Jeremiah 3:14: And I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and will bring you to Zion.

Pray for ZION Stores.

Let us claim Deuteronomy 28:1-15, and Psalm 1:1-3.

Stand loyally by ZION Stores.

ZION must increase! The enemies of ZION CITY must decrease and perish.

All officers and members of ZION throughout the world should be Theocrats, and under no circumstances should they permit the Devil to rob them of this beautiful Message, which is God's Message for the Twentieth Century — the Rule of God in every department of life.

"On the same day of his condemnation, he was led forth and bound to the stake. His resolute spirit faltered not even to the last. The flames rolled around him, the voice of his supplication ceased, and the spirit of John Huss was gathered Home. — He and thousands of others sacrificed their lives for the cause of Christ" — What will YOU sacrifice for the Redemption of ZION CITY?

ZION IS A THEOCRACY, and demands the Rule of God in every individual, in the Home, in Business, in the Church, in the State, in the Nation, and throughout the entire world.

The Devil, who is a usurper, has no rights upon this earth, and God calls upon all His children to challenge every claim of the Devil, and to put him and his cohorts to flight, everywhere establishing the Rule of God.

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ZION'S LEADER

When the time came for ZION to be unveiled, God had His Movement is that the Rule of God must be established in every man ready, and one of the very foundation truths of the ZION department of life.

God chose ZION'S Leader in the beginning, and the people recognized him; and it would have been the height of folly for any number of officers or for any number of people to have attempted to run before God in this matter.

The City of ZION is located halfway between Milwaukee and Chicago — between beer and babel.

Lay aside your prejudice!

Prepare to hear, accept, believe and obey the Word of God regardless of what it costs.

To build a clean city for a clean people, a city whose only aim is to help, save and serve humanity and to glorify God's worthy Name — this is indeed an ambition upon which God and angels will smile.

How such an effort ought to enlist all lovers of God and ZION — all real Theocrats!

The City of ZION, like everything else inspired of God, has passed through raging storms and scorching fires, but she has constantly emerged and is today on a more solid and enduring foundation than ever before.

The one great aim of the General Overseer and of the General Manager has been to get as many loyal ZION, Kingdom of God, Theocratic families settled on ZION land — the ZION Estate, as possible.

The City of ZION means one people, all of one mind, heart, and purpose.

The City of ZION — the City of God — means one Church — ALL the people worshiping God in Shiloh Tabernacle, ALL going straight forward under one leader, God's chosen and supported Leader, Wilbur Glenn Voliva — ALL believing in and working to establish the Rule of God FIRST in the consciences of the people; SECOND in all the affairs of men — in the FAMILY; in the CHURCH; in the STATE; in the NATION; in the WORLD.

In the City of ZION — God's only City on earth now — intoxicating liquors, tobacco, theaters, moving picture shows, gambling, dancing, and the thousand and one vices of the world, the flesh and the Devil which are now damning all other cities, cannot be once recognized or tolerated; hence they must be, and they are, strictly prohibited.

The Christian Religion and proper Education, Business, and Politics will mix.

One and all in ZION, God's children must get a true view of God's Rule — the Theocracy in ZION, and utterly forget all so-called churches, and proceed to the full Redemption of the City of ZION without any further delay or procrastination.

In the City of ZION there can be no Devil-inspired competition, but Heaven's own cooperation.

If you would keep in touch with this great object lesson — the building of a ZION CITY for God and the extension of the principles of the Theocracy, subscribe for the LEAVES OF HEALING (only $2.00 a year) and THE THEOCRAT (only $1.00 a year).

ZION

When the Lord shall build up Zion, He shall appear in His glory.—Psalm 102:16.

But ye are come unto Mount Zion,
And 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, who 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.—Hebrews 12:22-24.

To have a part in this ZION you must leave (at once) all other cities and Churches and get into the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION and ZION CITY, Illinois, U. S. A. This the Scriptures actually require —

Come thou and all thy house into the ark.—Genesis 7:1.

Up, get you out of this place; for the Lord will destroy this city.—Genesis 19:14.

Arise, take thy wife, and two daughters, who are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city.—Genesis 19:15.

Escape for thy life; look not behind thee.—Genesis 19:17.

Haste thee, escape thither.—Genesis 19:22.

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.

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.—II Corinthians 6:14-18.

Come out of her (Babylon—so-called Christendom), My people.—Revelation 18:4.

Many people talk about the Second Coming of Christ. Few people realize what is involved in the necessary preparation for the coming of Christ.

ZION NOT ONLY TALKS BUT WORKS

ZION CITY was established as a place of refuge for God's people. For full information concerning the ZION movement and the present developments in ZION CITY, send for the literature. Address the General Overseer, Wilbur Glenn Voliva.

The building of a city to the honor and glory of God, is the greatest undertaking of the present time.

ZION people throughout the world should cooperate for the completion of this great undertaking.

The Redemption of ZION CITY and its firm establishment as a Place of Refuge for the oppressed of God's people is the greatest work of the Twentieth Century.

Get into the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION without delay, and having part in the Rapture, save yourself from the world-wide calamity which will mark the close of the Church Period and the birth of the Millennium — the last seven-year reign of the Antichrist.

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MR. JOHN P. OWER

In closing this testimony, I again thank God for all He has done for us as a family, for He has showered upon us blessings too numerous to mention.

Praying God to continue to richly bless you, General Overseer, in your work for righteousness, I remain

Your brother in the Christ,

(Signed) JOHN P. OWER.

CONFIRMATORY TESTIMONY OF MRS. CATHERINE OWER

Zion, Lake County, Illinois.
November 27, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

As my husband has just written his testimony, I also want to write a few words of praise to my Heavenly Father for all of His goodness to us.

My husband was a very sick man. It is only through the power of God that he is living today. "Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!"

It was a hard fight. Sometimes I felt like giving up, — as though I could fight no longer; but I knew that was just what the Devil wanted me to do. So I picked up more courage and held on to God. I was so glad we lived in Zion City, and that the Officers came and spoke such encouraging words, and opened up the Word of God so much to us again. And I was so glad for the prayer of faith they offered to God, and that God heard and answered prayer. And my husband is well again! — "Thanks be to God Who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Before I was married, I was taken very sick with aenemia, caused by walking too far to work through very deep snow. My blood almost went to water. I was very weak, and as white as one who was dead. God heard and answered prayer, and I became strong and well again.

I was married in Zion, and God has given me these strong, healthy children, all born in Zion, and they love Zion.

We are all looking for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank God for the privilege of hearing the teaching in Zion.

May God bless you, General Overseer, for the work there is yet for you to do, and all who work with you.

I remain

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) MRS. CATHERINE OWER.

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(Wilbur Glenn Voliva)

Principal Institutions

DEPARTMENT STORE
PRINTING & PUBLISHING HOUSE
BUILDING INDUSTRY
BAKING INDUSTRY
OFFICE SUPPLY
APRON & HANDKERCHIEF FACTORY
ZION BANK

Total amount of business done by all the institutions for twelve months — December 31, 1917, to December 31, 1918. .	$1,643,853.63
Total amount of business done by all the institutions for twelve months — July 31, 1918, to July 31, 1919.....	2,154,920.00
Total capital invested in Zion Institutions & Industries, October 31, 1919	525,187.07
Business done by all the institutions during the month of October, 1919	242,129.73

We hereby send forth this call for $100,000.00 ADDITIONAL INVESTMENTS.
We pay seven per cent interest on all investments made for a period of FIVE YEARS or longer during the first three years, and after that period six per cent.
All persons having money to invest in these Institutions & Industries should call on or write to

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager
Administration Building
Zion, Lake County, Illinois

ZION ESTATE

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva)

We have in the Zion Estate 442 ACRES OF FARMS, which we wish to dispose of to ZION PEOPLE.

We have a large number of CITY LOTS, ranging in price from $100 to $2000. Payments down from $10 to $200; the balance in payments monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or annually, over a period up to five years. Six per cent interest.

All inquiries concerning—

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Should be addressed to
W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager
Administration Building, Zion, Lake County, Illinois

Rights in all real estate are conveyed by the Eleven Hundred Year Lease, containing numerous restrictions for the protection of both lessee and lessor.
We purchased the ZION ESTATE to be disposed of to ZION PEOPLE ONLY, and we desire that every Officer, Member and Friend shall at once have a part in the great work of building a City for the honor and the glory of God.

—WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

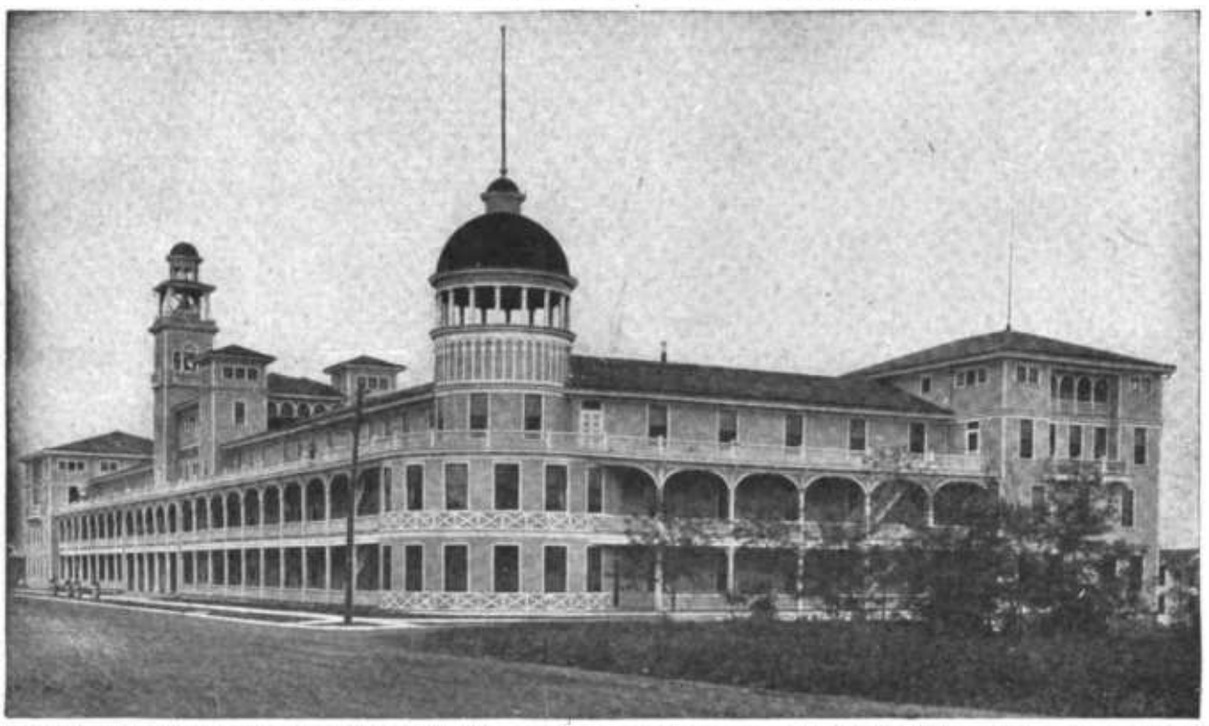
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ZION HOME ZION ILLINOIS

ZION HOME is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies —a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

Zion Home is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

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Zion Home is the largest Divine Healing Home in the world. Two meetings are held each week for teaching and for prayer with the sick. Charges are made for room and board only. Free-will offerings only received.

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A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

EDITED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

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We deeply appreciate the splendid responses made by you since we purchased the Zion Estate March 1, 1911, and now, once more, we use the front page of *Leaves of Healing* for the purpose of placing before you another call, to which we trust you one and all will respond on or before March 1, 1920.

The Zion Estate was purchased by me March 1, 1911, for the sum of $950,000.00.

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Zion's Twenty-Fifth All-Night With God

By Apostle Willis F. Jordan

I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord.—Psalm 122:1.

DURING the night of December 31, 1919, and January 1, 1920, Zion's twenty-fifth All-Night with God was appropriately observed in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A.

The proceedings were under the direction of Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

The Zion Band preceded the opening ceremonies with a concert from 7:15 to 8 o'clock.

Promptly at 8 o'clock, the Processional, composed of the Zion Junior and Senior white-robed Choirs, under the direction of Conductor John D. Thomas, followed by the robed Officers and the uniformed Guard, began to file into the main auditorium, marching through the side aisles, and then the central aisles, taking their places in the choir gallery at the rear of the platform.

During the service preceding the mid-night hour, the Choir rendered a special musical program consisting of the three beautiful anthems: "O Great Is The Depth," from *Mendelssohn's* "St. Paul," "And Then Shall Your Light Break Forth," from *Mendelssohn's* "Elijah," and "Worthy Is The Lamb," from *Handel's* "Messiah."

After pronouncing the Invocation, the General Overseer led the congregation in reading the Thirty-Fifth Chapter of Isaiah, Zion's Psalm of Salvation, Healing, Holy Living and Triumphant Entry into Zion.

Prayer was offered by Apostles Jordan, Darms, Carey and Elder Nelson.

The General Overseer then made the announcements and used a few minutes in referring to the Zion literature, calling special attention to *Leaves of Healing* and *The Theocrat*.

After general remarks concerning the close of the old year and the beginning of a new year, and also concerning the various all-night meetings with God in Zion, the General Overseer then asked any in the audience who had been permitted under God to attend every all-night meeting to the present time, to stand up. The following persons responded: Apostle Ernest E. Harwood, Mr. P. T. C. Liese, Mr. Ernest Hollatz, Mr. Lincoln A. Hill, Mrs. Matilda Schwiechler and Mrs. Rosa Peetz. A group picture of these persons will appear in a future issue of *Leaves of Healing*.

The Consecration to God, by the General Overseer, of twelve children, whose names appear elsewhere in this issue.

After a selection by the Choir, the General Overseer delivered the All-Night address. His subject was "The Apostasy of the Professing Church, and the True Church of Jesus Christ and Her Ministry," especially as it may be seen today in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

The General Overseer said in part:

"God's intention was to offer the Messianic Kingdom of Israel, as may be clearly seen from a study of the Prophets.

"Immediately preceding this offer, John the Baptist appeared in the Land of Israel and said unto the Jews, 'Repent ye: for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand' — ready to be set up (Matthew 3:1, 2).

"Immediately following John's death, Jesus the Christ took up the same message and announced to Israel: 'The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the Gospel!' (Mark 1:14, 15).

"Their rejection of Jesus Christ and their crucifixion of the King of the Jews made necessary the founding of the Church.

"Anticipating this rejection and crucifixion of Himself, the Christ said that he would found or build His Church (Matthew 11:25-30; 16:18).

"Following the Crucifixion, the Church was founded and came into existence among men on the Day of Pentecost, the official and historical Birthday of the Church. From that time to the present, the Church has continued to grow in numbers, and it will continue to its full completion in gathering out from among the Gentiles and from the dispersed people of Israel the foreknown and foreordained number destined under God to make up the Bride of Christ (Acts 15:13-18; Romans 11:25).

"All this pertains to the true Church. The professing Church of Christ has become utterly apostate, and has denied 'The Faith which was once for all delivered to the saints' (Jude 3).

"It has denied and is denying every fundamental doctrine — the Personality of God, the Deity of Jesus Christ, His Incarnation, the Virgin Birth, the efficacy of His Shed Blood or any necessity for the Atonement, the Personality, convicting, regenerating and comforting offices of the Holy Spirit— thus retaining the form or outward shell, the profession of godliness, but denying, repudiating and casting out the Power, the Holy Spirit.

"It is also denying the Inspiration of the Bible and rejecting the Authoritative Voice of the Word of God.

"Such a course of apostasy and conduct in spiritual matters is rapidly preparing the way for a world federated church, which, according to the Word of God, will accept, proclaim and make war in defense of the Antichrist."

The General Overseer further declared that John Alexander Dowie in his day saw and denounced the apostasy and declared what its culmination would be. Quoting from an address by Dr. Dowie, entitled, "The Power of a Living Faith," as published in "A Voice from Zion," Volume VI, Number 8, Pages 23, 24 and 25, he read:

"The time has come for a Living Church to go forth and demand of a Dead Church that it shall get off this earth and play no longer the part of a Living Church.

"'My church is at peace,' said a minister to me one day. 'You always have something of trouble in your church.' I said, 'I am glad that I do, because I have life.' 'Well,' he said, 'I like my church and its quietness.' I said, 'I have seen a church of your kind today — thousands of them — and they were, like you, at peace, all under one shepherd.' 'Where did you see them?' 'In a city cemetery. They were all dead, and the shepherd's name was Death.'

"That is the kind of a church that is at peace with the world, the flesh and the Devil today — a Dead Church. The Living Church that professes, possesses and enforces Divine law will be in trouble all the time with the world, the flesh and the Devil and never at peace with any of that triumvirate of iniquity. It will be at war with intemperance, infidelity and impurity, and with all who get their tainted bread by serving these triple horrors. It will be at war with every form of evil, and it will be a Church that will proclaim everywhere the Theocracy. * * *

"We are fighting a great battle, not of thirty centuries, but of all the centuries as they look down upon us. As the battle gets to the point where the Great Consummation comes, and multitudes gather in the Valley of Decision, and the last day shall come when the voice of the prophet will speak for the last time, when the wise shall enter in, and the doors shall be shut and the King shall withdraw Himself — then the Consummation of the Age will have come and the terrible Day of the Lord.

"Then this world, left to itself, will worship the Man of Sin, the Lawless One, and glorify and praise the Beast. Until the return of the Lord from the Rapture, the world shall be, for a short time, wholly controlled by the Devil.

"This battle may extend into months and years, and possibly, as I think, TWENTY; but short are they, for although they extend so far they cannot extend long. The intensity of the conflict will not permit. The work has to be done. The tares have to be gathered and burned and the wheat gathered in the garner. The Consummation of the Age will then come, but until it comes there must be the sounding forth of this message from Shiloh Tabernacle."

The General Overseer remarked that the extension of the battle for twenty years (from 1902) would bring us to another significent year, 1922. He then added this significant statement from Dr. Dowie:

"In about twenty years you will hear the tread of the Lawless One." (Spoken in 1902.)

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This great apostasy in the professing church, which was then so clearly foreseen and which is now almost complete, has one thing more to do, according to God's prophetic chart. It will produce and unanimously accept the Antichrist, the great Man of Sin.

This apostasy and this certain acceptance of the Man of Sin by the professing church made necessary the founding, under God, by John Alexander Dowie, of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion and of the City of Zion as a Church Home and a Place of Refuge for all the saints of God, both ministers and others, who are sick, tired and disgusted with the apostasy, and the General Overseer earnestly added: "All such are invited and all such will have a welcome here."

The General Overseer then briefly described the New Testament ministry and declared that we had such a ministry in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion today. He went on to show that unless a minister saw the apostasy, the need of the Apostolic Church being fully restored, and comprehended the Principles, Purposes and Practices of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion — in other words, unless he had the root of the matter in him and was brought into this Church and City by the Holy Spirit of God, he never would make any headway in his ministry and work.

Following the address by the General Overseer, the large audience of people, under the direction of Deacon W. Hurd Clendinen and the uniformed Guard, marched around the barrel, depositing therein the Sacrificial Offering, to be devoted entirely to Zion Educational Institutions.

This was followed by the extension of the Right Hand of Fellowship to new members by the General Overseer.

Then came the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper, administered by the General Overseer.

The General Overseer then made the announcements concerning the intermission and reassembling.

Just prior to the intermission, all were asked to bow their heads while all together sang in a very fitting and solemn manner Zion's mid-night hymn, "Pray, Brethren, Pray."

The General Overseer then pronounced the Benediction.

During the intermission, greetings were exchanged and all who cared to partook of refreshments, and at 2:30 a. m. the latter half of Zion's All-Night with God was opened with song and prayer.

Following this, the General Overseer delivered a short address and then announced that officers on the platform would speak in succession until closing time.

Addresses were delivered by Elders Tindall and Neal, followed by Apostle Peckham. Elder Shumaker then spoke, after which came Apostle Carey, Elder Nelson, Elder DeVona and Apostle Jordan.

By this time, the sun was beginning to show itself, and the General Overseer proceeded with the closing remarks, and then, asking all to stand, pronounced the Benediction.

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS — consisting of Kindergarten (for children five years of age), Junior School (covering a period of eight years), Preparatory Department (covering a period of four years), Department of Music and Art, etc. — are free to all children and young people in Zion and are supported entirely by the FREE-WILL OFFERINGS of the officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

October First we requested all officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion to fill in pledge cards for the support of the Schools for the Year, 1919-1920.

LEAVES OF HEALING (Vol. 45, No. 12, dated December 13, 1919) was devoted almost entirely to ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS. A picture of the Main Building appeared on the first page. A picture four and one-half feet long by ten inches wide, of more than 900 of the 1046 pupils and students, together with the teachers, was enclosed as a supplement. Five pages were filled with the names, together with the respective amounts pledged, of all individuals and families sending in cards.

In this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING we print the additional names and pledges, bringing the total number of individual and Family Cards to 842, and the total amount pledged to $21,236.00.

The total amount needed for the allowances of the teachers, exclusive of all other expenses, is $31,000.00, thus leaving a balance of $9,740.00.

We appreciate the responses that have been made, and we earnestly pray and hope that within the next few days every officer, member, and friend of Zion will respond.

We have put this matter plainly before the Church, so that every one is in a position to understand the entire situation. In Zion we are ready at all times to bear one another's burdens, and we do not expect from any individual or any family more than that which is right in God's sight.

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Signed.....

Address.....

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GEMS OF TRUTH

BY DEACON THEODORE FORBY

"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, Who 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!

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 at the last day. * * * That everyone 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?

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 consciousness 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.

DAILY PROGRESS is being made toward Zion City's complete redemption. Hundreds of loyal Christians 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.

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."



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Sanctification of Spirit, Soul and Body

By John Alexander Dowie

TEXT

Abstain from every form of evil.

And the very God of Peace sanctify you wholly; and may your Spirit and Soul and Body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you, Who also will do it. — I Thessalonians 10:23.

An Exhortation, a Petition, and a Promise

There are three things in these three verses. First, the Exhortation: "Abstain from every form of evil." Second, the Petition: "And the God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly, and may your Spirit (*Pneuma*) and Soul (*Psyche*) and Body (*Soma*) be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." Third, the Promise: "Faithful is He that calleth you, Who also will do it."

Obey the Exhortation

Now in order to understand the Petition or Prayer for Entire Sanctification, the first thing is to know that we can make no advance toward the point of getting an answer until we have obeyed the Exhortation. The command of God is absolute. Abstain! To abstain is to be separate, by a determination of the heart and will of the most irrevocable nature, from all appearance, or, as in another reading, *every form* of evil.

Some declare that to be an impossibility, and say it is beyond the power of the Christian to be absolutely separate from evil in every form.

Let me say to such an one, you will make no progress whatever in the Divine Life so long as you hold such a conviction. It is possible, more, it is certain, that *if we will*, we can be absolute abstainers from every form of evil. God never commanded us to do anything which He did not give us the power to perform.

God Gives Needed Power

God never laid upon us any responsibility without endowing us with adequate strength. That command is not given to us with any thought in God's mind that it is impossible for us to obey it. It would be cruel, it would be wicked, if such a thing were possible, for God to command us to do something that we have no power to do.

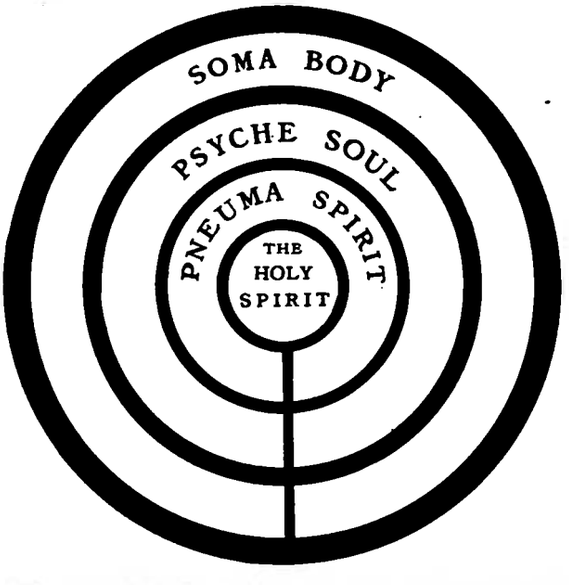
I grant you that of your own power you never could do this. I grant you that without Divine Power you can do nothing in Divine Life; but He who gives us the Divine Command endows us with Divine Power and has said, "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you."

I grant you that without the Power of the Holy Spirit, obedience is impossible. It is a command which is addressed to the Christian, to those, therefore, who have a right to call upon God for the needful power to obey His Own commands.

The President of the United States has a right, as the executive head of this government, to call upon every officer of the government, and to call upon every citizen of the United States, to spend their last dollar and their last drop of blood in the maintenance of this nation's life. And why? Because the President of the United States is charged with the maintenance of the national existence, and if God lays upon us any executive responsibility, He gives us also the power to call upon all the resources of Heaven.

If it took the last angel in the whole of the Heavens, God is absolutely bound, if He has laid upon us any responsibility, and told us to do anything, to find for us the Power to do it, if He has to search the universe to get the Power. It is absurd to talk for a moment of God having given a command and not giving us the Power to obey it.

I grant you we are in a world of sin, full of subtle forms of sin, for the wile of the serpent and the guile of the serpent is everywhere; and the poison of the serpent is throbbing, by nature, in every vein, in disease, and in the subtle forms of evil. Yet, notwithstanding these facts, I say to you today that He Who said, "Abstain from every form of evil," will give you the needed Power, if you will faithfully call upon Him to supply it.



*The central circle of the diagram is of GOLD color (the Holy Spirit), the next is WHITE (man's spirit), the next BLOOD RED (the soul), and the outer circle CARNATION (the body). The line running from the central circle to the outer circle is of GOLD, and is used to illustrate the FLOWING of the Holy Spirit through the entire three-fold nature of man, thus sanctifying him wholly, and preserving him entire and without blame.

I Know What Heredity Is

We all know, in a measure. Many people are born into this world cursed by hereditary transmissions of moral obliquity and diabolical passions and of physical infirmities which are the direct inheritance of their parents' transgressions. The fathers eat the sour grapes and the children's teeth are set on edge. The sins of the fathers are visited upon the generations following.

No man can smoke tobacco and defile his body with nicotine poison; no man can drink alcohol and injure his brain and liver, and pollute his body, with that dreadful poison; no man can break the law of moral purity and mingle with the harlot, and not receive the wages of transgression.

No man can lie or steal, no man or woman can live a lustful life, and not transmit something of their diabolical passion to the generation following; and we who are the inheritors of the virtues and of the vices of our forefathers have an inheritance very largely made up of the vices. It is only fair to say it.

Whence Do We Spring?

It is not so long ago that our forefathers were painted savages living in the depths of degradation, for when the first missionaries came to British soil, they found them not far removed from the savage. They had sunk into a barbarism that was extreme. They had an idolatry that was dreadful. The priests were teaching the people that they must sacrifice the fruit of their body for the sin of their soul, and human sacrifice, that lowest and deepest degradation of heathenism, was rife among our fathers.

This is the hole from which God has digged us. He dug our race out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay.

Do not let us forget that we are the inheritors of these passions in a measure, and that these evils have been aggravated in these later ages by new vices, especially since Satan has polluted the earth with rum and whisky, and beer and gin, brandy and

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tobacco, and foul living and vile passions, and crime and iniquity of every kind.

We have had terrible additions to our inheritance.

But I say that, notwithstanding this fact, and multiplicity of our miseries and duplicity of sin and Satan, it is possible, and it is certain, that if we obey God, we can live a life apart from sin in every form. I will not believe for a moment that God's command cannot be obeyed. It can and it shall. We must triumph over every sin by His grace.

Sins of Thought First of All

It is in the secret places of the heart that sin is formed.

A murderer is a murderer long before the murderer draws his knife and plunges it in his brother's heart. "Whosoever that hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him."

Adultery has been committed long before the adulterer wrought the act. You can be an adulterer by simply reading one of Quida's novels and thinking her dirty thoughts. "Every one that looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart."

Do not forget that "the thought of iniquity is sin."

And so it is with idolatry. Idolatry does not mean that you shall bow your knee to a god of wood or stone; some heathen image of heathen superstition.

God's Word has said that "Covetousness is idolatry." When you covet, you worship the thing you covet. You worship it, and you bow down to it; you serve it, and you live for it; you lie for it, and you die for it. Coveting anything is idolatry.

God's Word goes deep, and strikes first at the thoughts of the heart, and bids us to know as Christians that which David said, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear." The thought of iniquity is sin, and therefore we should ask God to separate us from evil thought.

How Can a Man be Separated From Evil Thought?

I can be separated, if the thought and mind of God possesses my thought, and mind, and heart. I can only be separated from evil by being controlled and possessed by God. There is no other way of separation. As a Christian (and I am speaking to Christians) I can only be separated from evil by the power of the Holy Spirit separating me, by the power of the Holy Spirit possessing me, and making me to hate evil with an intensity that is Divine. "Ye that love the Lord hate evil."

A False Theology

There is a false theology abroad today which in many subtle forms is cursing humanity, teaching humanity that evil is good, teaching humanity that evil is only perverted good, teaching humanity that that which men call evil is not evil in reality, and today they want to present us with evil as good.

Beloved friends, it is written in God's Word, and it shall stand forever, "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" We must never forget that evil has its roots in hell, not in Heaven, and that it is a deadly sin to declare good and evil to have a common source in God.

May God separate you, by His Own Divine operation, from sin in all its forms. He can do it, and He will, if you will let Him.

An Illustration

The other day a man came to my house and said, "Doctor, I have come to ask you to cure me of the tobacco habit. I have long been a slave to it, and I hate my bondage."

I said, "How do you come to ask me to do any such thing?"

"Because I have heard you have cured many people."

I said, "I have never cured any one." He said, "You have healed people."

I said, "I have never healed any one." "Oh, well," he said, "I know what you mean now. You do it through God."

I said, "I do not." "Well," he said, "how is it, then?"

I said, "God does it through me." He said, "It is all the same."

I said, "It is not. There is a mighty big difference. I did not do it through God, but God did it through me." "Well," he said, "that is all right; will you cure me?"

I said, "You are going right back as if I had not said anything. I never cured any one." "Well, I want you to cure me through God."

"You are going right back," I said. "Well, may God cure me through you?"

I said, "Yes, that will do. Go to the meeting about to begin in the Tabernacle. I will pound into you about your sins for an hour or so, and then you will find that your sin lies deeper than the tobacco habit, and that the only way to get free from the tobacco habit is to get free from all your sins. Now, I expect you are a pretty considerable sinner, to look at you. In the first place there is no doubt about your being a stinkpot, for I smell you are. It has taken many years to make you smell as you do. In the second place, it is quite clear to me that you are not a Christian." He said, "No, I am not."

I said, "We will ask God to make you a Christian."

He came over here. I preached about repentance, and preached repentance for every sin toward man and God, and, at the close, that man arose with hundreds in this meeting, and confessed his sins to his God.

The tobacco held a very small corner compared to his other sins. They stood before him, and between him and his God, and then he saw that he could never stand in the light of God, defiled and foul as he was; that he could never enter Heaven until all his sins were forgiven. And he stood here in this meeting, and he sought God for salvation and for purity of Spirit, Soul and Body. He passed out of this place delivered from all sin, and has never touched tobacco since. The tobacco went with all the other sins, and this is the way to get rid of sin. Let them all go together.

God does set us free, and I have known men, many of them, slaves to evil habits of all kinds, slaves to intoxicating drinks, and evil passions of every kind, whom God has set free. God can do it, and He does. Then by the Grace of God today, stand up in this Tabernacle and leave your sins with your Savior, and open your heart to receive by the Spirit of God the power that not only sets you free, but keeps you free.

Then What Will God Do?

A Christian man's life has only begun when he is liberated from sin. When he is saved he is like a man drawn out of a river, who was drowning, thrown upon the bank, panting; he is alive, but if you do not do something for him, the poor, wretched man may die, even upon the banks of the river. I see a great many people in that condition. They are supposed to be saved, and they remain there upon the banks of the river — saved, but they never get far away from the borders of the River of Death out of which they were dragged — they never have strength to go far from it.

Somehow they know nothing at all about a holy life. They stand by the River of Death, and cry, "I am saved."

Now suppose that I saw some one, in this very cold weather, fall into the Chicago River, where the ice is broken, and they are keeping it open by means of these steam tugs. (The Lord forbid that I should ever fall into the Chicago River!) But suppose I was to see this miserable man choking in the filth of the Chicago River, and that I hear him cry, "I am drowning, save me!" I take the poor fellow out at the risk of my own life and fling him upon the bank, and say, "There, now you are saved. Get away from this filthy river."

Now, what would you think of such a man, if he always wanted to live on the banks of that river, to live in an atmosphere of filth, and every now and then drink of its disease-breeding water? You would say, "That man is a fool. He is saved from that filthy river, why doesn't he go away from the river?"

Some Christians are living just that way. They never get away from the river of sin and death.

I propose to show you this afternoon what God wants. God wants to take you and save you, not only from your sins and their consequences, but, beloved friends in Christ, wherever my words can reach you, I want to proclaim to you that the God that saves you from your sins, wants to save you *to* something as well as *from* something.

God Wants to Save You to a Life of Righteousness and Purity

How is He going to do it? By leading your feet from the River of Death; by leading you into "green pastures and beside

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the still waters;" by restoring your Spirit, Soul and Body, and making you to "walk in paths of righteousness for His Name's sake." To give you power as you "walk through the valley of the Shadow of Death."

That "valley" is not at the end of the Christian's journey. It is in the middle, as John Bunyan put it.

Go through the Valley of the Shadow of Death with Christ. Go through the Valley of Weeping and make it a pool of blessing, going from strength to strength.

God wants you to do this, and He, therefore, gives you His Spirit within you to enable you, by His grace, to be something more than merely saved from sin, to make you pure in Spirit, and in Soul, and in Body. Hence the prayer that the "God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly."

An Exposition of the Three-Fold Nature of Man

Let me call your attention to the diagram (see page 245) which I have used for many years in delivering this lecture. It shows you the tripartite nature of man, and the indwelling nature of God. As you see, I have represented the Holy Spirit by the golden circle in the center of all. Our Spirit as this white circle, our Soul as this red circle, and this light carnation on the outside as the Body.

The three words used in speaking of man's being are Pneuma (Spirit), Psyche (Soul), and Soma (Body).

I want to speak to you clearly regarding this tripartite nature of man.

We are not a duality, composed of Soul and Body, but we are a trinity composed of a Spirit, Soul and Body, and I want to make that as clear as I can without being too technical.

What is the Essential Difference Between the Spirit and the Soul?

Let me call your attention, first, to this fact, that when God made man, He said, "Let us make man in Our image, after Our likeness" (Genesis 1:26). That is a very remarkable fact. Then it is added, "And God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him; male and female created He them."

What is the image of God?

The Theosophists falsely declare that God consists of two parts, Father God and Mother God, and speak of *Theosophia*, "the Wisdom of God," as the feminine part of God's nature; and this error of making God a duality is common to many forms of false religions, both in ancient and modern times. The spread of Theosophy in this country has made the people ready to welcome Esoteric Buddhism, and all other kinds of heathenism.

It has made possible a World's Parliament of Religions in Chicago. Why? Because they do not know the glory and fulness of the Divine Revelation in the Bible. They thought the best thing for the United States of America was to import the representatives of all the Eastern superstitions, and the religions of Asia, and dump them down upon the Lake Front, just as if we had not enough rubbish there already.

Vanity Fair — Chicago's Disgrace

The Devil did this during the recent Vanity Fair held in Chicago. I say this "infamous Vanity Fair," for if there was anything that ever cursed Chicago and defiled it, it was the World's Fair. It cursed this whole country, and made this City of Chicago to be indebted to the whole country with a deep and awful debt, namely, the degradation which Chicago inflicted upon the tens of thousands of young men and women who came to this city at that time.

Here all the immoral heathen dirt and filth that could be gathered from Egypt and from the islands of the sea, from Persia and from elsewhere, was found.

We lived here at its gates through it all. It took Divine Grace to live through it.

This city was wholly given over to the idolatry of the flesh. It was held in the grip of the world and it was ruled by the Devil.

Chicago owes a deep debt to the whole of the United States and to the world, and to man.

I thank God that our little ZION Tabernacle here floated its flag throughout the whole of the Vanity Fair, proclaimed the Supremacy of Christ as Lord of all; and now that the White City has passed away in smoke and blood and fire, ZION Tabernacle shines forth in the glory of God, and is sending forth a Message to the Nations.

The mayor who vaunted that he had married the city, and on the day of his assassination declared that he was strong and was going to live for fifty years, in two hours after his boast died with an assassin's bullet in his body. That was only one distinguished murder which the whole world knew; but I proclaim here from this platform the statement that not less than one thousand persons lost their lives within Jackson Park from the time the first sod was turned until the time that the Fair was closed.

They died like flies when it was building. Men fell from high scaffolds and from high arches daily, and such was the influence and power of the directors that they simply rang up the ambulance and carried them off to their graves.

The Press and the Pulpit were silent for the most part, and little or nothing was ever said about it.

The city authorities allowed intoxicating drinks to be sold in this prohibition district, and the police had instructions to permit harlots and gamblers to pass unmolested, for the mayor said, "It's a great year, and we must have an open city."

But there is a God in the Heavens, and the Fair closed in blood and in fire and in smoke. But the "Little Wooden Hut," ZION Tabernacle, in which we stand today, has its flag, "Christ is All," still floating, and God's voice is being heard.

If I can do anything to help Chicago redeem its shame, may God help me, for I would like to do it. I think we are doing a little. Just a little. God help us to do more. My spirit is deeply stirred with the memories of that year of Crime and Shame and Vanity.

I have made quite a digression there but I am coming back again.

Among the wretched things of this Fair, the most disgusting was the Parliament of Religions.

It means more than pollution of the body, it means the pollution of the minds of the people. It made them think that all religions were good, and that the religions that taught Mohammedanism and Buddhism and Brahminism had so much good in them that we ought to study them and get the good out of them. Just as if we had lost faith in God and in the supremacy of Christ and the Christian religion, we must needs study these false and filthy religions and hear their representatives, who hid all the foul realities and presented only the brilliant Oriental lie.

You would think to hear these leaders that Mohammedanism was a very Divine and majestic kind of religion. You would forget that Mohammedanism teaches that woman has no spirit, that the only thing to be done with woman is to treat her as a beast. And there were some women fools enough to admire the eloquence of these scoundrels.

Where is there any more degraded part on God's earth than where "the false prophet's" religion rules.

It is a true proverb that "where the hoof of the Moslem comes, no grass grows." Mohammedanism has defiled every land it has ever touched.

Of course we know it. Some of us know it better than others.

But the masses of people do not know what Dr. Pentecost has said, that Brahminism makes immorality of the filthiest kind a part of its worship, and that as it was essential to be immoral to worship the Goddess Aphrodite or Venus in Grecian Mythology, so it is essential to be immoral, as immorality is a part of Brahminism.

The priestesses of certain temples are "religious" harlots. Yet today we are presented in Chicago with Theosophy, Brahminism, Buddhism, and all these things, because false Christian shepherds called a Parliament of Religions.

The Divinely Constructed Image of God

Now I want to call your attention to the Divinely-revealed construction of man, and to show you that the study of this is destructive to this false Theosophy theology.

God created man, male and female, but how did He create them?

The coming glory of the Christian Revelation is the complete Manifestation of God in Man.

It was Christ Who revealed to us the Father. It is Christ Who has revealed to us Himself as the Son. It is Christ Who has

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revealed to us the Holy Ghost. It is Christ Who has revealed in Himself the Triune God, and the coming glory of Christianity is the Tripartite Man.

The revelation of God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, is that of three Persons in one God, and one God in three Persons.

Some one says that is easily stated, but it is impossible of intelligent belief. I say it is more possible of belief to me than anything in the Word of God, and for this reason: that we have the illustration of it in the Divine Organization of our own being. God made man to have a Spirit, Soul and Body—one man in three parts, and three parts in one man.

Human philosophy and ordinary Christian pulpit-teaching have made man to have only two parts — soul and body — and confounded soul and spirit.

Now, what is the difference between the spirit and soul?

I must, at the risk of being charged with being technical, make plain to you some very neglected teaching in this matter — teaching which the Church of God almost wholly misses.

In doing this we have to show, first of all, how God made the lower creation, and then how God made man. If we study by the light of the Holy Scripture these two points, we shall see the difference between the lower creation and man, and thereby make clear the tripartite nature of man.

Take your Bibles, and read the Twentieth Verse of the First Chapter of Genesis. "And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath *life*." The margin says that word *life* is "living soul" in the original tongue. Then you see that this passage teaches that the fish of the sea all have "souls." It does not say they have a "spirit," but they all have "souls."

Let us go to the Thirtieth Verse: "And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to everything that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life." Margin again says the Hebrew is a "living soul." The passage teaches distinctly that every beast of the earth and every fowl of the air has a living soul.

You are sometimes asked, "What is the soul?" These passages supply the answer. The soul is the animal life. The soul is not spiritual at all, and one of the most stupid things a Christian can do is to argue for the "immortality of the soul." Never argue for the immortality of the soul. You will plunge yourself into a sea of confusion if you do, and give your adversaries an essential advantage which will put you to shame.

Christians Make a Tremendous Blunder by Confounding Soul and Spirit

If you refer to the Epistle to the Hebrews you will see that it is the Word of God which makes this distinction, a distinction unknown, for the most part, to Christian theologians, who are very largely teachers of a false theology. They are as blind as bats to the essential difference between spirit and soul, and talk about the salvation of "the soul" when they mean "the spirit."

This passage is in the Fourth Chapter of Hebrews, Twelfth Verse, and says (Revised Version): "For the Word of God is living and active."

Yes, the Word of God is not dead.

Some folks think it is dead, and that the only thing alive is the dominant clique of the day in religion, politics and the press.

But these are not "living." They are *dead*, and the only misery is that so many dead things and dead men are not buried. Lots of things are dead and are rotting upon this earth that ought to have been buried long ago.

God the Almighty and All-merciful gives opportunity for the dead dry bones to live, and the Word of Life is a Gospel to the "dead in trespasses and sins." But, alas, they do not want to live. They call death, life; and good, evil; and they put darkness forward as being light.

What does it say here? "The Word of God is living, and active, and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing even to the dividing of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and quick to discern the thoughts and intents of the heart."

It is the Word of God, then, that shows the division between soul and spirit.

I want to argue upon that for a minute or two. I have stated to you that the condition of the creation of the lower creatures is that they have souls and bodies. Let me show you from the Word of God, what the creation of man is.

Look at the Second Chapter of Genesis, Seventh Verse: "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground." That is the body. Do not make any mistake about it. Our bodies are dust, and the vainest woman who carries a millinery shop on the top of her head, and the most foolish woman who purchases her complexion in a paint-shop, or the silliest dude, is only a bag of dust.

It is foolish for a woman to be vain, but there is no being upon God's earth so supremely contemptible as the fool of a man who spends all his life studying dress, cookery, society manners, and sets the Fashion for the Four Hundred or the One Hundred and Fifty of Chicago or New York. Such a man lives the life of a fool and dies the death of a dog. I say that upon God Almighty's earth, there is no spectacle so sad as the society dude who spends all his time in setting the fashions for the world, that he may please the flesh and the Devil.

Society Women are Fools, but a Society Man is a Monster of Iniquity

He dies, but his evil example finds many imitators.

Such people have been the curse of every age and union. Sensual and luxurious living have been the downfall of every nation. So-called Christian men and women today are spending upon the adornment of the flesh money enough to enable the Church to redeem the world.

Cleopatra dissolved pearls in her wine cup and Marc Antony drank it to his damnation. The pearls of true manhood are being dissolved in the wine cup of passion.

Remember that God will judge you for all vanity and for all that is spent in adorning your body and damning your spirit: for some of you are doing that. Not that I am opposed to proper attention to the dress. I think it is natural, I think it is right, in a measure for taste to be shown by women in the construction of their dress, and I do not believe that God is glorified in a woman wearing the ugliest gown and bonnet she can get. I do not object to the Salvation Army woman wearing a poke bonnet if she likes and may God bless her in doing so, if she can wear it for Christ and without vanity. But let me tell you, there can be a good deal of vanity in a pride which apes humanity, and in wearing a plain black poke bonnet, you can be vain and censorious in spirit. There is a happy medium, where propriety is not lost and where vanity is not fostered. It is good to dress in such a way as will be pleasant to the eye.

God does not forbid color. When He makes a rainbow, He puts all the colors in it. The City of God has its foundations of the most beautiful and precious stones, and the streets are paved with gold.

Do not mistake my meaning. I say it is right to combine color if you can without vanity; but I say it would be far better for all if Christians would study less about pleasing the flesh and spend more upon God's work, in rescuing a poor, down-trodden, hungry, weary, overworked, sin-stricken and disease-smitten humanity for whom Christ died, and for whom He bids us live.

I call your attention to the fact that this body is dust. Do not give the dust too much honor; but be sure you keep the dust clean. A good many people do not keep themselves clean. They are sick because they do not use enough soap and water. They do not take care of the body. Take care of it. "God formed man out of the dust of the ground." That is the body.

But let us consider the other two parts. Let me again quote the passage describing man's creation (Genesis 2:7): "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul."

The body of "dust" has already been sufficiently considered.

"The breath of life" which God "breathed" into man is the "spirit;" and the "living soul" which man "became" is the "soul" or animal life, distinct and separate in all respects from the "spirit."

Man is Composed of Three Parts

God imparted to man His own spirit and nature. God is "the Father" of man's spirit. He is the Father of the Spirit, but not of the Soul. He is the Maker of the Soul and Body, but not the Father of it.

There is a great distinction between maker and father. What I make is external to me. That of which I am father is in procreation, for God makes us the reproductive beings and we are and we are therefore called fathers and mothers. C

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Father of our Spirit. We do not get that from our fathers and mothers. We get Souls and Bodies by natural generation from our parents, but our Spirits are from God, Who is the Father of the Spirit of man.

Remember this at all times clearly, that we have a Spirit, a Soul and a Body — one man in three parts and three parts in one man.

Our Lord Jesus Christ Himself shows us the tripartite nature in perfection. He had a Spirit wholly Divine. He was "the Son of God." He had the Soul and Body, "the seed of the woman." He was the "Son of Man." In Christ, "the second Adam," we see a perfectly pure Spirit, "a quickening Spirit," as the Scriptures say: that is, "a life-giving Spirit."

Adam had not that Spirit, but Christ had that power in Himself, and He is "a *life-giving* Spirit." In Christ you see the perfection of this three-fold nature, and also see the proof of what I have alleged.

First, the Body of Christ was like our bodies, a human body. It was pure and sinless because of God's origination; but it was an animal nature, free from "corruption," inasmuch as his mother was the Holy Blessed Virgin Mary. She was made to be Holy by the Power and Presence of the Holy Spirit entering into her and "preparing" her for the Divine Conception.

The Scriptures plainly teach (especially Luke 1:34, 35) that she was "prepared" by the Holy Spirit, so that "the soul," or animal nature, should be free from corruption in every drop of blood, and that "the body" of Christ should be in all respects "a holy thing."

Mary is a very perfect illustration of how the Holy Spirit can, and does, wholly sanctify the "Spirit, Soul and Body;" for she was so sanctified as a preparation for the motherhood of the Son of God. Christ's Soul was, therefore, a merely human Soul, but His Spirit was Divine.

To prove what I say now, namely, that the soul is temporal and not eternal, I want to point out to you that Christ's Soul "died."

The prophet Isaiah said that God would make His "Soul a sacrifice for sin," that He would "pour out His Soul unto *death*."

Christ Himself said, "My Soul is exceeding sorrowful even unto death." Then His Soul died. He said Himself, "I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd giveth His Life for the sheep." The word translated "Life" there is Psyche, Soul. In the Tenth Chapter of John the word Life should be translated Soul. "The Good Shepherd giveth His Soul for the sheep." There is no question about it. "Christ poured out His Soul unto death."

The Soul, then, is the Animal Life

God gave that Soul to Adam and Eve, and gave them bodies, so that through our first parents we have the transmission of their nature, their soul and their bodies. That fact puts an end to the Evolution theory. This is a far reaching truth.

Let me then sum up, and ask you to get the force of what I am now saying before I close this lecture, because I do not want to weary you. Some folks cannot stand too much hard thinking, especially when it upsets all their former notions.

Some of you have been all your lives defending the "immortality of the soul," and you have been taught to do so by your ministers, who do not like to confess that they have been teaching error. They find a good many things in our teaching they do not want to be taught. But the time is not far distant when they will have to stop speaking about Soul as if it were Spirit and to distinguish, as God's Word does, between Soul and Spirit. Many serious errors have crept into theology because of this. Christians have been arguing for the immortality of the Soul, and the infidel has been flogging you with the Bible every time.

The infidel quotes Scriptures at you, and flings at your head "The Soul that sinneth, it shall *die*," "Christ poured out His Soul unto death," etc. The infidel asks you, when you are arguing for the immortality of the Soul, "How can a thing be immortal that can die?"

The infidel has you, and instead of your admitting the fact, you begin to quibble or get angry and say he is going to hell, or something of that kind. That does not answer him. The infidel has you; the infidel is right, and the infidel is right in rejecting a good many things that the ministers teach: and I will admit that.

The infidel quotes Scripture at you, and flings at your head God is not a God Whom any man can love. If God is the Author of disease no man can love Him.

Who could love Him if He were the wilful corrupter of His own creation? Who could love a hand that would impart to humanity countless miseries?

The infidel is right there.

Christ taught us that God is not the Author of disease, but the Author of health and life. The infidel has the truth on his side every time when he fights the Church upon that line.

The Church, by its false theology, is giving the infidel a great advantage, and it is not the only advantage he might have; for if I were an infidel, I could do more damage to what passes for Christianity than any infidel in existence, Ingersoll not excepted. Not that I could really damage Christianity, but I could damage the pulpit theology of today, and I am going to damage it. Nineteen-twentieths of it wants sweeping away.

An "Ocean of Oblivion"

When I was a little boy, I was once asked what I thought about election, predestination, etc., as defined by Calvin. I got hold of a new word that day. The word was "oblivion."

I was thinking of this when I was asked this question. A number of persons were discussing it in Edinburgh, in my father's house, and amongst them was the Rev. Mr. Johnson, Chaplain of the Edinburgh Jail, who saw something in my face that impelled him to ask the question, "What does the laddie think?" I was glad to be appealed to, and I had an opinion all ready. It had been forming in my heart all night, and I was sitting listening to them affirming that absurd and monstrous lie which no man can honestly believe, that God Almighty from all eternity had predestined some people to be damned, and some people to be saved. Do what they would, they would be damned, and do what they would, they would be saved: for the great and eternal God could even justly damn for eternity unbaptized infants.

Some of these gentlemen were high Calvinists, some low Calvinists.

As I sat there and listened, I studied the word "oblivion." I had found that oblivion meant utter forgetfulness, utter annihilation. I was sitting thinking about all these things, when they asked me what I thought about it all.

I said, "Mr. Johnson, I think the best thing to do would be to throw the whole thing into an Ocean of Oblivion!" And I have been confirmed in that conclusion as I have grown older.

If nineteen-twentieths of that which is taught in the Universities and Theological Seminaries were thrown into an Ocean of Oblivion, you would be better men and women. It has taken me a long time to get rid of much that was taught to me in the name of Christian theology.

Let Us Get One Practical Point

There is no more dangerous falsehood. I may grieve some persons by saying it, who may be true Christians, but there is no more dangerous falsehood than the falsehood which teaches that man's spiritual nature will pass away like his pyschical and physical nature, and that, unless he is a Christian, he will not live forever.

I want to tell you that is a dangerous lie, for this reason: If a man sees that he can die like an animal, he will in thousands of cases live like one. When you tell a sinful man he is to die like a dog, then he says, "I will live like a dog." He will without compunction live like a brute, and reduce his manhood to brutality of every kind. No brute ever made by God will live as vilely as such a man will live. Let that man see that there is no hereafter, and no penalty for sin, and he will live a life of such abounding wickedness that only hell itself can find an equal to it. Conscience would be almost annihilated. It is so even now in multitudes by reason of a want of Divine life, such as can only come through the Word of God and the Spirit of God.

I call attention to the fact that every one of those who were disobedient in the days of Noah were living in the days of Christ. For more than three thousand years their miserable spirits lived in the hope of Christ's redemption. And He came to them in the fulness of time, as is shown in I Peter 3:19, 20. He descended into Hades. He "preached unto the spirits in prison, which aforetime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God had waited in the days of Noah."

They had been in Hades for thousands of years. They were not annihilated, even though damned. They were living.

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The Spirit lives beyond the grave. The Spirit of the just man is "made perfect" in Heaven, even as the Spirit of the evil man may be made viler in hell. And they lived in Hades.

Association with good helps you to be better. Association with evil makes you worse. The Spirit that continues to live in sin and hell must grow worse; the Spirit that lives in Heaven must get better.

But I tell you this in Christ's Name, God is the Father of the Spirit; the Spirit of man shares the nature of the Father.

There are some things about these statements which will lead to very serious discussion, but I will not enter upon them now. I have many things to say that I will say hereafter. The "Soul" perisheth; but the "Spirit" is endless. That is the difference. Christian ministers for the most part have not distinguished between the Soul and the Spirit.

I will finish this lecture by saying that God's desire is that every part of our nature shall be sanctified, not merely Spirit, but Soul and Body; and, therefore, God wants every drop of our blood to be cleansed. He demands the consecration of our whole being. He has said, "He is the Savior of the Body." These bodies were made to be the "Temples of God," an "Habitation of God through the Spirit." Hence I entreat you now in the words God inspired the Apostle Paul to utter in Romans 12:1, 2 —

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not fashioned according to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

An Appeal

I close this address today by requiring you to present yourselves in Spirit and Soul and Body to God, and to beseech God in His infinite mercy to sanctify your whole being. Brothers and sisters, will you do it? Oh, I pray that there will not be one here today who will not seek God *now* for an entire separation from all appearance of evil, and who will not make to God an entire consecration of his Spirit, Soul and Body! Oh, how good it is to know that Christ came to redeem our whole being, not a part of it, and that it is our privilege to claim a perfect redemption! God grant that we may so claim it, and persevere until we possess it!

Let all today, brothers and sisters, who desire to be separated from all appearance of evil, and to make a consecration of Spirit, Soul and Body to God, rise to their feet and make that consecration now. (In a moment hundreds upon hundreds were upon their feet, until more than seven hundred stood.)

I am so glad to see in ZION Tabernacle this great company arise as one man. Those that are standing in these crowded passages and those who are sick and cannot rise, hold up their hands. (Over one hundred who were standing, and a number of invalids lying on cots, or sitting in wheel chairs, held up their hands.)

Brothers and sisters, repeat with me this prayer to God. (Dr. Dowie then spoke the following words, which the people repeated as with one heart and voice, clause by clause, and sentence by sentence, amidst deep silence, except for subdued weeping on the part of many.)

Our God and Father, in Jesus' Name, we beseech Thee to separate us from sin, to give us power to abstain from every appearance of evil, to give us power to consecrate to Thee our Spirit, our Soul, and our Body. Take us by Thy Spirit, and cleanse us. Let us continue to seek until we find, continue to ask until we receive, continue to knock until the door is wide open, until we enter into a perfect redemption for the Spirit, Soul and Body. Help us to do right, to restore if we have wronged, to confess our sins in the sight of God and man, and to do that which is good and righteous, for Jesus' sake. And now we give to Thee our Spirits, our Souls and our Bodies. May we never take them back. Keep them. Hear us, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

BENEDICTION

And now, beloved, abstain from all appearance of evil. And may the very God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole Spirit, and Soul, and Body be preserved entire, without blame unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you, Who also will do it. The Grace of our Lord Jesus, the Love of God the Eternal Father, the Fellowship of the Holy Ghost, the Eternal Comforter, one Eternal God, abide in you, bless you, keep you and all the Israel of God everywhere, forever. Amen.

SECOND LECTURE

INVOCATION

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, and profitable unto this people, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer.

Dr. Dowie said: In my lecture on the sanctification of the Spirit, Soul and Body, delivered last Lord's Day afternoon, I called your attention to the three-fold character of Verses 22, 23, and 24 in the Fifth Chapter of the First Epistle of Paul to the Thessalonians. I then said that the First Verse was an exhortation — "Abstain from every form of evil." At some length I dealt with the exhortation.

I dare not attempt to repeat that today, because there is so much more to say, but I want to declare that this exhortation is the basis of the petition and the promise in the next two verses, and it must be obeyed.

God will give you the grace and power to abstain from every form of evil.

Practical Demonstrations

Many men in this room today have been the victims of strong drink and tobacco for long years. Allow me for a moment to ask all who know that God has delivered them from strong drink and tobacco after long years of indulgence in these things, all who have indulged in either one or the other, and whom God has delivered, to put up their hands. (A large number responded.) I knew it, I knew I had been used of God in bringing you stinkpots out of your stinking condition. Thank God, you are now clean.

Now I say, if God can take away from a man in a moment a habit of long standing, there are no bounds to His power, as is shown by these trophies hanging on the wall.

Take those burglar tools. That man was a thief all his life, and the Lord delivered him. These evidences of lifelong misery — crutches, braces, trusses, boots, etc., accumulate day by day and year by year.

God does deliver us from all the sicknesses and diseases that are the consequences of sin.

The moment that a man lays his sickness as well as his sins at Christ's feet, God will give him deliverance.

But the petition is the next thing. "The God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and may your Spirit, and Soul, and Body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Review of Previous Argument

I took much time last week to show you the difference between the Spirit, Soul and Body, and I did so because it is most important that the distinction between Soul and Spirit should be clearly preserved. I will not repeat the entire exposition, because I expect to publish the lecture in LEAVES OF HEALING, and you can all read it there. But briefly recall that I showed you that the Spirit and Soul are entirely distinct and separate; that man is a tripartite being consisting of Spirit, Soul and Body, and not a duality of merely Soul and Body.

I pointed out to you in the Twentieth Verse of the Second Chapter of Genesis, and in the Thirtieth Verse of the same chapter, reading it with the marginal notes, that God had made the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and the beasts of the forest and every creeping thing to have "souls." "Living souls" is the reading in the margin.

I pointed out to you that Soul was the animal life, and that the Soul is not immortal; that even the Soul of Christ died. He Himself said, "My Soul is exceeding sorrowful even unto death." I pointed out to you that the Soul dies and that the Soul is man's mortal life, the life that we have in common with animals.

And I pointed out to you in the Seventh Verse of the Second Chapter of Genesis that God made man to differ from the lower animals, who had only Souls and Bodies; that God created man in His own image. He is a triune being then — God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost. He said He would make man in His own image, using the plural form, and that when God made man, He made man to have a Spirit, and Soul, and Body. Three parts, and yet one man; one man, and yet *three* distinct parts.

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I pointed out to you that the argument concerning the trinity of God was best enforced by the illustration of man himself, who is a triune being, yet one man.

I then pointed out to you that the Spirit was that which was the "offspring of God." He breathed into man His Own Spirit; that man was made of the dust as to the body, and that man "became a living soul," like an animal; but that part of man which can be Godlike is that which God breathed into him.

The word breath stands for Spirit, because the Hebrew and Greek words *ruach* and *pneuma* have the significance of wind, or breath, or Spirit. It is written, "come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon the slain." There "breath" is indicative of the Spirit, and when Christ spoke to Nicodemus, concerning the Spirit's regenerating power, He said, "The wind bloweth where it listeth."

When God breathed into man His own breath, it was His own Spirit. As Paul said, "We are His offspring." He speaks of us in his epistles and otherwise as children of God, born of the Spirit.

God is the Father of Spirits, not the Father of Souls. God is not Father of our Souls. He is the *Maker* of our Souls and the *Maker* of our Bodies. He is the *Maker* of the Souls and Bodies of the birds and beasts and insects, but He is not the Father of the snail, nor the Father of the eagle, nor the Father of the whale. God is the Author of their nature in this sense, that He is their *Maker;* but He is our Father, for we have a Spirit.

It is not shown in the Scripture that the Soul is declared to be immortal, but the contrary. It is written, "The Soul that sinneth, it shall die."

Christ Himself declared that His Soul would die, but His Spirit never died.

If we are God's offspring, we will share His nature. We share the nature of our earthly father Adam, when we share his Soul and Body; and we share the nature of our Father God in Christ, when we share His nature, having received from God a Spirit part when we came into this world.

Time will not permit of my going further into this argument. We did so very fully last week.

Now the question is,

What Does This Prayer Mean?

"May your Spirit and Soul and Body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." It is a prayer which is followed by a promise that God "will do it." How is that prayer to be answered? How is God going to purify in this life our polluted souls and unclean bodies? How is God going to answer that prayer of the apostle that this Spirit, this Soul and this Body shall be "preserved entire and without blame" until Christ comes for us?

It is clearly impossible for a man to cleanse his own Spirit, his own Soul, or his own Body. You have all come to that conclusion, I am sure. Man cannot cleanse himself. Nothing is so complete a failure as an attempt to cleanse even the body of man, by man. Every attempt to cleanse the body from disease by man has been an entire failure.

The alleged science of medicine is a complete failure. Doctors and surgeons and their poisons and their knives are all failures.

Sir Astley Cooper, physician to Queen Victoria, has declared: "The science of medicine is founded upon conjecture and improved by murder." What a shocking statement from a man so eminent as to have the royal family in his professional care.

Sir James Johnson, formerly editor of the *Medical Chirurgical Review,* London, says: "I declare, as my conscientious conviction, founded upon long observation and experiment, that if there were not a single physician, surgeon, chemist, druggist or drug on the face of the earth, there would be less sickness and less mortality than now prevail."

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes has declared before the Massachusetts Medical Society: "I firmly believe that if the whole materia medica, except chloroform, wine and opium, could be sunk to the bottom of the sea, it would be all the better for mankind and all the worse for the fishes."

Professor Magendie, the great French physician, whose experiments and teaching are recorded and scattered over the whole earth, addressed the students at the Paris Medical College in the following language: "Gentlemen, medicine is a great humbug. It is nothing like science. Doctors are mere empirics when they are not charlatans. We are ignorant as men can be. I repeat to you there is no such thing as medical science."

Think of it, a man so high in the medical profession as Dr. Magendie is acknowledged to be, lecturing in such a style to a class!

Dr. James Mason Good, the noted author, says: "The science of medicine is a barbarous jargon, and the effects of our medicines in the highest degree unsatisfactory, except, indeed, that *they have destroyed more lives than war, pestilence and famine combined.*"

How does this sound to the people who have a mania for swallowing medicine?

Medicine has failed and surgery has failed. Humanity is diseased, and all attempts to purify the body by any power of man are utter failures.

Now the question is,

How are the Spirit, Soul and Body to be Divinely Purified?

The Apostle Paul declared that this shall be done: "Faithful is He that calleth you, Who also *will do it.*" Here is the positive promise that God will do this work in this life.

Now all the mistakes made in connection with the cleansing of the Spirit are like those we make in connection with the Body and Soul. Man begins at the circumference and attempts to work to the center by beginning upon the Body, and says, "Now, I am going to reach the Spirit and Soul by working upon the Body."

God, on the contrary, begins at the center, and works from the center to the circumference. God begins from within. Man begins from without.

It is in vain to attempt to perfectly cleanse either the Body from disease, or Spirit from sin, by anything that you can do from without. Everything must be done from within.

It is the same in every department of nature. All life proceeds from the center, not from without. This is a principle which is perfectly applicable to spiritual things.

God begins, when He wants to cleanse man, not by looking at his tongue and feeling his pulse and shaking His head. But God begins by saying, "My son, give Me thy heart." God begins by asking that man, His Own child, will surrender his Spirit and open his heart for the Lord of Glory to come in, so that the Holy Spirit shall take possession of the Spirit, and shall control, and by His Own power flow through man's Spirit, Soul and Body, and shall therefore cleanse man wholly. Then the Holy Spirit shall purify, shall quicken and shall make to live every part of the spiritual, psychical and physical nature of man, until the whole work begun from the center shall go out to the utmost circumference, and man's whole being shall be controlled and purified to God.

This is the prayer of the apostle; this is the declaration of the apostle: that God "will do it," by the Eternal Spirit Who has "called" us.

Christ Himself said that His work was to be succeeded by a still greater work. He said that the Eternal Father lived, and had predestined Him, the Eternal Son, to come and fulfill all the Eternal Will, and by His Own sacrifice work out a redemption for Spirit, Soul and Body.

But that redemption was not to be worked out fully by the agency of the Son of God. That redemption was provided by the Atoning Sacrifice of the Son of God, but was worked out by the agency of the Holy Ghost.

Christ Himself declared that He, the Christ, had come down to this earth in man's form, that He might show us how, "by the Spirit of God," the Son of Man could work out human redemption by the indwelling "power of the Holy Spirit."

The Lord Jesus Christ declared, "I can of Myself do nothing," and He also said, "The words that I say unto you, I speak not from Myself; but the Father abiding in Me doeth His works."

He was raised from the dead "by the Spirit," and that same Spirit that dwelt in Him is to dwell in us. He declared that His atoning sacrifice, His resurrection and ascension into Heaven, were all for the purpose of preparing the way of the Holy Ghost that He might come out "upon all flesh."

The Holy Spirit descended upon those at Pentecost and filled their Spirits, filled their Souls, filled their Bodies, filled their whole being, until He fully possessed them.

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Jesus the Fountain of Living Water

Jesus said at the great Feast of Tabernacles, which is symbolical of God's tabernacle in the flesh, "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." Not only from the Spirit, but through the Body of the believer, shall flow rivers of living water. "But this spake He of the Holy Spirit which was not yet come, because that Jesus was not yet glorified."

The disciples did not understand Jesus at that time, and for the most part the disciples do not understand Him now. For the most part, the power of the Holy Spirit is not understood.

Jesus said, "He abideth *with* you, and shall be *in* you." What a difference in the conditions — the Holy Spirit *with* you, and the Holy Spirit *in* you.

Suppose I have a little child here on this platform, and I hold it by the hand. I dwell *with* the child. It is very different from dwelling *in* the child. Suppose I take the child and dwell with him. Is that not one thing helpful to him? He feels stronger, because I am with him. But what difference there is between my dwelling *with* him and *in* him. If I could take my one hundred and eighty-five pounds weight and put it in him, he would be so much heavier, so much taller, and forty-three inches broader in the chest. If I could put my brains and put my forty-seven years of thinking in a ten-year-old boy, he would be transformed into a fifty-seven-year-old boy, and a very different being from what he was before.

You see at once the difference between *with* and *in*. Oh, the difference between the Holy Ghost dwelling with you and the Holy Ghost dwelling in you!

Before He dwelt in Peter, that apostle was a boaster, a coward and a liar; but when He dwelt in Peter, he was transformed into a mighty apostle, and manifested humility, courage, truth, faith, hope and love, a very prince of men.

You cannot be a coward and have God in you. No man can fear who has God in him. There are no judges, no legislatures, nor congresses, nor prisons, nor tortures, nor powers on earth or in hell, that can make the man in whom God lives to fear. That is the thing which the world does not understand. That is the thing the Church does not understand.

But when the Spirit of God got into Peter, he understood it, and he went down from that upper room and was no coward. He went down and stood there and preached the Gospel, although he knew it would land him in prison. He stood and told them they were murderers, and had cruelly slain the Prince of Life. He went on preaching, and gave up his life for Christ.

That is the distinguishing characteristic of the Christians of the first century; they knew God dwelt *in* them. And Who is He? The Spirit of the Father and Son Who administers all the Power of God.

He is the Executive. It is He Who saves; it is He Who heals; it is He Who sanctifies; it is He Who quickens; it is He Who carries out the Will of the Eternal Father.

Blessed be God, He has not left the Church or the world.

So now you may see how entire sanctification is to be attained. It is attained *by the indwelling power* of the Spirit, our spirits being first submitted to God's Holy Spirit. If you will surrender your Body, the Holy Spirit will flow through your Spirit into every part of your Soul; for that was the promise of God by the Prophet Joel, the Promise of the Holy Ghost when He said in the last verse of the prophet, "And *I will cleanse their blood* that I have not cleansed: for the Lord dwelleth in ZION."

The Spirit of God will flow through every part, and so Paul teaches what Christ affirmed on the day of the Feast of Tabernacles, that the Body shares in this redemptive power, that the Body was designed to be "an habitation for God through the Spirit, a Temple of the Holy Ghost."

Hence God demands the sanctification of your Spirit, your Soul and your Body; and if you will consecrate your being to God, then God will take possession of that which you consecrate and He will sanctify it. But the consecration must be complete.

God will not take possession of the imperfectly-consecrated being. God will not enter into it. Multitudes of Christians today say they are *saved;* but they are not consecrated, and, therefore, are not sanctified. The Holy Ghost does not live in them at all.

The Apostle Paul when he reached Ephesus found a number of the disciples, and he said unto them, "Did ye receive the Holy Ghost when ye believed?" And their answer was, "Nay, we did not so much as hear whether the Holy Ghost was given." And he said, "Into what then were ye batized?" And they said, "Into John's baptism." He said, "You have not been baptized with the baptism of Christ. You must be baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus." And so he baptized them "into the Name of the Lord Jesus," and as Christ commanded "into the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost" — a Triune Baptism into the Name of a Triune God. He laid hands upon them that they might receive the Holy Ghost and through His hands the Holy Ghost did enter into them.

Are We Willing to Let the Holy Ghost Not Only be With Us, but In Us?

When God comes is He going to take entire possession?

Brothers, you do not have a dollar in the world. Your money is God's.

When God takes possession of man's Spirit, of man's Soul, of man's Body, He takes entire possession of that man's property. When God is in possession, everything belongs to God; and the distinguishing characteristic of the primitive Church was this, that none of them said that anything he possessed was his own.

The moment that the Holy Ghost takes possession, I have nothing; it is God's. I have no possession of myself. I am God's.

I realize that today in speaking to you; I realize that always in praying with you, and for you. I realize this: that the life and power of God, the Holy Spirit, through my Spirit, my Soul, my Body, is the only power that can be effectual either through my lips in preaching, or my hands in the act of healing.

I am consecrated to God, and God has the power over me and the responsibility for me. So long as I am consecrated to Him, while He maintains my individuality and speaks through me, not neglecting my peculiar organism, yet it is the Holy Ghost that is in possession — the same Holy Spirit that spoke through Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, and through Paul and Barnabas. He needs living human agents today as much, perhaps even more, than He did nineteen centuries ago.

All power, and all blessing, and every Divine gift we possess today, comes to us in the Holy Ghost, and it is He Who must control us, cleanse us and sanctify us. Hence this great prayer, "And may your Spirit, and Soul, and Body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." Hence you see, if any are sick, He heals. How can I be "entire" if my body is sick?

I praise God for what I personally and continually realize. How could I today stand, after the continuous toils of months and years, but for the indwelling presence and power of the Holy Spirit? I have preached from ten to twenty-five times in the week, have prayed for about fifteen hundred sick people individually every week on the average for the last twelve months, have conducted a correspondence consisting of ten thousand letters per year, and by His grace I stand here today without any physical weariness whatever. Why? Because the God that cleansed my Spirit keeps my Body clean and endues me with His power, and makes my Body His instrument. Unless I were healed and Divinely kept, I could not be this instrument.

I feel that the time is not far off when we can gather into ZION a people who will be absolutely fearless of what any man thinks and will let God think in them and for them. Then we will have men in whom all the gifts of the Holy Ghost will dwell.

That leads me up to the subject of the next Lord's Day afternoon, namely, the "Gifts of Healing, a Present-Day Reality."

Brothers and sisters, Chicago is a city through which we can reach the world. It is a city where we find representatives of every nation. I have the one great desire that Christ may be glorified, and that the Eternal Father may be glorified in Him through the Eternal Spirit, in accordance with His great prayer in John, Chapter Seventeen.

I believe that Christ has been "given power over all flesh," and that this "power" will be manifested in the giving of "eternal life" to as many as the Father has given to Him. That "life" must be manifested in every part of the being saved. And my constant prayer is, therefore, that the Holy Spirit Who has called you,

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beloved, may dwell within your Spirit, and control every animal power and passion; and that you may be pure, and kept so, by the power of God. "Faithful is He that calleth you, Who also will do it."

God hasten that time when the Power of God will be manifested as it has never been seen at any time before.

Brothers and sisters, are you willing to give up Spirit, Soul and Body unto Him? If you are, the Holy Ghost will cleanse your Spirit, will cleanse your Soul, will cleanse your Body, and will make you a part of that mighty army.

Brothers and sisters, if you are willing to make a real and entire consecration to God, bow your heads and think over that question. Let each one ask: Am I willing to make an entire consecration to God of my Spirit, my Soul, my Body and my whole being? Am I willing to lay upon Thine altar for Thy service, all my talents, all my lands, and all my money and henceforth to say it is no longer mine? It is Thine, O Lord.

Help us, our Father, to answer these questions. Christ is demanding the answer now.

Brothers and sisters, every one of you who desire to make that consecration, stand to your feet and make it! (In a moment almost the entire assembly stood, eager to make the consecration. It was a most impressive sight.)

Dr. Dowie continued: Oh, does it not shake the power of hell to see such a scene as this? Brothers and sisters, answer me. Are you willing to make an entire consecration of Spirit, Soul, and Body, and all your possessions to God?

AUDIENCE: "Yes."

DR. DOWIE: Then make it now.

Rejoicings

Dr. Dowie said: Brothers and sisters, such a consecration from so many hundreds makes my heart so inexpressibly happy that I cannot find words in which to express it, and dare not let my happiness find vent. I could not control myself. Let it find expression in your lives and in building up ZION. God grant it. God grant it, for Jesus' sake.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

My God and Father, I am Thine. Redeemed by the blood of Christ, I come to make my consecration to Thee. I want to make it entirely, Spirit, Soul and Body. Take my Spirit, take my Soul, take my Body, take my time, take my earthly store, take my powers; let them all be Thine. They shall be no longer mine. Possess me by Thy Holy Spirit, cleanse me, for Jesus' sake. Help me now to do right, to maintain this consecration in the face of all opposition, to make it real and practical and continual, for Jesus' sake. Make me a winner of souls, make me a helper of the helpless. Make me a comforter of the sorrowing, make me a strengthener of the weak, make me in every hour of every day a servant of the Most High God, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1920 - ZION, ILLINOIS

"Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy Crown."

—Revelation 3:11.

I am faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Consecration of Children

The following-named Children were consecrated to God by Elder S. M. Duyzers, at Minneapolis, Minnesota:

December 24, 1919—

Maas, Virginia Fern

December 28, 1919—

Maas, Raymond Albert

The following-named twelve Children were consecrated to God through the laying on of hands and prayer by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, at the All-Night Meeting held in Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, Illinois, December 31, 1919, — January 1, 1920:

Beall, James Robert	Illinois
Bullard, Eleanor Greta	Illinois
Burgess, Clayton Alexander	Illinois
Cobb, Hyland William	Illinois
Detienne, Buell Norbert	Illinois
Kessler, Robert Rodney	Illinois
Kresge, Conrad Wesley	Illinois
McCormack, Valla Mildred	Illinois
Mintern, Harold James	Illinois
Neal, Ardis Rachel	Illinois
Peterson, John Daniel	Illinois
Schmidt, Florence Oda	Illinois

Right Hand of Fellowship

Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, extended the Right-Hand of Fellowship to the following-named New Members at the All-Night Meeting held in Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, Illinois, December 31, 1919, — January 1, 1920:

Bunn, Miss Hazel	Missouri
Clausen, Miss Helen	Illinois
Jensen, Miss Anna P.	Illinois
Ketcham, Roscoe Eugene	Illinois
Knappen, Mr. Frank C.	Illinois
Larsen, Miss Evangeline Victoria	Illinois
McCaudless, Mr. Fred C.	Michigan
McIntosh, Miss Agnes	Iowa
Oas, Mrs. Elma G.	Illinois
Oas, Olaf Burton	Illinois
Parry, Henry	Illinois
Peterson, Miss Marie	Illinois
Robinson, Ruth Evangel	Illinois
Storey, Virginia Esther	Illinois
Taylor, Harrison Onias	Illinois

BAPTISMS

The following-named believers were baptized by Triune Immersion by Elder James Alfred Smith, on November 22, 1919, at Brighton Beach, Victoria, Australia:

Ellis, George Walter
Ellis, Miss Hazel Jane Cornwall
Ellis, Mr. Norman James

The following-named believer was baptized by Triune Immersion on December 31, 1919, at ZION, Illinois; by Apostle Silas Moot:

McIntosh, Miss Agnes ..... Iowa

The following-named believer was baptized by Triune Immersion by Apostle Silas Moot, on January 5, 1920, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, Illinois, U. S. A.:

Kunz, Mr. Albert ..... Minnesota

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(Wilbur Glenn Voliva)

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Total amount of business done by all the institutions for twelve months — December 31, 1917, to December 31, 1918	$1,643,853.63
Total amount of business done by all the institutions for twelve months — July 31, 1918, to July 31, 1919	2,154,920.00
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—WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

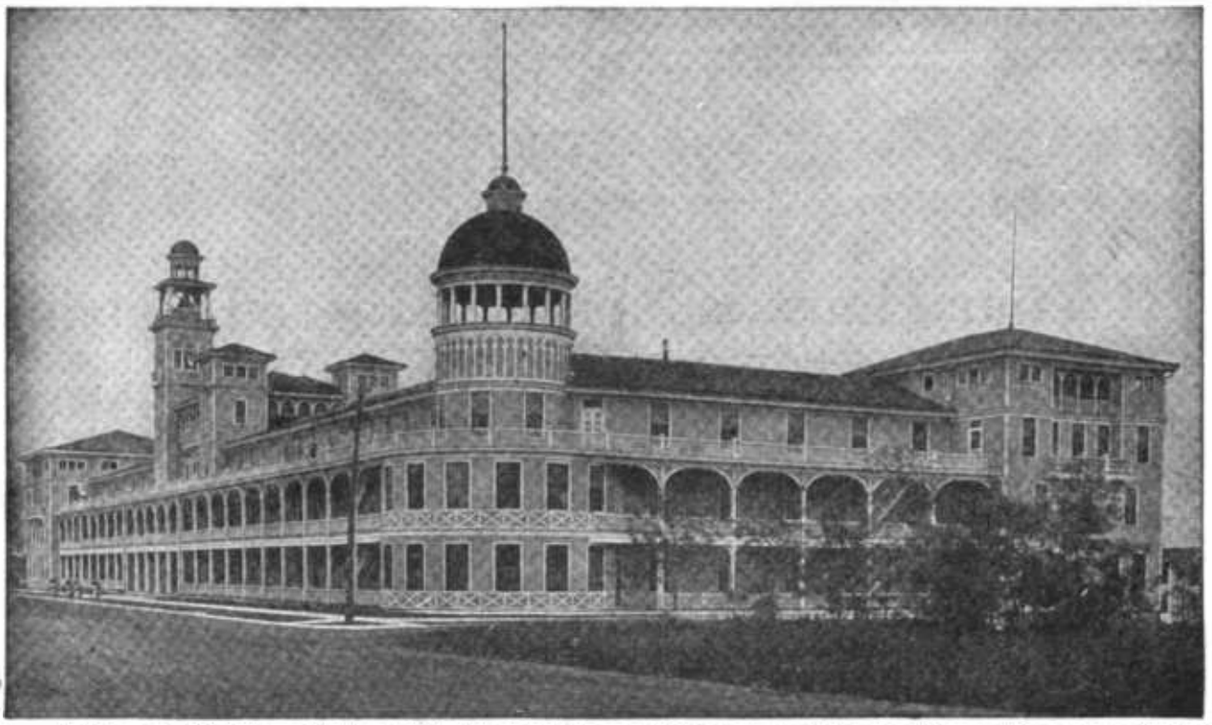
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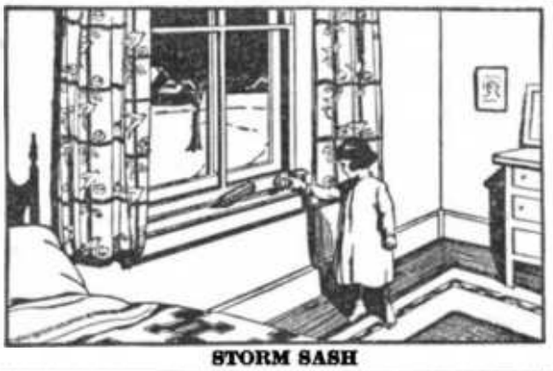
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I am the Lord that healeth thee.

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A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

EDITED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

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Administration Building,
Zion, Lake County, Illinois, U. S. A.
January 10, 1920.

Beloved Coworkers in the REDEMPTION and Establishment of the City of Zion:

We deeply appreciate the splendid responses made by you since we purchased the Zion Estate March 1, 1911, and now, once more, we use the front page of *Leaves of Healing* for the purpose of placing before you another call, to which we trust you one and all will respond on or before March 1, 1920.

The Zion Estate was purchased by me March 1, 1911, for the sum of $950,000.00.

We issued Bonds—950 of $1,000 each—totaling $950,000, and these were handled by a Chicago financial concern.

Of the $950,000, we have paid off and retired of these bonds $602,200.00.

$950,000 minus $602,200 leaves a balance yet to be paid of $347,800.00.

The balance of $347,800 is to be paid in eight annual instalments—the first and next payment will be due March 1, 1920; or, in other words, fifty days from the date of this letter.

AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL TO BE PAID MARCH 1, 1920, $16,000
AMOUNT OF INTEREST TO BE PAID MARCH 1, 1920, $12,173
TOTAL - - - - - - - - - - - - $28,173

COWORKERS can help in making this payment in any one or more of the following ways:

1. By Purchasing from the Zion Estate a **Farm.**
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We purchased the Zion Estate to be disposed of to ZION PEOPLE ONLY, and we desire that every Officer, Member, and Friend of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion shall have a part of the Estate.

All communications should be addressed to —
W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager,
Administration Building,
Zion, Lake County, Illinois, U. S. A.

Again assuring you of my deep, heartfelt appreciation of your cooperation, I am

Faithfully,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva.

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"HE IS JUST THE SAME TODAY"

By John Alexander Dowie

Have you ever heard the story
How our Lord before He died
Laid His blessed hands in healing,
Upon all who to Him cried;

How the sick and all oppressed ones
He rejoicing sent away?
O, I'm glad, so glad to tell you,
He is just the same today.

LET me speak to you of Jesus, kind reader of these pages. In simple, honest words, with tenderness and love, I want to tell you glad, good news. Christ changes never, and as He was on earth in ages long gone by, He is unchangeably the same even here and now. The Word which never dies is true.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yea and forever.

All His life and ministry were beautifully described by Peter thus:

God anointed Him with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the Devil. — Acts 10:38.

"Teaching" patiently, "preaching" boldly, He went about with constant sympathy,

Healing all manner of disease and all manner of sickness among the people. — Matthew 4:23, 9:35.

He is the same today as when He trod the Holy Land, blessing the fainting, scattered, burdened sheep of God with words of life. And still He journeys over all the earth and never wearies of His loving task. He binds up still the broken, bleeding hearts, He still delivers from the tyrant's fetters, and from Himself, the Fountain, healing virtue still is flowing. With outstretched hands He stands, quick to respond to thine appeal and banish all thy woe. Unseen, but "with us always," as He said, He stands beside thy bed of weary pain. Loved ones bend over thee, and minister with sympathetic care; but nearer than all beside is Jesus, thy Savior and thy Healer still. The Hand that cleansed the foulness of the leper's flesh and made it sweet and clean; the Hand that made the deaf to hear, the blind to see, the lame to leap, the dumb to speak; the Hand which raised the dead to life is here, no vanished Christ have we. Oh, wherefore doubt, and wherefore seek at other hands, from surgeon's knife or poison draught, the healing which He died to bring to thee, to me, to all mankind, in every age, in every land, in every clime? Christ changes never.

Early in 1876, one noontide, I sat in my study in the parsonage of the Congregational Church, at Newtown, a suburb of the beautiful city of Sydney, Australia. My heart was very heavy, for I had been visiting the sick and dying beds of more than thirty of my flock, and I had cast the dust to its kindred dust into more than forty graves within a few weeks. Where, oh where was He Who used to heal His suffering children? No prayer for healing seemed to reach His ear, and yet I knew His hand had not been shortened. Still it did not save from death even those for whom there was so much in life to live for God and others. Strong men, fathers, good citizens, and more than all, true faithful Christians sickened with a putrid fever, suffered nameless agonies, passed into delirium, sometimes with convulsions, and then died. And oh, what aching voids were left in many a widowed, orphaned heart. Then there were many homes where, one by one, the little children, the youths and the maidens were stricken, and, after hard struggling with the foul disease, they too, lay cold and dead. It seemed sometimes as if I could almost hear the triumphant mockery of fiends ringing in my ear whilst I spoke to the bereaved ones the words of Christian hope and consolation. Disease, the foul offspring of its father, Satan, and its mother, Sin, was defiling and destroying the earthly temples of God's children, and there was no deliverer.

And there I sat with sorrow bowed head for my afflicted people, until the bitter tears came to relieve my burning heart. Then I prayed for some message, and oh, how I longed to hear some words from Him who wept and sorrowed for the suffering long ago, the Man of Sorrows and of Sympathies. And then the words of the Holy Ghost inspired in Acts 10:38 stood before me all radiant with light, revealing Satan as the defiler and Christ as the Healer. My tears were wiped away, my heart was strong, I saw the way of healing, and the door thereto was opened wide, and so I said, "God help me now to preach that word to all the dying round, and tell them how 'tis Satan still defiles, and Jesus still delivers, for 'He is just the same today.'"

A loud ring and several loud raps at the outer door, a rush of feet, and then at my door two panting messengers who said, "Oh, come at once, Mary is dying; come and pray." With just such a feeling as a shepherd has who hears that his sheep are being torn from the fold by a cruel wolf, I rushed from my house, ran hatless down the street, and entered the room of the dying maiden. There she lay groaning, grinding her clenched teeth in the agony of the conflict with the destroyer, the white froth, mingled with her blood, oozing from her pain-distorted mouth. I looked at her and then my anger burned. "Oh," I thought, "for some sharp sword of heaven temper keen to slay this cruel foe who is strangling that lovely maiden like an invisible serpent, tightening his deadly coils for a final victory."

In a strange way it came to pass: I found the sword I needed was in my hands, and in my hand I hold it still, and never will I lay it down. The doctor, a good Christian man, was quietly walking up and down the room, sharing the mother's pain and grief. Presently he stood at my side and said, "Sir, are not God's ways mysterious?" Instantly the sword was flashing in my hand,—the Spirit's Sword, the Word of God. "God's way!" I said, pointing to the scene of conflict, "how dare you, Dr. K———, call that God's way of bringing His children home from earth to Heaven? No, sir, *that is the Devil's work*, and it is time we called on Him Who came to 'destroy the work of the Devil,' to slay that deadly foul destroyer, and to save the child. Can you pray, Doctor, can you pray the prayer of faith that saves the sick?" At once, offended at my words, my friend was changed, and saying, "You are too much excited, sir, 'tis best to say God's will be done:" he left the room. Excited! The word was quite inadequate for I was almost frenzied with Divinely imparted anger and hatred of that foul destroyer, disease, which was doing Satan's will. "It is not so," I exclaimed, "no will of God sends such cruelty, and I shall never say God's will be done to Satan's works, which God's Own Son came to destroy, and this is one of them." Oh, how the Word of God was burning in my heart:

Jesus of Nazareth.....went about doing good, and healing ALL THAT WERE OPPRESSED OF THE DEVIL; for God was with Him.

And was not God with me? and was not Jesus there and all His promises true? I felt that it was even so, and turning to the mother I inquired, "Why did you send for me?" To which she answered, "Do pray, oh pray for her that God may raise her up." And so we prayed. What did I say? It may be that I cannot now recall the words without mistake, but words are in themselves of small importance. The prayer of faith may be a voiceless prayer, a simple heartfelt look of confidence into the face of Christ. At such a moment words are few, but they mean much, for God is looking at the heart. Still, I can remember much of that prayer unto this day, and asking God to aid I will endeavor to recall it. I cried:

"Our Father, help! and Holy Spirit, teach me how to pray. Thou plead for us, Oh, Jesus, Savior, Healer, Friend, Our Advocate with God the Father. Hear and heal, Eternal One! From all disease and death deliver this sweet child of Thine. I rest upon Thy Word. We claim the promise now. Thy Word is true, 'I am the Lord, I change not.' Unchanging God, then prove Thyself the Healer now. Thy Word is true, 'These signs SHALL follow them that believe; in My Name, they SHALL lay hands on the sick, and they SHALL recover.' And I believe, and I lay hands in Jesus' name on her, and

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claim this promise now. Thy Word is true, 'The prayer of faith SHALL save the sick.' Trusting in Thee alone, I cry, Oh, save her now, for Jesus' sake, Amen!"

And, lo, the maid lay still in sleep, so deep and sweet that the mother said in a low whisper, "Is she dead?" "No," I answered in a whisper lower still, "Mary will live, the fever has gone. She is perfectly well and sleeping as an infant sleeps." Smoothing the long, dark hair from her now peaceful brow, and feeling the steady pulsation of her heart and cool, moist hands, I saw that Christ had heard and that once more, as long ago in Peter's house, "He touched her hand and the fever left her."

Turning to the nurse I said, "Get me at once, please, a cup of cocoa and several slices of bread and butter." Beside the sleeping maid we sat quietly and almost silently until the nurse returned, and then I bent over her and snapping my fingers said, "Mary!" Instantly she awoke, smiled and said, "Oh, sir, when did you come? I have slept so long." Then stretching out her arms to meet her mother's embrace, she said, "Mother, I feel so well!" "And hungry, too?" I said, pouring some of the cocoa in a saucer and offering it to her when cooled by my breath. "Yes, hungry, too," she answered with a little laugh, and drank and ate again, and yet again, until all was gone. In a few minutes she fell asleep, breathing easily and softly. Quietly thanking God we left her bed and went to the next room where her brother and sister also lay sick of the same fever. With the two we also prayed, and they were healed. The following day all three were well and in a week or so they brought to me a little letter and a little gift of gold, two sleeve links with my monogram, which I wore for many years. As I went away from the home where Christ as the Healer had been victorious, I could not but have somewhat in my heart of the triumphant song that rang through Heaven, and yet I was not a little amazed at my own strange doings, and still more at my discovery that

HE IS JUST THE SAME TODAY.

And this is the story of how I came to preach the Gospel of Healing through faith in Jesus.

That very day I went to the cemetery and laid in the grave the bodies of three who had died two days before, but I rejoice to add that in the more than twelve years of ministry in Australia which followed I only buried five, although ministering to many thousands. And yet it was not all at once that I could discover how to teach the lessons that I learned that day. Not until six years after did I fully enter upon the ministry of healing as a part of the ministry of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, to preach which I was duly ordained in 1872. During the years that have followed, I have prayed, and in Jesus' Name have laid my hands upon many hundreds of thousands of sick ones, and great numbers have been healed. These witnesses have testified in thousands and the record of their testimonies has gone forth to many lands. We have left our friends and the Australian home to carry LEAVES OF HEALING from the Tree of Life, to every creature in every nation we can reach. We have never proclaimed this Gospel in any city or country where God has not confirmed the Word with signs following, although in some places it is still true as nineteen centuries ago, "He could not do there many mighty works because of their unbelief." We bring this message to thee, kind reader. It will give us joy to tell it to all who will come. Salvation and Healing are FREE, for God never sells His gifts. "Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price."

Let the words abide in thy heart:

HE IS JUST THE SAME TODAY.

And if thou wilt believe Him, first for Salvation and then for Healing, thou wilt go onward in the King's Highway of Holiness singing the familiar words with a new meaning, as thou goest along the way through earth to Heaven:

"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."

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The ministry of Jesus the Christ is summed up in three things: Teaching, Preaching, Healing.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever.

What did He teach?

He taught His own Divinity.

He taught His own incarnation.

He taught that every man on earth was in need of a Savior.

He proclaimed Repentance first, and Faith next.

Zion proclaims that there is no salvation in any other name than that of Jesus.

SATAN THE DEFILER.

"He that doeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this end was the Son of God manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil."—I John 3:8.

"How that God anointed Him 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."—Acts 10:38.

"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?"—Luke 13:16.

ZION, in her teaching, smites the wicked lie that God makes His children sick.

WHAT SHOULD A CHRISTIAN DO WHEN SICK?

"Is any sick among you? 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 the 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 one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."—James 5:14-16.

A Christian should obey the commands of God as contained in His Word.

"What should a Christian do when sick?" is plainly answered by the above Apostolic command, which was inspired by the Spirit of God. It shows you what was the practice of the primitive Church.

Nowhere in the Old Testament, nor in the New, is there a single word approving doctors, surgeons, or drugs. You may search the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, covering four thousand one hundred years of human history, of Divine Revelation, and you will find no provision for any other healing of God's people than God Himself.

"What shall one then answer the messengers of the nation? That the Lord hath founded Zion, and the poor of His people shall trust in it."

ZION has been called into existence as a place of refuge for the oppressed and afflicted of God's people.

The ministers of the apostate Churches are, for the most part, false shepherds, and they have turned the sick, the suffering and the dying over to doctors and drugs, surgeons and knives. The sick know better than to ask the ministers to pray for their healing, for they will tell them that the day of miracles is past, that Jesus used to heal but that He does not heal now, and they will advise them to go to the doctors.

Requests for prayer may be sent to ZION from any part of the world, and every Request will be given careful consideration.

Send in your Requests. If you can come to ZION HOME and attend the meetings and get the teaching, all the better.

Write to WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, placing the words "General Ecclesiastical Secretary" on the lower left-hand corner of the envelope.

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The Four Conditions of Fellowship in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

IT is with deep humility that I render thanks to God for the fact that He kept me through my college career from Higher Criticism. I have been through the theological seminaries — cemeteries, I call them — and, thank God, it did not faze me.

I studied Higher Criticism and I can look up into the face of my God this afternoon and say that I believe in the verbal inspiration of the Scriptures, and it is that for which I stand.

What do I mean by that? I mean that the Bible is God's Book. God inspired and dictated it — every word of it. The holy men who wrote it were mere amanuenses — simply reporters.

As an illustration, I have delivered hundreds of addresses during the past twelve years. The reporters at the table who wrote up these addresses were not the authors but merely amanuenses.

Any man or woman who does not believe that the Bible is God's Book cannot be saved, and no unsaved person has any right to ask me to receive him into the fellowship of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church, for I cannot do it. True, in some instances, I may be deceived, for it is impossible for me to know the heart; but all persons applying for fellowship in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION must take the Bible as their rule of faith and practice, must repent of sin and do everything in their power to confess and make right the wrongs of their past lives.

We are living in the most perilous times in the history of this world, and there are some perilous times ahead; but the true child of God will escape them.

These are times when signs are multiplying relative to the soon coming of our Lord, and one of the signs is the refusal of the churches to believe in the infallible inspiration of the Word of God.

I have lived to see the day when the Bible is being denied by thousands of professed ministers of the Gospel. These learned men tell us that the inspiration of the Bible is the same thing as when we speak of the inspiration of Longfellow or Shakespeare. It is a lie inspired of the Devil, and they have no conception of the true inspiration of the Scriptures.

The apostasy of our day is the apostasy which is to produce the Man of Sin. Surely we are in the last days. I have lived to see this day, and I expect to be caught up out of it to meet my Lord in the Rapture.

John Alexander Dowie struck the nail on the head when he laid down, as the first condition of fellowship in this Church, "that we recognize the infallible inspiration and sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures as the rule of faith and practice."

We are called to stand "for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints" (Jude 3).

There are tremendous influences beating upon this world today, and we sometimes cry out, "Who will stand?" Even some have asked me if there is not something good in Russellism, Spiritualism or Christian Science. I say, NO. They are subtle, Satanic influences intended to becloud the eyes and lead multitudes away from the Word of God.

The average Christian Scientist does not know any more about the inner, false, misleading teaching of that horrible system, which they profess to accept, than a child knows about the hieroglyphics on the pyramids of Egypt.

These people are deceived. The mere statement that Jesus is not the Christ ought to be enough for them, but the great majority of them do not know it is there.

These false systems seek to tear the Bible to pieces, while pretending to accept its doctrines. Their false, delusive teaching, that there is no Devil, no sin, no hell and therefore, that there need be no repentance, attracts countless multitudes, and if possible it would deceive the very elect.

I believe in the verbal inspiration of the Bible in the original languages. I believe that God inspired not only every word, every thought and every sentence but every jot and tittle, which, in the Hebrew language, is equivalent to the dotting of the "i" and the crossing of the "t."

Both the Hebrew and Greek languages are superior to the English in point of precision, and therefore the translation may, in some instances, fail to bring out the true, original meaning in all its entirety.

The events taking place today are the fulfillment of prophecy; and no man, years after the events have transpired, can write them with the accuracy of Daniel, and John in the Book of the Revelation, hundreds of years ago.

In these last days, God has founded ZION as a place of refuge for the afflicted of His people who are sick of the godlessness and apostasy of the churches and who love the appearing of their blessed Savior.

I have an indescribable passion to have a place here for every child of God who believes in the Bible in sincerity and truth, and where every minister who believes in the infallible inspiration of the Word of God and the soon coming of our Lord, and who sees ZION — the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION — may have a home.

We need not be surprised at the spread and growth of all these false systems which deny the inspiration of the Scriptures and twist them around to suit the subtle teaching of the Devil.

"Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke" — Why? "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears."

That time is now here.

The second condition of fellowship in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church is this — "That we recognize that no persons can be members of the Church who have not repented of their sins and have not trusted in Christ for salvation."

The churches are full of impenitent men and women today who never were regenerated. It makes no difference to me who you are, — if you are as brilliant as Demosthenes — if you have not been born again, or if you question the infallible inspiration of the Bible, I cannot fellowship you.

The third condition of fellowship in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church is, — "That such persons must also be able to make a good profession, and declare that they do know, in their own hearts, that they have truly repented, and are truly trusting Christ, and have the witness, in a measure, of the Holy Spirit."

I know whether I am a child of God or not, and you know whether you are. If you love the things of this world more than the things of God, if you want to go to dances, card parties, the theater, the moving picture show and follow after the world, the flesh and the Devil, you never have been converted.

Some people say, "what do you do for entertainment?" Why, go to the prayer meeting. Come to the rally on some Wednesday night in the City of ZION and I will show you a people who love God and have been truly regenerated.

The fourth and last condition of fellowship is, "That all other questions of every kind shall be held to be matters of opinion and not matters that are essential to church unity."

The rank and file of the people had better keep their hearts, minds, eyes and ears wide open to instruction. They had better stick to the fundamentals, and not try to be theologians.

These are the days of all days when God is calling upon His people to come out from among the apostate churches; to come out from among the false systems and organizations of the world and be separate.

May God help ZION and all the saints everywhere to heed Psalm 50:5:

"Gather My saints together unto Me; those that have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice."

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GENERAL OVERSEER
WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

Form of Application for Membership in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

TO all who are desirous of entering into Fellowship with the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS — The principles of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion have been fully set forth in the report of Two Conferences on Organization, held in Zion Tabernacle No. 2, which are fully reported in LEAVES OF HEALING for January 31 and February 7, 1896. The Basis of Fellowship is set forth in the Second Section of the Resolution passed on February 5th (See LEAVES OF HEALING, Volume II, Number 17, Page 267):

FIRST — That we recognize the infallible inspiration and efficiency of the Holy Scriptures as the rule of faith and practice.

SECOND — That we recognize that no persons can be members of the Church who have not repented of their sins and have not trusted in Christ for Salvation.

THIRD — That such persons must also be able to make a good profession, and declare that they do know, in their own hearts, that they have truly repented, and are truly trusting Christ, and have the witness, in a measure, of the Holy Spirit.

FOURTH — That all other questions of every kind shall be held to be matters of opinion and not matters that are essential to Church unity.

All who are conscious of fulfilling these conditions, no matter where they may reside, are invited to fill up the following blank and answer all the questions contained therein.

I am, Faithfully yours in Jesus,



General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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AS FAR AS POSSIBLE THE APPLICANT HIMSELF SHOULD FILL OUT THIS BLANK. WRITE PLAINLY AND WITH INK.

Address.....

Date.....

Please be Sure to fill in

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion,
Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

I hereby make application to be received as a member of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and declare my agreement with the Basis of Fellowship agreed upon at a Conference held February 5, 1896, as set forth in Circular Letter of February 7, 1896.

What is your full name?.....

Where is your residence? .....

Please give full postoffice address

What is your age last birthday?..... Date and year of birth.....

Are you married, unmarried, widowed, or divorced?..... How many children have you living?.. .....

What is your father's full Christian name?.....

What is your mother's full Christian name?.....

What is the full name of husband or wife?.....

What is your occupation, profession, or trade?.....

What nationality are you?..... Where were you born?.....

What language or languages do you speak?.....

How long have you lived in America (or the country where you are now living)?.....

When and where were you converted to God?.....

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Are you conscious that you are saved through faith in Jesus?.....

When and where were you baptized by TRIUNE Immersion?.....

By whom were you baptized?.....

With what religious organization were you formerly connected?.....

Recommended by .....

Signature of Applicant.....

Write very plainly

REMARKS

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Extra Copies of this Form will be sent to intending members on application to the General Recorder of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, Zion City, Lake County, Illinois, U. S. A.

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"God's Remedy for Sin, Sickness and Disease"

Report of an Address Delivered in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, November 23, 1919, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. M.)

SCRIPTURE READING

I. Thessalonians 4:13-18:

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them who are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others who have no hope.

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also who sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him (Jesus).

For this we say unto you by the Word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent (precede, or go before) them who are asleep.

For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout (Revelation 4:1 — "Come up hither"), with the voice of the archangel (Michael), and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

I. Corinthians 15:50-52:

Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: My first text this afternoon is Genesis 1:31:

And God saw EVERY THING that He had made, and, behold, IT WAS VERY GOOD.

My second is First John 3:8:

...For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He MIGHT DESTROY THE WORKS OF THE DEVIL.

Among other things, this afternoon, we are going to list the works of the Devil.

And my third text is Revelation 21:1:

AND I SAW A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH:

Follow me closely.

In the First Chapter of Genesis we have an account — not of the *creation* of the earth, but — of the *restoration* of the earth.

In the Bible, with reference to this earth, there are three divisions — the world that was, the world that is, and the "new earth," spoken of in Revelation 21:1.

The First Verse of Genesis reads:

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

The word "heaven" in that verse should be *"heavens;"* because God created the first heaven and the second heaven, and the third heaven is the uncreated Heaven, where God's Throne is.

How far back the beginning of time is nobody knows. It may be millions of years.

The First Inhabitants of the Earth, an Order of Angels, Fell Through Pride

The inhabitants of the earth in the beginning were an order of angels, in charge of him who is now the Devil, and who fell through pride.

The earth never has been destroyed and never will be destroyed, but the great catastrophe that overtook it, bringing it into a state of chaos, was a *flood.*

Therefore, Peter, in the Third Chapter of his Second Epistle, writes:

For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the Word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished. (Verses 5 and 6)

In other words, a great change took place, but the framework of the earth remained the same.

The Restoration of the Earth—the Creation of Man

And so, in the First Chapter of Genesis, the account we have is of the RESTORATION of the earth which God created in the beginning, and which, because of the rebellion of those put upon it, was reduced to a state of chaos. It was "without form, and void," and darkness was upon the face of the abyss.

The words used in Verse Three and Verses Fourteen to Eighteen, in this chapter, are not the same as the word used for *create;* they are the words which, in Hebrew, mean "caused to appear."

He *did* create *man.* Prior to this time there never had been a human being.

This work of restoration took six days of twenty-four hours each — precisely the same kind of days in duration that we have now.

When God gave the Decalogue, He gave the commandment:

Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy. — Exodus 20:8.

He declared:

For in SIX DAYS (of twenty-four hours each) the Lord made heaven and earth, — Exodus 20:11.

From that point down to the present time is almost Six Thousand years. The Seventh Thousand will be the Millennium, and the morrow after the Sabbath will be the Perfect Age, as I will show you a little later.

Let us study now THINGS AS THEY WERE, as described in Genesis 1:31; let us study THINGS AS THEY HAVE BEEN (as described in the Third of Genesis) AND STILL ARE, as set forth in Isaiah and in the Book of Revelation — "And I saw a NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH."

God's Creation Perfect, Grand and Sublime

As we look at man as he was when he left the hands of his Creator, he was PERFECT; for God looked at everything He had made, and all was "very good."

God looked at the sun, the moon, the stars, the planets, the firmament, the animals on land and in sea, vegetation, and everything else that is mentioned here, and as He surveyed it all—the work of His hands — He said, "Everything is *very good.*"

As you sit here this afternoon, I pray that you will get this thought and meditate upon it: That when God had finished all His work of restoration and His additional work of creation — because, in connection with the restoration, He created man in His Own Image and He created a beautiful garden, perfect environment — there was no sin, no sickness, no disease, no death: there were no destructive insects, no briars, no thistles, no thorns, no poisonous herbs, no ferocious or poisonous animals, no storms: there was nothing in all the atmosphere to destroy, and everything on the face of the whole earth was perfect and grand and sublime.

I shall show you from the Word of God, later on, that the time is coming when this earth will be purified and renovated by fire, and once more it will be as it was in the beginning — clothed with Edenic beauty.

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Things as they were!

Now, a great change took place, and that changed condition has continued until this afternoon.

Every man and woman — even the casual observer, one who is only superficially informed — will readily say that the earth today is more like *hell* than anything else.

Men and women vie with each other in their efforts to see who can sink lowest into vice.

The masses have forgotten God; they have forsaken His Word; they have rejected the Christ; they no longer go to the house of God; they are "lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God."

And when a man separates himself from God and frees himself from all Divine restraints, he becomes, not only as low as an animal, but he would put the blush of shame upon the cheeks of the animals that roam the field.

God's Creation Marred Through the Vile Work of the Devil

Let us inquire as to how this change came about.

Some smart-Aleck will jump up in a meeting and say, "Mr. Voliva, where did the Devil come from?"

Why, that is the easiest question any one ever asked me.

When God created the angels, among others He created the cherub — the most beautiful of all beings — described in the Twenty-eighth Chapter of Ezekiel. One day, filled with pride, he said, "I will ascend above the clouds — I will be as great as GOD!" And he fell — he became the DEVIL.

That is where the Devil came from.

He was a free moral agent, with the power of choice; in his life the possibility of virtue and vice. He voluntarily chose to take the downward path, described in the Twenty-eighth of Ezekiel and referred to by the Apostle Paul when he gives the qualifications for an office-bearer in the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Devil was punished for his rebellion and sent with the demons into the upper air as a place of habitation, referred to in many parts of the New Testament, principally the Sixth Chapter of Ephesians — "the prince of the power of the air."

No sooner had Adam and Eve been created than the Devil said, "I will repossess myself of the earth, and I will show God Almighty whether or not His plan ever will be carried out."

Eve Deceived by the Devil and First in the Transgression

And so the Devil entered into the serpent — that is not the only time he has entered into animals — and the temptation was presented. Eve listened to the tempter's voice and was deceived, obeying him and disobeying God.

Had Adam and Eve eaten of the TREE OF LIFE, instead of eating of the forbidden fruit, the Edenic beauty would have continued; and some day, after the earth has been renovated by fire and the New Jerusalem descends out of Heaven and God comes down to make His home on this earth, once more there will be the TREE OF LIFE and the RIVER OF LIFE.

Brothers and sisters, like Adam and Eve, you were created free moral agents, with the power of choice; you were put on trial and you have disobeyed God.

ALL have sinned — every man and every woman!

After Eve had fallen she gave to her husband, and he ate with her to keep her company. She was the one deceived, so the Bible says. That is a great declaration.

Now then, God the Son — I want you to get that — walked in the Garden of Eden in "the cool of the day."

Jesus Christ was God the Son. He became incarnate in the flesh and became the Son of Man.

He said, "Where art thou?"

And they went and hid themselves, because they were afraid. They had committed *sin*, and they were *afraid*.

Then they made for themselves aprons of fig leaves to cover their nakedness, representing self-righteousness, or regeneration without blood — the religion of which the world is full today.

Finally Adam said, "We were afraid and we hid ourselves."

The Curse of Man's Disobedience Rests Upon Everything

In the Third Chapter of Genesis God pronounced a curse upon the serpent, and that curse is there to this day, and will be until the redemption of the sons of men.

For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the REDEMPTION of our body. — Romans 8:22, 23.

The curse is upon the animal kingdom, and we have poisonous reptiles and ferocious, man-eating animals.

God pronounced a curse upon the woman.

God pronounced a curse upon the man. He told him that henceforth when he tilled the soil it would not yield forth its fruit, but that it would bring forth briars and thorns; and the curse is upon the land.

The curse rests upon EVERYTHING. There is not a tree or a vegetable which is not infested with a special kind of insect or bug, which seeks to destroy it. There is not a thing that grows in the garden or the field that does not have to contend with some curse.

The whole creation is under the curse because man sinned and disobeyed God. Disobedience is sin. Sin is "the trangression of the law."

Now then, in the beginning God gave to man the cereals and the nuts and the fruits to eat. He did not give him any flesh.

Any man who has read the Bible and who is fair, knows that that statement is correct.

To the animals He gave the green herbs of the field.

Sickness, Disease, Death and Brevity of Life the Result of Sin

When man sinned, then sickness came, disease came, death came, and life was shortened.

Methuselah lived to be nine hundred and sixty-nine years of age. Jared lived to be nine hundred and sixty-two years of age. But you will notice that in a very short period of time the length of life was shortened. It came down to one hundred years, ninety years, and less. And we have come down until, at the hands of the devilish doctors, the average length of life today is only thirty-three and one-third years.

One time a man in one of my meetings in Melbourne jumped up and asked me what God created the herbs for. I said, "For the cows."

And that answer is correct.

God never intended for men and women to eat catnip, thistles, the venom of the rattlesnake and the cobra, and so on. God never intended that men and women should make of their bodies — which are the TEMPLES OF THE HOLY GHOST — reservoirs for all the muck and filth of the animal, vegetable, and mineral kingdoms.

Now, I make this statement: No Devil, no sin; no sin, no sickness and disease; no sickness and disease, no death; no death, no hell.

Had everything continued as it was when God surveyed His work, everything in all the earth and in all the atmosphere would have been maintained with perfect poise and equilibrium.

The change was brought about by man's disobedience.

God has put man on trial repeatedly, and *every time* he has *failed*.

And now during the Millennium He is going to put him on trial again, with the Devil chained and with marvelous changes wrought, and again he is going to *fail*.

At the end of the Millennium the fires will break out and will wipe every inhabitant off the face of the whole earth and purify it, and then God will start the whole thing over once more.

The World Today More Corrupt Than Sodom and Gomorrah

The world today is full of sin — uncleanness, envy, jealousy, vulgarity, profanity, vices unmentionable — sins that Sodom and Gomorrah never heard tell of.

Sickness is everywhere!

Disease is on every hand!

Humanity is rotting from the crown of its head to the sole of its feet!

Not only are the men soaked with tobacco, but multitudes of women are confirmed cigaret fiends.

And so the human family is rushing headlong into HELL!

Now, what is the remedy for sin?

What is the remedy for sickness?

What is the remedy for disease?

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What is the remedy for death?

What is the remedy for hell?

There are plenty of *man-made* remedies, but all of them are failures. The masses of the people take first one remedy of man's and then another, and they are fooled and tricked all the way down the line.

There is only ONE REMEDY for sickness and disease!

Only sixteen hundred years after God surveyed His work and pronounced it GOOD, He permitted a flood to come and destroy all the people on the earth except *eight*. Noah was the only righteous person on the earth, and God permitted his wife and his three sons and their wives to enter into the ark for his sake.

Sodom and Gomorrah were burned and blotted from the face of the earth because of their vice.

God called Abram, and out of him He created the Jewish nation. God gave His laws to that nation and made His covenants with them. Among other covenants that He made was the covenant of DIVINE HEALING, which is for the CHURCH just as much as for Israel; for the conditions are:

And said, 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 NONE OF THESE DISEASES TO COME UPON THEE, WHICH I HAVE PERMITTED TO COME UPON THE EGYPTIANS: for I AM THE LORD (Jehovah-rophi) WHO HEALETH THEE. — Exodus 15:26.

The Blood of Jesus Christ the only Remedy for Sin and Sickness

In Isaiah the Fifty-third Chapter, where the stream of prophecy, in its most majestic sweep, reaches its deepest depth, it is declared:

SURELY HE HATH BORNE OUR GRIEFS (sicknesses), AND CARRIED OUR SORROWS: — Isaiah 53:4.

So that Divine Healing is in the Atonement.

The only remedy for sin is the BLOOD OF JESUS THE CHRIST, the Son of God, which was shed upon Calvary.

Any man who tells you that you can *save yourself* is a tool of the Devil!

Self-righteousness is a filthy rag!

A man can no more save himself than he can lift himself over a six-foot fence by his own bootstraps.

In these last days of peril, when the church has gone to the Devil, numerous organizations have sprung up and are growing like rag weeds, every one of which is from hell! Christian Science, Spiritualism, New Thought, Theosophy, and Millennial Dawnism are the leading ones. Every false religion tries to make people believe that they can be saved without the blood; that they can save themselves.

That is the old-time lie of the Devil!

There is no salvation outside the BLOOD!

There is no salvation outside the NEW BIRTH!

Man's only hope is *regeneration* and becoming a *"new creature"* in Christ Jesus.

The Apostate Church has Sold Out to the Devil

The Devil said to the Lord, "Now, You come up on this mountain and look all around here. Do You see all these kingdoms? Well, they are all mine. You do not need to die — You do not need to go through Gethsemane and be crucified upon the cross; all You need to do is to fall down here and worship me, and I will give them all to You."

Jesus answered, "Thou shalt worship THE LORD THY GOD, and Him only shalt thou serve."

But the Devil never quits; he works day and night. He said to the church, "Now, you run the Sunday school and the prayer meeting and I will run the rest."

And the church said, "All right, Mr. Devil, we will sign the contract."

And so the church started out to run the Sunday school and the prayer meeting, and the Devil took charge of the business and the politics and so on, and you can see what a pretty mess we have today.

Many preachers have given up, because there is no prayer meeting to run and the Sunday school is practically *non est*, so far as any vital piety and influence are concerned, and the Devil is running the whole business.

In July, 1914, he got up a little war — yes, only a little war, involving all the nations. He killed off seven million and starved to death millions more, and turned the world upside down and inside out and raised hell in general. And now he has the whole thing headed for the scrap heap.

Man's Miserable Failure in Government to End With the Terrible Reign of the Antichrist

The Lord is going to come and say, "Look here, Mr. Man, you are a miserable failure! You have had the reins for TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND TWENTY years, from the days of Nebuchadnezzar down to the battle of Armageddon. I will take the reins of government now, and I will rule you with a ROD OF IRON and you will have to submit to Me and obey Me!"

I tell you, there is no hope for this mess except the COMING OF THE PRINCE OF PEACE. As I have told you before, do not look for things to get any better. They are not going to get any better; they are going to get worse and worse, until some day, when the Devil is about to swallow up the saints, they will hear a voice saying, "Come up hither;" and, "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye," every saint in all the earth will disappear.

Then Antichrist will be revealed and will take the reins. He will cut off the head of every man and every woman who does not bow down and worship him, and there will be a "time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation."

He comes in peaceably, riding on a white horse, with a bow but no arrow; and he obtains his throne by flattery.

Later he appears riding on a red horse and takes peace from the earth. Then famine and death and hell will sweep the world, until the dead will be neither lamented nor buried. There will not be people enough left to dig the graves and to pick up the bodies and put them in the ground.

We are coming up to it, and coming very rapidly.

God's remedy for sin is the blood of His Only Begotten Son, Who became incarnate in the flesh, was born of the Virgin Mary, lived and loved, suffered and died, that you and I might not die but have ETERNAL LIFE.

Woe Pronounced Upon Those Who Bring in Substitutes for Jesus Christ

Woe unto the man who refuses to recognize God's provision and seeks to substitute something else! Hell will be his portion!

The man who does not witness against Christian Science, Theosophy, Spiritualism, New Thought, Millennial Dawnism, and all these other organizations of the Devil, is recreant to his call to the ministry and to his trust, and God will hold him responsible.

There is no salvation in any other name under Heaven than the NAME OF JESUS! And the man who tries to deceive and trick you is your enemy and an emissary of the Devil.

This afternoon may God, by the Holy Spirit, through the preached Word, burn into the heart of every sinner here the fact that you are a sinner, lost, away from God; that your only hope is to embrace Jesus the Christ, the Savior of all the world, surrender to Him fully and absolutely, and pray to Him to take you as you are and make you what you ought to be in spirit, in soul, and in body, and to save you from death!

That is your only hope — there is no other!

The Apostate Churches Turn the People Over to Medical Poisoners and Surgical Butchers

When it comes to sickness and disease, the apostate churches have turned the people over to the medical poisoners and surgical butchers, to be dosed, and poisoned, and cut, and carved, and tricked, and robbed!

Any man or woman who pretends to believe the Bible and who does not see that the medical profession was invented by the Devil and is from hell, is as blind as a bat!

The only remedy for sickness and disease is the BLOOD OF THE SON OF GOD.

When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His Word, and healed all that were sick:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet (Isaiah 53:4), saying, HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES, AND BARE OUR SICKNESSES. — Matthew 8:16, 17.

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Yet an apostate ministry, who are away from God, have turned the poor people, the sheep of God, over to these tools of the Devil, to have put into their bodies, which are the TEMPLES OF THE HOLY GHOST, all sorts of animal, mineral, and vegetable poisons, such as cockroaches, dried flies, lizards, the venom of rattlesnakes, and so on.

The False Shepherds Headed Straight for Hell

These false shepherds — unless they heed the call to repentance and fall down on their faces before God and repent of having forsaken the sheep and turned them over to the world, the flesh, and the Devil, to be dosed and poisoned and robbed and cut and carved and destroyed — are headed straight for HELL!

They talk about MEDICAL SCIENCE!

No one but a fool would use the expression!

The word "science" comes from the Latin word *"scientia,"* which means *facts,* verified by observation. They have not laid even the first pebble in the foundation for medical science! It is medical humbug and medical bunk!

Many Medical "Paths", All of Which Lead to the Grave

In the first place, there is the Allopathic doctor, whose motto is: *"Contraria contraribus curantur* (Contrary cures contrary)."

Then there is the Homeopath, whose motto is: *"Similia similibus curantur* (Like cures like)." This second fool says, "I reduce my medicines to the infinitesimal potentiality; and you can take a whole bottle of my pills, and swallow bottle and all, and never know the difference."

Then along comes the Hydropath, and he says, "Water externally, water internally, water *eternally,* and everything will be all right!"

Next, the Osteopath says, "No drugs; but I will pound you on the back, hit you over the head, pull your legs out of joint, and beat you up until you will be so sore you can't move, and then you will get perfectly well."

Then the Neuropath comes along and says, "They are all wrong! All disease is in the nerve centers. All you have to do is to get at the nerve centers, and everything will be all right." So he gets a Jew's harp and plays you a little tune on it and pronounces you well.

And so it goes!

Then they talk about MEDICAL SCIENCE!

What a lot of rot!

Every one of these "paths" lead straight through the gate into the cemetery.

The whole medical business is a fraud, from beginning to end.

Drugs never cure anybody, but they have killed millions of people.

One medical writer says that drugs have killed more people than war, famine, and pestilence combined. And he is right about it!

I know these doctors from A to Z.

The Horrible Practices, Superstitions and Remedies of the Doctors

I say that it is impossible for a young man to work in a dissecting room day after day, in the midst of the naked bodies of girls, women, and men, and drink alcohol to stimulate his nerves, and not become an incarnate devil!

One woman who is a member of this church sent her son, a medical ghoul, a copy of LEAVES OF HEALING, and he sent the same paper back to her with a *human ear* rolled up in it.

Now, the rank and file of the people take the doctors and the hospitals, and they say, "Voliva, you are a fool."

Well, who is the fool — the man who stays away from these doctors and keeps a clean body, or the man who goes to them and opens his mouth and lets them feed him cockroaches?

I have seen them give a man as many as *seven live flies* for sunstroke.

I knew two doctors who, for over four weeks, gave a man cockroaches. They give pulverized lizards and a long time ago they gave sick people the blood of a black tomcat.

In fact, I can show you, in a certain medical book, where the blood of an old tomcat was prescribed at one time as one of their favorite remedies.

I have been in towns where all the doctors there had delirium tremens. The people all got well while they were sick, and as soon as they recovered the people started to die again. (Laughter.)

Oh, what a lot of frauds!

A few years ago, appendicitis was very popular. You never hear anything about it any more. Appendicitis is nothing more than the old-fashioned stomach-ache, that I used to have, forty years ago, when I had eaten too many green apples. That is all it is!

The Dishonest Doctors Condemned in the Word of God

These infernal doctors, in order to fleece the people, kept that thing going until they had killed off a number of the prominent men of this Country. They would cut a little place in the skin, pronounce it a wonderful operation, charge the patient three hundred dollars and send him home.

Then, of course, you read in the paper: "The honorable John Brown, representative in Congress of the eighth Illinois district, was operated on last Thursday by Dr. Squilgees. The operation was a great success, but the patient failed to rally and died on Friday." Then at the coroner's inquest, the jury found that the deceased came to his death from syncope — in other words, his breath dropped out.

Do you see that Hebrew word, *"Kashaph,"* up there on that wall (indicating)? It means a "sorcerer."

Do you see that Greek word, *"Pharmakos,"* up there (indicating)? It means a "pharmacist."

"Kashaph" and *"Pharmakos"* literally mean "a manufacturer, a seller, a user of drugs."

You will find that sorcery is one of the works of the flesh.

I am glad to be able to stand here today and tell you, from the Word of God, the remedy for sin and for sickness and disease is the Blood of Christ.

The Devil has the power of death.

Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same; that through death He might destroy HIM THAT HAD THE POWER OF DEATH, that is, the DEVIL. — Hebrews 2:14.

Satan the Defiler of Mankind — God the Healer of His People

Any preacher who tells the people that God afflicts them is a liar!

God does not afflict anybody!

There are no diseases in God! There are no diseases in Heaven! There are a lot of them in *hell.* The Devil has a long room, with shelves arranged along the walls, where he keeps different diseases.

Do you remember a fellow by the name of Job? When the sons of God came together, the Devil appeared also, and the Lord said, "Have you considered My servant Job?"

The Devil said, "Yes; but You have prospered him and built a fence around him, it is no wonder he loves and serves You."

So God withdrew His hand so much — He said to the Devil, "You may take his property."

But Job continued steadfast.

Finally Satan presented himself at another meeting of the sons of God, and said:

*****YEA, ALL THAT A MAN HATH WILL HE GIVE FOR HIS LIFE.**
But put forth Thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse Thee to Thy face.
And the Lord said unto Satan, Behold, he is in THINE HAND; but save his life. — Job 2:4, 5, 6.

So the Devil telephoned to hell and called one of his imps, and told him to go to a certain shelf and get a box of boils — literally it was elephantiasis; and he gave Job a good dose of *boils.*

The Devil smote Job with boils! (Job 2:7)

God never makes anybody sick! He permits the Devil to strike wicked, disobedient people; but He does not do it. It is a shameful lie to charge God with giving His children smallpox, scarlet fever, cancer, tuberculosis, and loathsome diseases!

DIVINE HEALING is in the ATONEMENT!

What are you going to do about it?

Are you going to reject the Atonement?

Those Who Reject Divine Healing do not Believe the Bible

I made the statement in a meeting one time that any one who did not believe in Divine Healing did not believe the Bible.

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Some people had fits. They said, "Why, *we* believe the *Bible.*"

IS ANY SICK AMONG YOU? LET HIM CALL FOR THE ELDERS OF THE CHURCH; — James 5:14.

Is that what *you* do?

Do *you* call for the elders of the church?

Most people run off after some old drunken doctor; they do not pray to God at all. And they lie when they say they believe the Bible.

Beloved, Jesus the Christ was manifested to destroy the works of the Devil (I John 3:8). Write out the works of the Devil. Jesus Christ came to destroy them.

Think of a man who swears — takes the Name of God in vain! What a fool!

Separate yourselves from the world!

Make the consecration, and then pray to God to sanctify you wholly!

That is the proper thing to do!

Now, the last text:

AND I SAW A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH: — Revelation 21:1.

Beloved, Nebuchadnezzar was the first one to exercise rule as a Gentile.

The "times of the Gentiles" were to last exactly Two Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty years.

The Dying of the Old Order, the Birth of the New Order

The last *seven years* of these times is the Seventieth Week of Daniel. The breath of these seven years is blowing in our faces this afternoon. The strikes, the unrest, the upheavals, and all this turmoil are just the first mutterings of the world-wide storm that will tumble down every government and every ruler and spread anarchy and chaos throughout the whole world.

At the end of that period, when the army of the Northeastern Confederacy and the army of the Revived Roman Empire, over which the Antichrist will rule, meet near Jerusalem — the upper and the nether millstones to grind the life out of the Israelitish Remnant — all at once they will see something in the sky; for when Christ comes in glory every eye on earth will see Him plainly.

All the tribes of the earth will mourn.

They will see Him coming out of Heaven, riding on a white horse, followed by the angels and all of the saints who have received their rewards and to whom Jesus has said, "Well done; enter into the joy of thy Lord!"

Sweeping down into Palestine, in the Valley of Megiddo, where two hundred million soldiers are gathered, the Lord will smite them with the breath of His mouth.

That will be the Battle of Armageddon.

It will take them seven months to bury the dead, and for seven years they will gather firewood from the battlefield. A law will be enacted commanding every traveler, when he sees a dead body, to stick up a stake for the guidance of those who are burying them as they cross the land.

And then when all the rubbish is cleared away, David's throne will be established in the literal City of Jerusalem, and upon that throne will sit a lineal descendent of David.

The Dimensions and Location of the New Jerusalem During the Millennium

Over the literal City of Jerusalem, with its literal throne and ruler, will hover the NEW JERUSALEM — that City which would reach from Florida to Maine and from the Atlantic coast six hundred miles west of the Mississippi; that City which is described in the Book of Revelation as being in the form of a pyramid, with the Throne of God and the Lamb in it, and with the River of Life flowing from that throne; that City which has need of no light, no sun, no temple.

Jesus said:

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me.

In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I GO TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU. — John 14:1, 2.

Through the king on the throne of David and through the Israelites who have accepted Jesus as the Messiah, the government of this earth will be directed from the New Jerusalem.

At the end of the Millennium, when the Battle of Gog and Magog, not the one described by Ezekiel in the Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth Chapters, is fought and all of the enemies of God are destroyed, then the NEW JERUSALEM gradually will come down upon this earth. All around it the earth will be purified by fire. God will take a few selections out of earth's population with which to start the Perfect Age, and He will burn up all the rest.

The Devil is cast into the "lake of fire," at the "great white throne" judgment; and then all the earth will be like the Garden of Eden.

Outside the New Jerusalem itself will be the sun, the moon, the stars, the planets, the same framework as at present. But the "heavens shall pass away with a great noise" — an explosion of the chemical elements of the atmosphere, that will restore it to its Edenic beauty.

The New Jerusalem will Come Down to Earth and God will Tabernacle with Men

The New Jerusalem will be upon the earth, and God will have His tabernacle upon the earth. The Perfect Age will run for Thirty-three Thousand Years, and then ETERNITY will begin.

Now, when you read the description of the New Jerusalem! There is no orator who can describe it! The greatest writer on earth cannot describe the beauty of the NEW JERUSALEM!

Jesus went to prepare a PLACE for us, and when He comes in glory the *New Jerusalem* will descend out of Heaven and rest just above the earth over Palestine; and then after the Thousand Years it will descend to this earth, and the earth will be the HOME OF THE REDEEMED.

How often, as we travel around and look at the beauties of nature, we say, "What a beautiful earth, if it were not for sin!"

The time will come when there will be no more sin, no more sickness, no more death, no more sorrow; and God Himself, with His Own loving hand, will brush away, forever, the last scalding tear!

Oh, how the man who is in battle, in a moment of respite, loves to look forward to the day of victory! How the man who is sailing the sea longs for the first sight of land! And how the Christian today, in the midst of it all, from the deepest depths of his spirit, cries, "LORD JESUS, COME! YEA, COME QUICKLY!"

By the eye of faith we look forward and behold the City, with all of its indescribable beauties; and, if we are faithful to God, by and by we shall see it literally; and we shall enter into it, and live in the beautiful house of gold which the Lord has built for you, for me — if we have sent up the material, during this life, so that He has had something out of which to build it.

All here who are determined to be faithful to God, stand up and let us pray together! (Nearly all arose and repeated after the General Overseer, clause by clause, the following Prayer of Consecration.)

My God and Father, in Jesus' Name I come to Thee. Take me as I am. Make me what I ought to be in spirit, in soul, and in body. Help me to repent of my sins; to make right every wrong; to make my peace with God; to have in my heart the blessed hope of the coming of Jesus the Christ. Father, save me! Heal me! Keep me from the Great Tribulation! Grant that when Jesus comes He may take me! In Jesus' Name and for His sake; Amen.

"And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."

—Hebrews 10:24, 25.

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"Triune Immersion—Christian Baptism"

By Apostle Carl F. Viking, Apostle in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion—Shanghai, China

THE word "BAPTIZE."

The principle definition of this word by Webster is to dip or immerse.

"BAPTIZE — To dip or immerse in water; to submerge in water."

"DIP — To plunge or immerse."

"IMMERSE — To dip, sink, bury, immerge."

"IMMERGE — To plunge into, under or within anything."

In the Greek and English Lexicon to the New Testament, the definition of the Greek word "Baptizo" is to immerse.

"BAPTIZO — To immerse, immerge, submerge, sink."

"BAPTO — To dip, plunge, immerse."

In both the English Authorized and Revised Versions of the New Testament the word used for baptism is the transliterated word "Baptize."

In some private English translations the word "Immerse" is used.

The Bible does not Authorize Substitutes

Never in one place in the New Testament is it stated, or the meaning implied, that the wetting of one part of the body, would be equal to and sufficient for the dipping or submerging of the whole body. Never could that be called dipping.

When the minister dips his hand in a basin of water, and then sprinkles a few drops on the baby's forehead, he says: "I baptize thee."

As we have seen, the word "baptize" means to dip, immerse, sink, bury under water; it then follows, that the minister does not do the thing he says he does.

HE DOES NOT DIP THE CHILD IN THE WATER, BUT HE DIPS HIS OWN HAND!

I would say, that in every case where the minister uses sprinkling, the words of the formula "I baptize thee", would be correct as to the ministers hand, never as to the candidate. There is therefore no baptism of the candidate performed. The words are there, but not the act.

How ridiculous it would sound were the minister to use the word "immerse" or "dip" in the formula, instead of the transliterated word "baptize", which now is used for many modes.

He would then say: "I immerse thee", or "I dip thee."

His words would be absolutely wrong, because he does not do what he says he does, he sprinkles.

Christendom is Unbaptized

Every person, no matter who he is, no matter in what church, who has received this false so-called baptism, is unbaptized.

You may be a Christian, but you are unbaptized.

It may be in accordance with the practice of your church and tradition, but you are unbaptized.

You stand before God and man unbaptized.

If a candidate for baptism is not a true Christian, even if the mode of baptism is correct, it becomes only a mock baptism, a hypocritical act, a curse. He is unbaptized.

The churches are mere societies or clubs where a certain form of so-called baptism is used in initiating the candidates for membership. There is no baptism at all.

We cannot single out one denomination and say, this one is such, that one is not, because the same spirit rules all, the ministry to an alarming extent is ruled by the same selfish, fleshly, worldly, devilish, man-pleasing spirit.

So-called baptism throughout Christendom today whether sprinkling, single immersion or triune sprinkling is a farce.

Modern Christianity is a farce.

A Christian's True Baptism

A Christian's true baptism must be by three immersions, one into the Name of the Father, one into the Name of the Son, and one into the Name of the Holy Spirit.

"No", say some, "that would be three dips into the death of Christ, Christ was not buried three times, and therefore three dips are wrong."

But such arguments show lack of logic and lack of insight into facts.

Jesus the Christ commanded three dips, but He never said all three were to be in His own Name; on the contrary, He very distinctly commanded that the first dip should be into the Name of the Father, and the second dip into the Name of the Son, and the third dip into the Name of the Holy Spirit.

"But", say some, "we take the three Names together and dip only once, and that is sufficient."

In Triune Immersion there is only one immersion into the Name of the Son, therefore there is only one burial into the death of Christ.

The triunity of the act makes it perfect in form and reveals the Christian's triune obligation to God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and it sets his scope of faith.

Single immersion is not Christian baptism.

Church members, immersed once, are unbaptized.

If you are a Christian and have been immersed only once you are still an unbaptized Christian.

A Christian should not be afraid to acknowledge a wrong. It is a joy to obey God.

It makes no difference what people say, we follow the Bible; we have the Church History on Baptism on our side; and the Biblical meaning of baptism sets forth the necessity of a Triune Immersion.

The Greek verb "Baptizo" means a repeated act. The General Overseer in Zion has pointed out the fact that the word "Name" in the command of Jesus is in the singular form, also proving three immersions.

The Universal Practice of Triune Sprinkling

The mode of sprinkling at the present time in many churches who use sprinkling is a triune act. The Roman Catholic Church, the Church of England, the Lutheran Church, the Presbyterian Church and others practice triune sprinkling to this day.

Where did the triunity of the act come from?

In the Greek Church (Russian) the practice is by three immersions. Whether infants or adults receive the rite triune immersion is practiced today.

Where did the triunity of the act originate?

The triune act whether immersion or sprinkling is therefore not a new thing.

If you go into Church History and make an unbiased study of the modes of baptism, you will be surprised to find triune immersion mentioned first. You will also find the start of single immersion with Eunomius in the Fourth Century, a man who denied the Divinity of Christ. Then comes the beginning of sprinkling last, but the triunity of the act has never been lost since the time of the First Century, although immersion was changed to sprinkling for convenience sake.

You who practice sprinkling, what excuse can you bring before God to satisfy Him?

Are you a Christian when you refuse to obey God?

You may be a Christian, but you will suffer the consequences of wilful disobedience.

The Ignorance of the Baptists

Divinity students in the Baptist denomination at graduation, are the most ignorant on the history of baptism, for this reason, that their textbooks and theological works do not give the history of Triune Immersion in detail, but simply mention it as having been practiced by some heretics.

In my early years I was a minister in the Baptist denomi-

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nation. Twenty years ago the question of Triune Immersion was brought to my attention by ZION.

Among other things, I went to the Chicago City Library to read up on baptism for my own sake. There was no lack of literature on the subject. The most valuable works on baptism in detail were by Presbyterian scholars and others, not Baptists.

In the Baptist theological works on the subject of baptism, statements regarding Triune Immersion were few, fearfully stunted, printed in small type, and squeezed in between paragraphs of baptist teaching or in some footnotes.

I must confess, in reading works on baptism by other historians than Baptists, I was dumfounded.

I came to the conclusion, that Professors of Church History in Baptist theological institutions and Baptist writers on Church History were for the most part as regards baptism not giving all the facts.

I, then A BAPTIST, had to go to Presbyterian scholars for the historical truth on baptism!

Today, in ZION we know something on the subject, and in China, I am ready to raise my voice in protest against the universal farce of baptism throughout the land. I am here to fight.

Outside of ZION there is no voice raised for the truth of baptism that I know of.

Years ago the Baptists used to have some courage, but today, for the sake of "Peace" they are mutes on baptism.

I challenge Baptist scholars in China to bring out their historical facts on baptism.

ZION'S BAPTISM IS BY TRIUNE IMMERSION

There never was a time when ZION'S baptism was of more value and accompanied with more power than today.

There have been many healings of the sick in connection with obedience in baptism in ZION.

There have been failures to receive healing where people have hesitated in baptism, and if baptized, have kept it a secret among their old friends.

God has established the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION as a place of Refuge at this time for His true children.

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But the eleven disciples went into Galilee, unto the mountain where Jesus had appointed them.

And when they saw Him, they worshiped Him: but some doubted.

And Jesus came to them and spake unto them, saying, All authority hath been given unto Me in heaven and on earth.

Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost;

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always (all the days), even unto the end of the world (the consummation of the age).—Matthew 28: 16-20. (Revised Version.)

This is a Divine Authoritative Command. There can be no deviation from it. A disciple is a believer in Jesus as the Son of God, the Savior; a follower of Christ and bearer of a cross.

The nations do not decide the mode of baptism.

Baptism does not make a person a Christian.

No true Christian will look upon water baptism as of minor importance.

Should you as a Christian hesitate and look upon baptism as inconvenient, perhaps you have not died to self.

The resurrection symbol is lacking in your case. Only those who are buried in water can truly rise symbolically from the grave.

A real immersion of the whole body in water into each Name of the Godhead is a wonderful experience. To be baptized into the Name of the Holy Spirit means something.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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"Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy Crown."

—Revelation 3:11.

I am faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

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—WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

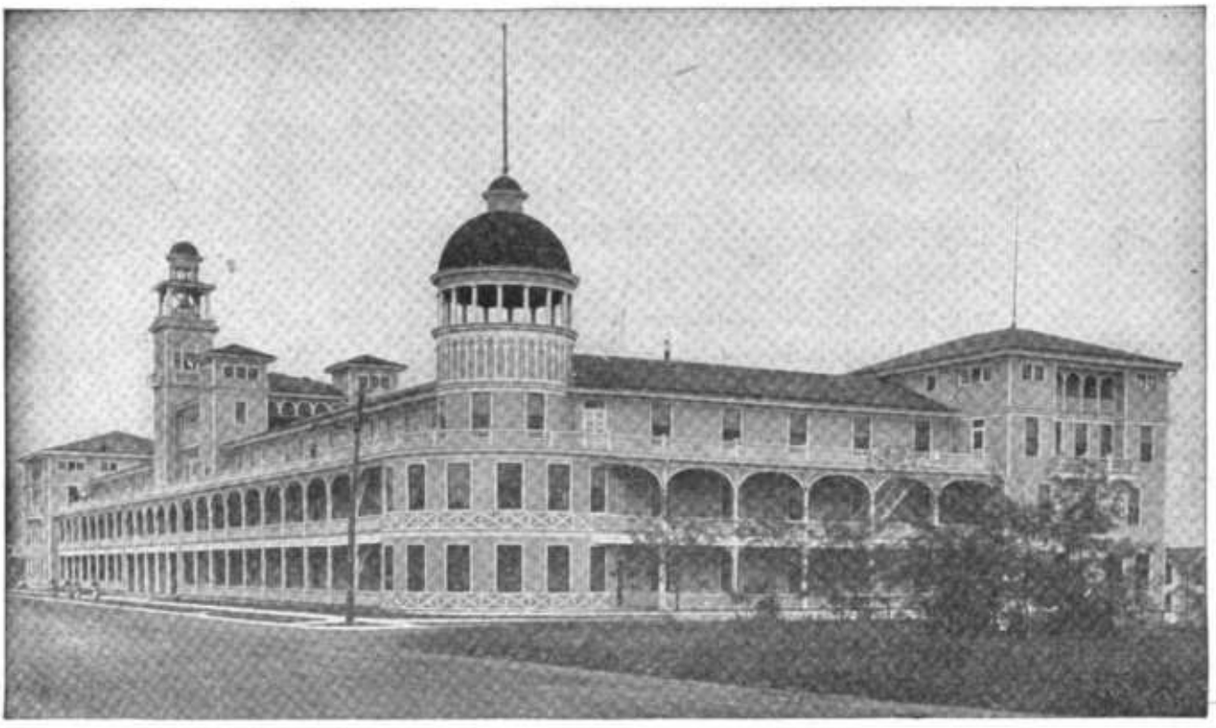
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A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

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Administration Building,
Zion, Lake County, Illinois, U. S. A.
January 10, 1920.

Beloved Coworkers in the REDEMPTION and Establishment of the City of Zion:

We deeply appreciate the splendid responses made by you since we purchased the Zion Estate March 1, 1911, and now, once more, we use the front page of *Leaves of Healing* for the purpose of placing before you another call, to which we trust you one and all will respond on or before March 1, 1920.

The Zion Estate was purchased by me March 1, 1911, for the sum of $950,000.00.

We issued Bonds—950 of $1,000 each—totaling $950,000, and these were handled by a Chicago financial concern.

Of the $950,000, we have paid off and retired of these bonds $602,200.00.

$950 000 minus $602,200 leaves a balance yet to be paid of $347,800.00.

The balance of $347,800 is to be paid in eight annual instalments—the first and next payment will be due March 1, 1920; or, in other words, fifty days from the date of this letter.

AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL TO BE PAID MARCH 1, 1920, $16,000
AMOUNT OF INTEREST TO BE PAID MARCH 1, 1920, $12,173
TOTAL - - - - - - - - - - - $28,173

COWORKERS can help in making this payment in any one or more of the following ways:

1. By Purchasing from the Zion Estate a **Farm.**
2. By Purchasing from the Zion Estate **Acre Tracts.**
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4. By Purchasing from the Zion Estate **Residential Properties.**
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Administration Building,
Zion, Lake County, Illinois, U. S. A.

Again assuring you of my deep, heartfelt appreciation of your cooperation, I am

Faithfully,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

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"A Notable Prophecy and a Notable Prayer"

By John Alexander Dowie

Dr. Dowie entitled the Prophecy "The Coming Chaos."

"The Chaos must come.

"It will come in Asia.

"It will come on the Continent of Europe.

"It will come in a part of Africa.

"It will come wherever the Anglo-Saxon civilization and power are not dominant. It must come unless the Latin and Slavonic peoples, and their allies, obey God and abandon Wars of Conquest.

"Chaotic disorder will follow victory in war, no matter which side it is on.

"Whether the Emperor of Germany, with the aid of the northern Scandinavian powers and Holland, could crush Russia and France and all their power in Asia, is a very doubtful question.

"The doubt is so great that every one who knows the situation knows that if Germany retains her own independence in the face of such a combination, it will be all that she can do.

"But after that clash of arms, whoever wins, Chaos will follow — Chaos in Religion, in Education, in Commerce, in Politics.

"Millions will be destroyed.

"Rivers of blood will flow.

"The young, strong, fairest men will be killed.

"Old men and women principally will be left, until, as in some countries now in Europe, you have a degenerate population, and you must go back to the Napoleonic wars to find the reason.

But the Napoleonic wars were as nothing compared to the wars about to break out, when thousands of shots can be fired from one gun in a minute; when masses of men will fall as they never fell before, under the influence of deadly gases.

"Do you think that this balloon experimentation is simply observation?

"It is no such thing.

"Some army will float its balloons away up in the air and let the dynamite and other destructive agents fall from them and destroy cities and armies.

"The Divine powers of Science, misapplied, will mean the destruction by the Devil of hosts of men and of great cities.

"In the Fall of Empires, and in the crash of Religious Systems, will come Chaos.

"Then will come the 'Rapture.'

"Then will come the Ascension of the prepared to the Lord in the air — after which, for a time, 'the door is shut.'

"Then, after the Time of Heavenly Preparation is complete, will come the descent of the Christ and His reign for a Thousand Years — the Glorious Millennium."

The above Prophecy of "The Coming Chaos" may be found in "A Voice From Zion," Volume 7, Number 7, on Pages Forty-two and Forty-three.

The following Notable Prayer of Dr. Dowie's may be found in "A Voice From Zion," Volume 6, Number 9, on Page Eight of the Sermon entitled: "AWAKE!"

He entitled the Prayer a "Prayer For Peace On Earth."

He said:

"O God, the time is fast fleeting, and the darker days are nigh.

"The gathering clouds of war, o'er seas and land, all over the earth, tell us that not far away will come the dark thunder-clouds, and then the flashes of lightning in the heavens of the nations, and the roaring of the people like the roar of the seas as countless hosts dash against each other, and death is everywhere, and famine, and sword, and destruction, and desolation are all over the earth.

"O God, in these dark days that are approaching, hide Thy people. Keep them in Thy care.

"Help us to do our part, to gather them in, ere the storm shall burst, of the Great and Terrible Day of Jehovah.

"Then we thank Thee that beyond all the darkness there will come the morning, so bright and so fair, when the King shall come, when the opening of the Millennium shall dawn in all its glory, when it shall be fully come — yes, for the glory has dawned, and, though there will be a dark hour before the midday, yet Thou wilt come in power with Thy people, whom Thou hast taken to Thyself, and reign as King.

"Father in Heaven, help us to take our part now; not to be dreamers of dreams but doers of things, to do Thy will, to seek the weary, to comfort the sorrowing, to lead to the streams of healing the sick; to tell the sinful and the outcast, and to tell those who are in the midst of this world's plenty, and are living in the midst of their Impurity, their Intemperance, and their Infidelity, of a better Way, of a Way that will give them peace while they live, peace when they die, and peace throughout Eternity."

Both the Prophecy and the Prayer were uttered in the year 1902.

The Proper Occupation for Zion People

1. Give thanks unto the Lord;
2. Call upon His Name:
3. Make known His deeds among the people.
4. Sing unto Him,
5. Sing psalms unto Him:
6. Talk ye of all His wondrous works.
7. Glory ye in His Holy Name.
8. Seek the Lord, and His strength:
9. Seek His face evermore.
10. Remember His marvelous works that He hath done; His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth.

—Psalm 105:1-5

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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1920 - ZION, ILLINOIS

"Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy Crown."

—Revelation 3:11.

I am faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Editorial Notes

By Apostle Carl F. Viking

THE Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion—God's Ark of Refuge from the awful Apostasy.

GOD HAS ESTABLISHED ZION at this time and not hundreds of years ago, for a special work and purpose.

JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE was raised up of God to organize the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION as God's Ark of Refuge from the awful apostasy, and as the Home of Living Faith for those who would surrender themselves to God and go forward with His servant.

DR. DOWIE'S SUCCESSOR, the present General Overseer in ZION, Wilbur Glenn Voliva, has stood the test of leadership in ZION, and won the most terrific battles any leader has ever been called upon to face; and where many a strong man would have collapsed, God's man has come out stronger.

ZION CITY is growing into a centre of great activity, where God comes first and man second, unlike all other cities on the earth, where people live and plan and work as if God was not in existence.

ZION STANDS for the New Birth, without which no person can enter heaven.

THE MINISTRY IN ZION is called of God and is preparing God's people for the Rapture, witnessing against the apostate ministers, who like the Pharisees in Christ's time, keep the people away from the full truth in Jesus.

MANY CRY, "Let us alone," but we must not cease to cry aloud and give the needed warning. We must not hide God's light nor fail to witness, but fight the Devil and all his imps and isms.

OTHER CHURCHES are luke-warm and full of unbelief, but ZION is growing more and more in faith and love, and is ready to sacrifice to the glory of God.

ZION FIGHTS whisky, tobacco, gambling, theatres and all the society evils of today. It is a real war on the earth's surface-hell.

ZION ABHORS the use of swine's flesh as food; so does God. The apostasy thinks that God has removed the ban on pig, under grace, but Christ cursed it wholesale at Gadara.

ZION USES no medicine, nor doctors, but trusts in God for the healing of the sick as Christ taught. ZION lives the Bible.

ZION USES no intoxicating wine at communion. All true Christians are welcome to take part, for it is the table of the Lord.

ZION HONORS God by paying tithes, which is God's way.

ZION'S BAPTISM is by Triune Immersion, the only Christian baptism.

ZION consecrates her children.

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"Jesus' Triumph Over Demons, Over Disease, Over Death"

Report of an Address Delivered in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, August 31, 1919, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by E. I. C.)

Let all bear in mind that the subject of this address is, "Jesus' Triumph Over Demons, Over Disease, Over Death."

I shall read in the Fifth Chapter of the Gospel According to St. Mark, which Chapter divides itself into three sections. First, we have the mighty triumph of the Lord over the demons; second, we have His mighty triumph over disease of twelve years' standing — a disease which had baffled all the physicians of that day; and, third, we have His mighty triumph over death itself, when He called the spirit of the little maid — the spirit which had taken its departure — back into her body.

And they came over unto the other side of the sea (the sea of Galilee), into the country of the Gadarenes (or, Gergesenes).

You will bear in mind when you read about Decapolis in this Chapter, that the word "Decapolis" means "ten cities." The region settled by the Romans, where they had built ten cities, is denominated in this Chapter, and elsewhere, as the Decapolis.

Now, the Jews themselves did not eat swine; neither did they raise swine to sell to the Jews. But some of the Jews in this territory raised swine to sell to the Romans.

This country of the Gergesenes, which is, doubtless, the proper name for it, was lined with mountains, and, at this particular place, with some very high mountains. In these mountains were tombs.

The Jews did not bury any one within the city limits, because that would mean the defilement of the population. Consequently, they hewed their tombs out of the mountain side. Many of these tombs were as large as good-sized houses, and it was one of them that this demon-possessed man—for demon possession is just as much a reality as is the possession and control of the Holy Spirit —inhabited.

Doubtless, as the boat in which Jesus was crossing the sea approached the shore, the man saw Him "afar off."

Demons, Their Origin, Work and Dominion

Before I proceed any further, I want to tell you who the demons are, where they came from, and their dominion; and I shall say a few words about demon oppression and demon possession.

Let us get into our minds the fact that every man and woman in the world — every man and woman in this audience — is possessed either by the Holy Spirit, filled with Him, by Him controlled, animated, directed, actuated; or by one or more demons— wicked spirits who take possession of men and women, using their brains, hearing with their ears, acting with their hands and their feet; in other words, displacing their individual spirits, kicking them from the throne of their beings, and taking possession, so that it is no longer the individuals who talk, but the spirits who possess them.

From whence did these demons come?

When God first created this earth, the inhabitants put upon it were angels, at the head of whom was the being who is now the Devil — Satan — Beelzebub — Leviathan — who "walketh about, as a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour." He was a being of very high order, and is described in the Bible.

Scriptures Portraying the Devil — the Archenemy of Mankind

Let us turn to the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel; the Twenty-eighth Chapter, and read about this being who is now the archenemy of mankind.

The Thirteenth Verse:

Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardis, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.

Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty,—

You remember that Paul tells us that the Devil fell through pride.

Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.

Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquities of thy traffick; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them who behold thee.

All they who know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt thou be any more.

Now in the Book of the Prophet Isaiah — the Fourteenth Chapter, beginning with the Twelfth Verse:

How art thou fallen from Heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, who didst weaken the nations!

For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into Heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God. I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the Most High.

Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

Very few persons know that these selections of Scripture are between the lids of the Bible. It would be well to mark them.

The time came when this most wonderful being, whom God created and placed on this earth, said:

—I will ascend into Heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the Most High.

The Chaotic Condition of the Earth the Result of Rebellion

As the result of this rebellion, this earth was visited by judgments, and was brought into the condition described in the Second Verse of the First Chapter of Genesis:

And the earth was without form, and void: and darkness was upon the face of the deep....

This judgment, which reduced the earth to a chaotic condition, is referred to by Peter in the Third Chapter of his Second Epistle, when he says:

For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the Word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished.—Verses 5, 6.

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That refers to the earth inhabited by this "cherub who covereth," who is now the Devil, and by the angels, who are now the demons — the unclean spirits that we read about in this Fifth Chapter of Mark.

Now, as a judgment from God the Almighty, these beings were sent into the first heaven, which is our atmosphere. That realm is now the dominion of the Devil and of the demons.

Let us read in the Sixth Chapter of Ephesians beginning with the Eleventh Verse:

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,—

Against what *are* we wrestling?

—BUT AGAINST PRINCIPALITIES, AGAINST POWERS, AGAINST THE RULERS OF THE DARKNESS OF THIS WORLD, AGAINST SPIRITUAL WICKEDNESS IN HIGH PLACES.

In other words, against the Devil and against the demons, whose place of dominion, as the result of the judgment of God the Almighty upon this earth, is now in the first heaven.

Michael's Victory Over the Devil and his Angels

Turn to the Twelfth Chapter of Revelation, beginning with Verse Seven:

And there was war in Heaven:—

Right up there in the first heaven.

When?

In the middle of the last seven years.

—Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in Heaven.

And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, who deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth,—

Do you want to be here when that time comes? It is bad enough today, when he is, in a limited sense, confined up there; and what will it be when he and Michael fight a battle in the middle of the seven years, and Michael, prevailing, casts him down out of the first heaven — our atmosphere — to this earth?

—he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

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,—

During the first three years and one-half of the "time of the end," the Devil will be near the judgment seat of Christ as the accuser of the saints, and every saint who has covered up a sin and has not confessed it to the Great High Priest will, as he stands before the judgment seat, be accused by the Devil. But because the Great High Priest is "Faithful and Just to forgive us our sins," every sin that has been confessed never will be resurrected.

Blessing Dependent Upon Repentance, Confession and Making Wrongs Right

The reason some persons get nowhere is because they will not repent. When a man sins and covers up that sin, and does not repent and make it right, he is *doomed*.

I thank God that when I came into ZION *I* cleaned up *everything* — although I did not have as much to clean up as some men have. I know of one man who came into ZION who went to make a confession to a man regarding his relations with his wife. He kissed his own family and said goodbye, because, for aught he knew, he would have a bullet put through him. He had to do it — and it was Dr. Dowie's preaching that made him do it, too. He obtained forgiveness and returned a happy man.

In the Twenty-fourth Chapter of Luke, the Blessed Lord said (in opening up to the Apostles all that was written concerning Him in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets, and in the Psalms):

Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:

AND THAT REPENTANCE AND REMISSION OF SINS SHOULD BE PREACHED IN HIS NAME AMONG ALL NATIONS, BEGINNING AT JERUSALEM.

I know of a man who was in this Tabernacle, who had committed a crime in the state of New York. He was sent to the New York authorities to confess his crime, which he did. He was sentenced to prison, and he served his sentence.

Perhaps I have not been so strict along that line as I should have been; but I cannot do everything at once. In the last year and a-half, in scores of addresses, I have opened up the Scriptures on the Second Coming of the Lord, and I am making an effort to bring out many other truths. I say again: There is no hope for the man who does not repent of his sins, confess his wrongs, and clean up his life.

...If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the Righteous.—I John 2:1.

If we confess our sins (to the Great High Priest, the Lord Jesus Christ), He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.—I John 1:9.

If men and women who have been converted and regenerated, who have started in the Christian life, think that they can sin and cover it up, or that they can sin and not confess it and make it right, they are making a great mistake!

The Devil the Accuser of the Church and of Israel

—For the accuser of our brethren is cast down, who accused them before our God day and night.

He is the accuser not only of the Church, but of Israel.

He works at it pretty hard.

—WHO 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.

Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye who dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the Devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

Three years and one-half!

At the end of that time, an angel will descend from Heaven "having the key of the bottomless pit," and he will lay hold on the dragon, the Devil, and will bind him with chains for a thousand years.

You see how wonderful the Bible is.

Turn, now, to the Tenth Chapter of Luke, beginning with the Seventeenth Verse:

And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the demons are subject unto us through Thy Name.

And He said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from Heaven.

That refers to what will take place in the middle of the last seven years.

Some persons who do not know any better think that the Devil already has been cast down out of Heaven. There is nothing to it! Some persons know no more about the Bible than to say that the Devil is in hell. The Devil never was in hell! The Word of God is perfectly plain.

The Devil Trying to Repossess the Earth and Seeking Reembodiment

No sooner had God restored the earth and created the Garden of Eden, no sooner had He created man and his helpmeet Eve, than the Devil, once having possessed this earth and controlled it, began his work of repossessing it; and he went into the body of a serpent.

That is very simple. You will find out, before we get through this story, that a legion of demons (a Roman legion was six thousand) cried to the Lord, "Do not send us away to the abyss, but permit us to go into the herd of swine!" How they begged Him! And the Lord said, "GO!" They entered the herd of swine. And so the Devil entered the serpent and began his foul work, trying to repossess himself of this earth. He has kept at it every moment down to this time, and today he controlls the nations and possesses hundreds of millions of men and women, many of them being possessed by not only one wicked spirit, but by *many*. Mary Magdalene had seven demons, and this poor man in the story had a legion. The word may simply mean, "We are many," giving no clue to the number, however.

The Fifth Chapter of Mark, Verse Two:

And when He was come out of the ship, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit,

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I have seen many of them.

—A MAN with an unclean spirit.

I want you to note that.

The majority of these spirits *are* unclean spirits, because impurity is the besetting sin of the human family and has been the cause of every judgment that has fallen upon the race.

—a man with an unclean spirit,

Possessed and controlled by an unclean spirit!

Let us turn to the Tenth Chapter of Matthew for a moment:

And when He (Jesus) had called unto Him His twelve disciples, He gave them power against UNCLEAN SPIRITS.—Verse 1.

Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ, one of the greatest things in this world is *purity*.

The Demons Subject to the Authoritative Name of Jesus

The narrative continues:

Who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no, not with chains:
Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces: neither could any man tame him.

I have seen it on many occasions. A man possessed by one of these unclean spirits will throw four strong men on the floor as though they were four-year-old boys. I have seen some marvelous deliverances. I never have seen one of whom I was afraid; I never have seen one of them who could touch me with the tip-end of his finger. It is simply a matter of *authority*. They are not sick, they are not afflicted: they are bound by UNCLEAN SPIRITS. I never have seen a case that was not healed, and I have seen a number of them. Some are sitting here today, clothed in their right minds and good members of this Church. No man, unless he knows that he can command these unclean spirits to depart, should have anything to do with them. I have known demon-possessed women to knock down strong men. Why? Because they had supernatural strength.

If any man filled with the Holy Spirit has the power of the Almighty God, what about a man who is possessed by these demons?

And always, night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying, and cutting himself with stones.

I have seen the same thing.

Demons Acknowledge and Worship Jesus Christ

But when he saw Jesus afar off, he RAN AND WORSHIPED HIM.

Make a note of that!

Listen!

WHEN HE SAW JESUS AFAR OFF,—

In a little boat on the sea of Galilee.

—HE RAN AND WORSHIPED HIM,
AND CRIED WITH A LOUD VOICE, AND SAID, WHAT HAVE I TO DO WITH THEE, JESUS, THOU SON OF THE MOST HIGH GOD? I ADJURE THEE BY GOD, THAT THOU TORMENT ME NOT.

Who said these words? Was it the man? It was the unclean spirit who gave utterance to them, and it was the unclean spirit who worshiped Christ. That may stagger you, but that is a fact.

Look at James 2:19. James is talking about Faith, and he adds the statement:

...The demons also believe, and SHUDDER.

"Shudder" is the correct word there.

Persons who are possessed of these evil spirits do strange and wonderful things.

It was the unclean spirit who did this talking, not the man; it was the unclean spirit who ran and worshiped Jesus; it was the unclean spirit who said: "I adjure Thee by God, that Thou torment me not, "because Jesus had commanded him to come out of the man and to go back into the abyss. If there is any place in which the demons do not wish to be it is the abyss: they want to possess flesh and blood.

They all know that when Jesus speaks they must obey; there is no alternative. Consequently, when Jesus commanded him, he knew that he would have to go out of the man and give up his home of flesh and blood, and he prayed that he would be sent into the swine, saying, "Do not send us into the abyss!" (See Luke 8:31.)

The Cleansed Man Must be Possessed by the Holy Spirit

In the Twelfth Chapter of Matthew (Verses Forty-three to Forty-five), the Lord says that when an "unclean spirit is gone out of a man" and that man does not get the Holy Spirit into him, the unclean spirit wanders around in waterless places, "seeking rest, and finding none," and finally says, "I am going back to examine the house that I left;" and that then, when he finds it "empty, swept, and garnished," he goes and gets "seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there."

A man may obtain the victory over tobacco and over drink, for instance; but if he does not allow the Holy Spirit to come in and take possession of him, the demons will come back bringing a dozen more with them, and "the last state of that man" will be "worse than the first."

And He (Jesus) asked him (the unclean spirit), What is thy name? And he answered, saying, My name is Legion: for we are many.

Have you ever thought of the various demons that can take possession of a man, dethroning his own spirit and sitting on the throne? That is the reason we sometimes say, "Oh, don't be too hard! He wasn't himself!" Well, if he was not himself, pray who was he?

Ah, it is a very serious business!

Various Demons That can Take Possession of a Man

When the demon of lust takes control of a man or a woman, he or she sinks to the lowest depths.

Think of the demon of covetousness!

Think of the demon of jealousy! The green-eyed monster, the demon of jealousy, has dug enough graves to circle the earth many a time. Yes, the demon of jealousy has toppled over thrones and destroyed nations.

Think of the demon of envy!

Think of the demon of pride!

And one individual may be possessed and controlled by all of them!

And he besought Him much that He would not send them away out of the country.
Now there was there nigh unto the mountains a great herd of swine feeding.
And all the devils besought Him, saying, Send us into the swine, that we may enter into them.

In other words, "O Lord, anything but to send us out of the country! Let us reembody ourselves, if it is only in hogs!"

And forthwith Jesus gave them leave. And the unclean spirits went out, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea (they were about two thousand), and were choked in the sea.

Jesus had no use for swine.

Zion, you and I must bear a faithful witness!

A man who raises hogs is no better than a man who raises rattlesnakes.

Look at the fight the whisky ring is making. And what for? FOR THE DOLLARS AND CENTS!

Line up, if you please, every drunken sot that they have made—look at their bloodshot eyes, disheveled hair, and sunken cheeks, and note that they are robbed of their minds and reduced below the level of a brute; line up every wife, every mother, every child, who has been degraded and damned by the liquid fire and distilled damnation; gather all the tears that ever have been shed. Then bring these whisky scoundrels and let them march by and view the procession, and say to them, "Have you no mercy?"

They will reply: "NO! What do we care? There is money in it!"

Zion's Faithful Witness Against Unclean Food

And so with the hog raiser. He raises the filthy swine that God's Word condemns because "THERE IS MONEY IN IT."

The hog raiser is not a whit better than the whisky manufacturer and seller! They are all headed for hell!

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ZION must bear a strong testimony in these closing days on the subject of Unclean Food.

Let us go back to the Fourteenth Chapter of Deuteronomy and read the Eighth Verse:

And the swine, because it divideth the hoof, yet cheweth not the cud, it is UNCLEAN UNTO YOU: ye shall not eat of their flesh, nor touch their dead carcase.

Humanity has paid the penalty!

There were eighty-six thousand deaths from cancer in this country last year.

No wonder in the human race flows a dirty, filthy stream of blood, full of scrofula, tumors, abscesses, and cancers: THEY HAVE DISOBEYED GOD!

If I lived as some men and women live, I never could ask God for anything. Some persons think that they can ignore every commandment of God's Word and do as they like and go as they please, and then, when they get into trouble, simply go to God and get deliverance. But not so!

It is a pitiful sight to see an individual headed for a stone wall, but if he does not listen to the preached Word the stone wall is his, and he will hit it sooner or later.

Yes, perhaps some one sitting here today — well, strong, laughing in my face — is saying, "Oh, I don't care what you say about the Lord's Supper; I will stay if I wish, and if I don't feel like it I won't!" Or, "I don't care what you say about baptism; I have my own ideas about it; and as for tithing, I don't believe in it!"

The idea of a man who has ten silver dollars saying, "I cannot afford to put one dollar into the storehouse, and I am not going to do it, I don't care what you say!"

Unfaithfulness the Forerunner of Disaster

Ah, yes! Two years from today I see you again — and where? On a bed in your home — you are dying of consumption or you have had a stroke of paralysis. Too late! Too late! THIS AFTERNOON IS THE TIME! Too late!

Many times I write letters and say: "Yes, you sent in your application seven years ago. You never have paid a cent of tithes, you are not even a subscriber to LEAVES OF HEALING; and now you write and say that you are sick, that you are distressed in mind, and that you do not know where to turn or what to do. I am not surprised! What can I do? No doubt you are in the same position that Esau was — 'he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.'"

I cannot expect, if I neglect the light of Heaven that is now shining in my life and if I go into darkness, three years from now when the Devil is reaching for my heart-strings, to do in five minutes what I should have done in three years' time.

Beloved, if I were to do certain things, I should expect to die, and I should expect never to get an answer — never!

There is no use trifling with God!

I do not know of an incident recorded in the Bible where an individual who compromised did not pay for it. There is only one thing to do: STAND UP STRAIGHT FOR GOD!

And they who fed the swine fled, and told it in the city, and in the country.—

In how many places?

TWO.

This is a fine example of ellipsis:

—and told it in the city, and (told it) in the country.

Triune Immersion a Part of the Great Commission

Matthew 28:19:

...Baptizing them into the Name of the Father, and (into the Name) of the Son, and (into the Name) of the Holy Spirit.

That is part of the Great Commission.

Triune Immersion — Christian Baptism!

—And they went out to see what it was that was done.

They went out to see the extent of the damage. How do you suppose those old hog-raisers felt when the news reached them that two thousand hogs had perished in the sea? No doubt they were far more interested in that than in the deliverance of this poor demon-possessed man. And so I find it in the world today. It always has been so.

And they come to Jesus, and see him who was possessed with demons and had the legion, sitting, and clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.

I do not wonder at it!

And they who saw it told them how it befell to him who was possessed with demons and also concerning the swine.

And they began to pray Him to depart out of their coasts.

That was enough!

All that is necessary is to hit the pocketbook, and they say, "Get out!"

Some people say, "Why don't you preach Divine Healing and let the doctors alone?"

"Why don't you preach the Gospel and let prize fighting alone?"

"Why don't you preach the Gospel and let Freemasonry alone?"

What am I called to do? TO WITNESS AGAINST EVERY INIQUITY UNDER THE SUN, AND TO COMMAND ALL MEN TO REPENT, TO GIVE UP THEIR WICKEDNESS, AND TO FORSAKE THEIR EVIL WAYS!

Thank God for ZION!

Beautiful Sermons Fail to Awaken the Sinful

These wishy-washy, soap-bubble sermons that say *nothing* are not worth the snap of my finger. They are intangible, chimerical, and ephemeral, and they waste the people's time, they waste the speaker's time, and they waste God Almighty's time. They are sermons that send the tobacco-chewer out saying, "Oh, what a beautiful sermon we had today;" sermons that send the Mah-hah-bone out saying, "Wasn't that lovely?" and he goes off the next night and kills Hiram Abiff and resurrects him on the five points of Freemasonry, making a mockery of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ; sermons that send the little butterfly out saying, "Oh, how beautiful that was!" and then tomorrow night she dances with John Jones, while his wife is at home "raising the Devil!"

"Oh, what a beautiful sermon!"

What does it amount to?

NOTHING!

John Alexander Dowie stirred this world as no other man ever has done. He brought more people to a genuine repentance and sent them out to make confession and clean up their lives than any other man during the Christian Era. But the people said, "Oh, isn't he terrible? Isn't he *awful?* How can people sit and listen to it!"

Women who had been cleaning dirty old spittoons every morning for thirty years threw up their hands and said, "Oh, what a horrible thing to use that dirty word 'stinkpot!'" and then went home and cleaned the spittoons again the next morning.

Pay no attention to the Devil, except to thrust the Sword of the Spirit into him right up to the hilt!

I know what this sin-cursed, disease-smitten, rotten, dirty, stinking old world needs today!

When I go up Yonder, I want Jesus Christ, when He looks at me, to say, "Well done, good and faithful servant!"

And when He was come into the ship, he who had been possessed with demons prayed Him that he might be with Him.

I do not wonder at that. It would be only natural that he should want to be with the Lord.

Howbeit Jesus suffered him not, but saith unto him, Go home to thy friends,—

And start a testimony meeting!

The Christian Under Obligation to Give a Daily Testimony

You may think that the only place in which you can testify is in some public service. Well, you can give your testimony every day, brother, sister. There are a hundred ways in which you can tell what great things the Lord has done for you.

—Go home to your friends,—

Of course, when many people come into ZION they lose their friends, and cannot go home to them. Well, I congratulate you on the loss of them! It may be a good thing for you! I tell you, when an individual gets a religion that brings about the loss of all his friends, he has the GENUINE ARTICLE.

You would not expect to have many of your friends stay by

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you if you gave up hog, would you? or if you gave up oysters?

Oh, the dirty things that humanity eats! They eat shrimps, oysters, crabs, hogs, snakes,—anything; and they drink beer. I know nothing about beer. I never have tasted it; and I have not tasted tobacco, either.

—and tell them HOW GREAT THINGS THE LORD HATH DONE FOR THEE,—

The Lord did not tell him to go and *preach*. Have you ever noticed, in a testimony meeting, that some people think they have to get up and preach? And it is the same with prayers. A true prayer is adoration and petition.

The Disciple's Prayer in the Sixth Chapter of Matthew gives you the principles of prayer:

Our Father Who art in Heaven,—

Prayer should be offered to God "our Father," and no one can say "Our Father" except the man who has been "born again."

—Hallowed (reverenced) be Thy Name.

All Prayer Must be made in the Name of Jesus and the Power of the Holy Spirit

Then over in the Sixteenth Chapter of John, Jesus told them that in the future they must pray in HIS NAME AND IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

You and I are living on this side of Pentecost, and we pray in Jesus' Name.

"Our Father — in Jesus' Name!"

What do we mean by "In Jesus' Name"?

We stand in Christ's place, and everything that is His is *ours*. We pray in His Name, and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Christ did not tell this man to go and preach and teach: He told him to GIVE HIS TESTIMONY.

—TELL THEM HOW GREAT THINGS THE LORD HATH DONE FOR THEE, AND HATH HAD COMPASSION ON THEE.

And He departed, and began to publish in Decapolis (that is in the ten cities) how great things Jesus had done for him: and all men did marvel.

Now, beloved, the Devil and the demons always are on the outside. But listen: many children are born demon possessed.

We must get right down to bedrock, because how are we to get a royal generation, a "peculiar people," a people regenerated and sanctified, unless we do?

Many a child is born demon possessed. Many a child is born a liar, born a murderer, born a harlot, born unclean; and never until there is a royal generation of fathers and mothers will children be brought into this world as they should be.

Beloved in ZION, we are not wholly free from the awful contaminating influences of the world.

World-Conditions Ripening for the Terrors of Revolution

Do you realize this afternoon — or do you think it is all a pipe dream — the world conditions? Let us take the struggle between Capital and Labor alone. It has reached such a stage that the leaders of the nations are now at their wits' ends. A noted Englishman, the day before yesterday, said: "I give England fair warning — a revolution is approaching that will make the French revolution look like child's play."

Is that all idle talk?

If, this afternoon, you saw a dark cloud rising, and it gathered and gathered until the whole western and southern sky was covered, and if the lightnings flashed and the thunders rolled and some one said, "It looks as though there were going to be a heavy downpour, doesn't it?" you would reply, "It certainly does," would you not?

Historians and philosophers and keen-eyed statesmen can see the gathering storm. Can YOU see it?

Will you and I be able to avoid all these influences that have brought about these conditions? There are so many strikes that the papers have tired of recording them. As one editor says, the next strike to look for is a strike among the burglars and highway men, because recently the loot has been too small and some of the safes have been locked; and they will demand that the safes be left unlocked and that more money be left around.

Get away from the influence of the Holy Spirit for a few minutes, and the world will get hold of you — you mark what I say!

All the fault is not on the side of Capital; some of it is on the side of Labor. Labor, in many respects, is just as tyranical as is Capital. As a minister of the Gospel, I have too much sense to think that I have any time to bother with it: my business is to PREACH THE GOSPEL and, under God, to be used in adding to the Church; and when the last one is added that will end it.

If you go with the world you will go to hell!

Take your stand for God and ZION, get under the blood, consecrate yourself to God and live for Him, and you will be kept. There is no other hope for you!

Demon Possession is a Reality!

Just as the demons, when Jesus was on earth, came low and were particularly numerous and particularly active, so today, as the time approaches for His Second Coming, millions of demons are sweeping lower and lower, and are more active than ever before — more active than at any time since God cast them out of the earth and put them in the first heaven. Practically everything is in their control.

Shall they get ZION?

Do you entertain the hope that we shall have anything more than a *remnant* here? If you do, you have more hope than I have! Should there be a few more years there will be only a remnant left, because many influences are being brought to bear on the people, and some are drifting away and some are sleeping.

The demons always are on the outside, except, as I have said, that some are born demon possessed.

Who is responsible for children who are liars?

Who is responsible for children who have murder in their hearts?

Sometimes it goes back to the fourth generation. Oftentimes a mother is responsible, because of the prenatal influences.

Many a person has a physical birthmark — and there are moral birthmarks that are just as plain as are physical birthmarks.

A turtle dove cannot be hatched out of a rattlesnake egg, and a sweet, lovely, gentle child will not be the offspring of a father and a mother who are incarnate devils. It is an impossibility!

If I were going to commit sin, I would get out of ZION.

How could you expect a child not to be demon possessed when the mother has tried nine different times to murder him before he was born, and has failed? Is it surprising if he is born with the spirit of murder within him?

There are millions of them in this world. They are born thieves, they are born harlots, they are born unclean, they are born full of the Devil. No wonder the insane asylums are full!

Do you hear that woman mimicking a bird?

Demon possession!

Do you hear that man counting out his imaginary money?

Demon possession!

Sin Always Brings the Penalty

Pride, false ambition, envy, jealousy,—all these things (and sometimes, of course, physical afflictions) lead to demon possession.

Think, my brothers and sisters, of the people in this world (and there may be some of them in this audience) who could not think a clean thought if their lives depended upon it!

Why?

Because they have not obeyed the Word of God and resisted the Devil.

I do not wonder that the Word of God teaches in plain language that we look either like God or like the Devil! It also teaches that the Christian is "transformed" every day "into the same Image" that Christ bears of the Father, passing "from glory to glory."

Men and women show in their faces what they are and the kind of life they are living.

An individual cannot hide himself!

...Resist the Devil, and he will flee from you.—James 4:7.

Keep off the Devil's territory — unless God sends you as a special ambassador. When you are on the Devil's territory, you cannot ask God to keep you and to preserve you.

I have many things to say to ZION, if God gives me the time

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and the strength, for I want to see this people rising higher and higher.

Remember that for every sin you commit you will PAY THE PENALTY!

Horrible Demons Seeking Embodiment in Man

Let any man dare to come into my presence and attempt, for one moment, to indulge in unclean conversation, and I will throw him down the stairway! Any man who will sit and listen to the unclean may expect soon to be demon possessed.

Beloved in Jesus the Christ, SURRENDER TO GOD and He will regenerate you, and "the blood of Christ His Son" will cleanse you "from all sin."

Have I not said enough?

The idea of spending days and weeks and months, and at night rolling on your bed unable to sleep, fighting these demons!

...RESIST THE DEVIL, AND HE WILL FLEE FROM YOU.

You know the Devil obtained possession of you. If you want to get out of his hands, make a clean sweep and turn around and live a different kind of life!

Be careful what you see and what you hear!

One of the most horrible demons, next to the unclean demon, is the *critical demon*, and it has damned many a professing Christian. The fault-finding demon! That is particularly what the Devil uses among the saints. He does not come to us and say, "Take a drink of whisky," or, "Have a smoke," or, "Commit adultery." No! He says, "Criticize and find fault."

Do you Know How to Answer the Devil?

If the Devil tempts you to adultery, or fornication, or uncleanness, do you know what sword to thrust into him up to the hilt?

Whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.—Matthew 5:28.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God,—Matthew 5:8.

Another reading is, "For they shall KNOW God."

But the wisdom that is from above is first PURE....—James 3:7.

How can you expect to be pure when you are feasting your eyes upon the obscene and the unclean? when you are opening your ears to the vile and the filthy? How can you expect to be clean?

We need some red-hot lectures on the subject of Marriage, Child-bearing, and Family Life. Any woman who has not the instincts of wifehood and motherhood highly developed is a monster; she is the Devil's own.

What caused the downfall of Rome and Greece? Then take the United States and France today!

What was it that caused the flood to come upon this earth and to destroy it?

What was it that brought the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah?

What is it that will bring the apocalyptic judgments upon this earth?

It means a great deal to get together a company of people and train them for God.

You know, as a man advances in years he becomes more serious in his view of life; he realizes far more deeply than he did ten years before the many things that have to do with humanity as they march on their journey through this world.

Ah, do not ask the question, "Why was the prayer not answered?" God understands why.

Now we shall read the story of Jairus' daughter.

Who put it here?

The Holy Spirit, Who was the Editor-in-Chief of the Bible. He selected and collated, out of all the mass of material, THE WORD OF GOD. And the same God Who gave us the Word has preserved it. There is where I stand.

Important Lessons Taught When Jesus Delayed His Coming

In continuing the reading of this Chapter, you will find that after Jesus had left this place and had "passed over again by ship unto the other side," Jairus (which means "he that illuminates") came and fell down with his face on the ground, worshiping Christ and saying, "My little daughter is even now dead. Come and lay Your hands upon her, that she may recover."

Jesus did not go at once, and when He did start out He stopped on the way.

Why?

In order that the little maid might be dead; He gave her plenty of time to die.

When Mary and Martha sent Him word, saying, "He whom Thou lovest is sick," He abode in the place where He was two days, and He said, "This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God."

The story of the woman who touched the hem of His garment is a wonderful one. I wish that I could devote an hour to it, but I shall take it up some other time. After she had received her healing, the Thirty-fifth Verse says:

—There came from the ruler of the synagogue's house certain who said: Thy daughter is dead: why troublest thou the Master any further?

And what did Jesus say? He turned to the father and said:

—BE NOT AFRAID, ONLY BELIEVE.

What a wonderful thing faith is!

The Lord tarried until she had had time to pass away. He did it purposely, that He might show His power over Death and give us the earnest of the Resurrection that is to come.

When He reached the ruler of the synagogue's home, the first thing He did was to send the people out of the place. The word *"ekballo,"* which is used there, means "TO THROW OUT"—and that is what He did.

Three Important Occasions When Jesus Took Peter, James and John with Him

He took Peter and James and John in with Him. He took these three with Him on three occasions. We should know this as a matter of Bible knowledge. This is the first occasion, the Transfiguration is the second, and the Garden of Gethsemane is the third.

He took with Him into the house Peter, James, and John—the inner circle of the Apostles; and He said to the damsel:

—TALITHA CUMI; which is, being interpreted, DAMSEL, I SAY UNTO THEE, ARISE.

In other words, He called back her spirit, which had gone to Paradise. It entered into her body, and she sat up; and He commanded that they should give her something to eat.

Yes, Lord, you are not answering the prayer; because well you know that there is something there that needs correction!

Yes, Lord, it looks as though death is approaching!

Is not God a COVENANT-KEEPING GOD?

Is not God's Word TRUE?

Yes, it is true!

But do you remember that Paul delivered two men over to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit might be saved?

Oh, how marvelous is Divine Healing! There is no other healing.

The way these infernal doctors fool around with life is laughable to me. Murderers, poisoners, blasphemers,—they can do nothing! They are instruments of death! They do not know the first thing about life!

The only solution is to be WHOLLY CONSECRATED TO GOD and to live wholly for Him.

Uncontrolled Temper a Hindrance to God's Answering Prayer

You have a terrible temper. Oh, how many times do you think the Holy Spirit has been so grieved with you that He almost has been ready to take His departure? Then, the first thing you know, you are hit with a judgment, and you call for some one to pray for you. He asks you, "Have you anything to repent of?"

"No."

"Is there no hindrance in your life that would keep God from answering prayer?"

"No, nothing."

"Now, you are a liar, and, consequently, there is no answer to prayer. You know all the time what your besetting sin is;

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you know how the Holy Spirit has striven with you day and night to repent and to overcome it; you know how you have resisted Him! Perhaps it would be the wisest thing if you were to die; if God were to allow your body to die in order that He might save your spirit."

It is not always the best thing for God to heal a man.

Here is a man who courted a beautiful young lady and married her. They have six sons and daughters. Every Saturday night since they were married he has come home drunk. He is a tobacco-soak, and he is a dirty, low-down, immoral wretch. He gives his wife's body a loathsome filthy disease, until she suffers day and night. Then one day he falls on the floor with a stroke of paralysis. They pick him up and put him on a bed, and they find out that he cannot move his right arm and his right leg, and that he cannot talk and he cannot see. They call in Doctor This and Doctor That. They take him to the hospital, and they use an X-ray, give him electrical treatment, and all the rest of it. I tell you, that man will have to do a great deal of repenting before God Almighty ever will give him any blessing, and if he is not going to repent and live a Christian life, better a thousand times that the breath shall leave his body! You cannot say that is not right — it IS right!

God is All-wise.

He certainly is!

God does not do any foolish things.

Who is the man to challenge God and to say to Him, "You are not a Covenant-keeping God"?

Who is the man to say that God's Word is not true? Dare any man say that? NO!

Many Things Transpire Through God's Permissive Providence

There are a great many things in God's permissive providence.

God Almighty permitted sin!

God Almighty permitted sickness and disease!

God Almighty permitted the Devil!

At the end of the Millennium He will turn the Devil loose once more to try the nations. Millions will feign, you know, to accept Christ, but they are not sincere. Then takes place the great battle of Gog and Magog, described in the Twentieth Chapter of Revelation, when fire will come down from Heaven and burn them up.

What kind of Church would this be if there were no tests?

We have some here who love money better than a baby loves milk. No such men and women will inherit the Kingdom of God.

I have some fine things on the Kingdom of God that I shall give you before long. A man who digs into the Bible, you know, continues to find gold. There is gold on the surface, but the deeper you go the finer is the gold.

The Bible is infinite. It was written by the Infinite God.

Now, listen:

Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these: Adultery, fornication, uncleaness, lasciviousness,

Idolatry, witchcraft (sorcery), hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they who do such things SHALL NOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD.—Galatians 5:19-21.

You cannot take them into Glory with you.

The Necessity of Preparing for Eternity Today

Now, beloved, by what process do you work out that, my spirit having left this body and I being in the other world, I would be any different from what I am now, on this earth, *in* my body? I would be exactly the same Wilbur Glenn Voliva — not one whit nearer to God, no purer, no holier, no better.

By what process do you think that a man who is not prepared for that moment of departure will be gotten ready in a moment when he gets over there?

Some persons have an idiotic notion that God will perform a great transforming miracle, but they are mistaken. Jesus Christ was sent to this world for our salvation, and we were placed on this earth to get ready for Eternity. Are we going to do it?

"Oh," you may say, "I try to be good, and I can't!"

Well, quit your trying and BE GOOD!

I take no stock in this "Try-to-do-it" society.

No other people on earth have had the teaching that ZION people have had. I have spent ten good years of my life in getting you ready for Heaven. I would be the happiest man on earth if I could look upon the whole Church and say, "Lord, they are all ready!"

...YE CANNOT SERVE GOD AND MAMMON.—Matthew 6:24.

Now, I shall close, although I would like to finish this sermon. It would take me only four hours more — two on the woman who touched the hem of His garment, and two on the resurrection of Jairus' daughter.

I shall close with this thought: Is your religion a JOYFUL RELIGION, or does your religion make you miserable?

How about it?

Does it make you joyful and happy?

Was Jesus ever troubled?

Was He ever without perfect peace?

No!

Just before He was crucified, He said to the Apostles — and to you and to me:

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you.—John 14:27.

What can happen to me if I am God's child?

What can happen to ZION if we are right in God's sight?

Let the Devil roar!

Let all the hosts of hell meet behind closed doors and plot and plan!

They cannot touch God's saints and they cannot touch God's work!

Then why should we worry?

Why should we have any trouble?

Suppose a man knew that he was going to be martyred — it certainly would be a wonderful thing to win a martyr's crown.

ZION, I want you to have a *happy religion*. If you are miserable, then there is something wrong somewhere.

A happy religion!

I am always happy!

BENEDICTION

TOBACCO! TOBACCO!! TOBACCO!!!

By Apostle Carl F. Viking

If all the vile tobacco-poison-smoke blown out through the mouths and noses of Methodist, Baptist, Church of England, Lutheran, Roman Catholic, Presbyterian, and other missionaries in China since 1900 was collected in the air above the city of Shanghai, the sun would be hidden and one million people together with domestic animals might be suffocated in less than 24 hours!

If all the money smoked up by these men of the cloth since 1900 was given to me, I could send out into China 300 million tracts — with the warning of the coming of Jesus — enough to place one tract in the hand of every man, woman, youth and maiden, in the whole of China!

5000 smoking missionaries (a low estimate) each smoking $5 worth of tobacco per month (a low average) will make $60 a year per man and $300,000 in 20 years together!

At the rate of 1000 tracts per dollar, there would be 300 million tracts!

How can you call your body consecrated to the Lord, when the unspeakably filthy tobacco stench oozes out from your pores into your clothes by day and by night and with stale odor from your mouth enough to kill rattlesnakes? You certainly are a nice smelling preacher!

For Christ's sake, and for China's sake, O SMOKING MISSIONARIES, you should abhor yourself and flee into the wilderness!

"Zion says that a man has no more right to pollute another man's atmosphere than he has to spit in his water bucket."

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Notes of Thanksgiving to Zion's God

A Wonderful Testimony to Blessing Through "Leaves of Healing"

————, CANADA,
November 22, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
ZION, ILLINOIS.
Dear General Overseer:

I would like to add my testimony to the saving power of God. I know that I am a child of the Living God. He has redeemed me. Praise His Holy Name for the way in which He gives me grace to take up my cross and stand for Him alone.

The things I once loved, I now hate. The more I know about God, the more I long for and thirst after righteousness.

I must write and let you know what spiritual food LEAVES OF HEALING are to me. I shall never be able to do without them again. They are a source of strength to my soul and they inspire me as nothing else has ever done outside of God's Word. The addresses in LEAVES OF HEALING are truly wonderful and help us to know and understand the Word of God better.

May God bless you for the most wonderful way in which you helped me and thousands of others spiritually with your reading matter — it is so wonderful. ZION CITY has always been held up to me as a bad place but never again will anyone make me believe that. Although I have never been there, I am sure, from the addresses that are printed, that it is far from wicked. I believe it is a city of God and only wish I could come there to live.

I remain

Your Sister in Christ,
(Signed) MRS. M. A. ROGERS.

Healed at the Time Prayer was Offered at Headquarters

————, INDIANA,
November 26, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
ZION, ILLINOIS.
Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee be multiplied!

Your letter dated November 20th was received, stating that prayer had been offered for me on the 19th. I thank you, and praise the Lord that the lump which appeared under my arm only pained me a few times after I sent in the request. It nearly all disappeared on the 19th, and I was able to do a washing.

I do praise God for His blessings to me.

(Signed) MRS. MAUD WHISMAN.

Healed of Inflammatory Rheumatism, the Result of Vaccination

————, ILLINOIS,
October 20, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
ZION, ILLINOIS.
Dear General Overseer:

I will take the opportunity at this time of testifying to the healing which I received in 1907 from inflammatory rheumatism, which I contracted soon after being vaccinated in 1893.

I had several violent attacks after that time and would get relief in answer to prayer; but I was never entirely delivered until the Spring of 1907, when, in the face of some opposition, I was led to call for you to come and pray for me,— and since that time God has wonderfully kept me from any trace of it.

I read ZION Literature for the first time in 1894 and joined the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, under Dr. John Alexander Dowie, in 1897; and since that time God has wonderfully blessed me, for which I praise Him.

I know I am a Christian; and I have the witness, in a measure, of the Holy Spirit within me. I love to read LEAVES OF HEALING and the Bible, God's Holy Word. I love to tell of God's love to me to those with whom I come in contact daily.

We have a family altar in our home and we read God's Word and pray every day.

I am earnestly looking for the glorious appearing of our Lord.

Earnestly praying that God may bless you, I am
Yours in the Master's Name,
(Signed) E. L. SUTTIE.

Praises God for Answered Prayer in Zion

————, NEW YORK,
January 21, 1920.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
ZION ILLINOIS.
Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee be multiplied!

Apostle Harwood's letter, dated December 5th, 1919, stating that you had prayed for me on December 4th, was received.

I praise God for my healing and thank you for praying in my behalf.

I have just learned that my fourteen year old boy, who is visiting my mother in the Catskills, has yesterday broken out with the measles. I wish you to pray that God will be with him and heal him. I cannot go to him, but I am sure he too is looking to God only.

Thanking God for your prayers, I am
Faithfully,
(Signed) MRS. H. W. SPENCER.

"I Praise God for Zion and the General Overseer"

————, INDIANA.
December 4, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
ZION, ILLINOIS.
Dear General Overseer:

I praise God for ZION and the General Overseer. I also praise Him for His wonderful healing power, and for the LEAVES OF HEALING, the White Winged Messenger of love and peace.

I am so glad I came into ZION, and how happy I am when I can visit there, and drink in the blessed Word of God that you make so plain to the people.

A Sister in Christ,
(Signed) SARAH GRAFTON.

"Leaves of Healing" Brings Deliverance to Victim of Cigarettes

————, PENNSYLVANIA,
October 30, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
ZION, ILLINOIS.
Dear Mr. Voliva:

I am taking the liberty of writing you about myself.

I was passing through Chicago last May when I came across your paper, LEAVES OF HEALING. I had been the victim of cigarettes for over fifteen years. I read your paper and prayed to God to take away the craving for nicotine, and He has delivered me. I now have no use for them. I passed on your paper to another young man, but have not heard from him. My associates say it is a miracle. Would you please send me your paper for one year and send me the bill, and oblige.

(Signed) ALBERT WADDELL.

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RESTORATION WORK

ILLINOIS

ZION

By Mrs. Wm. S. Peckham

From September 1st to November 3rd, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING mailed	147
THEOCRATS mailed	105
Messages mailed	14
Special letters written	14
Total No. of pieces distributed	280

For months of November and December, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING mailed	223
THEOCRATS mailed	63
Total No. of pieces mailed	286

By Mrs. H. E. Hampe

For one year, ending December 31, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING mailed	794
THEOCRATS mailed	630
Overseer's books mailed	75
Apostle Jordan's books mailed	25
Total No. of pieces mailed	1524
Trial subscriptions taken	4

By Mrs. Mary H. Jones

For year, ending December, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING mailed	300
Subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING	45
Subscriptions to THE THEOCRAT	44

By Mr. Geo. E. Philyaw and family

During the year 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING mailed and distributed	610
THEOCRATS mailed and distributed	500
Total No. of pieces distributed	1110
Trial subscriptions to LEAVES OF Healing sent out	1

CHICAGO

By Mrs. A. L. Parker

From November 4, to December 2, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	103
LEAVES OF HEALINIG mailed	46
LEAVES OF HEALING given	52
THEOCRATS given	12
Total No. of pieces distributed	213

For the entire year I sold and gave away 1200 copies of LEAVES OF HEALING.

By Mrs. A. L. Parker

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	114
LEAVES OF HEALING given	40
LEAVES OF HEALING mailed	23
Theocrats mailed	13
Theocrats given	5
Total No. of pieces distributed	295

By George V. Ballegooyen

For three months, ending October 30, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	3
LEAVES OF HEALING given	67
THEOCRATS given	8
Messages given	45
Total No. of pieces distributed	123

INDIANA

SOUTH BEND

By Elder Van B. and Deaconess Shumaker

For week, ending October 27th, 1119

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	157
LEAVES OF HEALING given	41
THEOCRATS sold	2
Announcements given	760
Tracts given	342
Total No. of pieces distributed	1302
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	7

South Bend and LaPorte, Indiana Niles, Buchanan and Berrien, Michigan

For week, ending November 3, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	137
LEAVES OF HEALING given	192
THEOCRATS sold	3
Announcements given	2200
Post Cards sold	17
Total No. of pieces distributed	2549
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	4
Trial subscriptions to Theocrat taken	2

For week, ending November 10, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	69
LEAVES OF HEALING given	16
THEOCRATS sold	2
THEOCRATS given	10
Announcements given	1100
Tracts given	278
Total No. of pieces distributed	1775
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	8

For week, ending December 8, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	112
LEAVES OF HEALING given	17
THEOCRATS sold	4
Announcements given	400
Tracts given	100
Total No. of pieces distributed	633
Ten week subscriptions to LEAVES of HEALING taken	4
Yearly subscription to LEAVES of HEALING taken	1
Yearly subscription to THEOCRAT taken	1

For week, ending December 15, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	87
LEAVES OF HEALING given	22
THEOCRATS sold	3
THEOCRATS given	5
Tracts and Cards given	360
Total No. of pieces distributed	477
Ten week subscriptions to LEAVES of HEALING taken	3
Ten week subscriptions to THEOCRAT	4

For ten days, ending December 24, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	32
LEAVES OF HEALING given	28
THEOCRATS given	16
Tracts and Announcements given	86
Total No. of pieces distributed	162
Ten week subscriptions to LEAVES of HEALING taken	7
Ten week subscriptions to THEOCRAT taken	6

SOUTH BEND, INDIANA AND BUCHANAN, MICHIGAN

For week, ending November 17, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	102
LEAVES OF HEALING given	10
THEOCRATS sold	2
Announcements given	2650
Cards given	375
Post Cards sold	14
Total No. of pieces distributed	3153
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	10
Trial subscriptions to Theocrats taken	1

MICHIGAN

DETROIT

By Deaconesses Buhmann and Schelhorn

For six days, ending October 25, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	1000
Messages given	1000
Total No. of pieces distributed	2000
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	12

For five weeks, ending October 31st, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	4300
Messages given	5200
Total No. of pieces distributed	9500
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	64

For six days, ending November 1st, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	850
Messages given	950
Total No. of pieces distributed	1800
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	9

For five days, ending November 8th, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	800
Messages given	500
Total No. of pieces distributed	1300
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	5

For four days, ending November 15, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	680
Trial subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING taken	9
Yearly subscriptions to THEOCRAT taken	1

For five days, ending November 22, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	920
Trial subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING taken	15

For six days, ending November 29, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	800
Yearly subscriptions to THEOCRAT taken	1
15 week subscription to LEAVES OF HEALING taken	1
Trial subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING taken	7

For month, ending November 31, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	3200
Subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING taken	37
Subscriptions to THEOCRAT taken	2

For ten days, ending December 11, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	1600
Subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING taken	7

FLINT and LANSING

By Mr. A. G. Hughes

For four months, ending December 24, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	2250
LEAVES OF HEALING sold	450
Total No. distributed	2700

TEXAS

ROCKPORT

By Mrs. Luella Ferges

During the month of December, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	30
LEAVES OF HEALING mailed	10
THEOCRATS given	6
Total No. of pieces distributed	46

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MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS

By Elder and Mrs. Duyzers

For three months, ending October 31, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	1392
LEAVES OF HEALING given	508
Messages given	22
Special Notices given	150
Total No. of pieces distributed	2072
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	14

For Two Weeks, ending December 15, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	320
LEAVES OF HEALING given	20
THEOCRATS given	50
Total No. of pieces distributed	390

For two weeks, ending December 30, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	200
LEAVES OF HEALING given	210
THEOCRATS given	65
Tracts given	35
Total No. of pieces distributed	510

From August 1, to December 30, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	2368
LEAVES OF HEALING given	1223
THEOCRATS given	175
Messages given	22
Tracts given	35
Special Notices given	150
Total No. of pieces distributed	3973

By Six Members of The Minneapolis Branch

For two weeks, ending November 17, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	366
LEAVES OF HEALING given	278
THEOCRATS given	4
Messages given	28
Total No. of pieces distributed	676

By six Members of the Minneapolis Branch

For two weeks, ending November 30, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	418
LEAVES OF HEALING given	448
THEOCRATS given	6
Messages given	50
Total No. of pieces distributed	922
Trial subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING	1

By Eleven Members of The Minneapolis Branch

LEAVES OF HEALING sold	414
LEAVES OF HEALING given	453
THEOCRATS given	3
Total No. of pieces distributed	870
Trial subscriptions to Leaves of Healing taken	2

LUVERNE

By Dana M. Baer

From January 1, 1919 to December 27, 1919

LEAVES OF HEALING mailed	87
LEAVES OF HEALING given	23
THEOCRATS mailed	122
THEOCRATS given	10
Notices mailed	25
Total No. of pieces distributed	267
Yearly subscription to LEAVES OF HEALING given	1
Yearly subscription to THEOCRAT given	2
Bibles given for Christmas	2

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS — consisting of Kindergarten (for children five years of age), Junior School (covering a period of eight years), Preparatory Department (covering a period of four years), Department of Music and Art, etc. — are free to all children and young people in ZION and are supported entirely by the FREE-WILL OFFERINGS of the officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION.

October First we requested all officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION to fill in pledge cards for the support of the Schools for the Year, 1919-1920.

LEAVES OF HEALING (Vol. 45, No. 12, dated December 13, 1919) was devoted almost entirely to ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS. A picture of the Main Building appeared on the first page. A picture four and one-half feet long by ten inches wide, of more than 900 of the 1046 pupils and students, together with the teachers, was enclosed as a supplement. Five pages were filled with the names, together with the respective amounts pledged, of all individuals and families sending in cards.

In this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING we print the additional names and pledges, bringing the total number of individual and Family Cards to 862, and the total amount pledged to $21,635.00.

The total amount needed for the allowances of the teachers, exclusive of all other expenses, is $31,000.00, thus leaving a balance of $9,365.00.

We appreciate the responses that have been made, and we earnestly pray and hope that within the next few days every officer, member, and friend of ZION will respond.

We have put this matter plainly before the Church, so that every one is in a position to understand the entire situation. In ZION we are ready at all times to bear one another's burdens, and we do not expect from any individual or any family more than that which is right in God's sight.

Additional Pledges For the Support of Zion Educational Institutions—School Year, 1919-1920:

January 13, 1920.

Bishop, Mr. A. H. & Mr. L. W.	$ 25.00
Brigance, Mrs. Wm.	6.00
Clifft, Mrs. A. A.	30.00
Coggins, Mr. Paul	5.00
Crain, Mr. & Mrs. I. U.	100.00
Gaede, Mr. W. C. & Wife	5.00
Gratz, Mr. H. W.	36.00
McElroy, Mr. & Mrs. J. W.	12.00
Otterbacher, Mrs. Lydia	20.00
Stevens, Mrs. Charlotte	10.00
Webbe, Mrs. F. W. & Family	25.00

January 20, 1920.

Blonn, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. A.	$18.00
Brunson, Mrs. Julia	6.00
Cunningham, Mr. Francis N. & Wife	25.00
Hollingshead, Miss D. H.	12.00
Hollingshead, Miss Victoria R.	10.00
James, Mr. & Mrs. Owen S.	12.00
Sluttz, Mrs. O. E.	15.00
Schmidt, Mrs. Anna	15.00
Van Artsdalen, Mr. Logan	12.00

INDIVIDUAL CARD

Zion, Illinois.....1920

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
President of ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS:

For the support of ZION SCHOOLS for twelve months — October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920 — I will contribute . . . . . $.....

Signed.....

Address.....

FAMILY CARD

Zion, Illinois.....1920

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
President of ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS:

For the support of ZION SCHOOLS for twelve months — October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920 — we (.....in number) will contribute $.....

Signed.....

Address.....

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ZION INSTITUTIONS & INDUSTRIES

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva)

Principal Institutions

DEPARTMENT STORE
PRINTING & PUBLISHING HOUSE
BUILDING INDUSTRY
BAKING INDUSTRY
OFFICE SUPPLY
APRON & HANDKERCHIEF FACTORY
ZION BANK

Total amount of business done by all the institutions for twelve months — December 31, 1917, to December 31, 1918..	$1,643,853.63
Total amount of business done by all the institutions for twelve months — July 31, 1918, to July 31, 1919.....	2,154,920.00
Total capital invested in Zion Institutions & Industries, October 31, 1919	525,187.07
Business done by all the institutions during the month of October, 1919	242,129.73

We hereby send forth this call for $100,000.00 ADDITIONAL INVESTMENTS.
We pay seven per cent interest on all investments made for a period of FIVE YEARS or longer during the first three years, and after that period six per cent.
All persons having money to invest in these Institutions & Industries should call on or write to

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager
Administration Building
Zion, Lake County, Illinois

ZION ESTATE

(Wilbur Glenn Voliva)

We have in the Zion Estate 442 ACRES OF FARMS, which we wish to dispose of to ZION PEOPLE.

We have a large number of CITY LOTS, ranging in price from $100 to $2000. Payments down from $10 to $200; the balance in payments monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or annually, over a period up to five years. Six per cent interest.

All inquiries concerning—

FARMS ACRE TRACTS CITY LOTS RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

Should be addressed to
W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager
Administration Building, Zion, Lake County, Illinois

Rights in all real estate are conveyed by the Eleven Hundred Year Lease, containing numerous restrictions for the protection of both lessee and lessor.
We purchased the ZION ESTATE to be disposed of to ZION PEOPLE ONLY, and we desire that every Officer, Member and Friend shall at once have a part in the great work of building a City for the honor and the glory of God.

—WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

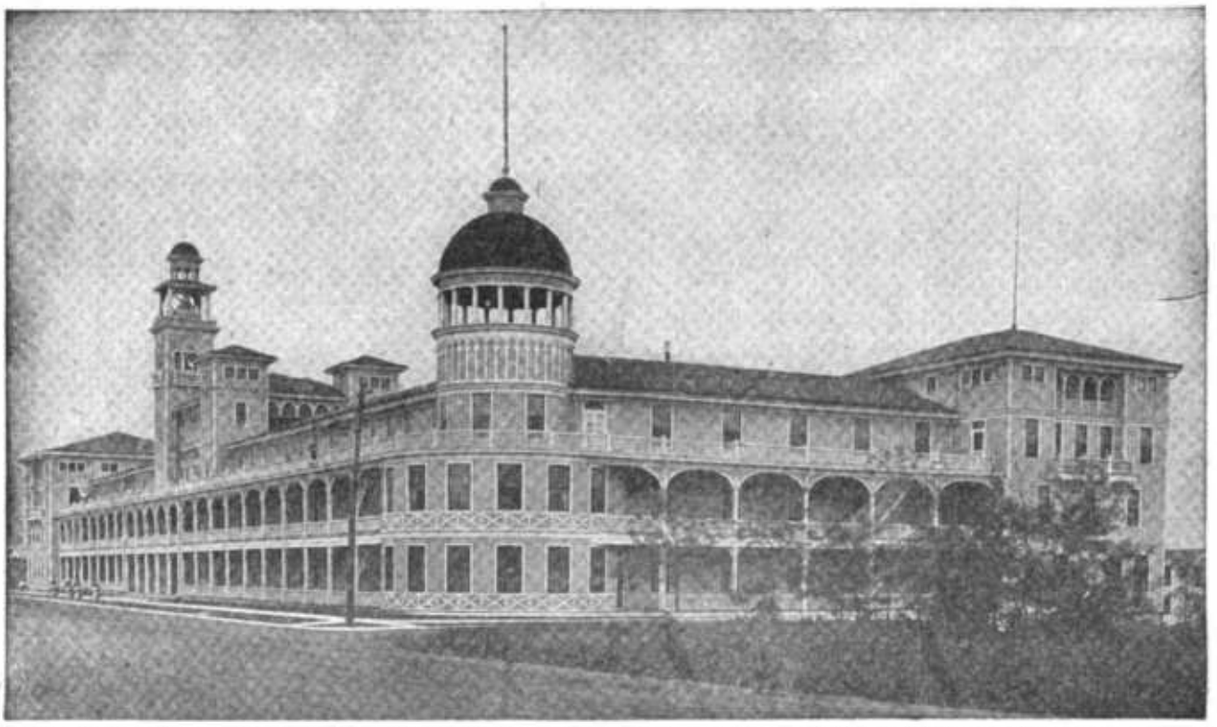
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ZION HOME ZION ILLINOIS

ZION HOME is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies —a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

Zion Home is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

Rooms may be had — one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, $1.25 per day and up.



Zion Home is the largest Divine Healing Home in the world. Two meetings are held each week for teaching and for prayer with the sick. Charges are made for room and board only. Free-will offerings only received.

For any further information write to — WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, Administration Building, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., placing the words, "For Zion Home" on the lower left-hand corner of the envelope.

ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

ZION BANK

Systematic and persistent depositing in a bank is the best means yet devised for the accumulation of money, and the interests, whether large or small, of men, women, and children are alike carefully guarded by this bank.

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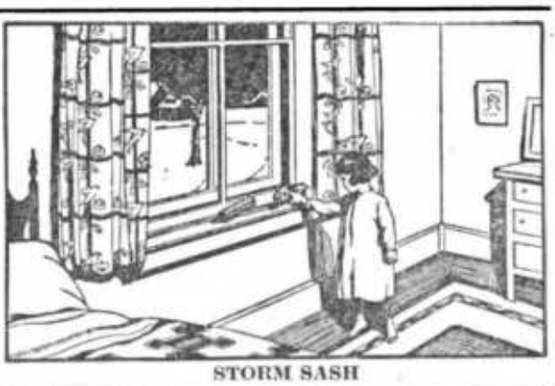
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"The Sweet Redemption Song"

By John Alexander Dowie

BECAUSE the creature itself shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.— Romans 8:21-23.

THE whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together, *until now,"* said the Apostle. That *"now"* was eighteen and a half centuries ago. The whole creation had been groaning and travailing together in pain until Christ came, "waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body." But Christ had come, and so this sweet Redemption Song was sung and "angels with the white-robed throng" still join in that "sweet Redemption Song," which tells us that Christ has redeemed us by His blood, not only in spirit but in soul and in body. Therefore we are besought by the mercies of God to present our "bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God," which is our "reasonable service." This sweet Redemption Song is still being sung. Oh, how beautiful it is! It is being sung by the Church of God while she waits for the coming of the absent Lord. "Lord Jesus, come, Thy Bride, the Church, with longing eyes looks to her home beyond the skies, beyond the seas of time and sin and sense and death and hell; and while she waits she chants this song of love:

Sweet bridegroom come, 'tis midnight hour,
And virgin hearts await thy power.
Lord Jesus, come! "Lord Jesus, come!"
Thine answer sweet our spirts hear,
It calms our hearts, we cannot fear;
It came to him on Patmos' Isle
Who lived and loved on earth awhile;
It comes to us — I quickly come!
"Yea, even so, Lord Jesus, come.
Lord Jesus, come!"

And while the Church sings this song, she is gathering a broken humanity that in its infancy fell and has been dashed upon the rocks of death. She sings that song of redemption for the spirit, for the soul, and for the body. It is sung again today, as Christ sung it long ago; and limb to limb a broken humanity is brought together in the lap of the Church of the Living God, and, raised up by the Spirit's power, it is being prepared for the coming of the Lord. Shall the Lord come back and find a dead body, or shall He find a living Church? Yes! He will come back and He will call to Himself a living Church. The Lord Jesus Christ preached redemption first for the spirit, then for the soul, and then for the body. First salvation, then healing, then holiness. For the spirit first, because that is by far the most important, the immortal spirit; the soul next, for that is the animal life we have in common with animals; for the body next, because we can not live a happy, healthful, holy, spiritual life in a defiled, diseased, and wretched body. And so our Lord, knowing this, came to bring a perfect redemption, of which we read in Isaiah, 35th Chapter.

The Threefold Song of Redemption for Spirit, Soul, and Body

The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the Lord, and the excellency of our God.

Some of you say, "If I see, I will believe." No, you would not. "Oh, yes," you reply, "seeing is believing." No! Seeing is not believing; but *believing is seeing.* We "walk by faith, not by sight." Faith first, sight next. Faith first, healing next. Faith first, and all the blessings next. You have ever to walk by faith and not by sight. They who believe shall "see the glory of the Lord, and the excellency of our God."

Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompence: He will come and save you.

Save you! Be strong, fear not. He will come and save you.

God does not want you to be weak. He wants these weak hands to be lifted up in praise and prayer to Him. God does not want these knees to be weak. One cannot run in the ways of His commandments with his knees paralyzed or rheumatic. He wants these knees to be set free. Be strong. Fear not. No one can do anything that fears. "There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment." He that feareth is not made perfect in love. Deliverance from fear is essential to a life of faith, and love, and hope. Fear is the destroyer of faith. The message of God in every age has been "Fear not," and the key-note of the song of redemption in every age has been "Fear not!" "Fear not," to weeping Adam and Eve in the garden of God, showed them the coming Redeemer. "Fear not," to Noah when tossed upon the wide waste of waters and with all the earth overwhelmed he sent out that dove to find where the waters had abated; and when at last it descended upon the solitary earth where every living thing had been buried beneath the dark waters — an earth without inhabitant, save those which emerged out of the ark — he heard God's voice, "Fear not, be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth." "Fear not," to Moses when God spoke to him in exile because he was afraid of the wrath of the king. In Midian God took him and disciplined him for forty years of desert life and revealed Himself to him in the burning bush. When He had taken all fear out of his heart, He sent him before the throne of Pharaoh to demand that His people be let go. A man without arms, with only God above, there he stood on the steps of that tyrant who could have crushed his life out in a moment. He was not afraid to look into the eyes of that oppressor and say, "Let God's people go, O Pharaoh." A man who was not afraid to lead a nation of slaves into a waterless desert, a man who was not afraid to obey his God when He told him to cut down a tree and cast it into the bitter springs that they might be sweet, and they were made sweet because Moses obeyed God.

And when Moses finished his work, God raised up a man who was not afraid to go up and take possession of a land that was in the grip of powerful military forces. Joshua, with Moses' spirit, was told not to fear. "Be strong and of good courage. Only remember to do according to all that God has commanded you. Turn not to the right hand nor to the left." And he went up without fear, and conquered. Fear not! Fear not! The message from heaven has always been that. Daniel was bidden not to fear by Gabriel, the angel. Mary was bidden not to fear when the same angel announced to her that, though a virgin, she should be a mother. When Zacharias the priest was ministering to God in the temple the angel told him that his wife, Elizabeth, in her old age should have a son, and his first words were, "Fear not." To Joseph the angel said, "Fear not," in a dream, when he thought of putting away his wife Mary. God said, "Fear not," when He sent the angels who sang that midnight song in Bethlehem. "Fear not, for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." When Christ came He constantly said these words, "Fear not." When John in the apocalyptic vision saw the risen Christ in His glory, he fell at His feet as dead, but Christ "laid His right hand upon

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him" and said, "Fear not, I am the First and the Last, I am He that liveth and was dead, and behold I am alive forevermore. Amen. I have the keys of hell and death." True religion in every age, and every message from God, has been "Fear not." When a man is weak he will fear. When a man is sick he is going to fear. And if sinful he is going to fear; and if his sins are not pardoned he is afraid to face God. But if He is free from sin, and healed from sickness, and kept by the power of God, and made strong by the Omnipotent Spirit, he is not going to be afraid of all the powers of earth and hell. And so the sweet redemption song says, "Fear not, He will come and save you." That is the kind of salvation you need; a salvation from fear — a salvation, therefore, from sin; a salvation that makes the spirit free and fearless. "The meek shall inherit the earth," and the meek are strong. Moses was the meekest man on God's earth, and the mightiest in his time. Christ came to "save" you. Salvation is the first thing in this song, but it does not stop there. The spirit is to be set free from pollution, by the blood of Christ the Redeemer. Oh, this uttermost salvation! It is a fountain full and free, a ceaseless, everflowing, wondrous grace. For the song rings out:

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 sing; for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert. And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes.

What a beautiful emblem of a redeemed physical nature! A man's body full of evil, full of corruption, as well as his evil poisoned spirit, shall be cleansed. The eyes to see, the ears to hear, the tongue to talk, the nose to smell, the hands to feel, acute in every sense, a body all clean for God, "the temple of the Holy Ghost." For this is just what the body was designed to be. This body was designed to be a temple of God, "a habitation for God through the Spirit." Your bodies should all be temples of the Holy Ghost. Do you seek for God's temple? Do you think you can find it in a pile of stones? Do you think you can find it in marble, in a mass of ornamentations? You will find His Temple, a temple not made with hands, in your body which God has made, and which He has redeemed by the blood of His Son. This body was designed to be a habitation for God Himself by the Spirit. Does any man thirst today? Does he long to know what this means? Then the Christ of God is saying, as nineteen centuries ago, "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink; he that believeth on Me 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." But now the Holy Ghost is given, Jesus has been glorified and wants our bodies to be pure and free from disease, so that the Holy Spirit may flow through them.

Divine Healing is, therefore, the second part of the song. "God be merciful unto us and bless us; and cause His face to shine upon us, that Thy Way (and Christ is God's Way) may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations."

But the sweet Redemption Song does not stop there. Salvation and Healing are not all. There is one more part of the glorious song.

An Highway shall be there and a way, and it shall be called The Way of Holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those, the wayfaring men though fools, shall not err therein. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast go up thereon, they shall not be found there; but the Redeemed shall walk there. And the Ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

That is a good way to walk in the King's Highway of Holiness, a way, where from day to day, you shall feel and say, "Vouchsafe, O God, to keep me this day without sin," and God will say, "I will." And by the power of the Spirit He will keep you so that when the end of that day is come you shall look up and say, "I have walked with God today." Then you will go home with "joy and gladness," not with sorrow and sadness. But how many people say, "Well, a man must have his last sickness." His last sickness! Oh, yes. Why don't you talk about a man having his last bout with sin. Is it necessary for a man before he quits sin to go down into the lowest haunts of vice and have "a big blow-out" before he quits? Who will say, "Let me alone, for it is my last bout with sin before going to Christ?" That man is never going to be a Christian. "Oh, well," says another, "you must have your last sickness." I suppose you have a Bible that reads like this: "The ransomed of the Lord shall come to ZION with groans; and everlasting sorrow upon their heads; they shall obtain lamentation and sadness, and sorrow and sighing shall never flee away until the wretched creature drops into the grave." Can you find that in the Scripture? Oh, no! That is not God's way to bring His children home. We are to enter into the Port of Heaven like a good vessel with all its passengers and cargo on board and with all its sails set. This is the way we should go into heaven. Not like a wretched old derelict, with all the masts swept away and one-half of the cargo thrown overboard. It is a miserable ambition to crawl into heaven, a wretched, polluted creature! Is that the way to go? No. "The ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to ZION with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away." How is it with you, John Wesley? "With me," he said, "with me, with me — with me — the best of all is, *God is with us*," and he swept into the gates. We should enter the heavenly ZION not battered and crushed, but with songs and everlasting joy upon our heads, victors over sin and disease and hell, singing the sweet Redemption Song:

My Savior comes and walks with me,
And sweet communion here have we;
He gently leads me by His hand,
For this is Heaven's Border Land.

The zephyr seems to float to me
Sweet sounds of Heaven's melody,
While angels with the white-robed throng,
Join in the sweet redemption song.

The shadows are fleeing away. O'er all the earth the Light is breaking. Come, oh Thou who canst alone save, and heal, and cleanse, and give us victory. Come, *now*, come *here*, and let many now cry, "save me, heal me, cleanse me, pilot me, O Christ of God." Come now, and by Thy Spirit bless all who will hear, and all who will read these words. Amen, and Amen.—*Selected*, LEAVES OF HEALING, Vol. 1, page 22, *et seq.*

"Leaves of Healing" Spiritual Food Sent by God

————, CANADA,
December 26, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
ZION, ILLINOIS.

Dear General Overseer:

This is to let you know how much good your "LEAVES OF HEALING" are doing me. I look forward to its coming each week as spiritual food sent by God. It has helped me wonderfully to understand the Word of God. If I may use the expression, I fairly eat up the paper, for it surely satisfies my soul.

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How I should like to be among you in ZION at the All-Night Meeting, but I cannot come. I will be with you in spirit and will pray that God will abundantly bless you all. I wish you one and all a happy New Year and may God's richest blessings be with you all. *****

Your Sister in Jesus Christ our Lord,
(Signed) MRS. M. A. ROGERS.

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Zion's Possibilities and Responsibilities

By Elder Thomas H. Nelson

O captive ZION! shake thyself free from the dust of earth;
For though one Age is dying, there's a new Age come to birth.
Death groans to birth pangs shall be changed, before thy conquering tread.
Strong in the Lord go forth to fight, the living for the dead.

Awake, awake, put on thy strength, arm of the Living God!
Fear not the heathen hosts today, nor great Red Seas of blood.
Awake as in the ancient days, the dragon wound anew.
This Rahab civilization fails, if thou wilt but be true.

Thy sun shall never more go down, nor moon shall mark thy night;
The Lord Himself shall be to thee an Everlasting Light.
Triumphant ZION, lift thy head, lay every weight aside.
Thy beauteous garments now put on, become Christ's Ready Bride.

He Who was once despised of men, in sorrow shame and grief,
Now Chiefest of Ten Thousand comes, the captives to release.
As gold and silver are refined, He'll purge from dross of sin,
That like His servant Levi, all may righteous offerings bring.

Thy day has dawned, Arise and fight, O ZION fair and strong!
With joy and gladness on thy head, lift up thy voice in song.
Sorrow and mourning flee away, thy Maker is thy God.
The Bridegroom of the souls of men, has washed thee in His Blood.

The Ages fight, the Kingdoms groan, while nations crumbling fall.
Wilt thou not strike with might and main, in answer to His call?
Salt of the earth, Light of the world, Oh, raise Truth's banner high!
Save others from a threatened death, or thou thyself shalt die.

Here one shall chase a thousand and, ten thousand flee from two.
Freed from thy bands of sin go forth, your God will fight for you.
The Sun of Righteousness will rise with healing in His Wings,
When ZION to the world's surprise, exalts Him King of Kings.

The Sun of Hope is sinking low, behind the western skies,
And burning in the socket now, this civilization dies.
Chaos appears from out the years, and robed in lust of gold,
Now in the East, the scarlet beast, with scarlet whore behold.

Abaddon there is sending forth his anarchistic bands,
And Antichrist has organized his federated lands.
Soon they must meet in deadly strife, in dread Hamonah's vale,
In Armageddon conflict there, where neither shall prevail.

The natural sun will soon grow dark, the moon appear as blood;
The stars will fall, the earth will quake, the church disown her Lord.
The federated prostitute, will join the Dragon band,
And with him be cast out from Heaven, at Jesus Christ's command.

Watchman of God on ZION's walls, thou seest that day appear.
Why sound ye not the Midnight Cry, that heathen hosts may hear?
God says that if thou warnest not the lost at his command,
His blood shall be required at the guilty watchman's hand.

O ZION, these are awful days — a grand yet dreadful time,
Our lives will on all Ages tell, let's make those lives sublime.
Our banner, Christ's emblazoned Cross, we'll boldly raise on high.
And 'neath its outstretched arms we'll fight, and here, if need be, die.

Why should we fear if death should come — it brings the martyr's crown;
And endless life must end the strife, for all who thus go down.
The more we yield, the more we have; we get the more we give.
We lose to save, we groan to sing, we need to die to live.

Triumphant ZION, rise and shine! thy crown of joy is near;
In rapturous translation thou wilt soon with Christ appear.
What glad surprise in yonder skies, to meet our Lord — the King!
And then His praise, through endless days, with all our powers to sing.



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"The Bible Picture of The Last Days"

Report of an Address Delivered in Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A., Tuesday Afternoon, June 24, 1919, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by E. I. C.)

Preceding the Address, the General Overseer made the following remarks on the subject of Divine Healing:

In the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion we trust God fully for spirit, for soul, and for body. We trust Him at all times, and under all circumstances, and in all places.

God's Word declares: "I AM THE LORD WHO HEALETH THEE" (Exodus 15:26), and in Isaiah the Fifty-third Chapter, the Fourth Verse, in that wonderful prophecy of the sufferings and death of Jesus Christ, we are told: "Surely He hath borne our sicknesses, and carried our sorrows." In the Old Version you will find the word "griefs;" but you will see in the margin the word "sicknesses;" and that is what it should be. In Matthew Eight, Verses Sixteen and Seventeen, this passage is referred to. Jesus healed the sick and cast out demons —

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES, AND BARE OUR SICKNESSES.

Divine Healing is simply *taking God at His Word.*

God's Willingness and Ability to Heal, Unquestioned

There is no question as to God's willingness to heal, and there is no question as to His *ability* to heal. Thousands have been healed. I received yesterday two remarkable testimonies where healing was instantaneous; and to God be all the praise and the glory!

God is ready to do His part, and it is a very simple matter for the people to do their part, if they only will.

When an individual comes to God for *healing,* he must take Him *absolutely* and take Him for all the time to come; he must give up medicine; he must give up doctors, with all their paraphernalia; he must give up all his idols; because he cannot expect to receive anything when he is trusting Mammon. Jesus said: "Ye cannot serve God and Mammon" (Matthew 6:24). He must make his choice, one way or the other.

I have trusted Christ fully as my Healer since 1898, and that is the teaching of the plain Word of God.

The Gift of Healing Built into the Church by Jesus Christ

Paul, in speaking of the Church (and this is a passage which is often overlooked), says, in First Corinthians the Twelfth Chapter and the Twenty-eighth Verse:

And God hath set (or, built into) some in the Church, first apostles,—

In this Church we have Apostles. There are twenty-four named in the New Testament, and it was God's purpose that all down through the Church Period, until the Lord takes the Church out, there always should be twelve Apostles.

—secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then GIFTS OF HEALING, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.

So you see that among the other offices and gifts that Christ built into the Church is the Gift of Healing.

One of the many reasons why my heart rejoiced and leaped for joy when I found Zion was because I had found a Church that took the *whole Word of God* and recognized this statement.

There is no getting around it!

The rank and file of the preachers will tell you that the days of miracles have passed; but I know better, because God has wrought many miracles in these last days.

Reasons Why Jesus Christ Healed and Wrought Miracles

They will tell you that Christ healed simply to supplement revelation, and that since the Bible is complete and revelations are no longer given, miracles are no longer needed. That is an absolutely false statement. That is *not* the reason why Christ healed. I can show you several reasons in the New Testament why He healed. One is because He came into this world to do the will of His Father, and in destroying sickness and disease He *was* doing His will. Another reason He healed is because it was a good thing, and another was to prove His Divine authority on earth to forgive sins. Another was because He had compassion on the people, and another was because He came into this world to destroy the works of the Devil, which are SIN, SICKNESS, DISEASE, and DEATH.

If you will read Hebrews the Second Chapter, Verse Fourteen, you will find the exact statement that the Devil has "the power of death."

Divine Healing is only one of the truths of the Word of God, but it is a very beautiful truth.

It is a glorious thing to be delivered from the arm of flesh—out of the hands of the doctors with their poisons — and to put one's trust in God.

God's Word is true!

If the conditions are met and we go to God in the right spirit, praying the prayer of faith, the sick ones will be healed.

These meetings have been announced as meetings on the Second Coming of Christ. However, I have made these few remarks on the subject of Divine Healing. I am always ready and willing to minister to the afflicted and the sick.

ADDRESS

This afternoon I shall read to you the Bible Picture of the Last Days.

It is, of course, heartbreaking to me to find so few who have any interest in the Second Coming of Christ.

The World and the Churches Dreaming of a Millennium Without Christ

The world and the churches are dreaming of a Millennium without the Lord. In the face of facts known to every casual observer, they still continue to indulge in this pipe dream.

The prayer meetings in the churches are dead, the masses of the people never darken their doors and they have no interest in anything they say or do — and still they dream of a world-wide revival, and of a Millennium, or a Golden Age, without the Prince of Peace, without the Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

I am not at all unfamiliar with the Bible as it pictures the conditions in these last days; consequently, I proceed intelligently, and I am not looking for a world-wide revival or for any great ingathering. I expect to find exactly what Noah found and exactly what Abraham found in Sodom and Gomorrah — conditions as they are outlined in the Bible.

So terrible, according to the Word of God, will be the conditions in the last days, that the question is asked, "Will the Son of Man find the faith on the earth when He comes?" Of course, the answer is, NO, HE WILL NOT!

So far as I am concerned personally, if I were not going to be God's child and a Christian in all that the word means, I should be nothing else but an out-and-out sinner, and every one would know where I stood; because anything less than the

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genuine article, anything less than the full surrender and the full consecration will avail a man nothing.

Eternal Life Imparted Through the New Birth

Jesus said:

...Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God.—John 3:3.

What is the use for men and women to deceive themselves into thinking that they are Christians, and to play at the Christian religion and be lost at last?

What Christ means by the New Birth is that the change which must take place in a man's being is so radical that it can only be described as or likened to a *new birth*. A mighty, wonderful change must take place in a sinner's life before he is a Christian, because the two lives are *opposite;* they are poles asunder.

So far as the physical birth and the "natural man" are concerned, we are the sons of Adam, and we inherit the old Adamic nature.

If any of you has had anything to do with a nest of young rattlesnakes, you will know that they have to be only a few minutes old before they can snap at you and show the real nature of the rattlesnake.

All of us suffer on account of Adam's transgression, and we come into this world with certain hereditary tendencies, and with our natures more or less warped.

As sons of Adam we never can inherit eternal life.

The first man (Adam) is of the earth, earthy: the Second Man is the Lord from Heaven.—I Corinthians 15:47.

We become members of the Adamic creation by the natural birth; we become members of the New Creation — the spiritual creation — by being "born again;" and there is no other way.

When I was a boy, the New Birth was preached in nearly every sermon, the people were told what they had to do in order to be saved, and many *were* saved. The prayer meetings were large, the love feasts were well attended, and people were converted. There was no Sabbath desecration, there was no Sunday baseball, there were no Sunday newspapers, there were no theaters. Nowadays, one rarely ever hears anything about the New Birth, and the people laugh at it.

Conversion and Regeneration are Very Real Experiences

One preacher recently referred to conversion as a mental spasm, or a fit. Well, conversion is a very real experience, and so is regeneration.

In the first place, an individual must be *convicted* of his sin.

Members of the churches sometimes come into our meetings who are regular cesspools of filth — chewing their dirty old tobacco from morning to night; and oftentimes they are brought under conviction and made to see how filthy they are, and how they are defiling the flesh.

You know, all some persons think about is going to a dance or talking about a dance. But sometimes such individuals come under conviction at a ZION meeting.

There MUST BE conviction of sin!

A man is not very apt to give up something so long as he harbors it and nourishes it and believes it is all right.

The first business of the Holy Spirit is to convict men and women of sin.

The Holy Spirit cannot operate when the Word of God is not preached.

The Word of God the Instrument in Conversion

How can there be converts when the Word of God is not read?— for the Word of God is the "SWORD OF THE SPIRIT." The Word of God is the Seed of God — how can there be converts when the Seed is not sown?

Where the Word of God is not read and preached, there cannot be any conversions. There may be man-made conversions, but not *real* conversions, made by the Holy Spirit through the Word of God,— through the teaching that "ALL HAVE SINNED," and that God sent Jesus Christ to die that we might be set free.

Christ must be exalted as Savior, Healer, Cleanser, and Keeper.

After a man comes under conviction, he does not necessarily have to surrender. A man is a free moral agent, you know. God does not save any one against his will, or heal any one against his will. Men and women can *resist* the Holy Spirit— and they do it, too. The Antediluvians resisted God, and finally God said, "My Spirit shall not always strive with man."

The day is coming, before very long, when the Holy Spirit will go out of this world, and the Church with Him; and this world will be left without any saints — without any *salt* — and without the Holy Spirit. You can see what will happen then. It is bad enough now.

Union With Christ Precedes Abiding in Christ

The moment a man says, "I will surrender to God," right then and there he is converted and he is regenerated; he repents and comes into union with Christ. Having been separated by his life of sin, there is effected a union between him and Christ. That must take place before a man can abide in Christ.

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.

It is easy enough to get healing and to get blessing then! But before you can abide in Christ, you must be united *with* Christ.

Conversion is *man's part;* it is *a* man's turning himself to God. Regeneration is *God's part*, and is God turning man to Himself.

Regeneration and Conversion are simply two phases of one act. They are both instantaneous. A man is converted in a second; a man is "born again" in a second. There is no such thing as a man's taking six months to become fully converted.

There is salvation for every man. It is possible for every one who *will* to be a part of Christ's Body, and to be taken up in the Rapture.

I seek, from the Word of God, to show men and women that although the door of grace and mercy is not quite shut, it will not stay open very much longer. The very moment it is shut there will be no more opportunities. Immediately the door of judgment will begin to turn on its hinges, and then this world and the apostate church will be smitten with terrible judgments.

Zion Gleaning in Earth's Harvest Field Today

The harvest is past; it already is gathered. We simply are going over the field once more for the gleanings. If you have lived in the New England states, perhaps you will understand this better than if you have been brought up on the broad prairies of Illinois. I was brought up in Indiana, but I preached in Maine for a year, and I have been out in the country there when they harvested the hay. First of all, they mow the field very carefully, which is necessary because their fields are very small and very rocky. After the field is mowed, they rake it, they go over it with a scythe; and then, as I used to say, they go over it with a fork, and do not allow one straw to go to waste. And that is true today, spiritually.

Very few are interested in the Second Coming of Christ. With the exception of one here and there, very few are interested in salvation.

We are gleaning. Therefore, I know what I am doing. I am under no misapprehension. I am looking for no world-wide revival, and for no great ingathering. It is a very difficult matter to get any man or woman today to decide for God. As I have said, I am under no misapprehension, and, therefore, I am not disappointed.

Our Lord said, "As it was in the days of Noah" — and how was it in the days of Noah?

Everybody had gone to the Devil! Their minds were unclean, their consciences were filthy, they could not think a clean thought. And it is almost as bad today. The people devote most of their time to everything that is lascivious, lustful, filthy, unclean; and that is what the eyes of your children, your sons and daughters, behold as they go up and down the streets of the city — signs on the billboards of the moving picture theaters advertising "The Other Man's Wife," for instance.

What can you expect of people who go to such places?

On another one you will see advertised, "The Woman that Sinned." And the people crowd in there by the hundreds, while the churches are practically empty.

That shows you what the people are today. They have no relish for an address on the Second Coming of Christ.

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The prayer meetings are as dead as Julius Caesar! They talk about revivals! Where are their members? At the theaters, at the grand opera, at the dance, and that is all they think about and talk about!

These are the conditions today.

"The Bible Picture of the Last Days!"

The Lord said:

As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of Man.—Luke 17:26.

That is what we have today.

Noah preached for one hundred and twenty years and did not have a convert.

Today the people are too busy with other things. While an automobile can be a blessing, at the same time the automobile is one of the greatest curses that ever came upon this earth. Automobiles have had more to do with destroying the Lord's Day, with breaking up the services in God's House, and with taking the people to the Devil than almost any other agency. Instead of their being used for God, they are used in the service of the Devil.

The Lord further said, "As it was in the time of Lot..."

God gave Abraham the privilege of finding fifty righteous persons in the whole city of Sodom and Gomorrah, and he could not find them. At last he came down to ten, but he could not find ten.

How many saints do you think the Lord would find in the City of Chicago. They say there are three million people here. If He were to come this evening, how many do you think would be changed from mortal to immortal and caught up to meet Him in the air?

A very small number!

If you could go down to State Street this evening at five o'clock and halt everybody, and ask each one, "Have you read your Bible today? Have you thought of God today? Have you worshiped Jesus the Christ today? Have you thought of the Hereafter today? Have you thought of the day of judgment today?" how many do you think would answer "Yes"? They would knock you off the sidewalk into the gutter. Very few of them have any thought of God today, or of the Bible, or of Jesus the Christ, or of the Hereafter.

In the days of Noah, they crowded God out of their thoughts and out of their plans and out of their imaginations.

The New Testament's Graphic Picture of the Present Days

In the New Testament we have a very graphic picture of the present days. You will find in the Second Epistle to Timothy some very striking pictures of the last days.

We shall turn, first, to First Timothy the Fourth Chapter:

Now the Spirit—

That is, the Holy Spirit.

—speaketh expressly, that in the latter times (or, the last days) some shall depart from the faith,—

That refers to church members. He is not talking about the world. He means men and women who once were in the faith; men and women who have accepted Jesus the Christ and who have professed to love Him—they will "depart from the faith." Millions have done it. And when men and women "depart from the faith" they do not stop there.

—GIVING HEED TO SEDUCING SPIRITS, AND DOCTRINES OF DEVILS;

Millions have departed from the faith and have become spiritualists — men and women who try to talk to the dead, when, in reality, they are in communion with these dirty, wicked, lying spirits that inhabit the upper air.

Spiritualism and Christian Science Promulgating Demoniacal Doctrines

Spiritualism is a demoniacal system which has deceived millions, and you will find that many of them once were members of the churches and professed believers in the Lord Jesus Christ. They have departed "from the faith," and they have given "heed to seducing (or seductive) spirits, and doctrines of devils."

Today the world is full of these systems, and they grow like prairie fires.

There are sixteen Christian Science churches — so-called — in the City of Chicago. Christian Science is a system which denies every truth of the Word of God, every truth of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. It is a system made up of the "doctrines of devils." And yet see how the people flock into it! Thousands of Jews, who brand our Savior as a bastard, are now Christian Scientists. The readers in their churches are Jews.

There is no use wasting one's time with these Christian Scientists. They have DENIED THE FAITH and GIVEN "HEED TO...THE DOCTRINES OF DEVILS," and they are beyond all hope. When an individual reaches the place where he can believe that a table has no existence and is simply the product of mortal mind, and that mortal mind is nothing either, he is not amendable to reason, and nothing can be done with him. When an individual reaches the place where he can deny that he has a cancer, when it is as big as a bucket, there is no use talking to him.

Women the Channel for the Devil's False Doctrines

Ten of these false systems are led by women. The Devil, you know, makes good use of women — and so does God when women will let Him.

Spiritualism was started by a woman.

Christian Science was started by a woman.

Theosophy was started by a woman.

The Lord Jesus Christ designated woman as the type, or symbol, of the Church, and He designated man as the symbol of the *Head* of the Church.

Paul says:

Therefore as the Church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.—Ephesians 5:24.

The woman is not the head: the man is the head.

Jesus Christ never chose a woman to be an apostle. When He wanted a sermon preached on the Day of Pentecost, He chose a man; He did not chose a woman. When He wanted seven deacons to look after the Church, He did not choose seven women: He chose seven men.

Woman is the SYMBOL OF THE CHURCH; and therefore, when she gets out of her place she breaks the symbol and destroys it. It is rampant everywhere today.

Reformation Cannot Take the Place of Regeneration

I notice, according to statistics printed yesterday, that, in this country, there is one divorce for every ten marriages. That is one of the signs of the dissolution of society. Twelve thousand divorces were granted last year. It is as it was in the times of Noah — exactly; and if any man thinks he is going to remedy it, he is a fool! I do not for a second treasure the thought that I can alter conditions, although there are a few foolish reformers who think they will do it.

Christ was not a reformer. Christ taught REGENERATION; He did not teach reformation. He did not bother Himself about the passage of any law in order to make people righteous.

A law will not keep a man from getting drunk. So far as that is concerned, a family could make all the liquor they wanted, and make it in five minutes. One writer said that every human stomach is a distillery and manufactures alcohol, and that they should pass a law to shut up all these distilleries. When a man is *converted* and *regenerated,* and when the Holy Spirit comes into him, there will be no trouble about tobacco, or liquor, or wife beating, or anything else. That is the solution.

Which grows the faster in your garden —the vegetables or the weeds? The weeds, do they not? Well, that is just the case with the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ and the Gospel, and these false systems, which grow like the weeds.

The Lying Teaching and Works of False Systems

It is such a comfort, you know, when some one tells you that there is no hell, that there is no judgment, that there is no Devil, and that everything is all right.

Oh, there will be an awful awakening!

Yes, it is such a comfort! And the people are looking for something of that kind. They are not looking for Voliva — a man who loves the Word of God, and who tells them that they are sinners, and vile, and filthy, and unclean; that they are going to

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hell; that their only hope is in Jesus Christ, and in surrendering to Him, and being converted and regenerated. They do not like that kind of doctrine — there is an easier road, which will lead them straight to perdition; and they will find it out!

Speaking lies in hypocrisy;—

All these systems are nothing but a batch of lies.

A person says, "Well, I called up the spirit of my grandmother and talked to her."

Do any of these conversations ever amount to a row of pins? None of these conversations that demon-possessed mediums palm off have any sense to them. The fact of the matter is that if your grandmother were living she would not be seen in the same street with the medium who is trying to call up her spirit. You know that just as well as I do. They are LIARS!

Of course, although a great deal of spiritualism is a fake, some of it is a reality.

I sat in a spiritualistic seance on one occasion, and it was the most laughable thing I ever have witnessed.

Wicked Spirits Work in the Dark, and Impersonate the Departed

Of course, the room was dark. They must have the room dark, because the spirits will not work in the light!

What does the Bible say? It tells us that the only spirits that work in the dark are these evil, wicked spirits. The Holy Spirit works in the *light*.

Then they had a cabinet, and soon we saw great bunches of beautiful flowers; and the women sitting around said, "Oh, flowers from Heaven!"

Flowers from a front yard not many blocks away from the building where the performance was being given!

Then they received some messages on a slate, one of which was said to be from McKinley. Of course, this fellow wrote it out that evening before he came to the hall.

It is not all trickery. There is no doubt that these demons *do* impersonate the spirits of the departed. But there never has been a message that has had any sense in it. Under the old Mosaic law, these spiritualistic mediums were put to death.

They were deceivers!

Horrible Teaching of False and Filthy Christian Science

What are Christian Scientists but liars from beginning to end? It begins with a lie, continues with a lie, and ends with a lie.

When a man says there is no reality in sin he knows he is a liar!

When a man says there is no reality in disease and sickness, he knows he is a liar!

They say there is no such thing as pain. I tell you, pain is a very real thing. During the influenza epidemic, the miserable scamps called in the doctors, begging them to come at nighttime and leave their automobiles three blocks away.

Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

I should think so!

Forbidding to marry,—

All these false systems are against marriage.

Christian Science authorizes a woman to separate from her husband.

Christian Science is opposed to a woman's bearing children, and tells her that she should get above it.

Christian Science is one of the filthiest things ever originated. There is no filthier book than "Science and Health" on the market.

"He doesn't understand," they say. That is one of the silly ways which the Devil has of getting around it.

Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats,—

Here is vegetarianism. Vegetarianism as a system is demoniacal. Whenever an individual makes vegetarianism his gospel and his religion, then it is demoniacal.

In this Church, there is perfect freedom as to the kind of hat you should wear. There is not a particle of religion in an old poke bonnet. There is no religion in a Salvation Army lassie's bonnet. The fact of the matter is that some of them are prouder of their little old bonnet than other women would be of a thirty-five dollar hat.

Pride is in the heart!

Some women are prouder in a calico dress than others are in satin.

Liberty in Non-Essentials Accorded to all in Zion

I believe in simplicity. I do not believe in extravagance, but I believe in liberty in matters of dress.

I believe in liberty in matters of food, except that we should abstain from *unclean* foods. There is no argument on the question of eating swine's flesh. Even if I did not believe in God or in the Bible, I would not allow a piece of swine to enter my body under any circumstances. The hog is the dirty, filthy scavenger of the earth. He is a complete sewage system. God did not create a hog to be eaten by human beings any more than He created a snake for that purpose.

Listen to the preachers' argument! Many a preacher has written to Zion: "I believe you are entirely wrong on this question. Did not God let down before Peter a sheet containing all manner of four-footed beasts and creeping things?"

Well, if that proves that it is all right to eat swine, then it proves that it is all right to eat snakes and mice and rats and skunks. It proves too much, and breaks down. That vision had nothing to do with what we were to eat. It was to let Peter know that the Gospel was for ALL NATIONS; that God was no respecter of persons; and that salvation was not only for the Jews, but for the Gentiles.

I have heard preachers quote this:

For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving:

"Therefore," they say, "it is all right to eat pig." Well, on that basis, all you have to do is to receive skunk with thanksgiving and go ahead and eat it! This passage is limited to the things that are good, which God created for us to eat.

The Bible Condemns Swine's Flesh as an Article of Food

Some hogs are afflicted with tumors as big as a bucket. I have seen six great tumors cut out of one hog. They are often afflicted with tuberculosis, trichinosis, and scrofula. You may wash a hog, and scrub him, and put him in your parlor, and he will break the window to get out into a mud-hole. He is the dirtiest, filthiest animal on earth! God did not create the swine to be eaten, and in the Old Testament He says:

And the swine, though he divide the hoof, and be clovenfooted, yet he cheweth not the cud; he is UNCLEAN TO YOU.
Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; THEY ARE UNCLEAN TO YOU.—Leviticus 11:7, 8.

When the man who had a legion of demons approached the Lord Jesus Christ, the demons recognized Him and prayed that He would not send them into the abyss, but that He would permit them to go into the bodies of the hogs. Jesus said, "Go!" and two thousand hogs were destroyed there. That shows you what Christ thought of the hog.

Oh, the hog they eat in Chicago!

Whenever hogs get cholera, the farmers hurry them off to Chicago, and the Chicago people eat them. I have been on a farm, and I know what they do.

Oh, the filthy swine!

One woman in the state of Ohio said to me: "I am going to have my ham for breakfast if I die!"

I said: "Go ahead, madam! If you want to eat fried cancer, that is *your* business! I have learned better."

I used to eat it — spareribs, pickled pigs' feet, sweetbread — everything except the tail and the squeal; but I have more sense now. The dirty, filthy stuff!

They send us word from some sections of the country that if ever we come out there to preach against the hog they will kill us. All right; if they would rather have the hog than Jesus Christ, that is their privilege.

After Jesus had permitted the demons to go into the hogs, the owners of the hogs came and requested Him to leave the country. Exactly!

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The Oyster as Filthy as the Swine and Forbidden as Food by God's Word

The oyster is the same in the sea as the hog is on the land. The oyster is a *sewer;* he thrives best on the contents of a sewer.

The dirty, filthy animals!

Both are forbidden in God's Word.

In the fine restaurants in New Orleans you will see richly bedecked women come in and order a great big plate of raw oysters, a glass of wine, and a plate of shrimps. Could you expect anything else than that they would be full of the Devil?

Yet some persons say, "I like my oysters!"

Yes, you will take a big oyster and put pepper and salt on him, and then swallow him whole; and he dies as he goes down. Then you have typhoid fever!

How can you expect to get anywhere so long as people are as filthy as they are?

There is the trouble today!

The rank and file of the people are full of tobacco, whisky, Sunday newspapers, moving picture shows, theaters, hog, oyster, and every dirty thing there is going!

How can you try to give them the Gospel of Jesus Christ? It would be just as impossible as to give it to a cat.

Vegetarianism which says it is a sin to eat meat is of the Devil!

Vegetarianism as a Religion is Demoniacal!

You do not have to eat any meat unless you wish, but if you do eat it, it is all right. You can do it in ZION. You can be a Christian and eat meat. An individual who wants to put you outside the pale of the Church because you eat meat or because you do *not* eat it will not be permitted to do it. If you wish to eat meat, that is *your* business. During the Millennium, meat will not be eaten, but we are not in the Millennium yet. There will be a far different climate during the Millennium from what we have now.

The Lord ate meat, and He ate fish. He ate the Passover lamb. Some persons say that a fish is not meat. Well, if it is not meat, what is it?—a radish? or an onion? or a cabbage? I guess a fish is meat, all right.

My teaching is: EAT WHAT IS GOOD AND DRINK WHAT IS GOOD. God has given us many good things to eat, and I believe in sitting down and eating them without being too picayunish.

There is plenty to eat in this world without eating the scavengers of the earth and of the sea.

The verses I have read to you from the Fourth Chapter of the First Epistle to Timothy make a great picture.

Turn to Second Timothy, the Third Chapter:

This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves,—

Selfishness and Covetousness Rule the World Today

I wonder if any of you women know from experience that that is true? Some women have married selfish brutes.

Think of men loving themselves! They must be hard up for somebody to love!

The rank and file of men are selfish! Think of men who do not give their wives a dollar that they can call their own! Think of women who get a new hat only once every eighteen years! That is a nice piece of business! Of course, there are women who make their husbands turn over every dollar they earn. I know cases of that kind.

That is one of the characteristics of these last days:

For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous,—

There never was a time when men were so covetous as they are now. The rank and file would take the coppers from their mothers' eyes when they were in their coffins, and then curse them because they were not nickels! There is nothing to which men will not stoop today.

This world is rotten! stinking!

What business men are there who will not lie? They will tell any kind of lie that suits their purpose — and all for a dollar.

The Almighty Dollar!

There never has been such a covetous, money-loving Age as this is.

—boasters,—

Have you ever known of a time when the people were so boastful as they are today? All they do is to boast what they have accomplished and what they possess, and all the rest of it.

—proud,—

They are as proud as peacocks. That is the reason they resent the New Birth.

—blasphemers, disobedient to parents,—

We have that today.

Prayer and Thanks Almost Entirely Banished From Homes Today

—unthankful, unholy,

How many homes in Chicago do you suppose have a family altar?

I can remember the time when nearly every home had a family altar, and when the ministers visited every home at least once a year; in fact, a Methodist minister was *required* by the Discipline to visit every home in his parish at least once a year.

How many families are there who live through the day and go to bed without prayer; who get up and go out into the world without prayer; who send the boys and the girls out into the world without the Bible, or without any righteous influence of any kind, shape, form, or manner?

How many homes have thanks at the table? They depend absolutely upon God Almighty for their food, and yet do not so much as say "Thank You" for it.

For the most part, they are like the little girl who learned enough in Sunday School to know that thanks should be offered at the table. They had company, and at dinner the father began to pass the food without saying thanks. So the little girl turned to the lady who sat next to her and said, "My papa eats like a hog!" and, of course, the family was horribly mortified! Thank God for that little girl! I wish there were more like her!

Horrible conditions!

Mark what I say: It will become harder to preach the Gospel; it will become more difficult to get one saved; because now they are telling the world that GLORIOUS PEACE HAS COME. Yes, glorious (?) peace! Where is there peace, I should like to know? Wars are raging on this earth today, and race riots, strikes are everywhere. There is no peace on the earth, and there will not be until the Prince of Peace Himself comes.

Selfish Men Blinded by the God of this World

You will find out that it will be almost an impossible thing to preach the Gospel to the people. The Devil, the god of this world, is blinding them and deceiving them.

—Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those who are good,

The time has come when to be a Christian is to be a laughing stock; but if you drink, smoke, attend grand opera, moving picture shows, and dances, and desecrate the Lord's Day, you are *all right.* Take the opposite position, and you are a fool. Well, I would rather be a fool here and go to Heaven hereafter, than be a wise man here and go to hell hereafter!

—despisers of those who are good,
Traitors, heady, highminded, LOVERS OF PLEASURES MORE THAN LOVERS OF GOD;

You will remember how this began — "lovers of their own selves"—and how it ends—"lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God." When a man begins by loving himself, he winds up by being a lover of pleasure more than a lover of God.

The Christian has no use for this world, and there is no love in his heart for the things of this world. If there is, then it is a sure sign that he never has been converted.

Some Reasons Why the Saints are Being Drawn to Zion

Some persons cannot understand why I am so happy over ZION, and why thousands of people are so thankful to God for ZION. There are many reasons.

A man or a woman who wants a church home, where the Word of God is believed and taught and *lived,* and where the world is put in its proper place, will be drawn to ZION.

There are some who say, "I would like to be a member of ZION, but I cannot give up moving picture shows."

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Well, you shall give them up if you come into ZION, I tell you that right now!

Moving picture shows are as great a curse as are the saloons, in fact, they are a greater curse. Millions of people have been damned by them.

Then I have heard of some young women who have said, "I like ZION, but I cannot quit dancing."

Well, I am sorry; but stay where you are! We do not want you in ZION! You can be a Methodist, or a Presbyterian, or a high-toned Episcopalian — they have dances right in their churches.

What is lower, filthier than a dance?

How can any young lady remain virtuous and pure, when half-a-dozen dirty, lustful devils have her in their arms in one evening? It is strange that a young lady who will allow a young man to take her in his arms at a dance will resent it if he attempts it on the street.

A dancehall is the gateway to hell! There is where the assignation houses get their victims. Shut up the dancehalls and put a stop to dancing, and they soon will run out of victims.

"Oh," some persons say, "you are too strict!"

Well, then, *you stay where you are!*

That is the reason ZION people, who have come from all over the world, are such a good class of people.

The Reason Why God Established Zion and Zion City

Christians are looking for a church home today that *means something* and that *stands for something*. They are sick of and disgusted with being in churches whose prayer meetings are as dead as door-nails, and that have vaudeville performances, Tom Thumb weddings, pork-and-bean suppers, and oyster suppers in order to raise money to support the church. There is only one place for them, and that is ZION.

That is why God established ZION!

That is why He established ZION CITY — and that is why the Devil wants to destroy it!

There are the conditions that prevail today!

What does God say to His people?—"COME OUT FROM AMONG THEM!"

I would not want my Lord to come and find me sitting at a card table!

I would not want my Lord to come and find me on the floor of a dancehall!

I would not want my Lord to come and find me giving an oyster supper!

I would not want Him to come and find me linking up with the world, the flesh, and the Devil — flirting with the world, sitting in the lap of the world!

I do not think people go to Heaven from places of that kind.

Some persons say, "I would like to be in ZION, only I cannot give up my medicine!"

If all the medicine in Chicago were thrown into Lake Michigan, Chicago would be a great deal better off.

How the doctors deceive the people!

The thing to do is to take the GREAT PHYSICIAN. He is always near to you, and you can always reach Him.

Zion the Last Organized Form of the Church Before the Lord Comes

ZION is the last organized form of the Church before the Lord comes. It was organized (first called the Christian Catholic Church, now the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION) to be a home for all of God's children. It is not like the Baptist church, where they admit that you are good enough to go to Heaven but will not allow you to come into their membership unless you are baptized by single immersion.

In this Church, we have Christian baptism. We do what the Lord commanded and baptize the people "into the Name of the Father, and into the Name of the Son, and into the Name of the Holy Spirit." Triune Immersion is Christian baptism. Sprinkling, pouring, single immersion, are man-made; they are not Christian baptism. We do not baptize you to make you a Christian: we baptize you because you ARE a Christian. Water baptism cannot save any one. Of course, Roman Catholics are saved (?) by having a little water sprinkled on their noses when they are babies. They teach baptismal regeneration, and so do the Lutherans and the Episcopalians.

Persons in ZION have testified that they have known cases in the sprinkling of babies when the godfather has been drunk, the godmother has been drunk, and the priest has been drunk — the only sober one among them being the baby.

Baptismal Regeneration is an Infernal Lie!

That a baby is regenerated by sprinkling a few drops of water on his nose is a lie of the Devil!

Can a baby repent?

Can a baby confess?

I should say not!

In ZION, we have a beautiful service for babies, when we consecrate them to God. We do not sprinkle any water on their noses.

You have baptized murderers here in Chicago, and nearly all the harlots have been baptized. The majority of the convicts in the penitentiaries have been baptized in the Roman Catholic, the Lutheran, and the Episcopalian churches.

It is a nice (?) state of affairs.

What a disgusting mess!

Water baptism by Triune Immersion —"into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit"—is the outward symbol of the inward cleansing. When an individual goes down into the baptismal waters he serves notice to the world: "Henceforth I belong to Christ." It is a beautiful service. There have been some wonderful healings in the baptismal waters — because it is in obedience to the Lord's command.

Beloved in Jesus the Christ, the apocalyptic judgments are right at our doors! Some will not believe it, but that is *their* business. *My* business is to read the Word of God to them and to warn them to "flee from the wrath to come." They can do as they please.

My heart bleeds for the people of Chicago. So far as the infernal preachers are concerned, I shed no tears over them!

One minister said last Sunday that the Millennium had begun. What diabolical rot! It shows that he knows nothing about his Bible, and that he is simply a tool of the Devil.

Instead of the Millennium's beginning, *hell* is beginning!

Soon this world will see the greatest war, and the greatest number of wars, that it ever has seen in its history. They will break out over-night.

Today there is nothing but unrest, and turmoil, and strife. We are coming right up to the last seven years of Gentile Times. They will run their course, and then Christ will take up His reign.

What do the people get in the churches?

NOTHING!

The Culmination of the World's Wickedness at Hand

Think of a man's talking about the Millennium as having already begun! It looks like it (?), does it not?

Strikes!

Murders!

Divorces!

Unrest!

Upheavals!

And everything else that is hellish!

The Word of God tells us that when the Church is caught out God will resume His dealings with Israel, and that then, in seven years, the ungodly old world will finish its course.

Now, I have done my part. I have preached and I have toiled, and my conscience is clear.

The day is coming when they will remember what has been said in this City.

ZION must be the opposite from the world. While the world is running after pleasure and after money, and while there is no regard for the Lord's Day, ZION must be the *opposite*. If any member of this Church desecrates the Lord's Day, I will discipline you.

Let me tell you, Chicago cannot disregard ZION's message without doing it at her peril!

BENEDICTION

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"THE PRINT OF THE NAILS"

By Apostle Carl F. Viking

JESUS THE CHRIST was nailed to the Cross with big, rough, hand made nails, or spikes. These were driven through both His hands and His feet into the hard wood: the hands into the crosspiece and the feet into the upright post which constituted the Cross.

Of all punishments, crucifixion was the most terrible. The usual way of fastening a criminal to the cross was by nailing him there. The suffering inflicted was frightful. In some cases the feet were not nailed, but the body was supported by a peg or block of wood or by ropes. Christ's hands and feet bore "the print of the nails," thus testifying to the manner in which He was fastened.

Once on the cross meant death: no one came down alive.

In the case of Jesus, the Roman Governor, Pilate, simply wrote a title or identification to be fastened to His Cross. As accusation it did not satisfy the Jews, but it was not changed, for Pilate said to them, when they wanted him to change it:

...What I have written I have written.—John 19:22.

But nailed to His Cross, above His head, was the statement, "The King of the Jews." In each of the four Gospels we have that statement given, the wording differing slightly, but not so as to change His title.

In Matthew, we have:

This is Jesus the King of the Jews.—Matthew 27:37.

In Mark:

The King of the Jews.—Mark 15:26.

In Luke:

This is the King of the Jews.—Luke 23:38.

In John:

Jesus of Nazareth the King of the Jews.—John 19:19.

Both at His birth and at His death Christ was proclaimed "THE KING OF THE JEWS."

After His resurrection, Jesus the Christ presented to His disciples "the print of the nails" in His hands and feet, and the wound in His side, as infallible proof that it was He.

The first unexpected appearance of Jesus in the midst of the Apostles seemed very strange to them. At first they were frightened and thought Him to be a spirit.

And as they thus spake, Jesus Himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.
But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit.—Luke 24:36, 37.

But Jesus spoke reassuring words and invited them to inspect His body —

And He said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts?
Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself: handle Me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see Me have.
And when He had thus spoken, He shewed them His hands and His feet.—Luke 24:38-40.

The two disciples who had been on their way to Emmaus had just returned. They came to the other disciples and told how Jesus had appeared to them and had revealed Himself in the breaking of the bread—

And they told what things were done in the way, and how He was known of them in breaking of bread.—Luke 24:35.

When they had concluded their narrative Jesus Himself stood in their midst. They were also eating when Jesus appeared —

Afterward He appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them who had seen Him after He was risen.—Mark 16:14.

He asked for food—

And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, He said unto them, Have ye here any meat?—Luke 24:41.

They supplied Him with fish and an honeycomb—

And they gave Him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb.
And He took it, and did eat before them.—Luke 24:42, 43.

Only ten of the Twelve Apostles were present. Judas Iscariot had gone to the Devil, and Thomas, for some reason, was not present. Probably that evening the Apostles enthusiastically recounted to Thomas how they had seen the Lord. He, however, did not believe, but said:

...Except I shall see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into His side, I will not believe.—

Eight days thereafter, the Risen Lord revealed Himself again to the assembled Apostles, Thomas also being with them—

And after eight days again His disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.—John 20:26.

After this salutation, Jesus addressed Thomas, saying:

...Reach hither thy finger, and behold My hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into My side: and be not faithless, but believing.—John 20:27.

Doubting Thomas was now fully convinced. He realized that he had been wrong, and with his whole heart he accepted the facts before him—

And Thomas answered and said unto Him, My Lord and My God.—John 20:28.

Oh, how wonderful to believe!

Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen Me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.—John 20:29.

Christ stepped forth from the grave alive, but still bearing "the print of the nails" in His body. It is He! It is our privilege, without sight, to believe. But we have proof in our mortal bodies of His resurrection. Through His resurrection life we are set free from sin and we are healed of disease, and we are sealed with the Holy Spirit.

I now wish to call your attention to the remarkable truth that there was nailed to that tree an invisible accusation in His body — our accusation — yours and mine. He died accursed for us.

...Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree.—Galatians 3:13.

He paid, with His life, the penalty for sin—not for His Own sin, for He had no sin, but for yours and mine. He died for us. In His awful suffering and death He met our judgment and death sentence.

Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to His cross.—Colossians 2:14.

"His" cross!

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;

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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.— Ephesians 2:13-15.

For it pleased the Father that in Him should all fulness dwell;
And, having made peace through the blood of His cross, by Him to reconcile all things unto Himself; by Him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in Heaven.
And you, who were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath He reconciled.
In the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreprovable in His sight.—Colossians 1:19-22.

Who His Own Self bare our sins in His Own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by Whose stripes ye were healed.— I Peter 2:24.

He was crucified between two malefactors —

And there were also two other, malefactors, led with Him to be put to death.
And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.—Luke 23:32, 33.

Now we come to the fact of the wound in His side. That wound was made for us. His precious blood flowed out through that wound down His side. It establishes His death, and it is used also for His identification in His resurrection. It is recorded only in the Gospel of John —

The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.
Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other who was crucified with Him.
But when they came to Jesus, and saw that He was dead already, they brake not His legs:
But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced His side, and forthwith came there out blood and water.—John 19:31-34.

He could not be the Christ and escape suffering and death. To obtain our redemption meant an enormous sacrifice. But He willingly, without a struggle, laid Himself down on the cross, in order that the rough soldiers might drive the nails through His hands and feet into the tree.

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 on 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.—Isaiah 53:5-7.

DUMB!

When those nail prints were made, the Christ was DUMB!

He Who spoke the wonderful words of life, Who blessed and healed the sick and the suffering, Who shed bitter tears over the sinful, Who lifted up the weary and gave them hope— in this hour of agony and cruelty and indescribable suffering He was DUMB!

He sacrificed Himself without a murmur, and no sound was heard save the hammering of the nails.

DUMB!

In that momentous hour of the purchase of our redemption, the Lord Christ Jesus was DUMB!

...Behold the Lamb of God, Who taketh away the sin of the world.—John 1:29.

DUMB!

What a strange word to be applied to the Christ!

DUMB!

He opened not His mouth. He did not speak, but willingly kept silent, even though His soul and body suffered excruciating pain.

What Divine Love!

Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us.—I John 3:16.

DUMB!

Ought not that little word to drive us down to the feet of His Cross in worship and adoration?

How eloquent the Christ is when He points to "the print of the nails!" What marvelous sign-language those "prints" convey! They speak more than any words could ever speak, of His death and resurrection!

It is He! It is the Christ Himself!

While at the foot of His cross may we not linger there, in order to learn still more of His love manifested through His patient suffering and endurance? It was a shame before all the world for Him to hang on the tree, but He hung there a Willing Sacrifice of love.

How wonderful to think of His love!

It made no difference what the people did to Him, because He loved. Their terrible lies stung deeply into His tender heart, but He endured, because of love. He hated no enemy on the cross, but He prayed for them. There was no thought of revenge in that pure Heart of Love; there was no feeling of resentment or of anger.

HE LOVED!

HUMANITY'S LOVER HUNG ON THE TREE THROUGH LOVE!

How wonderful to be an object of such a love!

Love is the strongest force in the universe — it moves God—

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.—John 3:16.

There is no greater tie than that of love.

God was justified in Redemption, and His love was satisfied through the sacrifice of His Beloved Son, in Mercy and Salvation!

In human life, in the relation between husband and wife, in the Lord, the tie of true love binds two hearts in an unbreakable union which only death can sever, and after death which memory keeps. And this tie of love is so strong that they can die for each other.

This relation becomes the type of Christ's union with the Church. He is the Head of the Church — Her Lover. He died for the Church, and she is His elected Bride through Grace. She loves Him, and Her whole heart goes out to Him in love. She truly has the first love. The Church can die for Christ.

The relation of Christ to His Bride-elect is wonderful beyond description!

Oh, fathomless love of Christ! There is no power in existence — in Heaven, or on earth, or down in Hell, that can separate us from His love.

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 Who 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.

Friend, as we linger at His Cross today, I ask you, Do you love Him?

I love Him and desire, day by day, to show my love to Him: to pay Him all the little attentions that a Bride-elect can pay her Lover; to listen to His wonderful words, the whisperings of His Spirit; and to be strengthened in the inner man in faith and love, thus, overcoming self.

Then, see how He suffered! He loved the unlovely and suffered for them. It is in love for those who hate us that we can show our true love for Him. Is it not so? Yes, at the Cross, I CAN HATE NO MAN. There I, too, can love the unlovely, through the Divine love that He gives me. Blessed be God! He was crucified for me — now I can be crucified for Him. O Lord! suffering for Thee in a depraved and godless world becomes sweeter and sweeter as I realize Thy love for me!

COME! let us stoop lower at His cross. I wish to speak with the tenderest of love to my brothers and sisters in ZION.

DO YOU LOVE HIM?

Do you love your enemy? If you truly love Christ, then you truly love your enemy. Then you will put "COALS OF FIRE" upon his head. Brethren, let us seek to do that. The CROSS OF CHRIST settles the whole question.

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Do you see "THE PRINT OF THE NAILS"? This is a very simple question and can be answered with the intellect, stating historical facts. But I do not want an answer from history. I mean, do you see those "prints" with your spiritual eyes — the Divinely given vision?

Then, what does it mean to you? That He was pierced for you?— that He died for you? Does it mean that He has come into your life, and is now ruling within with the same love that He had on the Cross? Does it mean that you are DEAD TO SELF? Does it mean that He truly has saved you FROM YOUR SINS?

Some will say, "But what about yourself, are you dead now?"

Humbly, as I kneel in tears at His feet, I cry, YES, through God's justice, grace, and power, I am dead. It is none of my doing — it is the overwhelming love and work of God in a very human, selfish soul. I do not boast in this attainment, but I boast in my REDEEMER.

"Let us sing of the love of the Lord,
As now to the Cross we draw nigh;
Let us sing to the praise of the God of all grace,
For the love that gave Jesus to die.

"Oh, the love that gave Jesus to die,
The love that gave Jesus to die;
Praise God, it is mine, this love so Divine,
In the love that gave Jesus to die."

Sing that whole hymn throughout ZION. Sing it over and over again.

I was many, many miles from that Cross, looking at it through a selfish haze, historically, theologically, intellectually, theoretically, so that the finer details were a BLUR.

Oh, that wonderful face of Christ! I cannot stay at His Cross and not see that face through the darkness and hush over creation while He dies. His eyes, O brother, sister in ZION— the LOVER'S eyes are turned on me and He looks through me— right into the very recesses of my soul, with a look of GOD-LOVE eternal in its intensity, drawing me so powerfully that I stretch out my hands and heart and life to Him! Lord! Blessed Lord! O Thou suffering Christ! O Thou longsuffering God!

In this hallowed hour, at this Divine portal of love, the scene changes and He stands before me in a blaze of splendor with illuminated nail prints — alive, victorious, glorified!

I saw Him die. He bore my sins away. He loved me and He loves me still, and He is here in the Spirit this moment.

Beloved in ZION, let His Cross settle your question. Let the sight of those nailprints soften you and hush you down to His feet.

IT IS HE!

"Oh, how great was the love that was shown
To us we can never tell why—
Not to angels, but men; let us praise Him again
For the love that gave Jesus to die."

Sing it in every home. Teach it to every child.

"Now this love unto all God commends,
Not one would His mercy pass by;
'Whosoever shall call,' there is pardon for all
In the love that gave Jesus to die."

This hymn seems to me to have been inspired. Sing it with your whole heart.

"Who is he that can separate those
Whom God doth in love justify;
Whatsoever we need He includes in the deed,
In the love that gave Jesus to die."

Then altogether sing, sing the Chorus:

"Oh, the love that gave Jesus to die,
The love that gave Jesus to die;
Praise God, it is mine, this love so Divine,
The love that gave Jesus to die."

Before I close this article I wish to draw the reader's attention to Zechariah the Twelfth Chapter, beginning with the Tenth Verse.

...And they shall look upon Me Whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for Him, as one mourneth for His only son, and shall be in bitterness for Him, as one who is in bitterness for his firstborn.

In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem—
And the land shall mourn, every family apart —
All the families that remain, every family apart, and their wives apart.—Zechariah 12:10-12, 14.

That is the day, at the final consummation of this Age, and the end of Antichrist's Seven Year reign, when Christ comes in glory, when the inhabitants of Jerusalem who remain, shall pass through the agony of death in sorrow and shame and mourning over the sufferings of Christ and their rejection of Him.

Every Jew alive shall then mourn over "the print of the nails" once inflicted on Jesus the Christ when He was crucified!

Though they will acknowledge Him then, yet they shall mourn and be in bitterness of soul because of Him!

What a final scene of the events when Christ shall come!

There will be no crocodile tears shed that day!

There will be no hypocritical mourning and fasting and prayer that day!

As a nation they shall, in that day, go through the agonies of the Crucifixion!

They shall look upon Me Whom they have pierced.—Zechariah 12:10.

O Golgotha! O Golgotha!

Jewish men and women will be prostrate on their face in the Holy City that day!

Every remaining Jew shall go through the pangs of Christ's death that day!

They shall be in sorrow and agony of soul and mourn that their own leaders and nation rejected Christ and condemned Him to death, and spit upon Him, and dressed Him in mock glory, and crowned Him with thorns!

They shall mourn over the Cross and "the print of the nails!"

They shall feel, as it were, those nails passing through their own souls, and they shall mourn!

Oh, how they will stoop, as it were, into the lowest Gethsemane and sweat blood, almost, and mourn!

Oh, how they will follow the weary Christ, in their thoughts, to the Cross and to the grave, and mourn!

Oh, how they will throw themselves at His feet and cry and wail and die, as it were, a thousand deaths, because of Him, that day!

The Jews —the Jews will mourn!

That will be the birth-pangs of the Millennium!

That will be the New Birth into the Kingdom!

That will be "a Nation born in a day!"

Oh, Jew, wherever you are, the Prophet Zechariah is looking forward to the final scene, when Christ shall come again to your City as its rightful King!

The Christ Whom you now reject is near!

Your own Prophet tells you that when you see "the print of the nails" you will know Him.

Your Prophet believed it!

Who are you that you should reject the truth?

There is only ONE CHRIST — the Christ of Nazareth, the Crucified One Who is now in Heaven, but Who is soon to come back!

His Crucifixion, His Cross today, is a stumbling-block to you, and in your heart you reject Him and hate Him; but know that Jesus of Nazareth is THE KING OF THE JEWS!

When He comes again, in Glory, He shall come as your King and He shall sit on the throne of His father David.

He shall come and reign over this whole world from Jerusalem, for a Thousand Years, in righteousness and peace!

He was born in Bethlehem of Judea according to the Prophets.

He was condemned to death, was crucified on the accursed tree and died for the sins of the world!

He was buried by Joseph of Arimathea, but He rose from the dead the third day, as He had said He would, and with "the print of the nails" and the wound in His side, He reminds you and me that IT IS HE!

It is to these prostrate, mourning people that Christ is coming back as King!

How condescending!

What wonderful love!

How Divine!

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Total amount of business done by all the institutions for twelve months — December 31, 1917, to December 31, 1918. .	$1,643,853.63
Total amount of business done by all the institutions for twelve months — July 31, 1918, to July 31, 1919.....	2,154,920.00
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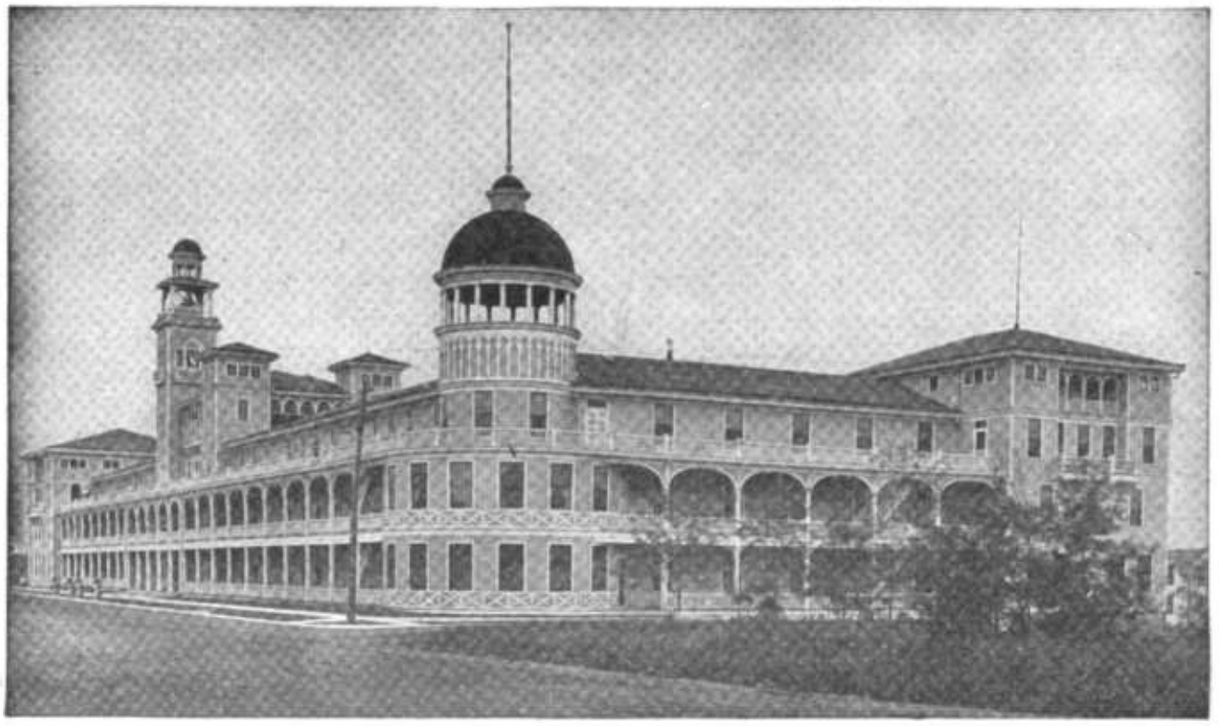
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Administration Building,
Zion, Lake County, Illinois, U. S. A.
January 10, 1920.

Beloved Coworkers in the REDEMPTION
and Establishment of the City of Zion:

We deeply appreciate the splendid responses made by you since we purchased the Zion Estate March 1, 1911, and now, once more, we use the front page of *Leaves of Healing* for the purpose of placing before you another call, to which we trust you one and all will respond on or before March 1, 1920.

The Zion Estate was purchased by me March 1, 1911, for the sum of $950,000.00.

We issued Bonds—950 of $1,000 each—totaling $950,000, and these were handled by a Chicago financial concern.

Of the $950,000, we have paid off and retired of these bonds $602,200.00.

$950,000 minus $602,200 leaves a balance yet to be paid of $347,800.00.

The balance of $347,800 is to be paid in eight annual instalments—the first and next payment will be due March 1, 1920; or, in other words, fifty days from the date of this letter.

AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL TO BE PAID MARCH 1, 1920, $16,000
AMOUNT OF INTEREST TO BE PAID MARCH 1, 1920, $12,173
TOTAL - - - - - - - - - - - $28,173

COWORKERS can help in making this payment in any one or more of the following ways:

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All communications should be addressed to—
W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager,
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Again assuring you of my deep, heartfelt appreciation of your cooperation I, am

Faithfully,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva.

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LIKE A SHEPHERD

BY JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE

INVOCATION

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, profitable unto this people, and unto all to whom these words shall come, in this and every land, for Jesus' sake.

I would like to read with you a few verses and then say a few words.

In the Fortieth Chapter of Isaiah:

Comfort ye, comfort ye My people, saith your God.

Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned; that she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

The Voice of one that crieth, Prepare ye in the wilderness the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a high way for our God.

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:

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

The voice of one saying, Cry. And one said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field:

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; because the breath of the Lord bloweth upon it; surely the people is grass.

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the Word of our God shall stand for ever.

O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into the high mountain; O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold, your God!

Behold, the Lord God will come as a mighty one, and His arm shall rule for Him: behold, His reward is with Him, and His recompense before Him.

He shall feed His flock like a shepherd, He shall gather the lambs in His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and shall gently lead those that give suck.

I especially desire to speak concerning these words:

He shall feed His flock like a shepherd.

Among the many emblems of His work as Redeemer that our Lord Jesus Christ Himself employed, I think there were none more beautiful than that one in which He said, "I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd giveth His life for the sheep."

The contrast between the Lord Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, and the false shepherds of that day was very striking.

If you read the tenth chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, you will find that beautiful simile is wrought out by Christ Himself, where He sets Himself forth as "the Shepherd of the sheep."

To understand that, you must read and study the preceding chapter, one of the most brilliantly witty and interesting chapters in the Gospels, picturing one of those scenes that live in a man's mind, if ever he has let the Holy Spirit photograph it by Divine Light upon his own heart and mind.

I wish the Word of God and the Story of Jesus in the Gospels were to you more like that; I wish that it were more and more to you something that is more than words.

The Word (the *Logos*) of God is more than words; it is "spirit and life" in great, unspoken thoughts that reach away far beyond the human words. It is God's thought, and, therefore, God Himself is ever in His Word.

In the Ninth Chapter of John you have a story of a very simple nature that makes you understand practically just how

He Feeds His Flock like a Shepherd

It is the story of the man born blind, whom Jesus restored to sight, and brought into His own fellowship of faith.

You know, in those olden times, they had no places of shelter and instruction for the blind, except just a beggar's place. The sick and infirm sat at the gates of temples and public places, and in the East today you will find them outside of the mosques and markets in a long line, all begging.

In the Orient, disease is all brought to the surface, and it is made a reason for a cry of help. Poor, thin and feeble, consumptive hands are held out for help; poor leprous throats utter hoarse cries for help; and this poor fellow was lying by the wayside, blind. He had been blind from his birth, and the disciples asked in a sort of a by-the-way tone, "Rabbi, who did sin, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

And the Lord answered that the man had not sinned, and his parents had not sinned; but He said, "that the works of God should be made manifest in him. We must work the works of Him that sent Me, while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work."

And He went up to the blind man and anointed his eyes with clay, and He said, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam."

The Voice of the Good Shepherd

The man had not heard that Voice before. It was the Voice of the Good Shepherd.

It had a strange power over him. "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam." "Go, wash!" and I tell you today, if you only just listen you will hear that same Voice, bidding you to "go and wash in the Fountain opened for sin, for all uncleanness"—the Cleansing Fountain opened by the Savior's blood.

The Meaning of Siloam is Sent

Sent of God, that River of Life is flowing today.

Into the heart of that poor blind, weary sheep the word came. "Go, wash."

He just went away and washed, and the moment he had washed his eyes in that pool he saw.

How delighted he was.

The works of God had been wrought in him.

The Devil that had made him blind before he was born had been defeated.

I tell you, the Devil makes many sick and infirm before they are born, and many have devils in them before they are born.

The Iniquities of the Parents Visited Upon the Children

I sympathize with people who have got devils in them through the sins of their mothers or fathers, or of some other being.

I have seen men and women who had so much of the Devil in them that when their children were born they were just devils. They had tried to kill them in many cases before they were born.

Do you wonder that the baby was born with the spirit of a murderer? Murder was in the mother's heart when she tried to kill her unborn baby.

Do you wonder that men are born nervous when their fathers smoked tobacco and chewed it, and put nicotine poison into them until every nerve quivered?

Do you wonder that men are born with shattered constitutions when the brains of their fathers were diseased from the effects of alcohol?

Do you wonder that people are born with bad passions when their mothers loved to go to the theater, and look upon the unwomanly, shameful sights, and listen to the dirty, voluptuous, musical muck of Italian Opera, which all went into the hearts and bodies of their babes, so that their babes were born with the passions of hell coursing through their blood?

Do you wonder at it, that there are many children born deaf and dumb and blind because of the sins of their parents?

But I have seen a child who was born blind, and yet her parents did not sin at all; it was the sin of another against the mother ere the babe was born.

I saw in Australia a child who was born blind because the mother was threatened with dishonor worse than death, and when the cruel, drunken, filthy monsters were about to enter by breaking open the door of the hut in which she lay alone,

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she put her hands to her eyes, and screamed, and fell in her night-dress on the floor as dead. The sight sobered the bad men and they fled. But it was hours and hours before help came, and she was lifted on the bed in a dying condition, as was thought. She became conscious and they removed her hands from her eyes. The baby was born within six hours from that time, its little fingers pressed upon its eyes, but it was blind.

God did not make her blind, and it was not through the sin of the parents; but the Devil did it, through the sin of bad men.

Jesus was Manifested to Destroy the Works of the Devil

So you see the Lord was "destroying the works of the Devil" when he healed that man.

I do not know how he got blind; but I know Christ went about undoing the works of the Devil.

He did not undo the works of the Father. God did not make the man blind, but the Devil did.

So Jesus sent that man away, and opened his eyes.

And oh, how beautiful God's Word was, and oh, how he would wish to look upon the face of the Man who had spoken these words to him, and had anointed his eyes with the clay, and sent him to wash in Siloam.

But he could not find Him; for Jesus had conveyed Himself away.

But Jerusalem was soon filled with the wondrous story, and the people were all talking about this well-known blind man who was healed by Jesus and was now seeing.

The so-called "shepherds of Israel" sent for him. The *shepherds* of Israel?

Read the Thirty-fourth Chapter of Ezekiel concerning the "shepherds" of Israel.

It applies very correctly to the shepherds in Israel when Christ proclaimed Himself the Good Shepherd.

What kind of shepherds were they?

They were cowards and liars and thieves, adulterers, and idolaters and vile.

They were intensely in earnest in making proselytes, and when they made them they were "two-fold more the child of hell" than themselves, as Christ said.

These false shepherds sent for this man to whom Jesus had given sight. They never took much interest in that blind sheep of theirs until that day. Then they took a mighty deal of interest in him, because they wanted to close his mouth, and prevent him from speaking the fame of Jesus.

Now that is what some of the shepherds are wanting to do in Chicago and elsewhere today. They want to close the mouths of all the people who have been healed.

They say to such, "You must not say anything about that in this Church. You will have to get out, if you speak about Divine Healing. You cannot do it."

This is the talk of false shepherds in Israel.

But I advise you to do it, no matter what they say.

"Well, they will turn me out."

Well, then, *be turned out*. Christ will take you in.

Look at the story of this man.

They called the man and they asked him if he had been blind.

He said, "Yes, you all know I have been blind."

"Well, how did you see?"

"Well, a man who is called Jesus anointed my eyes and sent me away to the pool of Siloam to wash, and I washed, and came back seeing."

Here was this man who had never seen that splendid Sacred Council of the priests. He had never seen the august high priest with his breastplate and its brilliant jewels. He had never looked upon that Sanhedrin, that Sacred Seventy of Israel's greatest men. It was enough to dazzle any man to look at that sight for the first time.

This man had been all his life blind; but somehow he was not dazzled a bit.

False Shepherds Talk Like Saints and Live Like Devils

Doubtless he knew a good deal about these priests. He had been blind, but he had not been deaf, and he had heard a good deal. These beggars at the gates of the Temple knew the real character of many of these priests. Possibly he knew how Christ had convicted them all publicly of sin, as narrated in John 8, when they brought to Him a woman taken in adultery. He knew that they talked religion but lived like devils.

I tell you there are many professors today who talk like saints and live like devils.

A lady came to me one day and said, "Doctor, I have been a long time in the wilderness, and I will tell you why: I thought so much of Dr. So-and-so (a great preacher), and I wanted so much to be near him that I went to his house and became one of his servants, just that I might get near him; and he made me an infidel. I found that the man whose eloquence as a preacher enthralled me was playing cards and drinking whisky in his home: for I often gathered up the cards in the morning in the disordered room where he had been playing cards the previous night, and drinking with deacons and members of his own Church."

A man that preaches like a saint in his Church, and lives like a devil in his home, is one of the worst of men.

Now. these priests of Christ's day were men of that kind, and this honest fellow doubtless knew a great deal about them.

He saw their meanness stamped upon every one of their faces. Grand looking men, magnificently attired, with broad phylacteries on their brows and hands, the Word of God bound there on their bodies, but not found in their hearts. He saw them with the portentiousness of their various high offices, looking very grave and very severe, very awful.

They were going to stop this fellow talking. That was what they got him there for.

So they continued the examination. "Well," they said, "how did he do it?" He told them. "Well," they said, "as for this fellow Jesus, we do not know whence He is, but give God the glory. Give God the glory, and do not talk anything about Jesus."

"Well," he said, "it is a very strange thing if you do not know whence He is. He opened my eyes, and I am going to give Him glory."

I suppose he had been shouting "Glory to Jesus!" You have to read between the lines. It is clear that he had been glorifying the Name of Jesus.

They got very angry then.

You see, they had lied to him. They had said Jesus was a sinner, and now they said they did not know whence He was.

A Bold, Clear, True Witness to Divine Healing

The man had said:

Herein is the marvel, that ye know not whence He is, and yet He openeth mine eyes. We know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshiper of God, and do His will, him He heareth. Since the world began it was never heard that any one opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, He could do nothing.

How bold and clear and true is this Witness to Divine Healing!

But this enrages them beyond all bounds: for they are full of devils.

And they answered him: "Thou wast altogether born in Sin, and dost thou teach us?"

No, of course, you cannot teach them.

You never can teach men of that kind in any age.

I tell you for the most part the ministers of the Church of God are unteachable. They will not be taught.

"Dost thou teach?" is the attitude they take in Chicago today toward me.

"Who is Dr. Dowie? Who is he, I should like to know? Can he teach us?"

No, Dr. Dowie cannot teach you, you hypocrites. (Laughter.) He might be able to teach a poor low-down sinner or a humble saint, but he cannot teach you, you false shepherds who drive God's sheep back from the Fountains of Life. You cannot be taught.

"Dost thou teach us?" they cried long ago. "We are Moses' disciples."

Yes, I know you are by your descendants, who are Baptists, Presbyterians, etc., everything but Christ's (Laughter.)

One cries, "I am Luther's disciple"; another, "I am John Knox's disciple"; another, "I am John Wesley's disciple," etc.

I wish in His Name that you would be Christ's. (Amen).

Then you would have some teachableness about you.

You cannot teach such people anything. History repeats itself.

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"Dost thou teach us?"

They got his parents there.

The parents were shrewd. You can see where he got his shrewdness from.

The priests said, "Is this your son, whom *ye say* was born blind?" insinuating that there was a conspiracy about it.

There are some folks saying the same kind of thing today. "Is this your daughter, whom *you say* was sick and had cancer?"

They said, "How did he get his sight?"

"We do not know. We were not there. We cannot say. He is of age; ask him." (Laughter.)

Yes, he was most manifestly "of age." He was too old for the Jewish rabbis.

Now they got very angry; for they had passed a law which is thus described:

The Jews had agreed already, that if any man should confess Him to be Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue.

It was a terrible weapon and they held it over the head of every Jew who acknowledged Christ.

They would be cursed in the Temple of their God, and driven out, never permitted to enter into the Temple any more.

That was an awful punishment for a Jew.

He had been brought up to that sacred spot as a babe, and presented in the Temple. It was a terrible prospect for that man who for the first time had entered the Temple of his God with his sight for the first time on that day. It was terrible to think he would never be allowed to enter that Temple any more. But he was true to God and to conscience and he refused to curse his Benefactor.

He is "Cast Out" Because He Believes Christ is the Healer

But look at the Good Shepherd. He not only heals His sheep, but He seeks them out to enlighten and comfort them.

Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and finding him, He said, Dost thou believe on the Son of God?
He answered and said, And who is He, Lord, that I may believe on Him?
Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen Him, and He it is that speaketh with thee.
And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshiped Him.

You see he was all ready in his heart for this act of faith. He was right with God.

That man could not have passed any examination about Christianity, because he did not know the first thing about Christ and His claims.

But he was honest, and he was true to his God, and to conscience, and God heard him, healed him, and gave him fuller light.

I tell you this: I believe that God will hear an honest-hearted man, I do not care where he is. "In every nation he that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness, is acceptable to Him." (Amen.)

Prayers and alms go up to God with acceptance from honest hearts. I do not care who they are,

God Cares More for Good Thoughts and Deeds than He does for Fine-spun Theologies

He does not care a pin about them, and never commissioned His Church to construct them. "Is not the life more than meat?"

These priests were orthodox in their creed, but they were devils in their life, and Christ said, "Listen to them, but do not do as they do."

I thank God that although this Witness to God's Way of Healing was cast out from Israel, he was received by Christ. He wanted to follow Christ, and doubtless was amongst those that were with Him all the way to Calvary and followed Him all the way to Heaven.

A long time since his eyes were closed in the Sleep of God, that which He gives to His beloved.

But they opened upon the sight of the Good Shepherd in the midst of the Throne, and he has been led by the River of Life these long centuries, and he has been serving Him in Heaven.

But I want to put it to you that the same Good Shepherd is going about on earth still, feeding His flock.

His flock! Who are they?

The poor and the weary, and the downcast and the sick, and the sad and the sinful who do not know Him at all. They are His flock.

Long ago He was moved with compassion upon them as He saw them scattered abroad, fainting, "tired and lying down as sheep without a shepherd."

Humanity is His flock—sin-cursed and disease-smitten humanity is the flock for whom Christ died.

He Tasted Death for Every Man

The poor harlot wanders at night in the streets, and in the bright sunlight of this beautiful Lord's Day hides her face in shame in some miserable den. Last night she was the plaything and the poor, miserable tool of devils. Alone, she hears the Church bell, far, far away, as she heard it long ago in her forsaken mother's home.

She looks out today; but there is no one who invites her to the House of God. She remembers a time when it was not so. Oh, God, how this Lord's Day comes to her! Its memories sting as she thinks of the time, poor, silly, wandering sheep, when she was pure and loved by pure hearts, and she is an outcast now!

She drinks the Devil's Cup to drown remembrance of the Lord's; and yet, though she does not know it, the Lord is seeking to save and feed His wandering sheep, and is longing to lead her back to His fold.

What are you doing to feed Christ's sheep? What are you doing to bring them to Him? What are you doing to make them who are wandering in paths of sin and shame today, know that the Great and Good Shepherd is here?

Only give up your sin; only tell it to Him.

He has come today to bless these wandering spirits of yours.

He will take us and lead us by pastures so bright and so green, by the River of Life, and give us that strength that we daily need. And by and by, having faithfully led us all our journey through, He will lead us into the Fold where no sin enters, nor any sorrow, and where there is no winter and no night. Amen!

All who want to give themselves to that Shepherd, arise! (Apparently the entire audience, many in tears, arose.)

Follow me in prayer!

My God and Father, in Jesus' Name, for His sake, take me as I am; make me what I ought to be, in Spirit, in Soul, in Body. Help me to do right to any whom I have wronged, to confess, to forsake my sin, and to do right in Thy sight, as well as to all men. Give me Thy Holy Spirit. Lead me, oh Shepherd Divine! Forgive my wandering, and my sin, and give power to overcome, for Jesus' sake. Amen. (All repeat the prayer, clause by clause, after Dr. Dowie.)

After singing the closing hymn, Dr. Dowie pronounced the following

BENEDICTION

Beloved, abstain from all appearance of evil. And may the very God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole Spirit and Soul and Body be preserved entire, without blame unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; faithful is He that calleth you, Who also will do it: the grace of our Lord Jesus, the love of God our Father, the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, our Comforter and Guide; one Eternal God, abide in you, bless you and keep you, and all the Israel of God everywhere, forever. Amen.

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"Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy Crown."

—Revelation 3:11

I am faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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Do You Know God's Way of Healing?

God's Way of Healing is a Person, Not a Thing.

Jesus said, "*I am* the Way, and the Truth, and the Life." and He has ever been revealed to His people in all ages by the Covenant Name, Jehovah-Rophi, or "*I am* the Lord that Healeth thee." (John 14:6; Exodus 15:26.)

The Lord Jesus Christ is Still the Healer.

He cannot change for "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yea and forever"; and He is still with us, for He said, "Lo, *I am* with you alway, even unto the end of the world." (Hebrews 13:8; Matthew 28:20.) Because He is Unchangeable, and because He is present, in spirit, just as when in the flesh, He is the Healer of His people.

Divine Healing Rests on Christ's Atonement.

It was prophesied of Him, "Surely He hath borne our griefs (Hebrew, *sicknesses*), and carried our sorrows: . . . and with His stripes we are healed"; and it is expressly declared that this was fulfilled in His ministry of Healing, which still continues. (Isaiah 53:4,5; Matthew 8:17.)

Disease Can Never Be God's Will.

It is the Devil's work, consequent upon Sin, and it is impossible for the work of the Devil ever to be the Will of God. Christ came to "destroy the works of the Devil," and when He was here on earth He healed "all manner of disease and all manner of sickness," and all these sufferers are expressly declared to have been "oppressed of the Devil." (1 John 3:8; Matthew 4:23; Acts 10:38.)

The Gifts of Healing are Permanent.

It is expressly declared that the "Gifts and the calling of God are without repentance," and the Gifts of Healing are amongst the Nine Gifts of the Spirit to the Church. (Romans 11:29; 1 Corinthians 12:8-11.)

There are Four Modes of Divine Healing.

The first is the direct prayer of faith; the second, intercessory prayer of two or more; the third, the anointing of the Elders with the prayer of faith; and the fourth, the laying on of hands of those, who believe, and whom God has prepared and called to that ministry. (Matthew 8:5-13; Matthew 18:19; James 5:14,15; Mark 16:18.)

Divine Healing is Opposed by Diabolical Counterfeits.

Amongst these are Christian Science (falsely so called), Mind Healing, Spiritualism, Trance Evangelism, etc. (I Timothy 6:20,21; I Timothy 4:1,2; Isaiah 51:22,23.)

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Zion Witnessing Against False Doctrines and False Systems

Report of an Address Delivered in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, October 12, 1919, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by E. I. C.)

PRAYER

Our Father, we thank Thee from the deepest depths of our spirits for Thy great and marvelous love, and for the Gift of Thy Love, Jesus the Christ, the Way, the Truth, and the Life. We thank Thee for the Gift of the Holy Spirit, and we earnestly pray that, by Thy Grace, by Thy Guidance, we shall daily, hourly, moment by moment, become more and more Christ-like — having the mind which was in Him, imbibing His Spirit, and walking in His footsteps — ever willing to suffer with Him, that we may, some day, claim the precious promise: "If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him" (II Timothy 2:12). We pray that Thou wilt help us to be wholly consecrated and wholly surrendered, that the Holy Spirit may take full possession of us.

We pray that Thou wilt inspire the message — the thoughts and the words. Help us to bear in mind the exhortation: "PREACH THE WORD; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come" —yes, Lord, it already has come —"when they will not endure sound doctrine" (II Timothy 4:2, 3).

We pray that Thou wilt sustain us by Thy Grace against all adverse influences. Help us to recognize at all times the voice of the adversary, and to resist him by using the Sword of the Spirit.

Our Father in Heaven, we pray that the officers of this Church may, this afternoon, examine their hearts and lives in the light of Thy Word and in communion with Thee, as we are assembled here, and may make a full consecration, so that Thou canst take them and use them mightily in the time that yet remains ere the Lord comes.

We pray for the members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. O God our Father, it is not enough that here and there one may be found well-pleasing in Thy sight, but may we be well-pleasing in Thy sight as an organization, as a body,— officers and members — and may we, as a people, lay hold of the eternal verities and let our light shine in these days of awful darkness and peril.

Hear us, Father, and help us, we pray Thee, in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

ADDRESS

I shall read to you in the Fifth Chapter of Matthew, from the Thirteenth to the Sixteenth Verse, inclusive:

YE ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father Who is in Heaven.

"YE ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH"!
"YE ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD"!

In Romans the Twelfth Chapter, the first Two Verses:

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a LIVING SACRIFICE, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your spiritual service.

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

The Literal and Spiritual Aspects of the Sermon on the Mount

The first selection is taken from the Sermon on the Mount. Every principle therein set forth applies to all the members of the Body of Christ as well as to the subjects of the Kingdom of the Heavens, and can be looked at from the spiritual aspect, and from the literal aspect when the Mediatorial Kingdom will have been set up actually at the beginning of the Millennium.

You will recall that the main enemies of Jesus the Christ were the religious sects of His time, one of the most powerful being the Pharisees, who represented in their own opinion, all that was respectably religious in Jerusalem.

In thinking of what Jesus finally said to these Pharisees, as recorded in the Twenty-third Chapter of Matthew, I would remind you of a proverb that was quoted by a Racine preacher and applied to some of my remarks, the substance of the proverb being that if a man calls another man something, he is guilty of being that same thing himself. Now, apply that statement to the Twenty-third Chapter of Matthew, where Jesus the Christ called these Pharisees "WHITED SEPULCHERS," and used some of the most scathing, burning language recorded in the Word of God.

I would advise ZION to discard all proverbs and maxims, except such as have been tested by the Word of God, which you know to be true.

Human Standards of Excellence Make Christ's Followers Very Unpopular

We are told in the preceding Chapter — the Fourth Chapter — that the Savior had gathered around Him a few disciples. He had called Peter and Andrew, James and John, who were fishermen — from the worldly standpoint not a very commendable or a very lucrative position. It is the tendency of humanity to look upon and admire the glittering and to run after the so-called worldly great; and it takes a great deal of the Grace of God in the lives of men and women to enable them to affiliate with a man who is not learned and mighty according to the world's standards; who is not popular.

Today men and women talk about the great church buildings, and the great universities, and the great books, and so on and so forth. There never has been a time when men and women were so boastful as they are now. The preaching of the Word is seldom heard, and substitutes for it have taken the attention and the talent of the so-called great men and women of the world, for the most part.

Jesus Christ did not call the mighty, or the learned, or the rich, or the great. That is very significant. You had better grasp that, or you will be in danger of being knocked out of ZION, because I hear frequently that we are a very common, a very ignorant, and a very ordinary company of people; and that is more than some persons can stand. I take it as a high compliment, and thank God for it. I would rather be preaching here in this old wooden Tabernacle than to be standing in the finest cathedral in the city of London.

These four fishermen were very humble, and, so far as school were concerned, were unlearned.

The First Verse of the Fifth Chapter tells us:

And seeing the multitudes, He went up into a mountain: and when He was set,—

That is what they did in the early Church; when they preached they sat down; and there was no vaudeville performance about it.

—His disciples came unto Him:

Money and Property a Source of Hindrance to True Discipleship

These disciples were few in number, and were of the common people, for it was the "common people" who "heard Him gladly." Jesus Himself said that so far as the rich were concerned, it was easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for them to enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

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It is indeed a difficult matter to get men and women saved who have money and this world's goods. I know of persons who would be in this Church today and who would be happy men and women, enjoying spiritual, mental, and physical health and prosperity, if they had not accumulated money, which kept them out of ZION. However, that is all right. We want no rotten timber in this organization; we have no interest in building into it something that God will have to take out. The fires will burn up all the "wood, hay, stubble."

—And He opened His mouth,—

Which means that He spoke with authority.

Then He gave them the Nine Beatitudes and, in the Thirteenth Verse, said to them — to these humble disciples:

YE ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH:—

What must have been the impression that it made upon the Jewish Sanhedrin?

What must have been the impression that it made upon the proud, worldly-wise leaders of the sect of the Pharisees?

One Man With God on His Side an Absolute Majority on Any Question

No doubt they ridiculed it and laughed at it. No doubt to them it was simply preposterous that a few ignorant, unlearned disciples should be the "salt of the earth." They did not know that one man with God on his side is an ABSOLUTE MAJORITY; they did not know that God the Almighty could take such as Peter and Andrew, and John, to launch His work on this earth, to carry it forward — dumbfounding the religious leaders, astounding the great and the mighty, and setting in motion influences calculated to revolutionize the lives of thousands and millions, and, finally, to prepare the Church and lead to the setting up of the rule of Jesus Christ over the whole earth.

One of the most terrible things in this world is PRIDE. It has caused the damnation of millions upon millions. It is a trait of the old Adamic nature to run with the popular and with the great, to seek to be set upon a pinnacle, to be *called somebody,* to be patted on the back by the world, the flesh, and the Devil.

It was an astounding thing, from the human side, that He could say of these disciples: "Ye are the salt of the earth..... ye are the light of the world." But He said it, and it was true.

Many centuries have passed since the Christ spoke these words.

The early Church ran its course. Apostasy set in. The dark ages came. The Reformation dawned. Century after century passed by. The days of apostasy arrived.

How little the rank and file understand what it means when the statement is made that the apostasy of the so-called church of Christ has nearly reached its climax! It is the truth.

False Doctrine the Precursor of False Living

An individual may say, "It makes no difference what one believes." I take no stock in that statement. I read to you in the Twelfth Chapter of the Epistle to the Romans. You will find that all the preceding chapters are devoted to the statement of certain doctrines. If a man's doctrines are false, his life also will be false.

The churches have apostatized — first of all, in doctrine; and then, inevitably, in life.

To say today that ZION is the "salt of the earth....the light of the world" is to make one's self the butt of ridicule.

Go to a city such as Racine; go to Indianapolis; go to Chicago, Detroit, or any of the towns and cities in this and in other lands and declare that ZION is the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world," and you make of yourself a laughing-stock.

From the worldly standpoint, we amount to very little. So far as numbers are concerned, we would be lost sight of in comparison with the Roman Catholic church, which claims more than two hundred millions. In every town and city you will find no choicer sites and no finer buildings than those owned and controlled by the Roman Catholic church. They count their priests by the thousands and the tens of thousands. They have their parochial schools, those in the City of Chicago having a quarter of a million students. At the opening of the schools, their first order for text books amounted to $1,250,000.

From a worldly standpoint — numerically, financially — what are we by the side of the Roman Catholic organization? I suppose that they do not know themselves the total value of all the properties which they own and control. They *laugh* at *us;* they consider us as nothing! We are ridiculous in their eyes!

Rome's Day of Judgment is Drawing Nigh

I say to the Roman Catholic church: YOUR DAY OF JUDGMENT IS DRAWING NIGH, when the great, colossal structure that you have erected will be destroyed by the judgments of God Almighty!

That is the plain Word of God!

Take the Methodist church — they claim seven million members in the United States of America. Their bishops are university graduates, and they are nearly all Freemasons. They have universities from ocean to ocean — universities with five and six thousand students, to whom they teach all the various branches. It is a great organization, numerically and financially. They say, "Oh, we raised one hundred million dollars!" Well, what is one hundred million dollars for seven million people, a large number of whom are multimillionaires?

The Presbyterian church boasts of its wealth; in fact, they have boasted, lo, these many years, that in every city and town they have the wealthy and the learned. In some places they say, "There are no poor people in our church at all." That was true in a certain city in Ohio.

The Baptist church, too, boasts of its millions — and so on down the line.

Every one of these churches has apostatized, however, in doctrine; and the spiritual dearth — the worldly conditions — simply is the inevitable result of the apostasy in doctrine.

I have no doubt that some of my statements are a little strong for some of you. If they are, then there is need of further growth in your convictions, in your conceptions, and in your life.

Writers on the Second Coming of Christ Make Merchandise of God's Message

The fact that out yonder is a man who has written a book on the Second Coming of Christ does not prove or substantiate anything necessarily. There is not the slightest doubt in my mind that a number of men who have written books on the Second Coming of Christ will be left when Christ comes — none whatever! Some of them are making merchandise out of their books. I should like to know what right a man of God — called of God, equipped by the Holy Spirit, to preach and write and to give to the people God's message — has to copyright a book which he has written and make merchandise of it! I could not do it.

The fact that you may come across a man who, in an hour's talk, may appear to be standing for "the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints," does not prove so much as you think it does.

One of the foremost writers on the Second Coming of Christ in the United States has gone to much labor and expense to prove that Divine Healing is a false doctrine, that it is not for the Church, and that ZION and John Alexander Dowie are wrong. In my heart I pity him. I do not care how eloquently he writes or speaks on the Second Coming: there is something radically wrong with him.

If any man willeth to do His will (the will of God), he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God....—John 7:17.

Ask that same man to open his mouth against secret societies, and he would not do it under any circumstances; ask him to deliver a sermon against Tobacco or to say one word about the dirty, low-down medical profession — he would not do it!

Who is it that does not know that the study of medicine makes incarnate demons out of thousands of men?

Who is it that does not know that sorcery is one of the "works of the flesh"?

Zion the Salt of the Earth—The Light of the World

When I say that ZION — the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION — is the "SALT OF THE EARTH" today, I MEAN EXACTLY WHAT I SAY!

When I say that ZION is the "LIGHT OF THE WORLD," I MEAN PRECISELY WHAT I SAY!

You may travel this country over — and you may say, "Oh,

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I found a certain missionary who seems to be very earnest." Yes; all he is doing is riding a hobby. But show me the man, show me the movement that earnestly contends for "the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints!" Show me the man, the organization that embraces every truth — that goes the full length of the gamut of the truths of God Almighty!

Where are they?

Why is it that they will stand for one truth, and yet will not touch many others with a forty-foot pole? Because they are compromisers and temporizers, and are afraid of the world, the flesh, and the Devil.

Any man who will take the time and the trouble to sit down with LEAVES OF HEALING, Volume One, and read page after page, will find that there is not one sin in the catalog that is not there condemned in the plainest of language, without fear and without favor.

John Alexander Dowie preached the Word of God when, humanly speaking, it meant the total destruction of the organization at the head of which he stood.

It has been said, "You people think you are the whole thing!" I say, WE ARE THE WHOLE THING!

God Not the Founder of the Many Sects or Denominations

Beloved hearers, do you mean to tell me that God the Almighty founded twenty-nine different kinds of Methodists?

Do you mean to tell me that He founded seventeen different kinds of Presbyterians?

Do you mean to tell me that He founded seven different kinds of Baptists?

Do you mean to tell me that He founded four different sects of Dunkards?

Let me impress upon your minds the fact that *He did not found any of them!*

There are two hundred and forty-three different sects, leaving out several hundred minor ones. How could any man except an ignoramus or a wilful instrument of the Devil assert that the Infinite God founded them all? I do not believe it for a second!

I do not believe that God founded the Salvation Army, for instance. A man and a woman founded it.

I do not deny that when an individual preaches the Word of God, God will own him and bless him. The fact that God may use a man does not prove that He established the organization.

God Almighty did not establish the Salvation Army to taboo the ordinances of His Church!

How can any man or woman reconcile the Salvation Army — without baptism, without the Lord's Supper — with the plain Word of God? It cannot be done, except by clever perversion.

God did not found the Y. M. C. A. or the Y. W. C. A. I do not believe it for a second.

I DO believe, however, that He founded the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION; and I can prove it. If I could *not* prove it, I would get out of it. I belong to no man-made organization.

Jesus the Christ stood there and looked at His little handful of disciples, and He said, "YE ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH,...YE ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD." He should have been more generous, more charitable, more liberal! He should have recognized the Pharisees, and the Sadducees, and the Essenes and the Stoics and the Epicureans! But they had made void the Word of God by their traditions. If at any time they ever had had the favor of God, they had lost it completely.

Mighty Men of God Used by God Down Through the Centuries

There is no question in my mind that John Wesley was a mighty man of God; but that God Almighty organized the Methodist church, I do not believe for one second. That He *did* use John and Charles Wesley, and that He *did* use many men and women in the Methodist church, I freely admit.

There is no question in my mind that Martin Luther was a man of God; but I do not think any one would say that the Lutheran church was walking very close to Jesus Christ today, do you?

The reason the people go to Rome, to the Episcopalian church, and to all these ritualistic churches, is because *they know exactly what will be said.* When they come into a ZION service, they have no idea of what will be said. If an individual loves his old pipe, he will not come into a service in which he knows he will get *shot.*

A man who is called of God and is sent out to preach the Word of God — a man who goes out with God at his side — is not afraid to proclaim every doctrine in the Word of God, letting God take care of the consequences. He is not afraid of reprimanding sinners for their sins. No man will accomplish anything unless he knows that he *is* called of God.

"Be not conformed to this world" — but I shall take that up later.

"Ye are the salt of the earth" — in that you have embraced the "faith which was once for all delivered to the saints;" in that you are standing by it, you are living for it, you are willing to die for it, and you make NO COMPROMISES.

The rank and file of people are *cowards.*

Many influences are brought to bear on them. Some one will say, "I am astounded — I am utterly astounded — that such a fine gentleman as you are, brought up as you were, should have anything to do with that Dowie outfit! Why, if you only were a Presbyterian, we could give you a big church with a parsonage" — and so on and so forth.

It takes a strong man to stand today!

I tell you, you are far safer if a brickbat is thrown at you than if people start to flatter you.

Where do we stand in doctrine?

False Systems Deny Every Fundamental of God's Word

At the present time, the most flourishing movements deny every fundamental of the Word of God.

A Christian Science gentleman wanted an interview with me the other day, but he did not get it. He wanted to call a truce, and asked that I agree not to fight Christian Science any more. He told Apostle Darms and Apostle Jordan, whom he saw, that the world was big enough for both of us, and he left a very sweet little article, which, he said, he would very much appreciate having printed in THE THEOCRAT. Yes, I suppose so! If I had been a weakling, I would have accepted his demoniacal proposition.

Make a note of this: Spiritualism will spread over the whole earth with lightning rapidity now. Spiritualism does away with Jesus Christ.

This gentleman whom I mentioned said to Apostle Darms, "Don't you see how we are growing?"

Yes, see how they are growing!

I do not know that the work of Christ ever has grown very fast. I should judge that when the Lord was crucified He did not have a very great multitude of disciples. That would be the inference.

When Jesus had finished talking about the Bread of life and the Water of life, and about eating His flesh and drinking His blood, as recorded in the Sixth Chapter of John, it looked as though nearly all forsook Him. He said to the apostles, "Will ye also go away?" and it was Peter who said, "Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life."

You will notice another thing in this Sixth of John: When the disciples encountered difficulties, Jesus did not help them out at all. He made it all the more difficult for them.

Jesus Christ Never Minimized What it Meant to be His Disciple

I want to impress upon the minds of my brethren here that Jesus Christ never minimized discipleship and never concealed from anybody what it meant to be His disciple. The best thing is to give the people the plain Word of God, right straight from the shoulder, and to let them understand what it means to be a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus told the turth when He said, "Ye are the salt of the earth;" He told the truth when He said, "Ye are the light of the world." When He gave the Great Commission to the Eleven, He sent them to "make disciples of all nations."

A minister who goes forth from ZION with God behind him and backing him up will GET SOMEWHERE, and he will not fail, even in these last days. A man *must* have a message, he *must* know how to deliver it, and he *must* be brave enough to deliver it, too.

We are in the twentieth century, and here are these vast organizations of which I have spoken. They are rich — why,

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they never have been so rich as they are now; they never had so much money as they have now; they never have raised such sums of money as they raise now; they never have erected such fine buildings as they do now. But they do not know that they are "wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked;" that they are absolutely poverty-stricken so far as the rich things of God are concerned. Their ministers dare not preach for more than a certain number of minutes. Whenever people demand short services, you may put it down that they have gone to the Devil. If their hearts are in a service, an hour does not seem any more than ten minutes to them, but if their hearts are somewhere else, of course the service is a burden.

The churches have apostatized in doctrine, because they want to be popular.

"The Trinity of Devils—Evolution, Higher Criticism and Modern Astronomy"

I have dubbed as the Trinity of Devils, EVOLUTION, HIGHER CRITICISM, and MODERN ASTRONOMY.

The churches are honeycombed with Evolution, the world is full of it, the universities and the colleges are disseminating it, and they are turning out infidels by the thousands. Higher Criticism, which honeycombs the churches, has well-nigh taken the people away from them. Bishop Nicholson said in his opening address: "The young people used to come in multitudes to our churches, and now very few of them ever come." And they wonder why it is! They have no one to blame but themselves.

From this country of ours we have sent hundreds of missionaries — now some countries are sending missionaries to convert the people of the United States to Hinduism, Bahaism, and other occult religions of the East. They *are* converting them, too.

For of this sort are they who creap into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,
Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.—II Timothy 3:6, 7.

This passage of Scripture is being literally fulfilled by these false religions.

Listen!

The Word of God tells us that when people will not "receive the love of the truth" in their hearts, "God shall send them *strong delusion*, that they should believe a lie" (II Thessalonians 2:10,-11). The moment that men and women fall away from the faith, they embrace some delusion.

God has raised up this organization to be a LIGHT.

I suspect that we have some members who are not emitting a very bright light; in fact, I have no doubt about it. I am sorry that that is the case in the life of any one.

We must stand, in these days, for THE GOD OF THE BIBLE.

Do you know what these false religions call the God of the Bible? They call Him "the erroneous conception of God," or "the Jewish tyrant"!

Christian Science and New Thought are simply Pantheism, and they are as old as is the Devil himself.

This Cainite Civilization Tottering to its Destruction

The religion of Cain is religion *without* blood; it is the religion of self-righteousness; it is the doctrine that a man can save himself, and that he can save himself without blood. The civilization that is now tottering to its fall is the CAINITE CIVILIZATION—and the sooner it falls and is destroyed the better!

At one time, the earth was without any inhabitants; and the time is coming again when it will have none. God Almighty will burn them all up and start the whole thing over, as He did at the time of the Flood.

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.—Genesis 1:1.

ZION stands for and believes in THE GOD OF THE BIBLE.

So far as Jesus Christ is concerned, these false religions have dispensed with Him; and they have done it in such a subtle fashion that some of the most earnest men and women in the churches have not suspicioned it.

I have been censured by some persons for saying that a Unitarian is headed for hell. Well, I say it — and I repeat it, even though an ex-President of the United States *is* a Unitarian. That makes no difference to me.

On one occasion in Madison Square Garden, New York, a Unitarian, a Methodist, and a Jew were on the platform; and when the Methodist prayed he assiduously avoided the Name of Jesus, for fear that he would offend the Jewish rabbi. Well, before I would do that I would cut my right arm off! If I ever dine with a Jew and I return thanks, I shall mention Jesus' Name even though he orders me from the table. I will not deny my Lord for any one, it makes no difference who it is.

Very Few Men Have Stood Firmly to the End

I have stood firmly so far, and I am working every day to keep standing. I tell you, very few ever have stood to the end. Take old General Booth: there is no doubt that he bore faithful testimony; but the time came when the Army grew "popular," and when General Booth went to Sydney, for instance, Sir John So and So and all the "big bugs" of the City sat on the platform, and they gave him a dinner, and he was invited to Parliament. Well, you know, very few can stand that kind of thing, and they soon get away from God and lower the standard; because we are only flesh and blood. When a man sees some one sitting in front of him who is liable to give him a couple of thousand dollars, the Devil says, "Tone down a little"— and he does it. Men are only flesh and blood!

Go back over history and find, if you can, twenty men who have stood faithful from the time they were first called, down to their death. I tell you, it means something to STAND, make no mistake about it,— and especially in these days.

If you think that I have an easier road to travel than Noah had, you are mistaken. I have nothing of the kind. I would just as soon have had a pulpit in Sodom and Gomorrah as to have one of these modern pulpits; in fact, in some respects I would *rather* have had a pulpit there. I think the majority of the inhabitants of Chicago are postgraduates in vice, while the Sodomites were only in the primary class. Not only do I think it: there is no doubt about it.

The Necessity of Understanding God's Plan and Purposes

An individual cannot do anything in this world when he is beset with uncertainty; he cannot accomplish anything when he does not know what he is talking about.

It is very necessary that the whole organization shall be brought to the place where they will see and understand what God's plans and purposes are — what we are doing here — why we are here.

Why am I not pastor of a Methodist church this afternoon?

Why am I not holding a so-called revival in the Campbellite church?

Why not?

What am *I* doing here?

I could have gone somewhere else — why am I here?

Some people are always jumping around; they do not stay in one place any length of time. I have reached the place where I do not bother about such people. They are here today and gone tomorrow; they do not know where they are. I would almost as soon be in hell as to be that kind of man.

Now, this Church could apostatize — do you know that? I could apostatize, you could apostatize.

Where would I be if I did not believe that God Almighty called me to the ministry? I tell you right now that I DO believe it, regardless of what anybody else thinks or says. If I did not believe it, I would be a *fool* to be standing on this platform this afternoon.

Zion Standing for "the Faith Once for all Delivered to the Saints"

I believe that God Almighty called this Church into existence for a purpose. I believe that He called us into existence to stand uncompromisingly for His Word, and for "the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints;" to combat these infernal doctrines of the Devil, and to stand up for the Inspiration of His Word, for the Divinity of the Lord Jesus Christ, for the Virgin Birth, for the Crucifixion, for the Physical Resurrection, for the Second Coming of Christ, for Salvation, for Healing, for Holy Living, and for a COMPLETE SEPARATION on the part of men and women from the world, the flesh, and the Devil. If we fail in it, God will set us aside — and He should!

I believe that, as an organization, we are the "SALT OF THE EARTH....THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD."

Then let us complete this little Ark here, so that it will

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preach a sermon to all the earth! Let us go out and preach, let us send out the literature, let us put our lives and everything we have on the altar for God's service, and let us build this little settlement here as a light to all the world! If we finish it tomorrow and the Lord took us out tomorrow night, I would say "Hallelujah!"

We should be very careful that all we do is for the salvation of ZION CITY, and that we do nothing for its damnation.

When we live these doctrines and live the life, then we will be in a position to exert a saving influence, under God, upon the lives of men and women.

Zion People Known Everywhere for their Holy Living

ZION is known everywhere. The very moment a ZION man comes around they say, "Oh, he doesn't smoke!" or, "He doesn't eat pig!" Nothing needs to be said.

A real, genuine ZION man *looks it*. He looks different — and he smells different. That is the truth!

A man looks either like God or like the Devil. If you do not know that, you had better read your Bible. Second Corinthians the Third Chapter, Verse Eighteen, says:

But we all, with unveiled face reflecting as a mirror the glory of the Lord, are transformed into the same Image from glory to glory, even as by the Lord the Spirit.

There is the transformation. I do not know whether any of these brethren ever have seen an example of this or not, but I have.

You look either like God or like the Devil. If you act like a snapping turtle, you will look like one.

I enjoy fellowshiping a man who lets his light shine for God wherever he goes. A man who is ashamed of his Lord and who puts his light under a bushel will not get very far.

Do you think that I am afraid to let people know that I do not eat swine's flesh? I do *not* eat swine's flesh. I have my reasons for it, and I am not ashamed of it, either. And yet some persons go and visit their relatives, and when they pass around the ham and eggs they help themselves and eat it — the infernal cowards!

"Well," they say, "I didn't like to say anything that would have offended Uncle John and Aunt Susan."

Yes, that is a nice (?) stand to take! Perhaps, if you had given a little testimony, their hearts might have been touched and they might have surrendered to God. But you lost your opportunity!

A Conquering People Always Courageous and Uncompromising

I do not remember ever having made any compromises, and I have been through severe tests. I will not compromise. I can die, but I cannot compromise. I do not intend to have the shame, the disgrace, and the remorse of having played the coward. I always keep the Sword of the Spirit near and think of what the three Hebrew children said to old King Nebuchadnezzar:

...Our God Whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that WE WILL NOT SERVE THY GOD...—Daniel 3:17, 18.

In other words: "We will serve God living or dying; we will serve Him inside of the fiery furnace or outside."

That is the kind of people who will *conquer*, and the *only* people who will conquer!

"BUT IF THE SALT HAVE LOST ITS SALTNESS"

—well, there is no hope for it, except to take it out and throw it away, "to be trodden under foot of men." Study that and think it over.

The Savior used very simple language and very simple illustrations, so that everybody could understand.

Now, let us turn to Romans the Twelfth Chapter for a few minutes:

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God,—

That is the motive.

I do not understand, I cannot understand why every man and woman is not a Christian. I do not know how any one can resist the love of God — but they do it.

Paul refers here to the Plan of Redemption.

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present YOUR BODIES —

"A sacrifice"?

A LIVING SACRIFICE, HOLY, ACCEPTABLE UNTO GOD, WHICH IS YOUR REASONABLE (or, spiritual) SERVICE. And be not conformed to this world:—

That is where the trouble lies.

The Lust of the Flesh, the Lust of the Eyes, and the Pride of Life

Look at the world today. I do not mean the material earth. That is not the thought. There is an expression in the Third Chapter of First John (Verse Sixteen) that will give you a clue to what I mean:

....The lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life....

What do you see, as you look at the world?

Gluttony! dancing! tobacco! worldliness! — from morning till night, week in and week out, month after month, and year after year!

If you wish to conform your life to that, all right — that is your privilege!

—but be ye TRANSFORMED —

There is the New Birth.

—by the renewing of your mind,—

You know that Jesus the Christ made a New Covenant, do you not?

There is a long list of new things in the New Testament that are very interesting and very fascinating — the New Covenant, the New Birth, and, over in the Twenty-first Chapter of Revelation, a New Heaven and a New Earth and a New Song, and so on. And when you become a Christian, you become a New Creation.

—be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove (or, put to the test) what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.

It *means something* to live the Christian life.

Meekness and weakness are not synonymous.

Do not be afraid!

Be able to give a *reason* for your faith.

I am where I am today for good reasons, although I can see room for improvement.

Blessed Fellowship and Association Among the People of Zion

I love Christian fellowship. I love my brethren in the ministry. I like to associate with them and to talk with them. I thank God that He brought into existence a place where we can love and serve God, where we believe in the Second Coming of the Lord, where we stand for the faith and for all the doctrines, and where we seek, by the grace and help of God and by the guidance of His Word and Spirit, to live true, earnest, Christian lives. We are not hungering for the things of the world — we care nothing about them. I can say — and I believe that many others here can say it, too: The things of the world are no temptation to me at all.

One of the first questions that is asked outside is, "What do you people do for entertainment?"

We go to the prayer meeting!

We read the Bible!

I am sorry that I cannot read the Bible all day. If I did not have so many other duties to perform, I would sit down tomorrow and do it, and enjoy it.

We pray!

It does not hurt a man to spend a few hours of the day in prayer — to go into the Presence of God and have real communion with Him.

Beloved in ZION, I would be glad to shake hands with every child of God, wherever he is.

Zion Alone Boldly Delivering a Full Testimony Today

I say what I said before: Show me the man who is delivering a FULL TESTIMONY! I shall give due credit to any man for his testimony so far as it goes, and I believe that God will, too; but the testimony does not go *far enough*.

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Here is a man, for instance, who gives a good, clear testimony on the Second Coming of the Lord; but he condemns Divine Healing. What will the Lord say to him when he stands before the judgment seat? I would not want to be in his shoes!

Here is another man who preaches for hours against card playing and dancing; but he would not open his mouth against secret societies for anything in the world. He does not deliver a full testimony!

Let me tell you why they do not deliver a full testimony: they cannot! And they cannot because they are affiliated with the doctors, who sometimes hold their conferences and conventions in the churches; because they are surrounded by men and women who are part and parcel of the medical profession; because they are surrounded by drug sellers, drug manufacturers, tobacco growers and sellers, and so on and so forth. Consequently, they steer clear of saying anything that will give offence.

In ZION — thank God! — we can deliver a FULL TESTIMONY; and I would be ashamed if we could not do so.

We have no use for secret societies. They cannot be justified on any grounds.

Conditions Embodied in the Zion City Lease

Consequently — because we can deliver a FULL TESTIMONY — I am happy to put a bulletin board on Sheridan road, the thoroughfare between Chicago and Milwaukee, with these words written on it, copied from the ZION CITY lease:

"No profanity."

Oh, what an awful thing profanity is! One cannot travel anywhere today without hearing it in every direction.

Taking the Name of God and the Name of our Blessed Lord in vain!

There is a fine for profanity in ZION CITY. I say that if men and women will not have Grace, they should be given LAW. The law is not for the righteous: it is for the WICKED.

"No vulgarity."

Vulgarity is one of the most horrible things on earth, and it always has been.

Dirty, unclean minds and unclean speech!

"No intoxicating liquors.

"No tobacco."

What a curse tobacco is! A man cannot find language strong enough to express himself in regard to it!

Oh, the dirty, filthy business!

I wonder if some of you men really can conceive how dirty and filthy you were before you came into ZION?

Unspeakably Filthy Conditions Prevail Outside of Zion City

Think of the women who, tonight, must go into a house in which everything stinks of tobacco — the towels, the bedclothes, the window curtains, the carpets, and even the *baby*, all stink of tobacco!

We do not half appreciate ZION!

We do not half appreciate ZION CITY!

I tell you, it is a wonderful thing for a man's wife or his daughter to be able to walk down the street without having the dirty, stinking old tobacco smoke puffed in her face!

"No theaters.

"No drugs.

"No moving picture shows."

Dens of iniquity, they are! In every city in thee United States, with the exception of a few cities, the moving picture shows are running full blast tonight — playing (as I have told you before) "The Other Man's Wife," for instance. That is very elevating (?), is it not?

The dirty, low-down scoundrels!

That is the condition outside. The cities are reeking with it. Can you not see the Devil in these moving picture shows?

Then they wonder why the people do not go to church and listen to the Gospel, and why they are not pure-minded and noble! No wonder they have gone to the Devil in multitudes! They are cursed by these infernal things.

"No dance halls."

I should say not!

Medical Poisons and Surgical Butchers Shut Out of Zion

"No sorcerers.

"No medical poisoners."

Some persons say, "Oh, I wouldn't say that!" I *will* say it, whether you would say it or not; and I MEAN IT. I am right!

"No surgical butchers" — the infernal scoundrels! Why, they kill thousands of people by cutting them and carving them! How they do seek to get themselves before the public by their lies!

They call it "medical science!" Well, I would like to know where there is any "science" about it! It is nothing but speculation. The word "science" comes from the Latin word *"scientia,"* and it means "facts verified by careful observation."

There is no such thing as "medical science"! If there were, they would know exactly what would be the exact results.

If there is any "medical science," why do they have allopathy, homeopathy, neuropathy, osteopathy, isopathy, and so on and so forth?

It is one of the "works of the flesh."

"No vaccination."

I notice that down in Kentucky a number of persons have been arrested because they would not have their children vaccinated. We are coming to the place in this old world when the people will not be able to call their souls their own, under the rule of the Antichrist.

All these things are mentioned in the lease, and they all are on the bulletin board. They preach a sermon.

I pray that many will take their stand for God, and for the Lord Jesus Christ, and for the GENUINE, OLD-TIME CHRISTIANITY. I think the word "religion" in this connection is an unfortunate word. There is a great deal of *religion* in this old world, but very little CHRISTIANITY.

Prayer the Solution of all Perplexing Problems

Now, let us get down to business, and let us spend a little more time on our knees, praying that God will give us back the old Printing and Publishing House. With tears I plead with God that we may go down and rededicate that building to Him. Before the Lord comes, I want to get it back for God — it was built for Him. And the Lace Factory — I pray that God will give it to us.

I say at the family altar: "Lord, close up all these guerilla bands that are disgracing this little City. Make it wholly Thine — an honor and a glory to Thy Name — and may the world be compelled to say, 'God dwells in the midst of this people.'" That is how I pray, — and you pray, too.

You know, the Bible says that "men ought always to pray, and not to faint" (Luke 18:1).

Beloved in Jesus the Christ. it all will be over some day, and we shall close the books. so far as this life is concerned, and shall bid farewell to everything here below. But there is something before us.

Are you using every talent for God?

That is the question!

If it is a talent for singing or for playing, put that talent on the altar.

Shut the world outside!

Let us not get the spirit of the world!

Once more: Jesus said,

"YE ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH....YE ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD."

If a man believes that — and believes it with all his heart — he will DO SOMETHING!

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye PRESENT YOUR BODIES A LIVING SACRIFICE, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your spiritual service.

AND BE NOT CONFORMED TO THIS WORLD: BUT BE YE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MIND,—

The New Birth!

The New Creation!

A "new creature" in Christ Jesus — with new desires. with a new appetite. with new dispositions. with new inclinations!

Then everything will be all right!

A Full Surrender and a Complete Consecration

Every one in this congregation who is determined to make a full surrender and a complete consecration to God, stand up and let us pray together.

BENEDICTION

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WILL YOU BE LEFT BEHIND?

BY APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

A. "Are you 'looking (waiting) for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ' as you find recorded in Titus 2:13?"

B. "What makes you ask me such a strange question?"

A. "Because the Word of God plainly declares in Second Timothy, Chapter Four and Verse Eight, that 'a crown of righteousness' will be given 'unto all them also that *love His appearing.*'"

B. "Do you mean to say that I must belong to those who are definitely expecting the Lord soon to come again?"

A. "If you read your Bible as you should, you most certainly know that this is the great Hope of the Church. You must see to it that your life is lived in accordance with the Will and Word of God. You must be truly converted and filled with the Holy Spirit. You must give evidence of holy living in your daily conduct. Then you will be ready for the coming of the Lord. There will be no time to prepare when the trumpet sounds."

B. "Well, to tell the truth, I do not take much time to read the Bible. You know, I have considerable business to attend to, and I cannot afford to neglect it. I have to be on deck early and late, and give my whole time to it in order to make money. I do not want my family to suffer. I must lay up something for a rainy day, or else I will go to the poorhouse in my old age."

A. "You have not said one word about your spiritual life. You don't mean to say that you think more of your business than you do of your spirit! What will you do with your business when you die? What will you do with your money and your property when your body is laid aside in the grave? I want to read you a very important passage from the Word of God, showing that you are making a great mistake in life:

For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; and whosoever will lose his life for My sake shall find it.

For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

For the Son of Man shall come in the glory of His Father with His angels; and then He shall reward every man according to his works.—Matthew 16:25-27.

"If you go on in the careless way you are living, you will not only forfeit Salvation, but you also will lose everything in this world upon which you have put your heart. You should make the service of God, and not your own interests, the most important thing in life."

B. "You must think that I am a heathen, the way you talk to me. We have a Bible at home, and we even go to church once in a while. Our church is very popular. Our minister preaches eloquent sermons; you ought to come around to our church and hear him speak on the 'Sweet By-and-By.'"

A. "Does your minister ever tell you about Jesus' coming back to this earth to redeem His own and to take the saints out of the world? Does your minister warn and teach the people to give up the world and to live godly lives, so that they will know how to prepare for the return of Jesus the Christ?"

B. "Our minister ever speak about the coming of Christ back to this world? Why, it was just last Sunday that he said many fanatics were trying to make us believe that Jesus will come back soon. He said that Jesus will not come for a long, long time—maybe a thousand years or more. He said that the world will first have to be converted, and all sin and evil will have to be wiped out before He can come back; that Chicago, and New York, and London, and Paris, and other cities and countries must first be converted before He will return."

A. "That very statement shows that your minister does not know his Bible. The Bible does not say anywhere that the world will be converted when Jesus comes back; but it does say that the world will wax worse and worse, and the people will be more wicked at the time of His return than at any previous time. I will just read you one passage from the Word of God, and ask you to consider it very earnestly in the light of what I have said:

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, despisers of those that are good.

Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. —II Timothy 3:1-5.

B. "Do you think that the world is worse today, after twenty centuries of preaching the Gospel of the Grace of God? Are you not aware of the fact that there are more Bibles in circulation, today, than ever before, and that there are more churches, and colleges, and universities, and other benevolent institutions, in the world than ever before?"

A. "That is exactly what the passage that I read to you a little while ago teaches; that there will be a form of godliness without any real spiritual power; and, according to II Timothy 4:3, 4—

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables;—

There never has been a time in the world's history when ungodliness and iniquity were as prevalent as they are today. The Word of God plainly teaches that the last days will be like unto the days of Noah, before the flood."

B. "What do you mean by that?"

A. "I mean that the people in Noah's time gave themselves up wholly to 'eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage' until the day that Noah entered into the ark:

For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark,

And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away: so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be.—Matthew 24:38-39.

"That is exactly what the people in the churches are doing where they make light of the teaching that Jesus is coming back soon."

B. "I do not take much stock in this teaching of the Second Coming of Christ. They have been telling that same tale for ages, and still it has not come true. Why should I pay any attention to this kind of talk, since all things continue just as they have been for the past centuries?"

A. "My friend, you certainly belong to the scoffers, of whom Peter spoke in II Peter 3:3, 4:

Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers walking after their own lusts.

And saying, Where is the promise of His coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

"No matter how much you make light of this teaching, God's Word and promise is sure to be fulfilled. I will read you the Tenth and Eleventh Verses of the same chapter, and ask you to give earnest heed to the warnings and admonitions given therein;

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night: in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,

B. "Well, it does not bother me much when or how that thing will come to pass. I am in no greater danger than millions of people who belong to churches the same as I do. Surely you don't mean to say that God will cast away all these people who profess to be Christians and send them into perdition!"

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A. "You will find out to your sorrow that Hell is filled with church members. Jesus tells us plainly in the Sermon on the Mount —

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.
Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy Name? and in Thy Name have cast out devils? and in Thy Name done many wonderful works?
And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from Me, ye that work iniquity.—Matthew 7:21-23.

"Unless you repent of all your sins, and make confession and restitution, wherein it is necessary, and accept Jesus the Christ as your only Way of Salvation, you will surely be lost in eternity; and, should you live till Jesus comes back, you will be left behind. I am speaking to you heart to heart in order to arouse you from your indifference and carelessness. You certainly haven't as yet made any preparation for that great event. Would you like to be left behind?"

B. "What will happen to those who are left behind, as you say, when Jesus takes His own out of the world at His coming?"

A. "There will be the most terrible time of trouble the world has ever seen. The nations will be given over to the rule of the Antichrist, because they have rejected the Christ. This man of sin, or son of perdition, or beast, as he is called in II Thessalonians 2:1-12 and Revelation 13:1-10, will set up his image in the temple at Jerusalem and demand all nations to worship him. There will be the most terrible famines, and wars, and pestilences, and sufferings the world has ever known. What a terrible thing it will be for the ungodly to be obliged to go through the seven years' reign of the Antichrist! What a terrible thing if you should be one of them! Would it not be better for you now to give heed to my warning and put aside all foolishness and carelessness, and make preparation for Christ's return?"

B. "What must I do to be ready when Jesus the Christ returns?"

A. "You must see to it that your life is lived in accordance with the will and the Word of God, and you must be filled with the Holy Spirit and give evidence of holy living in your daily conduct. There will be no time to prepare when the 'trumpet' sounds. Many will suddenly arouse from their slumber and indifference, and find out to their sorrow that it is too late for them to be taken up in the Rapture. Father, mother, brother or sister, son or daughter, will be taken up in the Rapture, but they themselves will be left behind. Will you also be among those who will be left behind?"

B. "I am sorry to say I have not given these things any serious thought in all my life. It makes me tremble when I think of the Judgment Day. I have laid up treasures upon earth, but I have laid up no treasures in Heaven. I am a lost man. Do you think that I can be saved at this late hour? I would like to be among the saved when the Son of God takes them out of the world at His coming. What shall I do?"

A. "Make a start today in the Christian life, and be determined to follow Jesus all the way. The Apostle Paul tells you what to do in that wonderful passage of Scripture recorded in Colossians 3:1-4:

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.
When Christ Who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory.

"If you take your stand today and go forward in your Christian life, watching and praying that you may be found faithful unto the end, you certainly will be among those who will be taken out in the glorious Rapture."

B. "Well, I have made up my mind, since you have talked with me so earnestly about this matter, that I am not going to be careless and indifferent any longer. I have been very careless in the past, but from today on I am going to study the Word of God more earnestly and give my whole life to God. I am determined to put every talent I possess, my business interests, my money and my property, all upon God's altar, to be used in the best way for the upbuilding and extension of God's cause. I would like to get in touch with a people who love and serve God faithfully, and who also are looking for the Coming of Jesus the Christ. Can you tell me where I can find such a people? My Church does not believe in the Second Coming of Christ, and that is the reason I have been in darkness all this time, and so far as I know, every Church in town disregards the teaching of the Bible which you have pointed out to me. I wonder if there is any Church where I can get the help and the teaching which will make me ready for the Second Coming of the Christ?"

A. "The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION has been founded by God for the purpose of proclaiming the Gospel of the Grace of God to the world, and for the purpose of making ready a company of people for the Millennial reign of Jesus the Christ. Its Headquarters is in ZION, Illinois, U. S. A., the only city of its kind in the world, where no tobacco, strong drink, drugs or any other of the evils of the world are permitted to exist. A weekly paper, called LEAVES OF HEALING, is published in the city of ZION for two dollars yearly subscription. I would advise you to subscribe for this paper immediately and learn the wonderful teaching that is set forth therein on many important phases of the coming Millennial Kingdom. I am thankful to God for the privilege of having had this heart to heart talk with you concerning the Second Coming of Jesus the Christ, and I hope and pray that God will enable you from this day on to go forward in your Christian life. You may then know assuredly when the Lord shall return to catch up His faithful saints in the glorious Rapture, that you will not be left behind."

Christ Is Coming!

Christ is coming! let creation
From her groans and travail cease;
Let the glorious proclamation
Hope restore and faith increase.

Chorus:
Christ is coming! Christ is coming:
Come, Thou blessed Prince of peace!

Earth can now but tell the story
Of Thy bitter cross and pain;
She shall yet behold Thy glory,
When Thou comest back to reign.

Though once cradled in a manger,
Oft no pillow but the sod;
Here an alien and a stranger,
Mocked of men, disowned of God.

Long Thy exiles have been pining,
Far from rest, and home, and Thee;
But, in heavenly vesture shining,
Soon they shall Thy glory see.

With that "blessed hope" before us,
Let no harp remain unstrung;
Let the mighty ransomed chorus
Onward roll from tongue to tongue.

THE LAST PROMISE
OF THE BIBLE

SURELY I COME QUICKLY

--Revelation 22:20.

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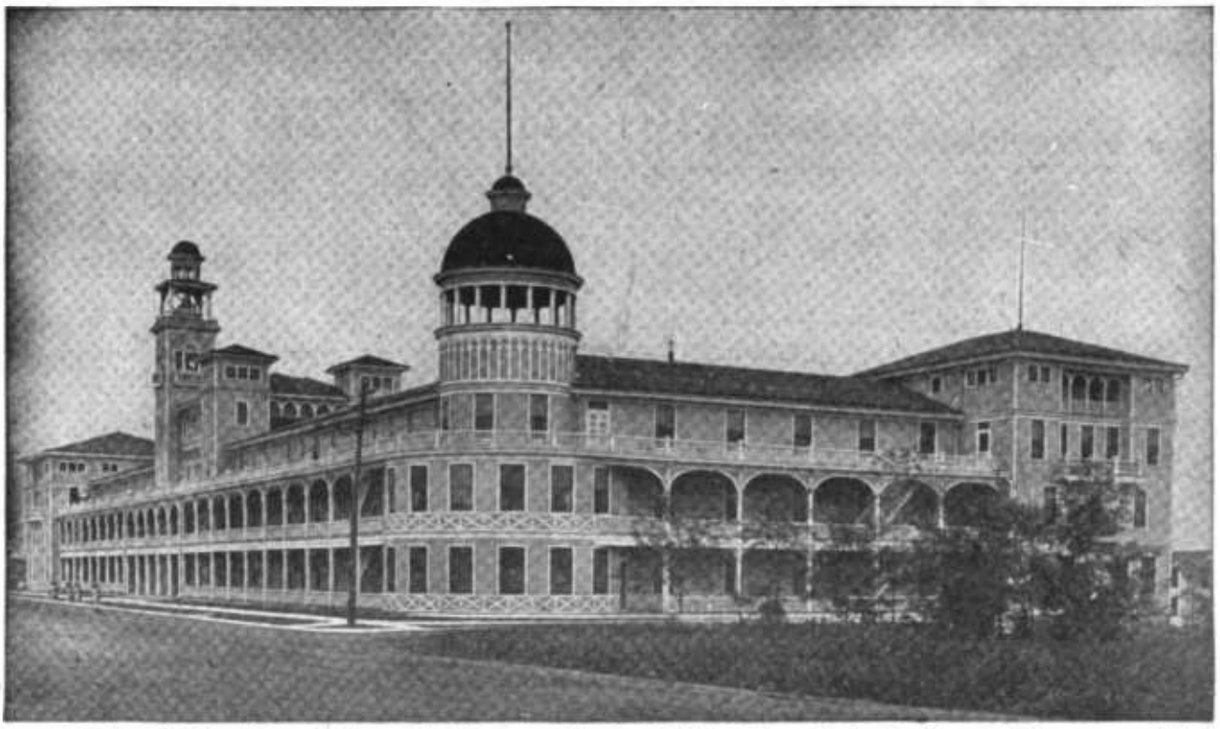
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"Whence Camest Thou? and Whither Wilt Thou Go?"

By JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE

THESE are the questions of the "Angel of the Lord." They are first addressed to Hagar, when He found her by a fountain of water in the wilderness, on the borders of Egypt, into which country she was fleeing from her home, which was with Abraham in the Promised Land. Her heart was hot with anger, and yet filled with regret; she proudly resented what she deemed were injuries too grevious to be borne, and yet she could not but sorrow to return amongst the heathen who knew not Jehovah. Advised by God Himself, then, speaking kindly to her in angelic form, she returned home again to friends reconciled — a home which she should never have left.

And now, today "the Angel of the Lord" addresses these questions, kind reader, to thee — "Whence camest thou and whither goest thou?" They are of deepest importance to thee.

Where does the Loving Shepherd find thee today? Art thou a weary sheep far astray in the wilderness? or art thou found today safely and joyfully on the King's highway of holiness, where all the paths are peace and pleasantness?

Wherever you are, remember, I beseech you, whence you came. You came from God. He is "the Father of spirits," and we are all "His offspring." Alas, many who have sold their birthright have forgotten their noble birth. But God never forgets, and in asking the first of these questions today, He reminds thee that thou art still His child, and the object of His tenderest love.

Like the Prodigal of whom Jesus spake, let the remembrance of thy Father's home lead thee to return to seek His mercy, if thou art far away in the wilderness, vainly trying to feed thy deathless soul on the world's empty husks, amid the swinish filth of brutish, sinful passions. "Come to thyself," as he did, and then obey the loving voice which points thee to the Way by which thou mayest "go to thy Father," which Way is Jesus: and thou shalt, almost before thou knowest, find thyself, as he did, in the embrace of an infinite compassionate God, and the heavens will resound with joyful music, because thou hast come home again. Let no one deceive thee as to whence thou hast come. Cleave firmly ever to the truth that thou art the offspring of God, not of blind chance; that thou hast a Home for thy spirit, even when heart and flesh fail, and art not a mere material atom which returns to its kindred atoms.

But "WHITHER WILT THOU GO?"

Thou art going onward in the path which thou hast chosen. No blind Fate, no cruel Necessity compels thee to walk in the path in which thy spirit is going: for thy Will alone appoints thy path. Look well, I beseech thee, at the path into which that will has driven thee. Thou hast a choice of roads. There are but two. They are both through the wilderness of this life, and conduct thee to widely different gates, at death, into the life beyond.

Thou mayest know these paths by many infallible marks.

First, THY COMPANIONS in the road show thee where thou art. Their conversation, their objects, and their desires will be very plain to thee, if thou art honest with thy soul; and thou canst not mistake as to whether they are seeking the treasures of Egypt, or treasures in the heavens — thou shalt know where their hearts are, when thou hearest them tell thee where their treasure lies.

Then THEIR END will often show thee on what path they traveled: for death makes plain to every eye the realities or the shams on which they set their hearts. The faithless, at death, are full of fear: for they leave all their heart's treasure behind them, whilst those who have trod the path of faith in God see their end approach with rapture, as they behold their treasures above, shining in all the dazzling glory of God's eternal light and love. The worldling says with Caesar Borgia—"Alas, I have prepared for everything except death; and now that at last I have to die, I am entirely unprepared." The Christian shouts a song of victory over the grave, and a welcome to stingless death, with the great Christian hero, Paul, or, as Bunyan beautifully expresses it in his *Pilgrim's Progress*, he says with Mr. Standfast — "I see myself now at the end of the journey, my toilsome days are ended. I am going now to see that head which was crowned with thorns, and that face that was spit upon for me. I have formerly lived by hearsay and faith; but now I shall go where I shall live by sight, and shall be with Him in Whose company I delight myself. I have loved to hear my Lord spoken of: and, wherever I have seen the print of His shoe in the earth, there have I coveted to set my foot too. His Name has been to me a civet-box; yea, sweeter than all perfumes. His voice has been to me most sweet; and his countenance I have desired more than they that have most desired the light of the sun. His Word did I use to gather for my food, and for antidotes against my faintings. He has held me, and has kept me from my iniquities; yea, my steps have been strengthened in His way." And then, whilst thus in discourse, his countenance changes, the strong man bows under, the last words are spoken, "Take me, for I come to Thee," and he ceases to be seen any more below. "But," as Bunyan adds in his affecting allegory, "glorious was it to see how the open region was filled with horses and chariots, with trumpeters and pipers, with singers and players on stringed instruments, to welcome the pilgrims as they went up, and followed one another in at the beautiful gate of the city;"—and canst thou not add with the author, — "which, when I had seen, I wished myself among them."

Then, WHERE ARE THOU GOING? Art thou going on the broad road of sin and destruction, away out into the darkness, self-banished from thy God and Savior? or, art thou going Home where thy Father waits to bid thee welcome?

I met a man, some years ago, who was in deep distress, both of body and spirit. He wept bitterly as he said, "Oh, sir, 'tis not my being hungry and friendless that most troubles me, sore though that trouble is. It is, sir, that I am dying and I have no hope beyond. My father, my mother, and my only sister are all dead, and *they knew where they were going to. But I am dying, and oh, I do not know where I am going.*" 'Twas sad to see his grief over a wasted life; but glad was I to point the way to God.

Now, reader, let me lovingly entreat thee not to neglect the questions which thy Lord addresses to thee even now — "WHENCE CAMEST THOU? AND WHITHER WILT THOU GO?" And set forth this day to return to thy Father, under His loving leadership, Who now waits to receive thy sinful soul, that He may cleanse it and renew it by His Spirit of Love, and prepare thee for "the inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled." Then, as thou journeyest thou shalt sing in thy heart, with thy heaven-bound companions:—

"We're going home, no more to roam,
No more to sin and sorrow;
No more to wear the brow of care—
We're going home tomorrow."

"For weary feet await a street
Of wondrous pave and golden;
For hearts that ache the angels wake
The story sweet and olden.

"Oh, joyful song! oh, ransomed throng!
Where sin no more shall sever;
Our Lord to see, and, oh, to be
With Him at home for ever!"

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"And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."
—Hebrews 10:24, 25.

JESUS THE HEALER, AND SATAN THE DEFILER

The ministry of Jesus the Christ is summed up in three things: Teaching, Preaching, Healing.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever.

What did He teach?

He taught His own Divinity.

He taught His own incarnation.

He taught that every man on earth was in need of a Savior.

He proclaimed Repentance first, and Faith next.

Zion proclaims that there is no salvation in any other name than that of Jesus.

SATAN THE DEFILER.

"He that doeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this end was the Son of God manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil."—I John 3:8.

"How that God anointed Him 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."—Acts 10:38.

"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?"—Luke 13:16.

ZION, in her teaching, smites the wicked lie that God makes His children sick.

WHAT SHOULD A CHRISTIAN DO WHEN SICK?

"Is any sick among you? 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 the 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 one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."—James 5:14-16.

A Christian should obey the commands of God as contained in His Word.

"What should a Christian do when sick?" is plainly answered by the above Apostolic command, which was inspired by the Spirit of God. It shows you what was the practice of the primitive Church.

Nowhere in the Old Testament, nor in the New, is there a single word approving doctors, surgeons, or drugs. You may search the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, covering four thousand one hundred years of human history, of Divine Revelation, and you will find no provision for any other healing of God's people than God Himself.

"What shall one then answer the messengers of the nation? That the Lord hath founded Zion, and the poor of His people shall trust in it."

ZION has been called into existence as a place of refuge for the oppressed and afflicted of God's people.

The ministers of the apostate Churches are, for the most part, false shepherds, and they have turned the sick, the suffering and the dying over to doctors and drugs, surgeons and knives. The sick know better than to ask the ministers to pray for their healing, for they will tell them that the day of miracles is past, that Jesus used to heal but that He does not heal now, and they will advise them to go to the doctors.

Requests for prayer may be sent to ZION from any part of the world, and every Request will be given careful consideration.

Send in your Requests. If you can come to ZION HOME and attend the meetings and get the teaching, all the better.

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"The Only Remedy for Sickness and Disease"

Report of the Service Held in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, June 1, 1919, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. M.)

PROCESSIONAL by the ZION SENIOR WHITE-ROBED CHOIR: "GLORIOUS THINGS OF THEE ARE SPOKEN."

Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
He Whose Word cannot be broken,
Form'd thee for His Own abode;
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of Living Waters
Springing from Eternal Love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, while such a river
Ever flows their thirst t'assuage
Grace which, like the Lord, the Giver,
Never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hov'ring,
See the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a cov'ring,
Showing that the Lord is near;
Thus deriving from their banner,
Light by night, and shade by day,
Safe they feed upon the manna
Which He gives them when they pray.

Blest inhabitants of Zion,
Wash'd in the Redeemer's blood!
Jesus, Whom their souls rely on,
Makes them kings and priests to God.
'Tis His love His people raises
Over self to reign as kings:
And as priests, His solemn praises
Each for a thank-off'ring brings.

INVOCATION by the General Overseer:

Our Father Who art in the heavens, we acknowledge Thee in this afternoon hour. We bring to Thee our heart's deepest love, our offerings of praise and thanksgiving. Thou art our Father, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! Thou art the Source of all blessings, the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Unto Thee, and unto Thee alone, all praise and thanksgiving belong! We pray Thee to manifest Thy Presence in this place this afternoon; to manifest Thy power in the quickening of the saints, in the conviction of the sinful. Grant that this entire service, to the minutest detail, may be in strict accordance with Thy Word and will. May the people be instructed and encouraged and edified, and one and all be blessed in spirit, in soul, and in body with every needed blessing. Hear us, our Father, in this our earnest petition, and grant, O God, to be with us all the way and all the days until Jesus comes! In His Name and for His sake; Amen.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let us sing the HYMN, entitled, "WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS!"

What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear;
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer.
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
Oh, what needless pain we bear —
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a Friend so faithful,
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our Refuge,—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

SCRIPTURAL READING AND EXPOSITION

GENERAL OVERSEER: My hearers, while every part of this service is important, the one part which far exceeds all others in importance is the READING OF GOD'S WORD.

I shall read in God's Inspired Word, first, in the Fourteenth Chapter of the Gospel according to St. John.

If I can be used of God this afternoon in getting a little of His Word into your hearts, I shall entertain some hope of being a blessing to you.

These words were spoken by Jesus the Christ in the "upper room" in the City of Jerusalem not long before Gethsemane, not long before Calvary.

They are very appropriate at this time.

Jesus had told His disciples that He was to be arrested and that He would be crucified. Though they had been with Him for the greater part of three years, yet they did not understand why it was necessary for Him to be put to death.

Many people do not understand it now.

Forgiveness of Sins Through the Shed Blood of Jesus Christ

In these days it is very necessary to tell the people that WITHOUT THE SHEDDING OF BLOOD THERE IS NO REMISSION OF SINS!

All *substitutes* will fail!

There is no such a thing as *salvation by works!* Character never saved anybody and it never will save anybody. All men have sinned, and until they accept Jesus the Christ as their Substitute and COME UNDER THE BLOOD they are still in their sins.

Now, these disciples were greatly distressed. Therefore, Jesus said unto them:

Let not your heart be troubled:

The old world is in the throes of distress today — such distress as it never has known before; and the world will find out that this cry of "Peace! Peace!" is the immediate and the last sign preceding its day of destruction, as foretold in God's Word.

The world's hopes are false!

The world's talk of PEACE, without the PRINCE OF PEACE, is a delusion!

Here is the voice of Jesus, if men and women only heed it.

There is no reason why a Christian should be troubled in the least.

I notice that an English journalist has sold all of his possessions and moved into a common, ordinary workman's house; in other words, he is trying to come in out of the rain — he is trying to escape the storm, which, as a journalist of world-wide repute, sagacity, and so-called notoriety, he can see coming. But he will find he has come in too late. It is not worth while to come into the cellar after the cyclone has hit the house.

Standing on the Threshold of the "Great and Terrible Day of the Lord"

I trust that you will not be deceived by all this vain, idle talk, which is now filling the papers, about our being on the verge of an era of UNIVERSAL PEACE, and so on.

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We are standing right on the threshold, this afternoon, of that period which the prophets and the Lord Jesus Christ have so plainly described.

The one great, unmistakable sign that its shadows are now falling thick and fast around us is the agitation for the return of tens of thousands of Jews to Palestine.

They will return there in their unbelief, still rejecting the Messiah, and they will pass through the "time of Jacob's trouble;" they will be put into the melting pot and they will receive the chastisement so plainly foretold in God's Word.

We are right up to that time this afternoon.

Jesus said:

Let not your hearts be troubled:

Why?

Well, the first reason is:

—Ye believe in God,—

I do not meet very many people who believe in God. I find that the rank and file of people do *not* believe in God; and I find that the rank and file of those who *say* they do, live every day as though there were no God.

Who is the greater infidel of the two — the man who says, "There is no God," and then lives what passes for a fairly respectable life (which, however, cannot save anybody), or the man who says he believes in God and then lives as though there were no God?

The second one is the greater infidel of the two. The world today is full of these two classes.

What does it amount to for a man to profess to be a Christian and then live like the Devil? It does not amount to anything! It just makes that man a hypocrite — the most detestable creature on the face of the earth!

Unbelief in Jesus Christ the Spirit of the Antichrist

Then we have the exhortation:

—Believe also in Me.

That is, in Jesus the Christ.

Not only is Christ denied in the *world* today, but there are multitudinous *religious* organizations which deny Him. And that is the spirit of ANTICHRIST.

Unitarianism denies the Christ; denies that Jesus came in the flesh.

The Word of God says:

And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God, and this is that spirit of ANTICHRIST, whereof ye have heard that it should come;—I John 4:3.

Simply believing in *God* will not suffice. There is no salvation in any other name than the NAME OF JESUS!

Jesus the Christ was God manifest in the flesh! He was God! There never was a time when He did not exist. He became incarnate in the flesh, in that He took upon Himself the form of a man — and was born of the Virgin Mary.

And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.—Philippians 2:8.

No other one can atone for our sins. God did not send an angel, and He did not send a mere man. The great day of reckoning is near at hand, when men and women will find out that their substitutes are false.

These false systems do not come from the reading of the *Word of God*. There is the difficulty today! If I can get men and women to put aside everything else and read the BIBLE, we will get somewhere.

You do not need any Christian Science reading rooms, or any Spiritualistic seances, or any philosophical lectures, or any Baha lectures, or any of the rest of these things. If you will take the Word of God and read it, you will learn something.

That is where the trouble comes in!

The People are Apostatizing and Accepting Error and Delusions

We used to send missionaries to convert the heathen; now *they* are sending missionaries to convert the Americans — and they are doing it. Every occult system of the East is now established and intrenched in this Country; and the people are apostatizing and accepting error.

You know, when people will not receive "the love of the truth," they are in a position to believe a *delusion;* and the masses today are in delusions.

You will notice that every false system has a false Christ and does away with the Devil. They teach that there is no hell, no judgment, and so on. That is true of every false system in the land.

He assigns further reasons here:

In My Father's house are many mansions (or, dwelling places): if it were not so, I would have told you. I GO TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU.

And from the day that He ascended into Heaven, He has been engaged in preparing a place for the saints.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I WILL COME AGAIN, AND RECEIVE YOU UNTO MYSELF; THAT WHERE I AM, THERE YE MAY BE ALSO.—John 14:1-3.

Here is one of the first hints that the Savior gave that He would return and take His saints, and that where He went they would be also.

I will read further in the Fourth Chapter of First Thessalonians, beginning with the Thirteenth Verse:

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them who are asleep,—

Sickness and Death do Not Come from God

Sickness is an awful thing.

Death is a terrible thing.

I have heard persons speak about "beautiful death," but I never have seen any beautiful deaths. I hate death, and I look forward to the time when death will be destroyed.

It is a lie to say that God makes people sick. God does *not* make people sick! The cause of all sickness and disease is SIN. If there were no sin, there would be no sickness and no disease; and sickness and disease never will be destroyed until sin is destroyed.

Now, the more doctors we have, the more sickness and disease we have. There is more sickness and disease today than ever before. The doctors cannot cure anything, and they lie when they say they can.

There were SIX MILLION deaths from influenza in six weeks in this old world, with all the thousands of doctors and all the surgeons — they were powerless.

There are very few people who have not lost those who were bound to them by the ties of nature.

There are thousands in Chicago who are sick this afternoon. There are hundreds within the boundaries of this City who are dying of cancer; there are thousands who are dying of tuberculosis; there are little children dying in mothers' arms; there are boys and girls, and young men and young women dying. In spite of the doctors and the surgeons and the hospitals, with all their digitalis, nux vomica, arsenic, strychnine, rattlesnake venom, cockroaches, flies, and other remedies, still they die! The people still continue to go to these doctors, pay them their money, take their poisons, die, and go to the graveyard.

The Only Remedy for Sickness and Disease—The Blood of Jesus Christ

There is only ONE REMEDY for sin, and that is the BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST!

There is only one remedy for *sickness* and *disease* — the BLOOD OF JESUS THE CHRIST!

The old Prophet Isaiah said:

Surely He hath borne our griefs (sicknesses), and carried our sorrows:—Isaiah 53:4.

The only trouble is that people will not *let* Him do it.

In Matthew we are told:

When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His Word, and healed all that were sick:
That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.—Matthew 8:16, 17.

Christian Science may come to town with a demon-inspired lot of stuff and tell you that sin is not real, and that sickness is not real; but it is a lie!

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Sin *is* real!

And the Son of God died on Calvary to make atonement for the sins of humanity. His atonement was a *real transaction* for the doing away with *real transgressions*.

You may read the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, but you will not find there any of these false systems and false doctrines.

Millennial Dawnism, founded by Charles T. Russell, teaches that Jesus was formerly the Archangel Michael.

Well, I will give any man ten thousand dollars who will find that in the Word of God!

It is not there!

Never at any time was Jesus the Christ an *angel* or an *archangel!* He was God and He became incarnate in the flesh.

That is the plain Word of God!

False Systems Preparing the Way of the False Messiah—The Antichrist

That is what the Methodists and the Presbyterians and the Baptists taught when I was a little boy. We did not have any of these false systems then. They are signs of the times in which we are living; they are the preparation for the SUPER-MAN, the FALSE MESSIAH, the ANTICHRIST, who will rule this world. And every one who refuses to bow down and worship his image will have his head cut off.

Now, let us get these fundamentals, which were taught by John Wesley, by Martin Luther, and by all men who believed in the INFALLIBLE INSPIRATION OF GOD ALMIGHTY'S WORD. Only when men began to slip from the Word of God did they come under delusions and begin to teach false doctrines.

The blood of Christ is the only solution for sin — there is no other!

When a man tells me there is no Devil, I tell him he is a *liar;* for I know better.

When he tells me there is no hell, I tell him he is a LIAR; for I know better.

Men and women may tickle their ears with these false doctrines, but there is a terrible awakening before them. They will find out that sin is *sin*, and that it cannot be covered up or glossed over. Profanity, vulgarity, lasciviousness, blasphemy, licentiousness, all these things are sins, and the only remedy is the blood of Jesus the Christ!

The Soul-Sleeping Doctrine a Lie of the Devil

Now, the saint never dies; the saint goes to *sleep*.

That is the figure which is used here in this Fourth Chapter of First Thessalonians.

As to the body, it goes into the ground; but the *spirit* of the saint goes to Paradise, which is the outer court of the Third Heaven. And this afternoon the spirits of all the saints who have departed from this world are in Paradise, and when the Lord descends He will bring every one of them with Him.

Is there any one here who has been tricked into believing in *soul-sleeping?*

Well, you will not find that in the Bible, either.

It is a lie of the Devil!

Millennial Dawnism and Seventh Day Adventism and all the rest of these infernal systems that teach it are teaching a lie of the Devil!

There is not a word between the lids of the Bible to support the doctrine of *soul-sleeping*, or a cessation of consciousness! Just the contrary!

This is the first time the Rapture ever was revealed. It belongs to the Church, therefore, it never was revealed before.

What do I mean by the Rapture?

I mean that at the beginning of Daniel's Seventieth Week, which will last for seven years, all the saints on this earth will be changed, "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye," and caught up to meet the Lord in the air.

That is what I mean by the Rapture!

The Revelation comes seven years later.

Jesus hinted at the Rapture in two places:

First, in the Eleventh Chapter of John, when He said:

And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. — John 11.26.

He referred there to the Rapture. Those of us who are living when the trumpet sounds, and who believe in Jesus the Christ, shall not see death.

Second, in the Fourteenth Chapter of John, a part of which I read to you, when He said:

...I WILL COME AGAIN... — John 14:3.

There you have the only two hints of the Rapture which are to be found in the first four books of the New Testament.

The Hidden Mystery of the Church Revealed to the Apostle Paul

God revealed the Hidden Mystery — the Church — to Paul; and He gave to him this special revelation of that which Jesus simply touched upon in the Eleventh and the Fourteenth Chapters of John.

May God help us to learn more about the Bible!

— That ye sorrow not, even as others (the pagans) who have no hope.

Is there a man or a woman sitting here today who has followed the form of a loved one to the cemetery who does not have, in his or her heart, the hope of seeing that loved one again, some time, somewhere?

I know men say they do not believe in God or any hereafter, but where is the man who, when he puts a loved one out of his sight, believes that that loved one is put there in the ground on the same level and plane as a dog or a horse or a cow? Down deep in his heart he longs to see that loved one again.

That is the reason Ingersoll trapped himself in his famous oration at the grave of Walt Whitman. You had better get that oration and read it, and you will find that what I say is true. Down deep in his heart Ingersoll believed in God, but he delivered infidel lectures for the "coin" — just as many other people in this world sell themselves, spirit, soul, and body, wives, children, and everything, for the "almighty dollar."

There have been men who have damned themselves and their families in order to go to Congress — chasing after that which the world calls HONOR.

Admiral Dewey was proclaimed a hero one day and a great public fund was raised to purchase him a house. Then in a few days Dewey was forgotten and he never was mentioned until he died, and then there was a very brief mention of him in the papers.

Up with a man today and *down* with him tomorrow — that is what the world calls HONOR. History is replete with illustrations of the truthfulness of what I say.

For if we believe that Jesus DIED and ROSE AGAIN, —

There are the two things.

Preachers and Theological Seminaries Doing the Work Formerly Done by Ingersoll

You know, it is a popular thing today for ministers to deny the Virgin Birth; to deny the Physical Resurrection; to laugh at the Second Coming.

There are no Ingersolls walking around today; the Devil does not need them. The preachers and the theological seminaries are doing the work Ingersoll used to do; and they are doing it better than he ever did it.

There is one man down here at the Chicago University who wants the Government to put a stop to all preaching on the Second Coming of the Lord.

Well, I will tell you, any man who knows his Bible and who is familiar with the trend of events in this world today, knows that the thing that is going to happen will be the SECOND COMING OF THE LORD. We are standing right on the very threshold of the open door in Heaven, mentioned in the First Verse of the Fourteenth Chapter of Revelation.

Let an apostate church and an unbelieving, a scoffing, a sneering, a theater-going, a card-playing, and a dancing world continue to play on the crater of a slumbering volcano, if they wish! The outburst will soon come and sweep the whole present order — politically and otherwise — from the face of the earth; when the kings and the queens and the captains and the great men will "hide themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains," and cry for the mountains to fall upon them and hide them from the Face of Him in Whom they do not believe and at Whose second coming they laugh and scoff.

There are the two great doctrines — the *Crucifixion* of Christ and His *Resurrection*.

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— Even so them also who sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.

For this we say unto you BY THE WORD OF THE LORD, —

Thus it was a special revelation.

— That we who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent (precede) them who are asleep.

The Shout Announcing the Rapture — "Come Up Hither"

For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, —

Do you know what that shout will be?

You will find it in the First Verse of the Fourth Chapter of Revelation — "COME UP HITHER" — and it will not be heard by anybody except the SAINTS OF GOD.

This afternoon I ask you to come to Jesus! Forsake the world and surrender your hearts and lives to Jesus! The Lord will say, "Come up hither!" — and every *saint* will hear it.

— And with the voice of the archangel, —

Now, there is only one archangel mentioned in the Bible. When the Lord comes, Michael, the archangel, will be the commander-in-chief of the angelic hosts, who will gather the saints in all the earth.

Every saint has a guardian angel.

Are they not all MINISTERING SPIRITS, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation? — Hebrews 1:14.

The name of every saint is recorded, and when the time comes for the Lord to give the shout, "Come up hither," every angel will know right where to find the saint whom he guards.

— And with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words. — I Thessalonians 4:13-18.

I will read three verses in the Fifth Chapter of First Thessalonians:

But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.

I want you to notice this!

For yourselves know perfectly that the DAY OF THE LORD —

What is the Day of the Lord?

The Day of the Lord is the last seven years of Gentile dominion, spoken of in Scripture as the "great and terrible day of the Lord," when all the things which have cursed this world down through the centuries will gather in awful intensity, like the stalks of wheat are gathered into the sheaf; and then there will be a war compared to which the last war was only children's play.

The DAY OF THE LORD — the last seven years of Gentile dominion, Daniel's Seventieth Week, the closing period of man's day — when everything will go to smash.

— The day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

You people here in Chicago ought to be familiar with the way thieves come; for there are more burglaries committed in Chicago than in any other place I know anything about.

This seven-year period is right upon us. The League of Nations, which is now the one great subject before this Nation and before other nations, is the last chapter in the drama, before the "man on horseback," in Europe, presents himself.

The writers in England who say that the world needs a DICTATOR, are speaking more wisely than they know.

A certain Frenchman makes the statement that the constitution of the League of Nations is a greater document than the Bible.

Think of that!

Well, he is crazy, and so is any other man who would make such a statement.

Another writer says that when President Wilson returns to this Country it will be said, "He saved the world!"

The League of Nations a Veritable "Refuge of Lies"

That is a lot of bunk and nonsense! They will find out how the League of Nations will terminate. The Word of God presents the picture.

An officer in this Church shook hands with ex-President Taft the other night and handed him LEAVES OF HEALING. He talked with him about the League of Nations and the Bible, and Mr. Taft was very much interested to learn where the League of Nations is mentioned in the Bible.

Well, I can show you where the Bible says:

• • We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves: — Isaiah 28:15.

Then it is that God sweeps away their "refuge of lies," and the most awful war the world ever has seen, involving all the nations of this world, takes place.

They will find out that the Bolsheviki up in Russia are fulfilling prophecy and that the "red terror" will sweep, not only central and western Europe, but the whole world!

Under the Sixth Seal — which is opened about three and one-half years after the appearance of the "man on horseback — the "red terror" will take the world and *every government* will fall! The Bible says that the *rulers* will fall, "as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind."

Where Are We on the Stream of Time This Afternoon?

The sun of the period that has lasted so long is disappearing today, and the first rays of the sun which will bring in the last SEVEN YEARS can plainly be seen by a student of God's Word.

The League of Nations is simply the beginning of the Revived Roman Empire, and soon the "man on horseback" will appear. Then you will see the formation of the great Northeastern Confederacy, led by Russia, and joined by Germany, Austria, China, Japan, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, and so on; and the army of this confederacy will meet the army of the "man on horseback" near the City of Jerusalem.

In the Book of Zechariah we are told that all nations are to be gathered around Jerusalem and that two-thirds of the Jews will be destroyed.

The Lord comes as a "thief in the night." He will not come as a thief in the night to me, and He will not come as a thief in the night to some others, if they will listen; for I will take the Bible and give you the full program of that which is right ahead of us. You can take your note book and write it down, and then watch and see whether the Bible is surely the INSPIRED WORD OF GOD which is foretelling everything down to the end of time, or not.

I believe it *is!*

Now, how does a thief come?

He does not wear squeaky boots, does he? No; he comes in his sock feet or wearing soft slippers, and the first thing you know about Mr. Thief is the next morning when you wake up and find that one of the screens is gone; that the drawers of the dresser and the chiffonier are open and the contents gone; that all the silverware in the dining room is gone; that the money is gone from your pocketbook, and so on.

And so Jesus the Christ comes as a "thief in the night" to take His "pearl;" and the world will not know it and the apostate church will not know it until after the "pearl" is *gone*. Then they will wake up and say, "It seems to me I did hear that man Voliva talking about the Lord's coming, but I took him for a fool." Well, we will soon see who is the fool.

Listen!

The Climacteric Cry and the Climacteric Sign

Here is the climacteric cry — here is the climacteric sign:

For when they shall say, PEACE AND SAFETY; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. — I Thessalonians 5:1-3.

I have read to you a little out of the Word of God. I will guarantee that nine hundred and ninety-nine out of every one thousand men and women with whom you might rub elbows in Chicago do not know that what I have read is in the Bible; and, what is still sadder, the rank and file do not care to know.

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There is no use for people to say, "Well, I did not have a chance." Most of them *have* had a chance, and they *do know!*

The war that closed on the Eleventh Day of November, 1918, was only to warn the people that things are winding up. The epidemic of influenza, which visited all the nations and destroyed millions, was only to wake people up.

You have no excuse!

You have no reason in the world for not forsaking the world, this afternoon, and giving your heart to God. You can do it as you sit there in your seat. If the Lord should come tonight and leave you behind, I have done my part.

I am holding this service today at a total cost, perhaps, of several hundred dollars — and what for? That I might reach at least *one person* before the Day of Grace and Mercy closes.

Is it possible that I should preach and read the Word of God here today; that this Choir should sing; that this entire service should be held, without one person's being brought out of darkness into Light?

It hardly seems possible; and yet Noah preached for ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY YEARS without a convert.

The SELECTION, entitled, "O LORD, HOW MANIFOLD ARE THY WORKS," was then sung by the Choir, after which the General Overseer offered Prayer. The General Overseer then made the Announcements for the week and the CHOIR rendered the "HALLELUJAH CHORUS," from *Handel's "Messiah,"* after which Conductor John D. Thomas sang the beautiful HYMN, entitled, "SOME DAY THE SILVER CHORD WILL BREAK."

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The son of God goes forth to war,
A kingly crown to gain;
His blood-red banner streams afar:
Who follows in His train?
Who best can drink his cup of woe,
Triumphant over pain,
Who patient bears his cross below,
He follows in His train.

That martyr first, whose eagle eye
Could pierce beyond the grave;
Who saw His Master in the sky,
And called on Him to save;
Like Him, with pardon on His tongue,
In midst of mortal pain,
He pray'd for them that did the wrong:
Who follows in His train?

A noble band, the chosen few,
On whom the Spirit came,
Twelve valiant saints, their hope they know
And mocked the torch of flame;
They met the tyrant's brandish'd steel,
The lion's gory mane,
They bow'd their necks the stroke to feel:
Who follows in their train?

A noble army, men and boys,
The matron and the maid,
Around the throne of God rejoice,
In robes of light arrayed.
They climb'd the steep ascent of heav'n
Thro' peril, toil, and pain;
O God, to us may grace be giv'n
To follow in their train.

BENEDICTION

Father in Heaven, take this congregation into a sacred nearness with Thyself. Thou knowest every heart in Divine Presence, every home represented here, every joy, every trial, every sorrow, and every burden. Jesus came into this world to save, to heal, to cleanse, to keep, to bear the burdens, to bless, and to sanctify. Now we pray Thee to dismiss us with every needed blessing for spirit, for soul, and for body. Be with us as we speak to the people of this City from time to time on the Second Coming of our Lord. May they be aroused and awakened to lay hold of Divine things in these days of great peril! Hear us, Father, in Jesus' Name and for His sake; Amen.

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What patience and what love and hope
He shows toward the piece of clay,
He keeps His furnaces ablaze,
He watches as the metal melts,
Glad at the separating dross.
What heat! What trying, dying hours
The silver ore is passing through,
Well nigh despairing as the flames
Attack again on every side.
Still He proceeds as if He were
The silver's bitterest enemy,
He adds more fuel to the fire,
He looks with unrelenting eye.

At last He o'er the fluid bends,
Which now reflects His smiling face.
The mixture now is silver pure,
A finished product free from dross;
What seemingly at first was loss
And what so hard was to endure—
The furnace heated seven-fold—
Has come to be the highest good,
The blessing indispensable,
God's *choicest* blessing in disguise.

Now the sublime objective reached,
The Great Refiner rests at last;
The trying flames are cooling off,
The furnace needed is no more,
It only was means to an end.
Oh heart of mine! Do not despair,
Do not grow weary being tried,
Grow rather weary of thy dross,
Be glad to suffer loss supreme
Until the face Immaculate,
The Great Refiner's matchless face,
Will be reflected in thine own.

BASIL MALOF.

Twenty-four Apostles Mentioned by Name in the New Testament

1. Simon, who is called Peter
2. Andrew, his brother
3. James, the son of Zebedee
4. John, his brother
5. Philip
6. Bartholomew
7. Thomas
8. Matthew, the publican
9. James, the son of Alphaeus
10. Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus
11. Simon, the Canaanite
12. Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed Him (Matthew 10:2-4)
13. Matthias (Acts 1:26)
14. James, the brother of the Lord (Galatians 1:19)
15. Barnabas
16. Saul (Acts 13:1-3)
17. Apollos (I Corinthians 4:6-9—Romans 16:7)
18. Andronicus
19. Junias (Romans 16:7)
20. Epaphroditus (Philippians 2:25)
21. Jude
22. Silvanus
23. Timotheus (I Thessalonians 1:1—I Thessalonians 2:6)
24. Titus (II Corinthians 8:23)

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"MARTHA AND MARY"

(Luke 10: 38-42; John 11: 1-46)

By Apostle Carl F. Viking

THERE were two Jewish sisters in the little village of Bethany near Jerusalem. Living with them was their beloved brother Lazarus. These three constituted the little family who entertained Jesus when He visited Jerusalem.

It was Martha who received Jesus into the house and then began to prepare for His entertainment. She

was cumbered about much serving.

On this occasion she must have felt that she could not get through her work in time.

Mary took a position at the feet of Jesus Himself, while He was discoursing the wonderful Words of Life.

He noticed the silent listener at His feet. Mary was an exceptional woman. Of course she was not unwilling to work and help in the house, but she, hungry for every word from the lips of the Lord, could not tear herself away and miss the Life-giving truth, no matter if Martha was impatient. She chose to stay where she was. The Master was not there often, and on this occasion Mary became so absorbed in the Christ Himself, that other matters became to her secondary. It was not selfishness on her part, but an absolute abandonment to Christ; a foretaste of Heaven to listen to Him.

Martha no doubt threw dark glances toward Mary from a distance and began to grumble. Finally she could not hold herself back any longer, but rushed right into the Presence of Jesus, saying:

Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? (Luke 10:40).

In a sense she even blamed Jesus for her trouble.

Bid her therefore that she help me (Verse 40).

The Lord does care. He knows all about the house, the work, the meals to be prepared, the fixing and tidying and cleaning, and besides that, the duty to friends and guests. It is a blessed thing that He knows all about it. He is the Lord of detail. He knows all about Martha's work. He is there keeping His eyes on her. He is familiar with all the ins and outs of her affairs in the home. He knows the conditions of her mind and of her spiritual attainments.

He knows also the struggle for the upkeep of every home where His dear ones live. He knows that many are working very hard and using up every ounce of strength and every moment of time. He knows how tired Martha is sometimes, tired at heart even. He knows she would not object to put on her best and go to the assembly of the saints, if there was time, but she thinks there is no time.

Jesus knows that Martha is sometimes hungry after Divine things, real spiritual things, but He knows that she thinks she is too rushed to seek them, to partake of them, to rest in Him. Poor Martha!

Hear her:

Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? (Verse 40).

Yes, there was her sister in the same house, whom she loved very dearly, Mary, the quiet, contemplating, wonderful Mary. Martha saw the position Mary had taken up at the feet of Jesus. She actually was seated at His feet.

It makes no difference what office or position we hold in ZION, the Holy Spirit makes all the difference.

Without the Holy Spirit we are irritable, impatient, selfish, brutish and full of grumbling and misgivings.

Mary saw Martha coming forward flushed and ruffled. She saw her stop in front of Jesus and speak those words about her sister. But Mary did not rise. She did not move from her position. She did not say a word. But she listened more attentively. She had heard Martha's words, now she wanted to hear the answer of Jesus.

Would He take Martha's side and order Mary away from Him? or would He commend Mary? He was Christ, He would know why she was there.

When He spoke, Oh what a wonderful, pleading voice; what sympathetic words; what wisdom!

Martha, Martha (Verse 41).

Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus (John 11:5).

At the right moment when God called Abraham, He said:

Abraham, Abraham (Genesis 22:11).

There was emphasis, haste, in the double call of his name. God acknowledged the wonderful sacrifice of obedient faith.

From the midst of the burning bush God called out to Moses and said:

Moses, Moses (Exodus 3:4).

That made Moses stop on the spot. He was near enough. God needed him. Moses knew the call was urgent. He responded to it, but hid his face in his mantle for he was afraid to look upon God. He was in the Presence of God.

So also in the case of Samuel. When God wanted him, He called him in the night and said:

Samuel, Samuel (I Samuel 3:10).

And Samuel answered:

Speak, for Thy servant heareth.

Saul, later the Apostle Paul, was stopped on his way to Damascus and addressed by the Lord, who said:

Saul, Saul (Acts 9:4).

He was thus arrested in his mad career as persecutor.

It is appropriate also to note Christ's cry at the sight of Jerusalem, His Own city, that had rejected Him; crying as it were in agony:

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem (Matthew 23:37).

And here today in our lesson, it is not Mary, Mary, but

Martha, Martha,
Martha, Martha, thou art anxious and troubled about many things (Luke 10:41).

How true that is of many believers today. Everyone of us have known of times of great anxiety and heart-trouble. As we have watched by the sick or been sick ourselves; that troubled mind, that fear, that anxiety would come. Still we never gained thereby, but lost severely. The same has been true in many other details of life, and every time we have permitted anxiety to overcome us, we have come short.

Martha lacked overcoming faith in her daily task. She believed in Jesus and was glad that He had come, but she lacked that overcoming faith that conquers self; and as self is conquered, the little details of life are all met without anxiety. Think of God running the whole Universe without anxiety!

Peter looked at the waves and became anxious.

Martha looked at her amount of work and was troubled. She was

troubled about MANY things.

In the narrative of the death and resurrection of Lazarus the two sisters show a great contrast. When Jesus drew near their village, it was Martha that went out to meet Him. It is

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distinctly stated that Mary sat still in the house. She was mourning deeply. She could not rush off into the village and out onto the highway. She suffered very much.

But at the moment when Martha came back and whispered in her ear:

The Master is come, and calleth for thee,

then

As soon as she heard that, she arose quickly, and came unto Him. — John 11:20.

Jesus was still in the place where Martha had met him (Verse 30).

Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw Him she fell down at His feet (Verse 32).

Martha did no such thing. When she met Jesus, the first thing she did was to talk. But Mary first fell at His feet.

Their words were exactly the same:

Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died (Verses 21 and 32).

The one in erect, conversational attitude, the other prostrate at His feet, worshipful, weeping.

Jesus wept.—Verse 35.

In the previous conversation which took place, Jesus called Martha's attention to Himself. He was not only her Lord and Master, but He was also the Resurrection and the Life.

Jesus said unto her, I am the Resurrection and the Life: he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:
And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. Believest thou this?—Verses 25, 26.

The fact that Jesus had called Mary made her hasten to Him. It meant something that He did not come to the house, but would stop outside the village, not far from the grave.

It made no difference to Mary now to go out among the people; for she had been called. Jesus was her Lord and His wish should be met.

Her weeping, prostrate figure at His feet — again at His feet — touched Jesus deeply, and the people also weeping, moved Him in His spirit.

Think of Jesus, the Son of God, standing there on the highway outside that village, surrounded by a group of weeping people and a prostrate woman at His feet, also weeping, Himself in tears!

The Great Burden-Bearer Jesus said at another time:

Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. — Matthew 11:28.

Jesus is weeping with them, not in despair, but in sympathy, in compassion, in bearing their burdens. You cannot truly lift the burden off the heart of the heavy laden without feeling its weight.

Jesus wept. — John 11:35.

The shortest verse in the Bible is a very deep well of tears. The grave of Lazarus was not far away. Jesus said:

Where have ye laid Him (Verse 34)?

Some one led the way there and they soon came to the grave.

Jesus said, Take ye away the stone (Verse 39).

Then Martha was ready again with troubles and said:

Lord, by this time he stinketh; for he hath been dead four days (Verse 39).

But Mary kept silent.

What Jesus required was faith. It did not matter to Him how long the body had been in the grave. Addressing Martha:

Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God (Verse 40)?

Jesus

Cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.
And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go (Verses 43, 44).

What a scene when the dead bound up brother of the two sisters came forth alive from the dark tomb into the sunlight at the command of this Teacher from Galilee, at the very gates of Jerusalem!

This same Lazarus had been laid away a corpse in that cold grave four days before. After that scene in the road where Jesus wept — now this glorious resurrection!

IT IS NOT DEATH BUT LIFE AT JESUS' FEET!

On the Resurrection Morn Christ Himself stepped forth from the grave as our REDEEMER!

And what shall it not be when Jesus the Christ our blessed Lord comes again from Heaven according to His Own statement in the Word of God? It will be wonderful! Then not only one saint will arise from his grave, but all the saints who sleep in Jesus in every land shall awake and arise and ascend into the sky to meet the Lord in the air!

Will not that be glorious?

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them who are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others who have no hope.
For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also who sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.
For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent (go before) them who are asleep.
For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
Wherefore comfort one another with these words. — I Thessalonians 4:13-18.

The RAPTURE! the RAPTURE!!

Again in the Gospel of John the Twelfth Chapter we find Martha at her home occupation, but we know there was no grumbling spirit within her then.

Then Jesus six days before the passover came to Bethany, where Lazarus was who had been dead, whom He raised from the dead.
There they made Him a supper; and Martha served: but Lazarus was one of them that sat at the table with Him. — Verses 1 and 2.

"And Martha served." This little detail is again given of her. But how sweet it was now to serve.

How wonderful to have Lazarus again in their midst. This little family had gone through terrible ordeals. They had had sickness, death, a funeral, and there was the grave and the period of weeping and mourning. And then all at once their sorrow and bitterness of soul had been completely reversed, turned into joy, for he who was dead was alive again.

It was a wonderful thing to look at Lazarus. Many came to see him and learn of the details of his experiences. Bethany became a very well known place, and the believing family — Martha and Mary and Lazarus — was discussed everywhere. And there was Jesus! He had the acclamation of the people but the hatred of their leaders.

Martha served, but what about Mary?

Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair: and the house was filled with the odor of the ointment. — Verse 3.

Mary was again at His feet!

She had been there as an attentive listener, in spirit, all along. In spirit, she had never left that position.

She had been there prostrate in grief and worship.

Now she was there pouring out not only the fragrant spikenard, but in the utmost devotion, her own gratitude and love and service of love found expression in the washing of His feet.

Water was too common to be used now and so was a towel. With her lustrous hair she wiped those blessed feet!

Blessed Mary!

Judas Iscariot tried to take her away from that position, but Jesus said:

Let her alone; against the day of my burying hath she kept this (Verse 7).

When Martha, as we have seen on the former occasion, complained about Mary, that she did not help her, Jesus also said:

But one thing is needful, and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her. — Luke 10:42.

Very few in this world find that wonderful place which Mary occupied.

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BUT ONE THING IS NEEDFUL.

Everything else will take a secondary place when that "one thing" is found.

What we need is God.

What we need is to know Him.

It means to sit at Christ's feet and absorb the truth and learn of life, of overcoming power over self through faith in Christ.

It means God first, God's will first in every action and thought: what is pleasing to God; what is in harmony with Him.

We need the Christ Himself right in our very heart, in our spirit, in our soul and in our body through faith — the New Birth, the indwelling Holy Spirit, the Ever Present God.

It means an absolute consecration of the will and the body to conformity with God's Word.

To sit at Jesus' feet means to be hungering and thirsting for the blessed Word, to read it very often and to be strengthened thereby in faith; to believe the promises and without anxiety and fear do our duty.

To sit at Jesus' feet is to renounce self and selfish ambitions and conform in thought to God's thought.

If we are sitting at Jesus' feet, in spirit, then life will not be a drudgery, but a wonderful pleasure of service.

But one thing is needful.

If we have "one thing," then and then only we will be satisfied. Without that "one thing" nothing will satisfy. No matter what we do or try to accomplish, we are far from peace.

Sitting at Jesus' feet, in spirit, means also a literal reading or hearing of the Word of God. It means going to the meetings where the Word of God is read and where the Bible is used.

It would be impossible for Mary to stay at home on the Lord's Day IF JESUS IS IN THE TABERNACLE. She would pine away. It is her first desire to hear the Word of God. She wants to sit at Jesus' feet in the Tabernacle and receive His message.

We never need to excuse ourselves that we go often to the ZION meetings or that we pay our tithes. At Jesus' feet it is a joy to pay the tithes, never mind what Judas says. God comes first. Other things we can go without, but we cannot go without God.

If you think you can live on your past experiences and not attend the meetings as you used to when you had those experiences, you are mistaken. We cannot afford to live in the past. We need Jesus now. We must sit at His feet now. That we sat there ten years ago was all right, but we must continue at His feet.

But one thing is needful: Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her. — Luke 10:42.

Then you and I may continue to sit at Jesus' feet. His blessed Word shall ever be with us. His Spirit shall never leave the saints. If the truth fills our hearts now, blessed be God, it shall never be taken away from us.

To sit at Jesus' feet at the present time means also to read LEAVES OF HEALING. It is impossible to sit at Jesus feet and not learn of the teaching in ZION whether it be of God or not. If we love the Bible dearly we will also love the LEAVES OF HEALING.

Many do not read LEAVES OF HEALING, and do not read the Bible.

You, who do not have any use for the LEAVES OF HEALING, do you sit at Jesus' feet? I simply ask you. If you read LEAVES OF HEALING, I am absolutely convinced you will also read the Bible.

Some read the Bible because the church or Sunday school work requires some intellectual knowledge of its topics, but they do not sit at Jesus' feet themselves with the Bible. Sunday school teachers as a rule do not read LEAVES OF HEALING, and they do not read the Bible, but resort to "Helps", "Quarterlies", "Lesson Reviews", etc.

People who do not want sermons but lectures, sermonettes, etc., are those who do not read LEAVES OF HEALING or in their private life do not read the Bible.

People who relish novels and Sunday newspaper stories, do not relish the Bible and they hate the sight of LEAVES OF HEALING.

People who do not wish to be seen reading LEAVES OF HEALING do not sit at Jesus' feet.

People who do not want to read the Bible nor LEAVES OF HEALING, do not want to be disturbed in their sinful pastimes and indulgences. They do not sit at Jesus' feet, and they are not prepared for His Coming.

They will loose their life and go to hell.

To sit at Jesus' feet is a soul-stirring experience. The very thing people are afraid of in reading the Bible and the LEAVES OF HEALING, is the thing that takes place there. It means a deep searching of your self, a renouncing of personal desires to the one supreme thought — what does God want?

It implies sacrifice. We cannot sit at Jesus' feet and at the feet of the apostasy at the same time. By sitting at Jesus' feet we shall loose other company and be singled out as too religious, too sober, peculiar and mad.

It implies our own abhoring of a worldly life. At the cinematograph show and the theatre they do not sit at Jesus' feet. At the card table, in the gambling dens, in smoking concerts, in the saloons and houses of iniquity they do not sit at Jesus' feet. The world does not sit at Jesus' feet, neither does civilization nor Modern churchianity.

It is only those who sit at Jesus' feet who will pour out the best they have in His service. They may not have great sums of money to give, or be able to make a show in the eyes of others, but it makes no difference, they do not care for the opinion of that class. It is enough that Jesus knows.

When the call came to sacrifice, Mary sacrificed. Oh how that spirit is desirous to give to Jesus, itself, its dearest affection, its pure love! And with it there is such fragrance of praise and devotion, that it moves God!

To sit at Jesus' feet makes the person publicly a witness for Him. It turns the worshiper's gaze upward in hope desiring His coming. It brings the Second Coming of our Lord very near.

It makes prophecy so clear that it stands out an illumined Scripture for the hour, with its warning and wonderful promises.

It makes the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, a living book of Divine facts, inspired and true and undestrovable.

To sit at Jesus' feet, brother officers in ZION, is the only place where we must sit. If we sit elsewhere we are not worthy. If we sit in the lap of the world we shall be condemned with the world. We shall then fail in our office. We shall collapse in faith with terrible results to ourselves and the people.

If we as leaders in ZION do not sit at Jesus' feet, do you think the people will sit there? The people look up to us, they depend upon us under God, they follow us. They surely will know if we sit at Jesus' feet.

Oh how necessary it is to be there in our personal, private living, where no living soul, but God, sees us.

Do we prepare our sermons at Jesus' feet and are we at His feet on the platform? Do we die at His feet daily and are we crucified to the opinion of others, so that He can use us? At His feet it makes no difference what others say.

When visiting the sick, they must come with us down at the feet of Jesus. I am more convinced that the sick need more and more the Word of God. We may have encouraging words to say, give many directions and be able to pray, but we must give them the Word of God, THE SAME BLESSED WORD OVER AND OVER AND OVER AGAIN. That builds up faith.

I know in my own case that God has had to call my name twice, as it were, more than one time. When His call rings out, it is one I must heed.

If we are exercised by His Word, we will not be slow to come forward and throw ourselves at His feet, and realize our need and have it supplied by Him.

Martha, Martha, thou art anxious and troubled about many things:

But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

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"Bible Nuts for Seventh Dayists to Crack—If They Can"

By APOSTLE WILLIS F. JORDAN

IT is remarkable how many rank and blatant heresies there are today. The earth is full of them, as the Bible has clearly told us it would be. This is one scripturally announced sign that the end of the age is upon us, and that the Coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

Heresy is false doctrine and practice among the professed people of God—I Corinthians 11:19 and II Peter 2:1. Heresies are always brought in by heretics—those who apostatize from the faith and leave God's people, the true ZION.—I John 4:5, 6; 2:19, and II John 1:9-11.

These heresies and isms of these closing days of the age are rightly named "strong delusions" or energies of Satan.—II Thessalonians 2:11—and "doctrines of demons"—I Timothy 4:1.

They are a part of the end-time propaganda constituting THE GREAT APOSTASY and are destined to produce the Antichrist (I John 2:18-22), the man of sin (II Thessalonians 2:3, 4), the awful and terrible beast-system of Revelation 13 and 17.

Among the many "damnable heresies" and isms of this hour there is none more absurd, preposterous, demoniacal and deceptive than SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISM.

In this article we purpose to show its absurdity and unscripturalness in three respects only:

1. THE CLEANSING OF THE SANCTUARY—Daniel 8:13, 14.

Their heretical position is that the 2,300 days here represent 2,300 years, reaching from the commandment to restore and build Jerusalem in B. C. 457 (they say). The first 490 years they make Daniel's Seventy Weeks, fulfilled in 34 A. D. (they say again) when the Christ was crucified.

Four hundred ninety from 2,300 leaves 1,810 years this side the Crucifixion until the sanctuary would be cleansed. Eighteen hundred ten plus 34 gives 1,844 A. D. for the cleansing of the sanctuary. Then, they say, the investigative judgment began in heaven and continues until the Lord comes.

They make out that the sanctuary cleansed is in heaven—not in Jerusalem, on earth, where Daniel, Chapter Eight, has it—as if a sanctuary in the very presence of God in the third heaven could be defiled and need cleansing!

The sanctuary to be cleansed is the one the Revived Roman Empire restored Jews will build near the beginning of the last seven years in the Gentile Times.

This sanctuary will be cleansed by the removal of the image of the beast, etc., thirty days after the seven years close — Daniel 12:11—and the Millennium begins at the end of the 1,335 days. The 1,260, 1,290, and the 1,335 days of Daniel 12:7-13 all begin exactly in the middle of the last seven years, when the image of the antichrist-beast is set up in the Jewish rebuilt temple at Jerusalem.

The removal of that image and the cleansing of that sanctuary ends the 2,300 days—literal days, not years. The Bible means what is says.

2. THE DEVIL'S PRISON HOUSE—Revelation 20:1-7.

They actually teach that the Lord will come and catch up all the saints, at which time He will annihilate *all* that are not saints — even every person. That will depopulate the earth. Then Satan will be confined to it for one thousand years to follow.

How absurd! How preposterous! How unscriptural!

Satan is bound — restrained — and shut up in prison — not a depopulated earth, but "the bottomless pit," the Abyss, Tartarus, Hades.

In II Peter 2:4 the word "hell" is the translation of the Greek word *tartarus*, and that is where the angels that sinned were cast. That is the "prison" of Revelation 20:1-7 in which the Devil and all his demons are cast for a thousand years.

Instead of that being on a depopulated earth, it is under the earth, and is also referred to in the Bible as "the deep," "the lower parts of the earth," etc.

How absurd is the SEVENTH DAY ADVENT HERESY!

Here is a *nut* for them to crack their teeth on — a child can answer this, but they cannot without surrendering in the battle:

How can Satan occupy a depopulated earth for a thousand years, as a prison, and yet at their expiration find not only individuals but whole nations on that same earth?

Read Revelation 20:7-9.

How can he deceive a huge multitude, lead them up around the Holy City (Jerusalem on the earth), when there is no Holy City (or any other city), no individuals, no nations, on the earth — no living being of any kind but the Devil?

Their heresy is really too absurd to dignify with an answer.

3. THAT CHRISTIANS SHOULD KEEP SATURDAY — if they keep Sunday they have received the mark of the beast.

The rest of this article presents twenty Bible nuts which the Seventh Dayists will be unable to crack; for they are absolutely uncrackable.

1. The Sabbath is the seventh day, and for Israel only when she is in her own land. It was never given to anyone else. It was to be observed *nationally*. Israel cannot observe it when dispersed in her enemies' lands.

The Lord's Day is the first day of the week, and for the Church only in this age. It commemorates the Lord's resurrection from among the dead. On that day He arose. It is therefore the Lord's Day. David had it in mind when he exclaimed, "This is *the day* the Lord hath made; let us be glad and rejoice in it."

2. Chapter and verse cannot be found to prove that any man, not even an Israelite, was ever commanded to keep the seventh day Sabbath prior to the Exodus and Sinai.

Chronologically, Exodus 16:23-35 falls *after* Exodus 20:1-17. (1) The Exodus; (2) The Crossing of the Red Sea; (3) Law given on Sinai — Exodus 20:1-17; then, (4) the Manna for forty years and Exodus 16:23-35.

There is no record of any kind to show that Israel was required to keep it during their 400 years in Egypt — Genesis 15:13 — or 430 years — Exodus 12:40-42. There is no record to show that Noah, Melchizedek, Enoch, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, etc., ever kept it.

3. Jesus died at 3 p. m., Friday. They hastened to get Him down from the Cross and buried ere the sun set, for that would begin Saturday, the Sabbath. — Mark 15:42-47; Luke 23:50-56; John 19:38-42.

From sunset Friday, when the Sabbath began, to sunset Saturday, when it ended, Jesus was dead, buried — wrapped in darkness in the tomb.

Seventh Dayists venerate the dead Christ only. They have no living Savior.

Between sundown Saturday and daylight Sunday, the Christ arose — on the first day of the week — the Lord's Day. Christians have a living Christ — a Savior alive forevermore. The Lord's Day declares that RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE: Saturday does not, but commemorates the triumph of death and Hades.

4. The Law came through Moses on Sinai. It is a ministration of death.— II Corinthians 3:3-18.

Grace came through the Christ on Calvary. The Law was thus fulfilled, repealed, taken out of the way. The following Scriptures clearly prove this: Colossians 2:14-17; Romans 14:5, 6; 6:14, 15; 7:6, 7; Galatians 3:10-13, 19-25; 4:9-11, 21; 5:1-4.

THE SEVENTH DAY SABBATH, being a part of the Law, was repealed with the Law.

5. No part of the Law is binding on Christians (Acts 15), not even the Ten Commandments, unless they, with the Law, Sabbath and all, are found re-enacted in the New Testament, and especially in the Epistles which are for the Church.

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To the writer, it is most significant indeed that every one of the Ten Commandments are re-enacted in the Epistles except "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Why this omission?

6. Hebrews 7:12, Ephesians 2:14, 15, Romans 10:4 and many other passages prove that the Christ on the Cross is the end of the Law to all Christian believers. Remember, the Sabbath commandment was a part of the Law.

7. Genesis 2:2, 3 is the only mention, chronologically, of the seventh day before Sinai.

The Law, incorporating the seventh day, was given to Israel only on Sinai — Exodus 20:1-17 — and then, as before stated, we can read Exodus 16:23-35.

8. Why do Seventh Dayists continually violate the Sabbath commandment — if they are sincere in their belief and teaching? See Exodus 16:29.

9. Should Christians do as Israel was commanded, and did actually do, as in Numbers 15:32-36? Yes, if we are to keep Saturday. Then who will be the public executioner?

10. Why do they ride Saturday as a hobby-horse? Why do they not keep the seventh year and the fiftieth year — the year of Jubilee, also? Why do they not keep *all* of Israel's requirements? Who made it their duty to select only the one they wished to? Poor deluded Seventh Dayists, come down from your hobby-horse. Do not allow the Devil to make a stalking horse of you.

11. Consider Exodus 35:1-3. If Christians are to keep the Sabbath, how then can they live in cold climates — even in ZION CITY?

12. If Christians must keep the Sabbath, then why did not Jesus say that all law and prophesy rested on Sabbath keeping instead of upon love?— Matthew 22:34-40 and Romans 13:8-10.

13. Why did not Jesus require the rich young ruler to keep the Sabbath, when enumerating the commandments? Matthew 19:16-20; Mark 10:17-22; Luke 18:18-24.

14. If Christians are to keep the Law, including the Sabbath, why did not the apostles and elders say so in Acts 15:1-29? On the contrary, they distinctly said, "We gave no such commandment."

15. If Christians are to keep the Sabbath, why did Jesus, their proper EXAMPLE, violate it? Matthew 12:1-8 and John 7:22-24.

16. If you keep the Sabbath — a part of the Law — why do you not circumcise your children?— Genesis 17:1-4 and Galatians 5:1-6. Who permitted you to choose to keep the Sabbath, but not circumcise your child — to choose what part of the Law you will keep?

17. Paul says that the Law, including the Sabbath, was only a ministration of death to be fulfilled in killing the Lord Jesus, and that Christians are not under Law, but Grace; not under Moses, but Christ; not under the Sabbath, but the Lord's Day. Compare Exodus 20:1-17; 31:12-18; 32:15, 16; 34:21; 35:1-3 and II Corinthians 3:1-18.

18. Does Acts 20:7 mean Saturday, the seventh day, or Sunday, the first day? Does it apply to Israel or Christians?

19. The first apostles preached to thousands of Gentiles. They never once commanded a single Gentile, or a single Christian, not even a Jewish Christian, to keep the Sabbath. Did they fail to properly instruct their converts? Read Acts 2:1-47; 8:1-40; 10:1-48; 16:1-40. On the contrary, they as much as told them not to keep Saturday.

Colossians 2:16, 17:

Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holiday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days: Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ.

Seventh Dayists are walking only in "the shadow of things to come."

Galatians 4:9-11:

But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage? Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years. I am afraid of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labor in vain.

Romans 14:5, 6:

One man esteemeth one day above another; another esteemeth every day alike. Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind. He that regardeth the day, regardeth it unto the Lord: and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard it.

20. Seventh Dayists do not keep the Sabbath. No one outside of Israel's Land (a warm climate) can. The Seventh Dayist works hard that day riding his hobby-horse, promulgating his abominable heresy. They also cook, build fires, carry water and leave their dwelling houses — all in open violation of the Sabbath commandment.

No Christian can keep the Sabbath, and it never was intended that he should.

Acts 15:10:

Now therefore why tempt ye God, to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

The mark of the beast has no reference to the Sabbath as the Seventh Dayists try to make the people believe. The Sabbath was the seventh day — Saturday — given only to Israel under the Mosaic law. Moses' law never was given to the Gentiles, nor to the Church, but to Israel only.

The first day of the week — Sunday is the Lord's Day — the day He arose from the dead — and it is for the Church; so we keep it, not Saturday, for we are not Jews and are not under Moses' law.

The Adventists' teaching about the Pope changing the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday, and Christians keeping it because the Pope changed it, is all bunk. They thereby blind and deceive the people.

Their teaching that the mark of the beast is the Pope's change of the Sabbath is a deliberate effort to deceive the people. They know that teaching is a *lie*, and that the mark of the beast in Revelation the Thirteenth Chapter has no reference whatever to the Sabbath, either as Saturday or Sunday.

THE BEAST of Revelation 13 is the great antichrist. He is to be the emperor over a great confederacy of ten or more nations — the Revived Roman Empire. There will be associated with him another notoriously wicked character. In Revelation 13 he is called "another beast," and in other places of the Revelation he is called "the false prophet."

This man causes an image of the antichrist, THE BEAST, to be made and set up in the Jewish rebuilt temple at Jerusalem — Revelation 13:14, 15; II Thessalonians 2:3, 4: Matthew 24:15. The image has machinery placed inside of it, so that it will appear to breathe, and it will speak, like the phonograph does now. The image will order that every one's head be cut off who refuses to bow down and worship the beast, the antichrist, by worshiping the image.

At the same time, a law will be made and enforced that no one in all the Revived Roman Empire can buy or sell unless he receives a mark on the forehead or in the right hand. That mark will show that all who receive it belong to antichrist — the beast. Read Revelation 13:16, 17. That mark will be the antichrist's trademark or sign. No man may live, none get bread, none do business in all his great confederacy of nations who will not receive the mark. He will cut off the heads of all who refuse to receive it.

The antichrist will not appear until the last seven years begin. He runs his course in that last seven years. After he begins his reign he puts his mark on all who accept him. How then can anyone now receive the mark of the beast?

Do you not see what wicked people the Adventists are in teaching as they do, and in thus deceiving the people?

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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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KIND WORDS FOR WEARY HEARTS

By JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE

IN Longfellow's beautiful poem called "The Golden Legend," he represents the good Abbot Ernestus pacing to and fro in the cloisters of the ancient convent of Hirschau. It is nearly sunset, the shadows of the night are creeping up to the walls, and the sunshine is slowly stealing away before them. As he looks on the deepening darkness and fading light, he muses, and says—

"Darker, darker, and more wan,
In my breast the shadows fall;
Upward steals the life of man
As the sunshine, from the wall.

"From the wall into the sky,
From the roof along the spire;
Ah, the souls of some that die
Are but sunbeams lifted higher."

Whilst he is speaking thus to his own heart, certain travelers journeying through the Black Forest enter, and, as they extol him, he replies in words which seem to touch and reveal in hearts today that heart-weariness for which I desire, kind reader, to show thee refreshing springs of living water. He says:—

"Ashes are on my head, and on my lips
Sackcloth, and in my breast a heaviness
And weariness of life, that makes me ready
To say to the dead abbots under us,
'Make room for me!' only I see the dusk
Of evening twilight coming, and have not
Completed half my task; and so at times
The thought of my shortcomings in this life
Falls like a shadow on the life to come."

And, as in that earnest Christian, Ernestus, who lived amidst the darkness and corruptions of the Romish Church of the thirteenth century, is there not at times in the hearts of the bravest and truest souls in this nineteenth century, " a heaviness and weariness of life" on earth, and a longing for "the rest that remaineth" in the life beyond? Even so; but the same weariness and longing have been felt by the best in every age: for earth-life never at any time wholly satisfies.

Thirty-four centuries ago, the Divinely patient Job exclaimed in the anguish of his spirit, "I would not live alway;" and sixteen hundred years after, the grand, heroic Paul had "a desire to depart, and to be with Christ which is far better:" for he too could say, "I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart," as he looked upon the perishing people around, who rejected the Savior, Whom he loved and served.

Yes, in the heart of the most faithful there is often a longing for that "rest," which is only completed when heaven is reached. At the height of his fame, and in the midst of his highest honors, and the rich rewards of his great skill, the great and good Edinburgh physician, Sir James Y. Simpson, Bart., wrote the following lines, in 1867, when on a visit to Geneva:

"Oft midst this world's ceaseless strife,
When flesh and spirit fail me,
I stop and think of another life,
Where ills can ne'er assail me;
Where my wearied arm shall cease its fight,
My heart shall cease its sorrow,
And the night of life will change for the light
Of an everlasting morrow.

"Then shall be mine, through grace divine,
A rest that knows no ending,
Which my soul's eye would fain descry,
Though still with clay 'tis blending.
And, Savior dear, while I tarry here
Where a Father's love has found me,
Oh let me feel, through woe and weal,
Thy guardian arms around me."

He has entered into that "rest" of which he sang: for while on earth his spirit found in Christ a resting place.

But, kind reader, hast thou found peace and rest of heart?

Eleven years ago I was writing in my Australian home beyond the midnight hour; and was interrupted by a timid knock at the front door. I opened it, and found standing without, in the cold dark winter night, a poor, weak, weary, and thinly clothed young man. Attracted by the light in my window, and led by the Guardian Hand of which I was writing, he had come a suppliant for shelter and food. Joseph L———— had walked every foot of the long, weary way from Sydney, taking with stoppages here and there, over three months in the journey, and only three hours before had entered Melbourne, absolutely penniless and friendless. He wandered on through the hard streets until he stood at my door, one of the weariest of hearts. Warmed and fed and sheltered, he bowed with me in prayer before the God of the poor and weary ere he rested in sleep—an illustration for my tract, kind reader, which will touch the heart as it did mine with the remembrance of the Eternal Father's love and our absolute destitution as sinners at His gate of mercy. Thy spirit, it may be, is almost in despair. Courage brother, courage sister, look up and see that there is always a light shining from the windows of Thy Father's house: for Christ thy Friend has put it there for thee. More than that, the door is open: for it is written that His "gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night."—Rev. 21:25. Go now, enter now by faith in Jesus, and thy weary soul shall find a refuge. Do not fear that thou hast nothing to bring, for thy Father asks nothing but thy heart and its sin.

The daughter of a Hindoo prince, finding no rest for her weary heart at the shrine of her god, at last laid some beautiful flowers, betokening a broken and bleeding heart. Soon after she found Him to be her Savior Whose "sacrifices are a broken spirit:" for "a broken and contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise."—Psalm 51:17.

Do not say, "Oh, but I feel myself to be lost." I am right glad to know that: for I tell thee it was "the lost sheep," it was "the lost son"—Luke 15, that Jesus came to rescue; and His Own words are:—"The Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."—Luke 19:10. He is not weary: for as at Sychar — John 4, He is still the Fountain of Living Water. Who revived and cleansed the weary heart of the sinful woman there. Do not linger. Come, He is waiting for thee. These words are written lovingly in His Name, as His call unto thee, no matter what thy past may have been.

"Troubled in spirit, broken in heart,
Go to thy Savior, just as thou art,
Go, and thy burden cast on the Lord;
Hear the sweet message taught in His Word.

"Plenteous in mercy, loving and kind:
Ask, He will give thee; seek, thou shalt find;
Knock, He will open: go thou and pray.
He will not send thee empty away."

Thou hast a right to go: for He has said:

"COME UNTO ME, ALL YE WHO LABOR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN, AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST."—Matthew 9:29.

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Dedicatory Address, Branch Tabernacle No. 4

Report of the Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, at Branch Tabernacle No. 4, 30th and Eshcol Avenue, Zion, Illinois, U.S.A., Lord's Day Evening, January 11, 1920

(Reported by L. H. T.)

Beloved in Jesus the Christ, a few words of explanation as to why we are here tonight should be given.

The building of this tabernacle, and the entire plan of at least fifteen of these tabernacles in the City of ZION, came to me as an inspiration. My purpose is to erect one of these tabernacles for every fifty houses.

Tonight we dedicate this little building to God, and next Tuesday night I ask the people within the boundaries of this district, as outlined in the notice in *The Theocrat*, to assemble here for a Prayer Service — a Service that will be given largely to the reading of God's Word, the singing of Hymns, and prayer. Preaching is only a part and teaching is only a part.

All Branch Tabernacles in Zion to be Prayer Centers

I want to be able to get closer to the people and ascertain their needs and to make this a place of prayer and, consequently, a place of blessing.

The other tabernacles will be erected as rapidly as possible and will be dedicated as soon as they are ready. I would remind you that the erection of these tabernacles will in no way interfere with the meetings in Shiloh Tabernacle, for we shall rally there at the Bible School at 9:30 Lord's Day mornings, in the afternoon Service when thousands gather, and on Wednesday nights in the greatest Prayer Meeting in the United States and perhaps in the world.

We had a glorious meeting Wednesday night last, and we can have still better ones. It rests with you.

Branch Tabernacles to Promote Sociality and Cement Christian Fellowship

In these tabernacles we occasionally shall have a Social Gathering. I want to be able to get into closer touch with the people, and in a very short time, I will know every person within the boundaries of the City of ZION. I can name nearly everyone in this audience and I can give most of your given names. It is a good thing to know the people and it is a good thing for the people to know the leader; and in this little tabernacle we shall be able to do many things which it would be impossible to do in a great tabernacle like Shiloh Tabernacle, although it is a glorious thing to gather in thousands — and that we shall do on Wednesday nights, on Lord's Day afternoons, and in the Bible School.

You will be within a few minutes' walk of your tabernacle. You can meet for a Prayer Meeting and in a few minutes you can go home. They will not last long and they will be an inspiration to you to come up to the Tabernacle Wednesday nights. Then, every Lord's Day evening there will be preaching in this tabernacle. After a while there will be preaching in fifteen Branch Tabernacles on Lord's Day evenings, and I trust many people will hear the Gospel and be brought to Christ, and that many will be saved, healed, cleansed, and blessed.

It is a glorious thing to preach the Gospel of the Grace of the Son of God. The greatest thing is to see sinners saved and to see the sick healed and to see people blessed and homes made happy.

The Most Important Part of Every Service is the Reading of God's Precious Word

The most important part of every service is not the Semi-Chorus; it is not the prayer by Apostle Peckham; it is not the singing of these Hymns. The most important part of every service is the reading of God's Precious Word. I want you to see that.

I have been in meetings in this and in other countries that were called religious services, where I did not see a Bible nor hear them quote a word from the Bible. The minister did not even take a text.

How can anything I have to say be equal in importance to what God says? Every part of a service, if rendered in Jesus' Name, in the power of the Holy Spirit, and for God's honor and glory, is an important part. In ZION we always give the Word a large place.

When I came to ZION in Chicago in 1899, one of the things that impressed or attracted me most was the important place Dr. Dowie gave the Bible. He read the Bible. He knew how to read it and he knew how to teach it.

It is a Blessed Book! How I love to read and study it. I could just sit down in the morning and read it all day with an indescribable appreciation, because it is God talking to me, it is Jesus the Blessed Christ speaking to me; and I want, in this tabernacle and in all ZION meetings, so to preach and so to teach the Word that every man and woman shall be converted by the power of the Holy Spirit and brought into such blessed relation with Him that every joy of Heaven shall be theirs.

ZION meetings are very simple. I try to be exceedingly simple.

A Beautiful, Simple Story of Divine Healing in Zion

Elder Mintern was in my office the day before yesterday and he told me about a lady who came to the tabernacle in Chicago with her hand locked and her arm locked to her side. Now it is unlocked and she is working with that arm and hand.

I said, "I remember her very well; I remember the day I prayed for her."

I can see her as plainly as I can see Apostle Jordan. It is a beautiful, simple story. The woman had come into the meeting in Chicago for the first time.

Jesus is the Savior of everyone who will believe. He is the Healer of every sickness and every disease.

It matters not that some people are not saved — Jesus is the *Savior* just the same!

It matters not that some people are not healed — Jesus is the *Healer* just the same!

Wireless telegraphy was a possibility a thousand years ago, but it is only recently that discoveries have been made and instruments perfected that enable us to start a message, without wires, from the Naval Station, which is picked up at Key West; or to start a message from San Diego, California, which is picked up at Melbourne, Australia, almost ten thousand miles away.

Wireless telegraphy was a possibility just as much a thousand years ago as it is now.

Salvation and Healing Provided for Every One

There is salvation for every one provided in the bank of Heaven and there is healing for every one provided there, too. The reason men and women die in sin is because they reject the Savior. The reason men and women are not healed is because they reject the Healer. But salvation is there and healing is there, and ZION meetings are for the purpose of teaching the plain Word of God, of showing sinners the way to God the Father, and of showing the sick how to trust God for healing.

If you were to ask me tonight, "What is one of the sweetest verses in the Bible?" I would answer, Isaiah, the Fortieth Chapter and the Eleventh Verse, which reads as follows:

He shall feed His flock like a shepherd: He shall gather the

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lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.

God's Shepherd-care Revealed in The Title of "Shepherd"

There are more than two hundred names in the Bible ascribed to the Son of God. Our Heavenly Father has made use of these two hundred names in the revelations concerning His Son, that humanity might be brought to understand God's Gift — His Only Begotten Son, Who left Heaven and came to this earth to live, to love, to suffer, and to die for humanity — for you and for me.

Of these two hundred names, one of the most simple is the title, "Shepherd;" and yet we cannot appreciate the figure as they could appreciate it in the Bible lands. Some of the highest of royalty attended sheep. Even princes looked after flocks of sheep. The picture of an oriental sheep fold is a very beautiful, a very suggestive, and a very simple picture.

The Twenty-third Psalm—"The Lord is my Shepherd: I shall not want"— written by the sweet singer of Israel, is a very simple, very beautiful description of God, our Shepherd, the various traits and activities of an earthly shepherd being ascribed to our Lord Jesus Christ.

I want you to keep that in mind.

I count it a great joy to stand here this evening. It will be a great joy to hear the bell on each of the fifteen branch tabernacles ringing on Lord's Day evenings, calling the people to the house of God. I am going to do my part. I love everybody and I want to minister to them and I want to help them to God.

The Holy of Holies in the Earthly Ministry of Jesus Christ

In the Fourteenth Chapter of St. John, I will quote a few verses and then I am going, for a few minutes, over to the Book of Revelation.

The Fourteenth Chapter of John is a part of the Holy of Holies. These beautiful chapters were spoken by our Lord in private to His Apostles in the upper room in Jerusalem and on His way, under the moonlit sky, to the Garden of Gethsemane.

The importance of words depends upon the one who utters them and, further, upon the time in the life of that individual who utters them.

If you and I knew that at Eleven O'clock tonight we had to close life's record and our friends would come in and stand by our bedside, what we would say at that time, doubtless, would be the most important things we knew how to say. In other words, when a man comes down to uttering his last words, those words, generally speaking, will be of the greatest importance, the deepest importance, of any words he has ever uttered.

I have heard some very beautiful words uttered by saints of God as they were departing. I have heard them tell of how they saw angels,— and I believe they did. I have heard them tell of how they saw Jesus as they were stepping out of this world into Paradise.

The Only Possible Way of Salvation for Sinful Humanity

Jesus had told His Apostles that He was going to die. They did not understand it. They did not think that it was necessary for Him to die, but it was.

Some people have wondered if some other way could not have been discovered whereby the salvation of men could have been accomplished, but no, there was no other way — the Only Begotten Son of God had to become incarnate in the flesh, take upon Himself the nature of men, suffer, and die, or else you and I would have perished. An angel could not have done it; no human being could have done it: it had to be done in the very way it was done.

These Apostles had been with Jesus for two years or two years and a half. They had sat at His feet; they had been with Him constantly; and to them it was unbelievable that He should have to die. So, when He told them that He would be arrested, tried and crucified, they were very sad, and He said to them, as recorded in the Fourteenth Chapter of St. John, "Let not your heart be troubled."

He observed that they were troubled, but He did not upbraid them for it. They could not help it.

Some people say that you should not cry when a loved one departs.

God does not say so!

It would be inhuman not to cry and not to grieve. But Christ did not upbraid them. They did not understand. They were only human beings. It was beyond them to understand why He, the Son of God, should be put to death upon the Cross.

The Compassionate Savior Seeks to Comfort His Sorrowing Disciples

In this Chapter, He seeks to comfort them.

Let not your heart be troubled,—

Why?

He gives reasons why they should not be troubled. He says the same thing to us tonight.

Beloved, there never has been a night, no, there never has been a night since God said, "Let there be light," when people were troubled as they are right now. You know that just as well as I do. There never has been a time when, universally, men and women were so distressed, so perplexed, and so sad as they are this night. I need not present any argument to substantiate this statement, everybody knows it.

The papers tomorrow morning, in article after article, will show you that the present order is dying and that the elements are converging to a point for the final catastrophe which will see the downfall of civilization and the ushering in of a new order.

The color that strikes terror to the hearts of kings and rulers all over the world today is red, and ere long anarchy will grip this world with a firm grasp and every government will fall and rulers will be shaken from their places like unripe figs shaken of a mighty wind.

Faith in God the Foundation of the Christian's Happiness

The first reason Jesus gave why they should not be troubled was — FAITH IN GOD. That is the first reason why you and I should not be troubled. I get happier every day of my life.

As I went over my paper last night, I read that seven million Austrians will drop dead before February first if immediate help is not forthcoming. What a picture — *SEVEN MILLION OF ONE NATIONALITY!*

It has been said that if the United States does not come to their rescue and find some way in which to get supplies to them, seven million of them will drop dead of starvation.

Then you look over at the second column and see that two million Poles have already died of starvation.

In the next column you see that in one camp alone, thousands of soldiers have died of Spanish Influenza.

Then you think, a year ago, in six weeks' time, six million persons were taken off this earth by Influenza, and the terrible war swept ten million into their graves, killed outright on the battle field, to say nothing of thirty million or more who died indirectly as a result of the war.

Then you think of the famines and pestilences, and you read of the earthquakes in Mexico — that where, a week ago, seven cities stood, there is now a vast lake.

The World's Civilization Sitting On Top of a Slumbering Volcano

When we talk of things predicted in the Word of God, the scoffers scoff, the sneerers sneer, and the world laughs and says it is nonsense. Talk about Christ's coming — why, the preachers in the world say He never is coming. I notice that one minister in Minneapolis had for his subject last Sunday, "The Great World-wide Revival." And they know not that they are sitting on top of a slumbering volcano that will burst forth and destroy civilization.

I read the other day that the volcano at Honolulu has been spitting lava again. Some day, every volcano on the earth — all of them being connected — will explode.

Just think, the site of seven cities is now covered by a lake! The same thing will happen some day, perhaps, to Chicago, —but they all laugh at it.

It is a terrible condition!

Well may the world cry, "Watchman, what of the night?"

To the saints we say, "The morning comes, bless God!"

To the world we say, "It is the darkest night that ever was known"— the "time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation."

One hundred and one things on the earth today, like the red lanterns that are hung out as signals of danger warning the world

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of the time that is before it, prove that ere long the apocalyptic judgments will fall upon the Christ-rejecting world and the apostate church.

The First Antidote for Trouble is Faith in God

If there is a man in this place who does not believe in God—and I doubt if there is one — what a pitiful object. He is, in the face of the world conditions, utterly without hope, groping in the darkness without a ray of light.

What an awful condition!

I believe in God with all my heart. I love Him better than life. I have no love for this world. I do not mean that I have no love for the people of the world; but I have no love for the world and that for which the world stands — the lust of the eye, the lust of the flesh, the pride of life, pleasure. I have no love for the world or the things of the world.

God has my undivided affection!

How about you, brother, sister? Did you ever read in the Bible that you could not love both God and the world? You cannot serve God and mammon. You are either for Christ or you are against Him.

The Second Antidote for Trouble is Faith in Christ

Ye believe in God, believe also in Me.

Let me impress upon your minds what the greatest sin in the world is. The greatest sin in this world is unbelief — the refusal to accept Jesus Christ as the Son of God. That is the paramount sin of the world. How men and women can reject Christ is more than I can understand.

There is nothing that God Almighty has left undone in order to save humanity, and yet, multitudes today reject Christ, trample His blood beneath their feet, spurn His offer of salvation, resist the Holy Spirit, resist every presentation of the Gospel of the Grace of God, go on in their sins, and die and go to Hell.

Some people do not like to hear a man talk about Hell. I have got to be true to my calling and I have got to preach the Word of God.

As there is a God, so there is a Devil. God is personal and the Devil is personal.

Both Heaven and Hell are Great Realities

As there is a Heaven,— well, there are three heavens. There is the first Heaven; there is the second Heaven; there is Paradise; and then there is the third Heaven. The third Heaven is the uncreated Heaven, where God's throne is and where tonight our Blessed Lord sits at His right hand. Before very long, He will arise and, with a shout that all the saints will hear and "with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God," will descend to the first Heaven, and all those who have fallen asleep will then get their glorified bodies and all the living saints will be changed "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye", and all will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air.

As there is Heaven, so there is Hell.

The spirits of the saints who depart this life are always carried on angels' wings to Paradise. The spirits of the unsaved are taken by demons to the prison house, Tartarus, where they will stay until the Great White Throne Judgment at the close of the Millennium.

We must be true to the Word, and I must say to every man, you are a sinner. All have sinned and there is no hope outside of Jesus Christ.

All these new fangled religions and false doctrines of salvation by works are from the pit. Their only hope is to be "born again" and become "new creatures" in Christ Jesus.

REGENERATION!
CONVERSION!

The Precious Blood of Jesus the Sinner's Only Hope

You cannot save yourself; your mother cannot save you; your relatives cannot save you: there is no salvation in any other name in Heaven or on earth but in the Name of Jesus.

Men and women who resist the Holy Spirit, spurn the blood of Christ, and trample it under their feet, are lost — and that is all there is to it. It does not matter whether it is you or I, or whether it is your loved ones or my loved ones. There is only one way of salvation and that is through the precious blood of Jesus Christ. There is no other hope.

So, He says:

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me.

In God, in Jesus Christ — the Son of God, the Son of Man!

Beloved, you must look at a man's heart when you hear him preach. It is my bounden duty to denounce false doctrines.

Let me tell you something. There are some people who have invaded the City of ZION who teach a horrible doctrine. They call at your homes with their literature, and if you accept it you will be damned.

I always adhere strictly to the truth. What I say, you know, does not stop here. When it is published in LEAVES OF HEALING, it goes over the waters and to many people in different lands and nations.

The False Teaching of Blasphemous Millennial Dawnism

Millennial Dawnism (Russellism) is one of the most diabolical things that ever came out of the pit. The Devil wants to dispose of Christ. They say that Christ was not Divine, but only a *good man*. Do you accept such stuff as that? I reject all this doctrine of the pit, and, wherever my voice is lifted up, I denounce that doctrine.

Simply a *good man!*

Think of it!— *HORRIBLE DOCTRINE!*

Millennial Dawnism teaches the most blasphemous doctrine in regard to your Lord and my Lord of any system that ever has been launched. They teach that Christ was the first created being. I want you to think of that — my Lord and your Lord a created being!

The Bible says that He was God "manifest in the flesh."

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

The same was in the beginning with God.....(and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the Only Begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.—John 1:1, 2, 14.

Millennial Dawnism says He was a created being, or the archangel Michael — a spirit being — created. Then they say that God blotted Him out of existence and that He was born a baby of the Virgin Mary — absolutely a material man — and that He died on the Cross and is dead *forever*. They teach the blasphemous doctrine of the Annihilation of Jesus Christ and that then God recreated the archangel Michael, and that what we have in Heaven today is the archangel Michael,— one of the most horrible lies that ever came out of the pit.

God the Son became incarnate in the flesh, took upon Himself the nature of man, died as a man, was resurrected, and sits at the right hand of God the Father as the Son of Man, and, for some reason, God has preserved, in His glorified body, the prints of the nails in His hands and in His feet; and when He descends, He will descend that way.

They bring that blasphemous doctrine to your doors and expect you to swallow it. One of the most horrible things that ever was taught is the annihilation of Jesus the Christ.

HORRIBLE THING! HORRIBLE THING!!

The Perilous Times of Apostasy Have Culminated Today

You know these are perilous times. They are not as they were when you were a boy, brother, nor as they were when I was a boy, and you are a few days older than I am. When I was a boy, everybody went to church. I only remember one man in that section of Indiana who did not go to church. Anybody who did not go to church was called a heathen, and I never heard of such a thing as denying the Bible when I was a boy. But nowadays there are very few who go to church.

Suppose you go down to Waukegan and take statistics some Sunday. They claim about thirty-five thousand inhabitants. Count all the people in all the churches in the forenoon and in the evening and if you find two thousand people out of the thirty-five thousand who darken a church door during the whole day, I will give you a treat.

I know of one little city, where a man took count of the people who attended churches in the morning and at night; and out of that city there were less than one thousand attendants, both morning and evening. People do not go to church any more.

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God Almighty established this city. God has never allowed a Dispensation to close without His minister and His place of safety. For these last days His minister was John Alexander Dowie and His place of safety against strikes, anarchy, and conspiracies is ZION City. May God help us to redeem it and make it a city of God, where every inhabitant is a child of God, every home a home of prayer, and every street and alley permeated with the Spirit of the Living God.

It is for you to do that; it is for me to do that; it is for everyone who loves His appearing to go to work and see that it is done.

"My Father's House" is the New Jerusalem Above

The next Verse is very beautiful. I wonder how many of you understand it.

In My Father's house are many mansions—

I am going to tell you tonight what that means.

In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU.

I want you to notice that.

—I go to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I WILL COME AGAIN, and receive you unto Myself, that where I am, there ye may be also.

Is not that a beautiful Verse?

In my Father's house—

Let me show you what "My Father's house" is.

Turn to Revelation, the Twenty-first Chapter and I will read from the Ninth Verse:

And there came unto me one of the seven angels who had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will show thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of Heaven from God.

That is "My Father's house" and that is where I am going to have a mansion made of gold. That is where all the saints will have a home. We shall be immortal. We shall not have bodies such as these, with flesh and blood. We shall have bloodless bodies and, I think, with the flesh changed.

"My Father's house" is the New Jerusalem. We have a description of it here.

When the Rapture takes place we will be translated and caught up to meet the Lord in the air,—and I am looking for it.

There is Nothing to Delay the Lord's Coming at the Rapture

The Lord may come before morning. There is nothing to delay His coming. I know it in my heart just as well as I know I am standing here. The saints will be taken "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye," right out of this world; and then many who have listened to me preach will wring their hands, and pull their hair, and cry, "Lord, take me, too." But it will be too late; the saints will be gone.

If you want to go when the Lord comes, give your heart to God now and do not wait until afterward; because if you do, you are going to be left behind to go through the Great Tribulation, which is now blowing its breath upon this earth.

The United States Government is making raids in all the big cities for the "reds." There will be the rider of the red horse, who will take peace from the earth. We are right up to it. There will be very little more delay.

The Time When the Judgment Seat of Christ Will be Set for Rewards

When we are caught up the Judgment seat will be set for three years and an half and we will be called before the Lord and He will give us our rewards. There will be a number of people taken up in the Rapture who will get no reward at all. They profess to be Christians, but they just sit down and do nothing; and while they have salvation and will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air, when they are called before the judgment seat, they will get no reward at all. They will have no share in His Joy.

What a sad thing!

There will be lots of ministers who will receive no reward. They will be saved as by fire, but they will suffer loss. They will get no reward.

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.—Hebrews 12:1, 2.

Every self-denial and every self-sacrifice which is suffered for Christ's sake on the part of the saints, is endured for the joy that is set before us—the sharing in Christ's joy, when He will see His triumph over His enemies, when the very ones who bruised Him will be compelled to look on Him, when all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and He will be crowned King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

—Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross,—

If you and I are faithful we shall enter into the joy of the Lord and partake of that joy which caused Him to "endure the cross, despising the shame."

Description of the New Jerusalem—The Habitation of the Saints

Having the glory of God. and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;—

You have the description given here of the New Jerusalem—the habitation of the saints.

What a description it is!

This city will be in the form of a pyramid and would reach from Maine to Florida, from the Atlantic Coast as far west as the Mississippi River. When the Lord comes to take up His reign, it will descend out of Heaven and will hover over the literal Jerusalem. All the saints and angels will come with Him and that city will be in the air over Jerusalem for one thousand years. In it the saints will live and descend to the earth and ascend at will.

In the literal City of Jerusalem, the throne of David will be rebuilt, and upon that throne either David himself will sit, or a descendant of David, and through him and Israel, the Lord and the saints—the joint rulers—will rule this earth for one thousand years.

In My Father's house are many mansions; —

"My Father's house"—the New Jerusalem—the Holy City!

Jesus is Preparing a Place for Every Saint of God

Jesus is preparing a place there for every saint. It will be built in Heaven and will descend at the beginning of the Millennium and hover in the air over Jerusalem. At the end of the thousand years, it will descend and come down to this earth. In that New Jerusalem will be the throne of God and of the Lamb.

Do you want to have a mansion there? If you do, this is the time to send up material with which to build it.

In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

In other words, "I go to get a place ready for you."

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again,—

There are only two references, in the first four books of the New Testament, to the Rapture, because the Church was born on the Day of Pentecost and the revelation of the Church was made to Paul.

In the Eleventh Chapter of John, I discovered a reference. Maybe others have discovered it.

Do you remember what Jesus said to the sorrowing sister? He said:

Whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die.

That will be true of the great company that will be translated—they will never see death. They who live to the time of His coming will never see death. They will be transformed "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye." Did you ever stop to think how quick the twinkling of an eye is?

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Then shall two be in the field, the one shall be taken and the other left.

Two women shall be grinding at the mill, the one shall be taken and the other left.—Matthew 24:40, 41.

The Guardian Angels Will Gather the Saints — the Elect

It does not make any difference where you are. Every saint has a guardian angel. If the Lord were to come now, there would be an angel to take each one here. The angels will gather the elect, no matter how far they are scattered. When we are transformed, we will be able to go right out through that wall. Walls will not be barriers to immortalized saints.

You might as well try to grasp the rainbow and try to take it off with you as to try to reach for an immortal saint. You might as well try to put a bullet hole through the rainbow as to try to shoot an immortal saint. They will be able to appear and disappear. They will have put on immortality and death will have been swallowed up in life.

Then think of the people bartering it all away for a little land, a little property, a little pleasure, a little more of the world, the flesh, and the Devil for a few more years; exchanging a home in our Father's house for eternity for a little pleasure that bites like a rattlesnake and stings like an adder in the end. What a foolish thing for them to do. I can well imagine the cries of the ones who are left. I can imagine the feelings of the one in the field who is taken and of the other who is left. They both have had the same opportunities and the same privileges. Nobody in ZION CITY has any excuse.

One of the Greatest Signs of the Times that God has Given

One of the greatest signs that God Almighty has given is the ministry of John Alexander Dowie and the founding of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION. Do you know that it was organized in the very same year as was the Zionist Movement, which has for its purpose the restoration of the Jews to Palestine?

ZION CITY preaches a great sermon to the world. We have had some fights here — and I am glad of it. I would not have had one less. We have had trouble and strife here, but I thank God for it all. You do not think that everybody who came to ZION CITY was a saint, do you? Bless your life, before one saint reached this land, the Devil had a wagon load of his children here!

Do you think the Devil wants a city without a drug store, without a pool room, without an assignation house, without a tobacco store? I should say not! I do not blame the Devil for fighting. I would fight, too! If I were the Devil, I would do just as he does, and I would never let a city be built that would shut these things out.

Do you think the Devil wants a city with one church?

NO!

False Doctrines and Delusions Cannot Deceive the Elect

The Devil's supreme desire is to divide the people, to array them one against another, and to bring up false doctrines to disrupt and destroy; but he cannot deceive the elect. It is impossible.

Think of anybody who ever sat under John Alexander Dowie's ministry accepting Millennial Dawnism and believing that my Lord and your Lord was a created being, was annihilated upon the cross, and is dead tonight — *forever dead*. That is what they say.

HORRIBLE BLASPHEMY!

Beloved in Jesus the Christ, I am very glad to see you. I do not know but that I enjoy preaching here as well as I do in Shiloh Tabernacle. This is a precious little place. We will have some grand prayer meetings here, and may God grant that we may reach some of these unsaved ones.

They think Voliva is a terrible fellow. I guarantee that I am as gentle as any women in this house. I love the people, but I *HATE SIN*. I am not fighting against any man or woman. My fight is to build a city for the Lord. I love even the dirty stinkpot who goes down the street polluting the atmosphere. I would take him to my home and give him a dinner at my own table, and would show him any kindness in the world. Only a wicked man would come into this beautiful city and pollute the atmosphere.

A United States District Attorney came to me in the Federal Court Building and said, "Is this Mr. Voliva?"

A Never-to-be-forgotten Statement by the General Overseer

When I answered, "Yes, sir," he said, "I heard you preach once and you said something I have never forgotten. I have repeated it to many of my associates."

I wondered what great thing I had said.

"You said," he continued, "that a man had the same right to spit in your water bucket as he had to smoke in your atmosphere."

I believe that is God's truth. You have no right to spit in my drinking water, and you have no right to pollute my atmosphere.

I love everybody, and I have always done so.

I have had only two fights in my life — and I won out both times. When I went to country school, a boy jumped on me and I thought it was the part of a brave boy to teach him a lesson so that he would not fight with anybody else.

An old gentleman saw us, and said, "You ought to be ashamed of yourself."

I said, "I am" — and I was.

When we got through I wiped his face, for it was bloody, and we went home together; and the next Sunday we went to Sunday School together. I never could hold anything against anybody. I speak to everybody. I say, "Peace to Thee!" But everybody does not say it.

Fighting for Zion City and for God's Scattered People

Bless your life, I have done nothing that is wrong! I have just been fighting for a city for you and for your children; and that is why I have been sweating blood — that you may have a little place here where your children can be safe. I have not been fighting for myself. I have been fighting for humanity. There are many good people in this world who would like to have a ZION CITY. Some of the people who live in Chicago, where they have had race riots, say, "I wish we lived out in ZION CITY."

You have read of the conditions in Moscow and Petrograd, and in all the cities that have been overrun by the "reds." Ere long they will overrun the world, and it will be a great deal quicker than you think. Wait and see!

I know my Bible! I do not know all there is to know, but I know a great deal about it, and I know where we are on the stream of time tonight — we are very near the Rapture. Therefore, I exhort you to clean up your lives and to surrender to God, that you may know truly that you belong to Him. Then God will own you; and when Jesus comes, He will take you. They can laugh at my preaching and at the things I say; they can poke fun at me, and all the rest of it. That makes no difference. I would expect them to laugh at it. They do not know God; they do not know Jesus Christ; and they do not know anything about the Second Coming of Christ. They think it is all nonsense, and laugh at a man who preaches it.

A Call to Consecration and to Faithful Service

Set your house in order, for the Day of Judgment is at hand. You can open your two eyes and look over the world yourself and see it. You read in the papers that a new Attila will soon sweep the earth. The Bible tells us all about it.

Beloved in Jesus the Christ, let us go on with the work. Here is this tabernacle. It is open to the people in this district. We have ten districts laid out; and after a while we will have all the tabernacles ready. We will have prayer meetings during the week, Divine Healing meetings, and preaching every Lord's Day evening. We will have social gatherings in these tabernacles, and everybody will be invited.

We will do our part. Some people want to know what is going to become of ZION CITY after the Lord comes. I am not bothering about that. I have nothing to do with that. I believe the coming of the Lord is near at hand, and I thank God it is.

I want to keep this vision before you. Let us make ZION CITY a great sermon to the whole world. I guarantee that in ZION CITY I can gather together a larger audience of believers in the Second Coming of the Lord than can be gathered in any other city in the world, — a larger audience by far.

The audience then bowed their heads while the General Overseer offered the following

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DEDICATORY PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in the Heavens, what a blessed day Thou hast given to us and what joy we have had in reading the Word, in talking about Jesus, and in looking forward to that blessed time when He shall come. So far as we know tonight, we are ready; and we pray, Lord Jesus, come!

Father, we dedicate this little building to Thee; we turn it over to Thee to be used of Thee. It is Thine; it is not ours. We pray that Thou wilt sanctify it and fill it with Thy Presence. Grant that we may have many glorious meetings here and that we may see some saved, some healed, some blessed, and a company, as a result of the building of this tabernacle and the services held, prepared for the coming of our Lord.

God grant it!

And now, Lord, into Thy loving hands we commit this congregation, asking Thee to take them into a sacred nearness with Thyself; in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

The audience then joined in singing the HYMN entitled, "WHEN THE ROLL IS CALLED UP YONDER, I'LL BE THERE," after which the General Overseer pronounced the

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ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS — consisting of Kindergarten (for children five years of age), Junior School (covering a period of eight years), Preparatory Department (covering a period of four years), Department of Music and Art, etc. — are free to all children and young people in ZION and are supported entirely by the FREE-WILL OFFERINGS of the officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION.

October First we requested all officers, members, and friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION to fill in pledge cards for the support of the Schools for the Year, 1919-1920.

LEAVES OF HEALING (Vol. 45, No. 12, dated December 13, 1919) was devoted almost entirely to ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS. A picture of the Main Building appeared on the first page. A picture four and one-half feet long by ten inches wide, of more than 900 of the 1046 pupils and students, together with the teachers, was enclosed as a supplement. Five pages were filled with the names, together with the respective amounts pledged, of all individuals and families sending in cards.

In this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING we print the additional names and pledges, bringing the total number of individual and Family Cards to 883 and the total amount pledged to $22,038.00.

The total amount needed for the allowances of the teachers, exclusive of all other expenses, is $31,000.00, thus leaving a balance of $8,962.00.

We appreciate the responses that have been made, and we earnestly pray and hope that within the next few days every officer, member, and friend of ZION will respond.

We have put this matter plainly before the Church, so that every one is in a position to understand the entire situation. In ZION we are ready at all times to bear one another's burdens, and we do not expect from any individual or any family more than that which is right in God's sight.

Additional Pledges For the Support of Zion Educational Institutions—School Year, 1919-1920:

February 11, 1920.

Bohn, Mrs. Mary F.	$ 5.00
Crabtree, Mr & Mrs. L. M. & Family	10.00
Farrar, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. H.	25.00
Hagelberger, Mr. Frank	25.00
Heath, Mr. Ernest R. & Family	24.00
Hopperton, Mr. John	12.00
Hosken, Mr. & Mrs. J. H.	25.00
MacQueen, Miss Lulu	12.00
Myrum, Mr. P. H. & Family	8.00
Narem, Miss Bertha	6.00
Peterson, Mr. & Mrs. John A.	50.00
Rasmussen, Mr. Malvin	$ 6.00
Ruchti, Mr. Chas.	24.00
Shafer, Mr. & Mrs. C.	5.00
Steiner, Mrs. Leona	12.00
Ward, Mr. M. W.	20.00

February 18, 1920.

Knudsen, Gertrude	$12.00
Knudsen, D. H.	25.00
Hochberger, Alfred	35.00
Viking, C. F.	50.00
Viking, John	12.00

INDIVIDUAL CARD

Zion, Illinois.....1920

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
President of ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS:

For the support of ZION SCHOOLS for twelve months — October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920 — I will contribute . . . . . $.....

Signed.....

Address.....

FAMILY CARD

Zion, Illinois.....1920

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
President of ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS:

For the support of ZION SCHOOLS for twelve months — October 1, 1919, to October 1, 1920 — we (.....in number) will contribute $.....

Signed.....

Address.....

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"To Whom Do You Belong? — God or the Devil"

Report of Address Delivered by Elder Fracelli Scoltoc De Vona, Lord's Day Afternoon, January 25, 1920, in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U.S.A.

(Reported by L. H. T.)

Let the words of my lips, and the meditations of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight and profitable to thy people, in the Name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

In the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians, the Sixth Chapter, and the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Verses, we read the words:

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

I will read also in the Book of the Prophet Malachi, Chapter Three, Verses Sixteen and Seventeen:

Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another: and the Lord hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before Him for them that feared the Lord, and that thought upon His Name.

And they shall be Mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my JEWELS; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.

In both of these passages, God is speaking of a remnant of His people, in one place telling them to "come out" and in the other place speaking of the remnant of the people of His realm that *have* come out.

They have dispensational meanings.

Doubtless, in Malachi it speaks of a remnant that yet will be called out;—but you, ZION, can take this as yours. It also belongs to you. You can take this last part at least, for I have taken it to myself:

And they shall be Mine, saith the Lord—

"They shall belong to Me."

The Glorious Promise Accompanying Separation

In Corinthians we find the same thing—a people like ourselves, called out because of the contamination of adultery, called out to be God's—God's temple—God's building—God's Church.

He says to them:

And I will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and daughters,—

What does that mean?

POSSESSION!

"Ye shall belong to Me."

I feel that I, as a part of ZION, especially can say that I belong to God.

That is what ZION means!

It is not like these other cities which belong to the great men of commerce, which belong to the great barons who rule the world because of their money, but which, incidentally, belong to the Devil.

ZION BELONGS TO GOD!

I remember getting lost once when I was a very small child. A boy said to me, "Did you see that little dog? Why, it has gone around that corner."

When I got around that corner, he said, "Why, it has gone around that next corner. It was a little dog with a white speck."

I went on and got lost.

This is the way *men* get lost, too!

At last, when I realized that I was lost, I stood there and cried. I remember the great big tears running down my face. A great big policeman came up to me, and said, "What is the matter with you?"

I said, "I'm lost."

"To whom do you belong?" he asked.

I said, "I belong to my father and mother."

I knew to whom I belonged, even if I was lost.

God's Children Sealed—The Devil's Children Marked

That is what God asks us—*"To whom do you belong?"*

That is the great question in the Gospel—*DO YOU BELONG TO GOD OR DO YOU BELONG TO THE DEVIL?*

Sometimes in this world, at the present time, it is very difficult to know for a little while to whom a man belongs. It will not always be so difficult. After a little while the Devil is going to put his mark on his own men.

God is knowing His own people now. He has no doubt about them. He knows His own. Yes, and He is willing to be called their God and is willing that they should be called His people. He is not ashamed of them.

God is not ashamed of ZION; neither need we be.

It is the one place where God looks down and says, "It is Mine; it belongs to Me."

It is not a place claimed by men. It is not Mr. So-and-So's estate, not the property of this corporation or that—it is God's ZION. God's property, God's City.

They shall be Mine,—

"Ye shall belong to Me."

That is a great privilege, is it not?

God's Call and Plan for His Own Children

To think that God has called me to be His very own, through the Gospel; and more than that, that, down through the ages, God has always known me!

It seems too wonderful to be true, that back in those ages God called me by my name, yes, St. Paul in his Epistle to the Romans tells me so. He called me—called me with a special calling. He called me and gave to me a special work and fitted me for that work.

Is not that why I am here this very afternoon—because God in His mercy, in the past, called me, giving to me limitations as well as powers? Therefore, there are things I *cannot* do as well as things I *can* do.

We are all that way. That is why we fit into our places in ZION. That is the very beautiful thing about ZION—we are not asked to do what we cannot do; but to each one of us, God has given a special work. There is not a voice in the Choir which God did not fashion. He planned every note to which the Choir is capable of rising. He planned even the accent; for He wanted ZION Choir to be just what it is.

Zion's Watchword for the Year 1920

The Watchword for this year for ZION is:

Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man TAKE THY CROWN.—Revelation 3:11.

Then you have a special crown. So have I—a crown which God designed for me. This crown, unless the corresponding work be done, cannot be yours.

The Venerable Bede, an English writer of the early centuries of Saxon times, tells us what is probably true of one of the early martyrdoms in England, when the persecutions of the Christians in the Roman land spread to the vast colonies and even touched England.

In the great city of York some men and women were arrested for being Christians. They were turned out of the city in the cold of winter, where the winds swept over from the great ocean. They said to them, "You can go out there in the

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cold until you are willing to give up Christ, and then there is a warm fire inside." They went out there and one by one they died in the cold.

Bede tells us that in the tower on the gate of the wall of the city soldiers were watching and guarding. While one of these soldiers slept, awaiting his call to go on duty, he dreamed a very peculiar dream. He saw great thrones — thrones grander than he ever had seen at Rome — and an arm, beautiful and glorious, carving the names on them of those freezing to death outside.

Then he saw the hand wipe out one of the names which had been written, and he watched to see what name would be written in place of it. As he watched he saw the "S," then the "i," then the "n" of his own name written, until the whole nine letters of his name had been spelled out. He then looked and saw them bringing in a man who had come back to the gate, saying, "Let me in to the fire." It was the man whose name had been taken off the throne.

While this soldier knew nothing of Christ, he stood up among his fellows and said, "I repent of my sins and take Christ as my Savior. I want to go out and have that throne I saw." The Venerable Bede tells us that he went out and died there.

Whether it be true or not, there is a great truth within it.

—Hold that fast which thou hast, that NO MAN TAKE THY CROWN.

The Crown Awarded to Those Who Render Faithful Service

Let no man take thy work. It is worth doing whatever it may be. It is worth the doing because there is a crown for you when it is done.

They shall be Mine, saith the Lord—

The world asks us that question, too —"To whom do you belong?"

I have been asked that question many times. I have been asked by certain denominations more than once, "Do you belong to us? Do you belong to our lodge?"

"No!"

"Then you don't belong to us. Why are you not a good fellow like the rest of us? Here's tobacco; here's a cigar. Why do you sit in the corner there as though you don't belong to us?"

Godly Conversation has no Place in The Denominations

No, we do not belong to such; and that is why, one by one, we are driven out — because we do not belong there. If it were not that God has ZION, where would we be driven? Those who want to talk of God find no place in such denominations.

I tried in a very simple way, by some very simple means, to introduce the teaching of ZION into the clergy. Immediately, you could see the jeers, the sneers, the wink. They look at you and say, "Isn't he a fool?"

On one occasion a good gentleman came to me and said, "Have you no better taste than to introduce a new religion at a time like that? Have you not been told that it is not good etiquette to introduce politics or religion when you are invited out on an occason like that?"

God has said to us:

COME OUT from among them, and be ye separate....and touch not the unclean thing;—

COME OUT —

Do you say, "Where shall I go?"

God says:

COME OUT....and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters,—

If they put you out, if they disown you, if they have no place for you, it is a sure sign that you belong to God.

Think of the meaning of that word in Malachi:

And they shall be Mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my JEWELS;—

We sing the song, "WHEN HE COMETH TO MAKE UP HIS JEWELS."

It is a very peculiar word.

God's People His Own Peculiar Treasure

The same word is used in First Chronicles, the Twenty-ninth Chapter, and the Third Verse. If you will turn to your Bibles, you will see that it is where King David is giving of his treasures for the temple of God.

In the Authorized Version it reads:

Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my God,

I have of mine own proper good, of gold and silver,—

In the Revised Version it reads:

Moreover also, because I have set my affection on the house of my God, seeing that I have a TREASURE of mine own of gold and silver,—

It is the same word in the Hebrew tongue which is translated "jewel" in Malachi. *Segullah* is the Hebrew word.

I think, perhaps, David had a few things which were very precious to him. They may have been jewels which his children had worn who were dead. You know how we value those things. When David was giving gifts for God's temple, there were these special things, these things which he had looked at sometimes and wept over. It might have been a jewel that Absalom wore. And he said, "Take this, my own peculiar treasure, take it for God."

When God uses that word *"JEWELS,"* He does not mean simply *jewels,* but something which a man keeps and treasures, not only because it is worth a lot of money, but because he loves it with all his heart.

That is the way God wants to love you and me. That is what He wants to be able to say to every one who comes out, to every one who follows Him fully:

They shall be Mine, saith the Lord—

"They are Mine own *peculiar treasure;* they belong to Me in a very peculiar, close way."

God's People a Called Out and Wholly Separated People

We shall understand more of that some day when Christ takes His Own Church — His Bride — and seats us at His Own side. In God's Word so much is revealed that it makes us very, very thankful that there is a people who has come out.

We have a right to say that God has said to us that we may call Him Father and that we may say that we are His sons and His daughters; for we have put away the "unclean thing," we have no part or lot with those who do not so love God and so wish to serve Him, we have separated ourselves — separated ourselves from tobacco, pork, Secretism; but even beyond that, we have separated ourselves from the unclean spirit, the spirit of Satan, which dwells in those things and uses them.

We have come out, so God may say of us, "They belong to Me; they are Mine."

The word *"segullah,"* you will find, was borrowed into other languages. You will find it on some of the old Egyptian monuments in a different form but recognizable as the same word, borrowed perhaps when the Jews went down into Egypt.

In the Thirteenth Dynasty I think it was, Pharaoh buried a daughter, probably a girl of sixteen or seventeen years, in an Egyptian tomb, and over the door he wrote "MY JEWEL."

Peters, the explorer in Egypt, tells us that centuries went on and robbers broke in. They saw the word *"segullah,"* or "jewel," above the door of the tomb and riffled it. They found the few jewels around the neck, wrists and ankles of the girl, but I do not think that they took the King's real treasure, his real treasure, his real jewel.

God's Jewels Can Never be Taken Away From Him

God's jewels can never be robbed from Him. No man can take us away from God. The Devil cannot take us away from God unless we give ourselves away to the Devil.

What a terrible thing that would be — to give away God's property, for those whom God has at one time called His Own treasure to turn themselves over to the Devil! Yet, how many have done that? It is possible, and the Devil is waiting and bidding for us.

"They shall be Mine because they have come out, listening to My love." That is what God would say to us through the Gospel, for the great Gospel of the Father, which Jesus came to preach, is the Gospel of Love — the Father's love.

God loved the world with a wondrous love that I cannot begin to understand — the very mystery of love.

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In mountainous countries you often see a great mountain, so high that you cannot see the top of it. Sometimes the clouds break and you get a glimpse of the great rugged mountain side. You do not know how far up it goes nor how far down it goes into the bosom of the earth. So it is with this wonderful love of God.

God's love is greater than anything I ever have known, greater than anything any man ever has known.

Do you know that the one great sad work of the apostasy is to destroy the thought of God's love?

Horrible Death is Never the Will of God

I remember when I was a little child, I had a canary bird. One morning, when I looked at it, it was dead. I stood there and cried. A good old woman came to me. She had heard them preach in the apostasy for years and she believed it. She said, "You must not cry; it was the will of God that it should die."

I turned to her quickly. It was the first time as a child the doctrine of the Devil had come to my notice.

I said, "Did God kill my bird? Did God really kill my bird?"

"Yes, yes, He did," she said.

I said, "I don't like God."

It was a terrible thing to say, of course. But are not men in the apostasy today telling us that God causes death?

When a poor little child is sick with smallpox, caused by vaccination or something else, they say that God has done it, and then they bring in a doctor to undo it. According to them, the doctor is very good and loving and will come and give medicine to the child and he will get better — but God made him sick.

When someone dies in the apostasy they stand up and say, "Inasmuch as it is the will of Almighty God —"

IT IS NOT!

God's great enemy is death!

The love of God has been hidden from the people. It is no wonder that men have turned away from God, for His love has not been preached to them.

Zion Faithfully Proclaiming the God of Love and Life

I love ZION because in ZION God, the Great Father Whom Jesus preached, the God of love, the God Whose love reacheth to the very utmost, is set forth. Though He permits the pruning to come to us and though He permits the thing that is dark and dismal to touch us, "all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose."

It is true that these terrible visitations of evil seem dark; but God, though He permits these things reluctantly and sorrowfully, watches to see that no evil comes to His own sons and daughters.

Yes, God is a God of love. He loves His own. He loves all men.

God's one great purpose in the Gospel is to bring all men to Him. On the other hand, the Devil brings to this world a power of evil, breathing his spirit into an apostate church, into civilization, preparing the way for the great Antichrist. He is misrepresenting God, making God the Father Whom they speak of, not God the Father Whom we know.

As for the Kingdom of God — well, McMillan has just published a book on the Kingdom of God. Reverend (so-called) Charles Williams says the Kingdom of God is a great commercial world, rising to a sense of righteousness, integrity, and equity by being ruled by mighty geniuses in the commercial world and presided over by the Spirit of Christ.

He is asked, "What is the part of the Church in all this?"

The Apostate Churches Linked Up With the Antichristian World

He answers, "The Church is simply the scaffolding which is reared up until the great super-structure of commerce is finished. Then the Church's work shall be done. Then she shall so have preached righteousness, and then shall she so have preached equity between master and men that the scaffolding (the Church) can be taken down, leaving the commercial structure — the City which 'lieth four-square," the Jerusalem from God — built by men, thus perfecting the righteousness of the future civilization."

May God keep us from it, for it is the antichristian world he is talking about, and that is all the apostasy means today. When he mentions the Kingdom of God, instead of meaning what we mean, he means the vast commercial system built on an ethical system.

They tell you that you must not rob, for if you rob the *rich men* may lose their money. If you are a workman, you must be honest and tell the truth, and you must be faithful in your work so that the *master* may make money. You go to an apostate church, and they tell you that it is a terrible thing to drink for you may break your *master's* machinery.

Maybe the *master* will go to church, but I do not think he will. He may pay a miserable pittance toward the minister's salary if he helps his *business*.

Time after time it has been said to me, and probably has been said to every man who has faced the bitterness of the apostasy, "Your preaching will never do; the banks will give nothing to the church, the rich will not. You are too hard on the rich." You see, the church of the apostasy does not want such preaching.

The Great Commercial Civilization Founded Upon Greed, Covetousness, and Selfishness

We read in the Word of God of the cruel, relentless, iron despotism of the "man of sin," the ruler of the great commercial civilization — if they want to use that expression; I would sooner use the word "barbarism"— founded on greed, covetousness, and selfishness.

Are you not glad that God has called us out of it? Are you not glad that God has said to you and to me:

Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing;—

I believe in touching not the "unclean thing."

The reason men do not recognize God as good in the apostasy is that His goodness is not preached, even in Jesus. I doubt sometimes when I listen to those who preach in the apostasy if, when they say the Name "Jesus," they mean the One I mean when I say it.

In a ministerial meeting during the war a minister got up and said, "If my Savior, my Jesus were living today, He would be in the front trench killing Germans."

Is that the Jesus Whom ZION knows?

That poor Methodist minister had a Jesus, Whom he called Jesus, Who he said would be killing Germans and trampling them under His feet in the front trench.

Do you wonder that men turn away from the Gospel of Jesus?

Can you wonder that men say, "I want none of it"?

The Ministry a Shameful Sham of Hypocrisy

Can you wonder that when you get on a train and you are a minister and *look it*, they say, "There's another of them"?

Yes, many a time, when I have been traveling, I have wrapped a muffler around my neck so they would not know I was a minister.

I do not wonder that men who think and who see anything at all today, know that the whole thing is a shameful sham of hypocrisy. The churches of the world misrepresent God and cover the great Gospel of the Love of God right out of sight, making our God a tyrant, a cruel being, and not the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. The great Gospel which He sent His Son into the world to preach has become a yoke of oppression instead of the great comfort it was meant to be to the whole world.

What is it that is preached as the Gospel today? I have listened to it many times. Jesus is mentioned, but the great work of Jesus Christ is not. His great prophetic office as teacher of the people is denied; His great priestly office, for He was to be a "priest forever after the order of Melchizedek," is put aside.

They say, "That is nothing to preach to intelligent men. Why, men today are saved by their business integrity."

People who stand in the front ranks of the respectable apostate churches have said that to me — "You must preach to the man who earns his wages and keeps the family supplied with food and raiment, who puts his money in the bank, and who buys Liberty Bonds; that is what God requires today."

The great Atonement is all put aside. It is out of place; it is a thing of the past, not a thing for the present.

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As for the Kingship of Christ — why, Jesus Christ is not expected to come back to reign as King; He would be out of place if He came. The same cry goes up today that went up from the Jews. "We have no King but Caesar!"—"We have no King but the great Democracy! We have no King Jesus, and we do not want any!"

The Spirit of the World Everywhere Today is Antichrist

That is the spirit you will find everywhere in the world today — "We do not want Jesus Christ to come back and set up His Kingdom. We are going to set up a kingdom ourselves. We are going to make the world better. We are going to get out and save everybody."

Yes, save them; and, as they did in a revival I heard of, give them a card published by the State Bank, and say, "You take that to the State Bank Saturday if you are really saved and deposit your savings there." Of course, the President of the State Bank gave the minister a nice piece of money for the revival, therefore, he says, "Put your money in the *State Bank.*"

That is the sort of Christianity the world wants. Ministers who preach that sort of Gospel will always *stand well* with the apostasy.

May God keep us from *standing well* with it. God grant that it may hate us. I am proud of the men and women the world hates today, for they are God's men and women every time. The world is no place for them. They are not of the world. The world will "love his own," but he will not love those who are not his own.

Thank God, *HE LOVES HIS OWN!*

"They are My sons and My daughters; they shall be Mine, My own jewels, in that day."

Is that not worth while?

That is worth giving everything for, is it not?

A Few Miserable, Poor Old Rags of Apostasy Given Up

But after all, what *do* we give up?

I do not know what I have given up. As I look back to see what I have given up to come into ZION. I see nothing at all, it seems to me, but a few miserable, poor old rags of apostasy.

They say, "He gives a dollar a Sunday; you had better be careful, he may stop his dollar"— "Somebody is going to stop his dollar, you said so and so Sunday."

Is that much to give up? Is that worth much?

I say, NO!

The best thing any man in God's world can do is to leave it all and get clear of it.

God grant that every shred of apostasy shall be taken out of us.

The Devil Misrepresenting God Through the Agency of the Ministers

The ministers are being used of the Devil to misrepresent God, to make Him out a liar. Could anything worse be said about God than that He lies? Yet, in every apostate church throughout the world men have said, in one way or another, that God is a liar. If they have not said it in one way, they have said it in another. If they have not denied the Divinity of Christ, the have denied God's power to heal the body without doctors and drugs.

I *KNOW* THEM!

God grant that I shall never go into another apostate church as long as I live.

The Awful and Atrocious Lies of the Devil

A minister gets up and says, "Thank God for the doctors, thank God for the drugs; they are saving the people from influenza that God has sent to visit them."

Is that not a lie?

It is an *atrocious* lie!

The Devil is misrepresenting God in that way. Can you sit in a church and listen to it and not be a partaker in that lie? I knew I could not. I knew I was a false man if I did so.

Then, have you ever thought of how the apostasy deals with our own dear loved ones who have gone before us. They deny the resurrection.

I used to like the Apostles' Creed very much. Toward the end of it are the words "I believe in the resurrection of the body."

When I was examined for the Episcopal Church, they were asking me about the origin and the meaning of the Apostles' Creed. A good man said to me, "What do you understand by the words 'the resurrection of the body'?"

The Resurrection of the Body a Great and Glorious Reality

I said, "I understand that God will resurrect the body and reunite it with the spirit and make it deathless."

"Oh," he said, "you mean that, of course, in figure."

I said, "No, I mean it in reality."

"Where did you study theology? You have not studied in our colleges, have you?" he asked.

"No."

"Well, that is a pity. You know, your theology is too old. That was all right back in the middle ages when they had no knowledge of science. Science has exploded that. Science tells us that these atoms are all dispersed and that it is impossible for them to come together again. You surely do not mean what you said."

"Well, I think I mean something like that."

"Let me tell you what it means. It means the resurrection of the soul. When you die, there is a little something that goes up and up to God. That is the resurrection of the soul. That is all this means, and that is all there is to it.

"At first the words 'the resurrection of the *flesh*' were used in the Apostles' Creed. They dropped the word 'flesh' and put in its place the word 'body.' We will soon drop the word 'body' and make it read 'the resurrection of the soul,' for people will not stand for things science has exploded."

We Shall Know Our Loved Ones Over There

That is the way they deal with our dear ones who have gone on before us. I have been asked the question many times, "Do you think we shall know them when we meet them?"

I am not going to be a greater fool than I am now; and if they are changed so that I shall not know them, they will not be the same people. Of course, if they have not bodies but are very mysterious things called "souls," perhaps I shall not know them. That does look doubtful, does it not?

Some apostate ministers say, "Well, I think they are asleep anyway, and I do not think it matters much whether they wake or not."

They say, "We must make a heaven right down here in this world. We must make a good clean dance hall for the people, and get a nice clean theatre and inspect the films."

Yes, the ministers can see the films *first* and see if they are *fit to show the people.*

UTTERLY RIDICULOUS!

The Devil must laugh at his own instruments.

They say, "Get a nice theatre, get a nice little bank where they can save their money, and then you have got Heaven right down here. You do not need any more; do not bother about that."

The Apostate Churches Deny the Precious Truth of the Rapture

My dear ones who are watching for that great meeting with Jesus when He comes, you know that the apostasy lies, and you know that their lies strike at the very dearest thing of your hearts — the meeting with the dear saints and with Jesus when He comes.

We read in the Word of God:

—The prince of this world cometh, and HATH NOTHING IN ME.—John 14:30.

That was true of our Master, may it be true of you and of me; for if he hath nothing in you, he can do you no harm. If, by the power of God, by the grace of God, for the great cause of God, in His own Church, in His own ZION, I give everything to God, then there is nothing in me for the Devil to lay hands upon. I may pass through clouds, I may pass through things that seem dark, but the touch of the Devil *shall never* come upon me. God will do it, and all He asks of me is that I let Him do it.

He says to us, "Touch not the unclean thing"—the things that belong to the Devil. We are to keep our hands right off of them—those things that are apostate. Self-will, self-determination, high-mindedness — are not these the signs of the apostasy? That is what I read in the Bible.

"I Know the Apostasy Through a Bitter Experience"

I know the apostasy. I know it bitterly. I know it to its

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very dregs. I have tasted some of them. I know the apostate ministry. I know an apostate minister when I see him. He bears the marks of it. He is always *so important.* He has no reason to be, for *everybody* tells him *just what to do.*

He goes around saying, "I will listen to no man!" I have heard it over and over again,—and they listen to everybody. They listen to see what the people will say.

They go around saying, "No man is my master. My mouth is my own. I speak what I want to; I don't care whether it is in the Bible or not. I have *my thoughts* about all these things. I think *my own thoughts,* and my thoughts are so grand and big I won't tell them to everybody."

They are the thoughts of the Devil!

PRIDE!

They do not condescend to mention the filth that belongs to the world, that enters into a man, that defiles a man, and that gives the Devil power over him.

Brothers and sisters, I know! I have walked with them. But I am told in God's Word that when I have cleansed myself from these things, then I shall be a vessel "meet for the Master's use;" and the Devil with all his power, great as it is, *shall not* lay his hands upon me, even though he wields the power he does.

Think of this plague of influenza! How many are cringing in their homes today?

Love of the World and of the Devil is Death

The people of the World have a right to be cringing beneath the power of the Devil. The love of the world is a terrible thing —it is a love that crushes and kills; the love of the Devil is death!

The hate of the world is precious!

So they go on their way cringing before this disease, this death; but you and I—God's people—do not cringe. You obey God; you give yourselves to God; you belong to God; you are ZION'S—God's—and so am I.

The Devil has Nothing in the Children of God

The Devil "hath nothing in me," by the grace of God. I say very humbly but very truly, as my Master said, "The prince of this world cometh and hath nothing in me."

I am God's child!

God has said to you and to me:

—and ye shall me My sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

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"And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."

—Hebrews 10:24, 25.

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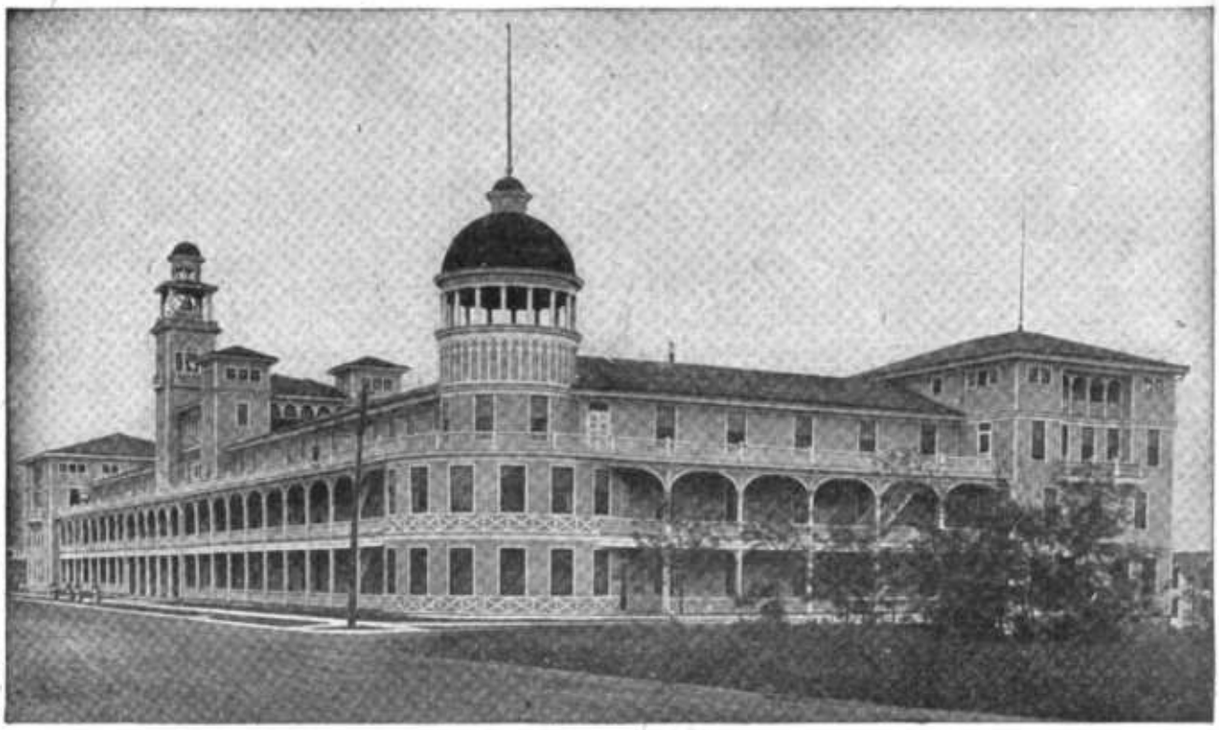
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GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Healed of Erysipelas, Boils, Sores, Catarrh, Headaches and Influenza by the Power of God, in Answer to Prayer Offered by the General Overseer and Faithful Officers in Zion.

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME YESTERDAY, AND TODAY, AND FOREVER." — Hebrews 13:8.

He lives, loves, saves and heals just as He did in the days of His flesh, when He wrought so many mighty works of love and compassion.

Jesus is not a far-off Savior and Healer, but one near at hand. His healing touch is not a thing of the past, but a very present reality.

Jesus wrought the mighty works of healing by the power of the Holy Spirit, for it is written:

"How 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."—Acts 10:-38.

DIVINE HEALING THE WORK OF THE TRIUNE GOD

Divine Healing today comes from God the Father through faith in the Name of Jesus, and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore, Jesus said:



MISS VERA MAE LUKE

"The Father Who dwelleth in Me, He doeth the works."—John 14:10.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto My Father.

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in My Name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son."—John 14:12-13.

"And these signs shall follow them that believe; In My Name shall they cast out devils;..... they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."—Mark 16:17, 18.

"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 Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."—Acts 1:8.

The Holy Spirit came on the day of Pentecost, when the Church was organized, according to the promise of the Savior. He abides with us—a potent power—the medium through which God does the mighty works for His believing children.

THE QUICKENING POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Every true believer has the indwelling witness of the Holy Spirit — that Spirit by Whom the mortal body is, and shall be, quickened.

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"But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Jesus from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you."—Romans 8:11.

"For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death."—Romans 8:2.

Both Salvation and Healing are through the atoning Blood of Jesus, and the Power of the Holy Spirit. The Blood cleanses, and the Holy Spirit enables us to gain the victory over the bondage of sin, sickness, disease and death, so that they no longer have dominion over us.

He gives us overcoming power, but through the Holy Spirit—power to live a holy life.

The work of sanctification for spirit, for soul, and for body is wrought through the agency of the Holy Spirit.

There is no healing apart from God through the Holy Spirit—it cannot be obtained by means of medicines or physicians.

In vain shalt thou use many medicines for thou shalt not be cured.—Jeremiah 46:11.

Ye are all physicians of no value.—Job 13:4.

And a certain woman, which had an issue of blood twelve years,

And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse.—Mark 5:25, 26.

God's children might just as well go to a stagnant pool to quench thirst, as to turn to poisonous drugs for life or healing.

God's Order in Divine Healing

There is Divine order in healing for the body. Men begin with the body, and by poisonous drugs seek to secure healing; but God's order is, first, healing in the spirit—then healing for the body follows, as light accompanies the sun. Salvation and Healing belong together; but the physical waits upon the spiritual.

This witness knew nothing about Jesus Christ being the Healer.

Leaves of Healing brought to light the knowledge of God's Way of Healing. The General Overseer and faithful ministers in Zion prayed the prayer offered for all the sick:

In the Name of the Lord Jesus, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, and in accordance with the will of God, our Heavenly Father.

Lo, there followed quickly Healing, and she has been kept in health and strength.

God's Covenant Embraces Divine Keeping

God's covenant embraces more than healing. It promises, over and above the healing of sickness, to keep sickness away from our midst:

And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and He shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness from the midst of thee.—Exodus 23:25.

And the Lord will take away from thee all sickness.—Deuteronomy 7:15.

Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation;

There shall no evil befall thee; neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.—Psalm 91:5, 6, 9, 10.

May God bless this testimony, as it goes out on the pages of Leaves of Healing, far and wide throughout all the world.

May the Name of Jesus be glorified, in the healing and cleansing of many who turn away from doctors and drugs to the same loving Heavenly Father Who delivered, in such a marvelous way, this daughter in Zion.

May God bless the story of His love, as proclaimed by the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, to the sinful, sick and dying in this and every land, by the power of the Holy Spirit, and exalt the Name of Jesus above every name.

"Blessed be the Fountain of Blood,
To a world of sinners revealed;
Blessed be the dear Son of God:
Only by His stripes we are healed."

Apostle Wm. S. Peckham.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MISS VERA MAE LUKE

Zion, Illinois.
February 20, 1920.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to thee!

It is with great pleasure that I write my testimony to the many blessings I have received since coming into Zion.

First of all, I want to thank God for LEAVES OF HEALING which found their way into our home in Assiniboia, Canada, in 1915. Through the teaching given in LEAVES OF HEALING, our family first accepted Jesus the Christ as their Healer, as well as Savior, and from that time on we gave up all use of medicines, doctors, and drugs.

We came to Zion City in April, 1916, and in January, 1917, I had my first wonderful healing of erysipelas and boils, which were very painful, and kept me in for over a month. An officer was called in to pray for me, and God heard and answered prayer.

A year ago last winter, when we were in Canada, I was taken with boils and sores all over my body. They raised up into large blisters and then broke. I had to be very careful and not go out or I would take cold, so I had to give up school for the winter. People that came in to see me said I should call in a doctor, but I knew if I had a doctor he would compel me to take medicine, so I said I would rather die than have a doctor. They could not understand how it was that I took God as my Healer, but mother and I stood firm and we offered up our united prayers and trusted God and He never failed us.

About one year ago, I was taken down with the terrible plague of influenza. The first attack took me when I was in Church on Lord's Day afternoon. I took chills and my head began to ache. I left the tabernacle and came home and had an officer pray for me. I was only in bed four days when I was perfectly healed and well. The next Lord's Day I attended service and was feeling fine, but on Monday I went out and caught cold and took a relapse. More than once I was at death's door. For over four weeks I was confined to my bed. I realized I was very low, but never gave up and kept fighting and trusting God for the healing of my body. I suffered a great deal of pain, and my body was wasted to a shadow of my former self.

I wish to especially thank and praise God for the help and encouragement given me by Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Nero, Mrs. Reid, and other kind friends who sat by my bedside through the long dreary hours of the night, and prayed and helped me to fight my hard battles against the power of the enemy who was trying to destroy my life.

I also wish to thank the General Overseer and others for their earnest prayers in my behalf, and I realize that I would not be here today were it not for the mercy of God.

One night especially I want to mention. I was taken with a terrible pain in my right lung. I was in great agony and cried to God for help. Apostle Taylor came in to see me and offered up the prayer of faith that saves the sick, which was immediately heard and answered.

One Saturday morning I was very low. I knew I was nearing the very brink of the grave and I was sinking very fast, but I was not afraid. My body was very weak from the fever and I had not been able to take solid food for about two weeks. Mother had sent telegrams to Canada saying that I was dying, but I never gave up and knew that all things were possible with God.

People who came in whispered and were afraid the noise would disturb me, but Mrs. Taylor came to my bedside and spoke out loud and told me of the wonderful power of God. Mother was feeling very badly and asked her not to speak so loudly, because it bothered me. I listened while she spoke of God's mighty power to save and heal. She said, "He is just the same today as He was yesterday." My faith and strength were built up and I began to improve.

About two or three o'clock next morning as Mrs. Nero sat up with me, I seemed to feel a joy unspeakable in my heart and I knew I was healed. I sang aloud, not realizing the time, one verse of the hymn:

"Who is on the Lord's side?
Who will serve the King?
Who will be His helpers,
Other lives to bring?"

From that time on I improved. I was very weak and had a few more hard battles to fight, but by the Grace of God and the love and mercy of Jesus the Christ, I am well and strong today.

I thank God for the privilege of living in Zion and for the blessings we have received through the teaching.

I pray that God will bless this testimony as it goes forth to the world and I hope that it will help someone to accept Jesus as Healer and Keeper.

I have also been healed of catarrh of nine years' standing; also headaches in answer to prayer.

My earnest desire is to live for God and serve Him every day so that I may be ready when Jesus comes.

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name.

(Signed) VERA MAE LUKE.

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"A Question Which God Cannot Answer"

By JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE

IS there such a question? Can any inquiry of man be beyond the power of the Infinitely Wise God to answer?

Yes, there is one, and, so far as I can see, only one, which even God cannot answer. It is this:—"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?" (Hebrews 2:3). The Savior cannot answer it: for He has said, "No man cometh unto the Father but by Me." (John 14:6).

It was a dark and cold winter evening, in a great city. Crowds of eager feet were passing over the street, and "homeward-bound" the tired and weary toilers were returning from thousands of busy shops, warehouses, and factories. There were no lingerers: for the keen, cutting wind drove them onward to seek shelter. Amongst the multitudes was a certain rich merchant, who had chosen to walk to his home that evening. Suddenly he stopped as he heard a voice near him say in a plaintive tone which touched his heart, "There is none other Name." He stepped aside to the sheltered nook from whence the words came. There, in a doorway, he saw a blind man sitting, with a book in raised letters upon his knees, from which he was evidently reading. But his fingers were benumbed with the cold, and he had evidently lost the place: for he repeated the words, "None other Name," over and over again, until he found the spot. The gentleman's curiosity was aroused, and he listened as the blind man, going a few words further back, now read out in clear but tremulous tones, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other Name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12.) "Ah, it is the Bible," said the merchant, as he resumed his walk. Yes, it was the Bible, the Eternal Truth of the Eternal God, and it proved itself once more to be "the Sword of the Spirit:" for it entered into his hard and worldly heart, and gave him no rest from that moment, night nor day, until he found rest and salvation in Christ.

Kind reader, "There is none other Name," through which you can find salvation. No saint, however holy, can bring salvation; no works, however good or many, can purchase salvation: for only Jesus can save.

"One offer of salvation,
To all the world made known;
The only sure Foundation
Is Christ, the Corner Stone.

"No other Name is given,
No other Way is known;
'Tis Jesus Christ the First and Last;
He saves, and He alone."

But reader, bethink thee, how shalt THOU escape if thou dost neglect so great salvation?

REMEMBER HOW GREAT A WORK SALVATION IS. It took the power of the Highest to accomplish it; and when He cried, "It is finished," it was the moment when, on the Cross, He poured out His life unto death, in His infinite love for thee and me. On a white marble tomb-stone over a soldier's grave, in a South American cemetery, these four words are chiseled: "He died for me." They are a memorial of gratitude engraved there by the man for whom the soldier died as a substitute twenty years ago. May thy heart be a tablet on which thou dost engrave the Name of "Jesus," Who loved thee, Who gave Himself for thee, Who pleads for thee as thine Advocate above, and Who now pleads by His Spirit with thy heart, wooing thee to yield to His boundless love and be forever saved. Oh, listen to His voice, as He once more stands knocking at thy heart's door.

"I should not plead with thee in vain;
Remember all My grief and pain;
I died to ransom thee from sin;
May I come in? may I come in?"

REMEMBER THAT DELAY IS ALWAYS DANGEROUS, AND OFTEN RUINOUS.

"Rabbi," said a young man to the famous and wise Rabbi Eliezer, "What time is soon enough for a man to repent of sin, turn to God, and be saved?" Looking earnestly upon the young man, the Rabbi replied, "One day before death," and went on his way. The next day, after an anxious, sleepless night of thought, the young man came to the good old man, and said,—"But, Rabbi, how shall a man be sure which is the day before death?" "Therefore," rejoined the faithful teacher, "thou shouldest repent and seek God's mercy today." And so, kind reader, I beseech thee, do not delay, lest death overtake thee, and repentance come too late.

Twenty-three years ago, in Whitefield Chapel, Carrubber's Close, Edinburgh, I was earnestly urging instant decision for Christ upon a deeply impressed audience. Just in front of the platform, a woman's white and eagerly anxious face attracted my notice, and, as I pleaded, she wept, much to the annoyance of her husband at her side. I appealed, at the close of the service, to all the anxious to remain to an after-meeting. I heard her say to her companion, "John, let me stay;" to which he angrily whispered, loud enough for me to hear, "Come away, Jessie woman, come away: dinna make me ashamed." A few nights later, I saw the same man again; but he was alone this time. He seemed very earnest, and remained to the after-meeting. Going up to him, I said, "Where is your wife tonight?" I will never forget the look of agony on that man's face, as he said with tears, "Oh, sir, if I only was sure; she's dead—she's dead—and I am to blame, if her soul is in hell: for she died the very last night she was here, and I widna let her stop." Yes, where was her God-given spirit? I trust that He Who sees the heart saw that she loved Him, and that like the woman who bathed His feet with tears of repentance and faith, she too was forgiven. But, oh, what a memory for any man, that he barred his wife's pathway to the Savior's feet. Reader, art thou not hindering some one dear to thee from being saved? Thou art ashamed of Christ, but thou art not ashamed to sin, and drive other souls into hell before thee. Oh, reader, beware. How shalt thou escape, when the world in a day, like a cloud rolls away, and eternity opens to view? How shalt thou escape if thou art amongst those who cry, "Mountains and rocks fall on us, and hide us from the face of Him Who sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: for the Great Day of His wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand." (Revelation 6:16, 17).

"Should the death-angel knock at your chamber,
In the still watch of tonight,
Say will your spirit pass into darkness,
Or to the land of delight?

"Say, are you ready? oh, are you ready,
If the death-angel should call?
Say, are you ready, oh, are you ready?
Mercy stands waiting for all!"

"And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."
—Hebrews 10:24, 25.

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He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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"Souls of Men, Why Will Ye Scatter?"

"Souls of men, why will ye scatter
Like a crowd of frightened sheep?
Foolish hearts! why will ye wander
From a love so true and deep?
Was there ever kinder Shepherd,
Half so gentle, half so sweet,
As the Savior Who would have us
Come and gather round His feet?

"It is God! His love looks mighty,
But is mightier than it seems:
'Tis our Father, and His fondness
Goes far out beyond our dreams.
There's a wideness in God's mercy,
Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in His justice,
Which is more than liberty.

"There is no place where earth's sorrows
Are more felt than up in heaven;
There is no place where earth's failings
Have such kindly judgment given.
There is welcome for the sinner,
And more graces for the good;
There is mercy with the Savior;
There is healing in His blood.

"But we make His love too narrow,
By false limits of our own;
And we magnify His strictness
With a zeal He will not own.
There is plentiful redemption
In the blood that has been shed;
There is joy for all the members
In the sorrows of the Head.

"If our love were but more simple
We should take Him at His word;
And our lives would all be sunshine
In the sweetness of our Lord.
For the love of God is broader
Than the measures of man's mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind."

F. W. Faber.

ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1920 - ZION, ILLINOIS

"Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy Crown."

—Revelation 3:11.

I am faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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"Zion's Message for the Day and the Hour"

A Report of the Service Held in Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A., Tuesday Evening, June 3, 1919, Address by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by E. I. C.)

After a moment spent in silent prayer, the General Overseer announced the HYMN, entitled, "WILL JESUS FIND US WATCHING?" and said:

Let each one give close attention. The first stanza of this Hymn reads as follows:

When Jesus comes to reward His servants,

This line brings up at once the subject of judgments. There is no judgment awaiting the Christian. He was judged on Calvary, when Jesus paid the penalty. Hence, in the First Verse of the Eighth Chapter of Romans we have the words:

There is therefore now no JUDGMENT to them who are in Christ Jesus....

The word "condemnation" there ought to be "judgment."

The Judgment Seat of Christ Set to Determine Rewards

The Christian will be judged before the judgment seat of Christ, to determine his reward. That is what Paul means in the Fifth Chapter of Second Corinthians when he says:

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. (Verse 10.)

Only saints appear before the judgment seat of Christ, which will be in Heaven, and which will last for three and one-half years. Some of the saints will get *no reward*—especially some of the ministers, of whom Paul says that their works "shall be burned" and that they "shall suffer loss;" that they themselves "shall be saved; yet so as by fire" (I Corinthians 3:15). That is, they will get no reward, because all that they have built up has been nothing but "wood, hay, stubble," and because their so-called converts have not been converts made by the Holy Spirit, through the preached Word.

In my address this afternoon [published in Volume 45, Numbers 11, 12], I dwelt at considerable length on definitions, giving the people present a little start along the lines of Bible study; and I think that most of them understood quite thoroughly the meaning of the phrase—now so pregnant with meaning—The "Time of the End," and also the meaning of the Rapture. It seems to me that it is an unspeakable shame and disgrace that any one calling himself a Christian should ask me what I mean when I use the word "Rapture;" and yet that often has happened.

The Shout Which will be Uttered by Jesus the Christ at the Time of the Rapture

The Fourth Chapter of Revelation tells us about the setting up of the judgment seat, and in the First Verse of this Chapter we have the Rapture and the shout which will be uttered by Jesus the Christ: "Come up hither!"

These are intensely interesting subjects, and they are the subjects for the present day and hour.

God has a message for the Church, and He has a message for the world. It is a *living* message, it is an *up-to-date* message, and it is the *only* message—there is no other.

The HYMN continues:

...Whether it be noon or night,
Faithful to Him will He find us watching,
With our lamps all trimm'd and bright?

REFRAIN—
Oh, can we say we are ready, brother?
Ready for the soul's bright home?
Say, will He find you and me still watching,
Waiting, waiting when the Lord shall come?

If at the dawn of the early morning,
He shall call us one by one,
When to the Lord we restore our talents,
Will He answer thee—"Well done"?

Have we been true to the trust He left us?
Do we seek to do our best?
If in our hearts there is naught condemns us,
We shall have a glorious rest.

Blessed are those whom the Lord finds watching,
In His glory they shall share;
If He shall come at the dawn or midnight,
Will He find us watching there?

After the singing of this HYMN, the General Overseer delivered his

ADDRESS

It is incumbent upon every child of God to study the Scriptures and to get light on present-day events.

Chicago is a great City, but God must have some people in this mass of wickedness. Man cannot always see them, but God knows every one who is His child. Many people who think they are His children will find out that they are mistaken.

No one is a child of God who has not been "born again." No one has any right to look up and call God "Father" who has not experienced the New Birth.

The Touchstone of God's Precious Word the Test of Salvation

Before taking up the Second Coming of Christ, the important thing in this meeting, and in every meeting, is to apply the touchstone of God's Precious Word in order to find out who is saved and who is not.

Salvation!

I noticed a letter in my correspondence this morning in which some one said: "I have been sick for a long time and have been treated by several doctors; but I am growing worse, and I would like to get well."

It would have been much better if he had said, "I am anxious to be *saved*."

Many people defeat themselves in getting healing, because they put *healing* first. That is not God's order. The doctor feels the pulse and looks at the tongue, but God Almighty begins with the spirit. The Blood of Christ must first be applied.

The FIRST THING is SALVATION!

I spend no time in arguing or debating. The Bible begins by saying, "IN THE BEGINNING *GOD*," and if there is any one here in this meeting, or in any other of my meetings, who does not believe that God exists, then I have no time to waste with you. I do not believe you are sincere when you say it. You have done despite to the Image which you bear—to God Almighty, Who created you. You are shutting your eyes to the thousand-and-one evidences of design all around you. You are rejecting the Word of God.

What a terrible condition!

Man was Created in the Image of God

God said:

Let Us make man in Our Image, after Our Likeness....(Genesis 1:26.)

There is that within every individual that reaches out and cries after God.

In the sky, on the earth—in all the wonderful works about

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us — are the thousand-and-one things that point us to God the Creator.

Then we have the Bible — the Infallible Word of God — which is the third source showing that God *is*.

....He who cometh to God must believe that He IS.... (Hebrews 11:6.)

Every individual has sinned.

Some persons think it is very smart to ask me where the Devil came from. That is one of the easiest questions to answer that ever was asked! All you need to do to find out is to read the Twenty-eighth Chapter of Ezekiel and the Fourteenth Chapter of Isaiah.

I have drawn on the blackboard a horizontal line which is supposed to have neither beginning nor ending. It represents Eternity, which has neither beginning nor ending.

Jesus the Christ Co-existent with God the Father

God has existed from all Eternity. There never was a time when He did not exist. There never was a time when Jesus did not exist — He is Coexistent with the Father.

"In the beginning" marks the initial point of time — we do not know when it was. Remember, however, that with God there is no such thing as time. With God all is ETERNITY. That is very simple, and you can understand it. It will serve you well in listening to future addresses.

Peter says that "one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day" (II Peter 3:8). Time has to do with you and with me. There is coming a point when time will be no longer, and when all will be Eternity.

God in Three Persons existed from all Eternity. There is the doctrine of the Trinity, which is very simple, in so far as God designed that we should understand it.

The world is full of diabolical systems that deny the Trinity, that deny the Divinity of Christ, that deny the existence of the Devil, that dispense with hell. They constitute one of the ominous signs that the day of grace and mercy is coming to a close. There are many other signs.

The Devil Was One of the Most Beautiful of all God's Creation

God created this earth "IN THE BEGINNING;" and by that I do not mean six thousand years ago, when He *restored* it. He who is now the Devil was the cherub who ruled this earth, together with a host of angels. If you will read the Twenty-eighth Chapter of Ezekiel, you will find out that what I say is correct. He was one of the most beautiful of all God's creation, and it was his pride that brought his downfall. Millions of others have been brought to ruin by pride. Many people will not give themselves to God because of their pride. It keeps them from breaking away from the world; it keeps them from surrendering to God and living a pure, clean, earnest Christian life.

The Devil said, "I WILL —"

There is the beginning of sin!

"I will ascend above the clouds; I will climb higher than God."

A great judgment was sent upon this earth — a great flood. You will find a reference to it in the Third Chapter of Second Peter. This is not a reference to Noah's flood.

Paul makes reference, in writing to Timothy, to the Devil's having fallen through pride.

That is a very stupid question to ask — "Where did the Devil come from?"

Some persons think it is very smart (?) to say, "Where did Cain get his wife?" I can answer that question in a second: Cain's wife was his own sister. In the early history of the human race, brothers and sisters married. They were physically perfect, and, as you know, the Antediluvians lived for several hundred years; as in the case of Methuselah, who lived to be nine hundred and sixty-nine. The Bible does not say that Cain got his wife in a foreign land, or anything of the kind. When you read the Scriptures, you must read them carefully, and know what they say.

The Chaotic Condition of the Earth the Result of Judgment

Geologists never have found any skeletons of man belonging to this Pre-Adamite period, because man had not been created. However, they have found the skeletons of mastodons and extinct animals that belong to this Pre-Adamite period.

From the point, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth," down to the time of which it is written, "And the earth was without form, and void," is an indefinite period. That condition was the result of judgment.

It is just about six thousand years ago since the restoration of the earth and the creation of man. We are nearing the end of that time now.

Adam was the first man created by God.

The days mentioned in the First Chapter of Genesis were days of twenty-four hours each, just as they are now.

This is the year 1919 of the Christian Era. Of time before the birth of Christ we say "B. C."; of time *after* the birth of Christ, we say "A. D."

As I told the people this afternoon, most persons are acquainted with a great many periods of time. They talk about ancient history, they talk about medieval history, they talk about the period before this and the period after that. I am glad that they know all these things; but there is a period of time of which, for the most part, they know nothing — the period mentioned in the Bible as the "Time of the End." I want to show you how close we are to it.

While the door of grace and mercy stands open and we should reach out and get every one saved that we can, at the same time the message that is due today is a MESSAGE TO THE SAINTS, telling them that their day of redemption is very close at hand, and that the very things that distress the earth and perplex the statesmen are the things which should make the saints lift up their eyes and rejoice.

We read, almost every day, statements made by men of the world to the effect that the world is coming to an end. Strictly speaking, from the Bible standpoint there is no such thing as the end of the world.

Every Age Closes With a Great Catastrophe

God divides the whole history of man into so many ages and so many dispensations. Every age closes with a great catastrophe: in fact, an age *is* a period that closes with some catastrophe, such as a great war, with which the earth sympathizes in earthquakes, cyclones, volcanic eruptions, tidal waves, and great signs in the heavens and on the earth. That always has been true. When our Lord was crucified, there was darkness over the earth, there was a mighty earthquake, and the "veil of the temple was rent in twain." Even the dead came to life and arose from their graves, and appeared to many in the city.

"The end of the world" is an expression that has been used many times in the newspapers in the last few years — used by writers, by statesmen, and in the halls of legislation. They say that civilization hangs in the balance, and that we are on the threshold of the "New Age." While they do not know exactly what they are talking about, at the same time their statements are interesting to a Bible student.

I am here to do everything that I can to win people to God, so that they will believe, with all their hearts and lives, in God the Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; and in His Son, Jesus the Christ, the Savior, Healer, Cleanser, and Keeper; and in the Holy Spirit, the Comforter and Guide; in the Bible as the Inspired Word of God; so that they will see their sinfulness and the necessity of the New Birth, of Repentance, of Confession, of Restitution, and of Salvation through the Blood. I am here to show them, from the Word of God, that the "old man" never can save himself.

Salvation Comes Only Through the Blood of Jesus the Christ

There is no salvation by works!

There is no salvation through morality!

Salvation comes through the BLOOD — and through the Blood only!

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

I am grateful to God that He has raised up ZION to be a bright and a shining light in these days of peril, to witness for God and for Christ; to witness to the necessity of *dying* and of being resurrected "in newness of life;" to witness against false doctrines that teach that men and women can save themselves.

It is an impossibility for a man to lift himself over a fence by his own boot straps; but he can do it as successfully as he can save or heal himself.

My one great desire, in these meetings in Chicago, is to get

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some one saved. There will not be very many. The number of the Chruch is almost complete, the harvest is practically finished, and we are gleaners in the field. All that we shall get now, ere the Lord comes, will be the gleanings. Where you find one man or woman interested in Divine things, you will find a multitude who have no interest whatever in them. In the second place, I have a great desire to deliver to the saints the full message that is now due to be given to them.

I shall talk, now, taking it for granted that I am talking to a company of saved men and women; and if there is one here who is *not* saved, I pray to God that, before we pronounce the Benediction, he will surrender and give his heart to God.

The door is open!

There are Just Two Lives to Live—the Sinful Life and the Spiritual Life

Men can live only one of two lives — the sinful life, for which the Devil is the paymaster, and the spiritual life, for which a great pay day is coming, as we told you at the beginning of the service, when a rich reward will be given to every faithful child of God.

....YE CANNOT SERVE GOD AND MAMMON. (Matthew 6: 24.)

If any of you here tonight think that you can be a Christian and serve the world at the same time, you are *lost*, and you are *without hope!*

Tens of thousands of church members are living, not the Christian life, but the life of the world. And is it not enough to make a man's heart break when he reads, almost every day, statements by one preacher after another that the prayer meetings in the churches are dead? It was said, when I first entered the ministry, that the prayer meeting was the spiritual thermometer of the Church; and it is a true statement. I noticed an article yesterday by a man who is pastor of a very prominent church, and he says that the prayer meeting is almost a thing of the past. And a Methodist minister says: "The time has come for every church building to add a moving picture show room."

The terrible apostasy, the awful worldliness, — they are indescribable! They constitute one of the great signs that the Lord soon will come for His saints.

There is to be One Revelation of Christ—When He Comes in Glory

Let me quote to you the first three verses of the Book of Revelation. Not very many weeks ago, I heard a minister say, "The Book of Revelation." The last book of the Bible is "THE REVELATION." There is to be ONE REVELATION of Christ — when He comes in Glory.

There is a special blessing pronounced upon the man who reads this Book; and then think how shamefully it is neglected!

The Revelation —

The word "Revelation" there means "the unfolding, the uncovering, the making known;" and it refers to the revelation of Christ in His Glory at the beginning of the Millennium.

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto Him, to show unto HIS SERVANTS —

None but the children of God need attempt to understand the Book of Revelation. The very first thing that must be settled by every man and woman when he or she approaches the Book of Revelation is: "Am I a servant of Jesus the Christ? Am I a child of God?" If you are *not*, then this is not for you. It was not intended for you, and you cannot understand it, because it was given for the servants of Christ, and is not written in the common language of men. It is written in signs and symbols, which only the servants of Christ can understand. If it were written out in plain language, there would be no need of my being here tonight — any one could read it. But it is like the hickory nut: if you want the kernel, you must crack the shell in order to get it.

Great Spiritual Truths Set Forth in Parables, Signs and Symbols

The reason Christ spoke in parables was to test men; for only those who were right and who would put forth the effort could understand the spiritual truth that He was presenting. Consequently, He said to His disciples:

....It is given unto you to know the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven, but to them it is not given. (Matthew 13:11.)

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto Him, to show unto His servants things which must shortly come to pass; and He sent and signified it by His angel unto His servant John:

John was a faithful witness; he bore faithful testimony. He was specially trained, and he could be trusted. God gave the Revelation to Jesus Christ, and it was given by an angel to John on the Isle of Patmos.

Who bare record of the Word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.

The Third Verse is the one that I want you to note:

BLESSED IS HE WHO READETH, —

That is one thing that I desire to bring before the people in these meetings.

There are twenty-two chapters in the Book of Revelation, and the time has come for the saints to read it and to understand it. It gives us the entire program for the seven years — that period of time known as the "Time of the End."

Blessed is he who readeth, and they who hear the words of this prophecy,—

Revelation is a prophecy.

—and keep those things which are written therein: FOR THE TIME IS AT HAND.

In other words, "Blessed are those who familiarize themselves with the program, who set their houses in order, and who heed the things that God has made plain to the saints."

Millions would like to understand the things that have been transpiring on this earth, but they cannot! However, the Word of God makes it all plain.

The Whole Period of Time Consists of Seven Thousand Years

You and I are living nineteen hundred and nineteen years this side of the Birth of Christ. The Bible makes it perfectly plain that from the creation of man to the beginning of the Millennium is six thousand years, and that the whole period of time is seven thousand years, the seventh thousand being the Millennium.

The Bible plainly tells us that there will be two returns of the Jews to Palestine, one of which will be at the beginning of the seven years, when they will return in unbelief — that is, still rejecting Jesus of Nazareth as the Messiah. That return already has begun, and tens of thousands in this country are enrolled for an exodus to Palestine immediately the peace treaty is signed. The cornerstone of their university has been laid and the plans for the temple have been drawn.

Every one knows very well that it is the daily talk that a Jewish state is to be established in Palestine, and that the Allies have, through Mr. Balfour, pledged themselves to give Palestine to the Jews under a British protectorate, for the purpose of establishing a Jewish homeland.

What does that signify?

It signifies that you and I, tonight, are very close to the Rapture and the beginning of the seven years. That should be plain to a Bible student, because the Lord Himself said that when the fig tree puts forth its leaves (the fig tree is the Jewish nation), then "lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:28-30).

The second return — the Lord's restoration — will be seven years later, when they will accept Him as the Messiah.

The "League of Nations" the Paramount Topic Before the World Today

The one great subject of discussion in the world today is the League of Nations. It is the paramount topic. There is not a statesman who has any realization of what it means, or who realizes that prophecy is being fulfilled. It simply is the first step in the formation of the ten toes of Nebuchadnezzar's image, the ten toes being part of clay and part of iron. *Clay*, in that prophecy, means *democracy; iron* means *monarchy*. In other words, it foretold a mixture of governments. All the nations of Western Europe, since the fall of the Roman Empire, have been *clay* and *iron*.

In this colossal image we have the history of the Gentile Times, which are now dying. They are in the throes of dissolution, and the death rattle can be heard distinctly.

The feet condition, since the fall of the Roman Empire, has

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been clay and iron. That is true of England, which is what is called a *limited monarchy*. It was not true, however, of Russia, which was an *absolute monarchy*, the Czar being the sole ruler.

Thousands of years ago, the whole history of the Gentile Times was given, and it covers about four inches of space in the Bible (see Daniel the Second Chapter). First of all, the Jewish people lost the reins of government and the throne of David was overthrown (it was overthrown in seven different acts, and it will be restored in seven different acts, one of which is due to take place). Then the Gentile Times began.

World Conditions Symbolized by Nebuchadnezzar's Image

The first condition, as symbolized by the image, was gold—the Babylonish kingdom, the first universal empire. The second condition was silver — the Medo-Persian Empire. The third was brass — the Grecian Empire. The fourth was iron — the Roman Empire. In any school history you will find the history of these four universal empires.

The two legs of this image represented the western and the eastern divisions of the Roman Empire, one of which fell in 476 B. C. and the other in 1453 A. D.

Then we are told that the feet were part of iron and part of clay. Take Italy, France, Switzerland, and all the nations that fall within the confines of the old Roman Empire — they are part iron and part clay.

The ten toes are what is being created today in Europe — the League of Nations. Senator Hiram Johnson, of California, delivered a very brilliant address in the United States senate yesterday, and he takes a very strong position against the League of Nations — and so do I, not only as an American citizen, but as a Bible student. This country has no business going within ten thousand miles of the League of Nations. Senator Johnson is right. It may be ratified, but it will not be very long before the United States will have to get out of it — you mark what I say!

We are living in the most interesting times in the history of the world — times when a man ought to rise early in the morning with both eyes wide open, to see what has transpired since he went to bed.

These are wonderful days!

Soon the greatest event that this world ever has seen will take place.

Revolutions Making for the Literal Fulfillment of Prophecy

I notice that the Rhineland republic was proclaimed yesterday. Well, according to the Word of God everything below the Rhine will go into the Revived Roman Empire, and everything below the Danube.

Ireland is on the verge of revolution — and why? Because she never was any part of the old Roman Empire, and, therefore, will be detached. All these revolutions that are brewing in the different countries are making for the literal fulfillment of prophecy.

Geneva may be named as the seat of government for the Revived Roman Empire, but it will not stay there. According to the Word of God, the seat of government will be the city of Rome.

Although there has been a great deal of camouflage, it is very plain that everything is making for the formation of the Revived Roman Empire — the ten toes of Nebuchadnezzar's image. Consequently, for the last two years we have heard and read a great deal about "making the world safe for democracy," and about "the reign of democracy."

The Revived Roman Empire vs The Great Northeastern Confederacy

The Revived Roman Empire will bring into existence against it the great Northeastern Confederacy, and the world will be split into two camps. The leader of the Northeastern Confederacy will be Russia.

Do the events that are transpiring in Russia signify anything?

What does the Word of God say?

I will read you two or three verses in the Thirty-eighth Chapter of Ezekiel. The Thirty-eighth to the Forty-eighth Chapters of Ezekiel are among the most fascinating chapters in the Bible. You find there the complete architectural plan of the great Millennial temple.

The great Northeastern Confederacy will take in Russia, Germany, China, Japan, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Persia. Mark what I say! The stage is all set, and all that is necessary to bring that confederacy into existence is for the allies to exert a certain amount of pressure. Everything tends in that direction.

And the Word of the Lord came unto me (Ezekiel), saying, Son of man, set thy face against Gog,—

That is the King of the North, who will be one of the three great world-characters to take an important part during the "Time of the End," which we now are approaching. This period is blowing its breath in the world's face tonight, and it will not be very long until it will dawn.

Gog is the King of the North, the head of the great Northeastern Confederacy.

—the land of Magog,—

That is his domain.

—the chief prince of Meshech—

Or, "*Moscow.*" It would take a long address, of course, to go into that subject, but Meshech there is MOSCOW.

—and Tubal,—

"Tubal" is TOBOLSK.

Russia to Head the Great Northeastern Confederacy

There are other prophecies that go to show that Russia will head the Northeastern Confederacy, and that Germany will come second. It will be the "red terror" against the Revived Roman Empire.

What is the common talk in Western Europe today?—that the "red terror" threatens to overrun Europe, and that there is not a country in which there is not talk of revolution. It is in the very air, and that is just as the Word of God pictures it.

Certain moves on the part of the League of Nations will bring into existence the Northeastern Confederacy, in which China and Japan will take part. They will not go into the Revived Roman Empire, although they may go into the League of Nations. However, the League of Nations simply is a preliminary step, and it will quickly terminate in the Revived Roman Empire.

The Ruler of the Revived Roman Empire, the Dictator of the World

The man who will rule the Revived Roman Empire is the subject of many of the most remarkable prophecies in the Bible. He lives in Europe today. He probably will come out of one of the four divisions of the Grecian Empire. He will "come in peaceably." He will be the "man on horseback." He will be a dictator, and the people will rally around him, because he will promise to save them from the "red terror." He will become the worst autocrat that the world ever has seen, and he will tell them that things must be thus and so if he is to prevent the "red terror" from sweeping all over Western Europe. He will run all the banks; in fact, there will be a world bank. That is what is predicted today — a world bank.

The Bible says that this ruler will change the "times and the seasons." Already a new calendar has been proposed, dating from the signing of the peace treaty and the enforcing of the League of Nations' Covenant.

The Bolsheviki has a new calendar of two hundred and eighty days.

You can see in what direction the whole thing is tending.

He will control all the railroads of the Revived Roman Empire; he will control *everything* throughout his own realm. Of course, he will have nothing to do with the Northeastern Confederacy. The King of the North will rule that. He (the ruler of the Revived Roman Empire) will surpass every Caesar that ever lived. He will have his own coin, with his own superscription and his own image on it. He will have his own calendar. His word will be law, and any one who does not obey will come under the guillotine. The Bible says that no man will be able to buy or sell unless he has that man's mark in his right hand or on his forehead. It is said that cowards will take his mark in the right hand so that they can keep it in their pockets; then when they want to buy a sack of flour they will show it.

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The Various Titles by Which the Antichrist is Called

In the Bible, this man is called "the Assyrian," and you will find a description of him as the Assyrian in the Tenth Chapter of Isaiah. He is called the "king of fierce countenance." He is called the "wilful king." He is called, in Revelation the Thirteenth Chapter, "the beast"— and that is what he will be: "THE beast." He is called the "little horn," which will arise out of the ten kingdoms of the Revived Roman Empire. He is called "the Antichrist." He will be the world's superman. He will be the false Messiah, and the Jews who will return to Palestine in unbelief will accept him. He will confirm the covenant made by the allied governments with them for a period of seven years, and they will build their temple and begin their Mosaic worship.

After three years and one-half, as the Bible tells us,—exactly in the middle of the Seven Years — this ruler of the Revived Roman Empire will go to Jerusalem, and his image will be set up in the temple that will be built in Jerusalem very shortly. The Bible allows two hundred and twenty days for the building of this temple and ten hundred and forty days for the keeping of the daily sacrifice. The Word of God goes into the minutest details as to these various periods, and they are perfectly plain.

Now, the very moment that a telegram reaches the King of the North that the Antichrist has gone to Jerusalem, then the Second Chapter of Joel, which gives an exact description of the march of the army of the King of the North, begins to be fufilled; and he marches into Palestine and gives battle to the Antichrist. The Sixteenth Chapter of Revelation tells us that the Euphrates is dried up to make an easy passage into Palestine.

As you read the Book of Daniel, you will find the expression, "the Time of the End," repeatedly. It is a period of seven years— two thousand five hundred and twenty days. It is designated as "a time (that is one year), times (two years), and an half (half a year)"— three years and one-half, the seven years being divided exactly in the middle. It is called in Revelation "a thousand two hundred and threescore days," and "forty and two months."

The Great Things Which Precede the "Time of the End"

What will take place before the dawning of this period?

If you will read the Second Chapter of Second Thessalonians, you will find that two things will take place. The first one is THE APOSTASY OF THE CHURCH — the great "falling away" from the faith.

What are the conditions today?

There is no use my detailing them. The people generally ought to know them. The apostasy already has taken place; it could not be much worse than it is now.

The second thing is THE REVELATION OF THE MAN OF SIN.

....For that day (THE DAY OF THE LORD) shall not come, except there come A FALLING AWAY FIRST, and THAT MAN OF SIN BE REVEALED....

The "day of the Lord" mentioned in the Bible is the seven-year period. The "Lord's Day" is the Millennium — a thousand years. The "day of Christ" is the Rapture. These days all are plainly set forth in the Bible. Consequently, when Paul said "that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night" (I Thessalonians 5:1), he referred to this seven-year period. The "day of the Lord" also is called "the great and the terrible day of the Lord."

Paul also said:-

Ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake YOU as a thief. (I Thessalonians 5:4.)

Will that day come upon YOU as a "thief in the night"? It will not overtake *me* as a "thief in the night"!

I know as well as I know that I am standing here that we are coming very rapidly to the "day of the Lord." It cannot possibly be far off.

The Time and the Meaning of the Rapture

Just before this period, the saints will be taken out of this world. That is what is called THE RAPTURE. In First Thessalonians the Fourth Chapter, beginning with the Thirteenth Verse, you have the first revelation of the Rapture. The Rapture means the changing of the saints living on this earth from mortal to immortal "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye," and their being caught up to meet the Lord in the air.

When a man thinks of all these things, it is enough to make him shed tears of blood to see how few professed ministers of the Gospel know anything about the Second Coming of Christ, and, still worse, how few care anything about it. They dream of a world-wide revival — it is nothing but a pipe dream! They talk about thousands of conversions — it is a lot of "bunk"! According to the Word of God, things will grow worse and worse. The Seventeenth Chapter of Luke says:

As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of Man....
Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot.....
Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed. (Verses 26-30.)

....WHEN THE SON OF MAN COMETH, SHALL HE FIND THE FAITH ON THE EARTH? (Luke 18:8.)

What is meant by "faith" there?

The whole system of Christian doctrine.

Terrible Judgments Coming Upon the Apostate Church and Godless World

Today, ministers galore and theological seminaries all over the country laugh at miracles, caricature Divine Healing, and make fun of Holy Living; they call the story of Adam and Eve a myth, the flood a legend, and talk of the Virgin Birth as foolishness. The Presbyterians in New York ordained three men to the ministry who stood up and said, "We do not believe in the Virgin Birth." They deny the physical resurrection of the Lord and laugh at the doctrine of the Second Coming. I tell you, the most awful, the most indescribable judgments will come upon the apostate church and the godless, unbelieving world, as suddenly "as travail upon a woman with child." And these judgments are right at the door!

My only hope is to get one saved here and there and to quicken the saints, so that they will come up to the standard and will love the appearing of the Lord and will look for it, praying, "Lord Jesus, come!" That is the prayer of every saint.

As I have said, we are nineteen hundred and nineteen years beyond the birth of Christ. The six thousand years are almost over.

Do you believe in the Coming of the Lord?

Persons have said to me, "No, I cannot believe in it!"

You cannot?

It is a very easy thing for me to believe in the Second Coming of the Lord.

Two Men Declared the Second Coming of the Lord

From Mount Olivet He ascended, in plain view of the disciples. Two men stood by and they said:

Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into Heaven? this same Jesus, Who is taken up from you into Heaven, SHALL SO COME IN LIKE MANNER AS YE HAVE SEEN HIM GO INTO HEAVEN. (Acts 1:11.)

Yes, Jesus ascended. He went through the First Heaven and the Second Heaven and entered the Third Heaven, where, tonight, He sits at the right hand of God the Father.

In the revelation given to Paul in the Fourth Chapter of First Thessalonians are these words:

For this we say unto you by the Word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain unto the Coming of the Lord shall not go before them who are asleep.
FOR THE LORD HIMSELF SHALL DESCEND FROM HEAVEN—

There are some things on these subjects that I cannot utter. There are some things that I would not tell to my wife — to any one on this earth.

The Lord will descend from the right hand of God the Father to the First Heaven, where He will halt. No one will see Him. That will be His coming in the Rapture. He will come "as a thief in the night" to take away the Church — the Pearl. The shout which He will utter will be, "COME UP HITHER!" Every saint on the earth will hear that shout, it makes no difference where he is; and "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye" he will be changed from a mortal being into an immortal being. Walls will be no barriers, even as they were no barrier to the Lord after His resurrection, when, the doors being closed,

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He stood in the midst of the disciples. There is nothing about that that is hard to believe.

Man's Limited Knowledge of the World's Phenomena

What do we know about electricity? We know very little. No author would stake his reputation on trying to tell what electricity is.

How is it that when I take hold of a battery and then touch you on the forehead, the electricity passes through my body and enters yours?

How is it that I can sit here and that the sound of my voice can be heard in the house across the alley?

What do walls amount to, so far as the passage of sound is concerned?

Where does the electricity come from which gives us light tonight?

Why do electricians wear rubber boots? Because rubber is a nonconductor.

Do you see that beautiful, variegated butterfly flitting through the air? Where did it come from? It once was in the form of a cocoon, and later it was in the form of a caterpillar.

What is it that we DO know?

What do we know about life? Nothing at all — except that we can destroy it. A woman may have a beautiful house plant. She can kill it; but after she has killed it she cannot put life into it again.

God is the Author of life!

Man Wonderful in His Mental Powers and Physical Organism

You and I tonight are flesh and blood.

Who can understand the body?

Study the number of bones and the different kinds; study the joints — the hinge joints, the ball and socket joints; study why God gave you two eyes and only one tongue — there is a reason; study why He gave you two ears, two lungs, two kidneys, the heart; study the circulation of the blood; follow the nerves, the telegraph system, to the base of the brain; think of what a wonderful piece of machinery the body is.

Man is a wonderful being! a marvelous being!

Think of what the mind of man can do!

Think of what man has accomplished in the way of inventions, in the way of construction — why, it is almost superhuman! Go into a great manufacturing plant, and you will see the machines there doing the work of men almost with the deftness of human fingers; you will see machines that are shaving steel so fine that it takes a microscope to see the shaving. Look at the linotype machine. They say that the man who invented it lost his mind. Well, after looking at it and studying it, I should not wonder! Look at the adding machines and the computation machines.

You and I are Living in Wonderful Days

Here is another thing that should make people think: All of these wonderful inventions and marvelous improvements have come within the last sixty or seventy years.

Look at the means of locomotion today. Look at what has been accomplished. It is a marvel! It would seem as though man had reached the acme of invention.

Before long, airships will be as common as automobiles are today.

All these things are in the Days of God's Preparation and will be used during the Millennium. Jerusalem will be the capital of the world, and the world will be ruled from the literal throne of David restored in Jerusalem. Then all war and all injustice will be stopped — and not until then. The more men work at it now, the bigger the mess they make out of it.

I am going to stand up for the right, even though tomorrow I may be killed for it. I am going to recognize and condemn wrong wherever I see it. A minister of God who will not do it is not fit to be a minister.

Churches and Ministers Bow to the Dictates of the Rich

I should like to see the rich have any control over me! That is one of the reasons the churches have lost their power — because a few nabobs run the whole business. I once supplied a pulpit in the Presbyterian church where one banker ran the whole church, because he paid over two-thirds of the expenses. The majority of the ministers kowtow to the rich and cringe like puppies before them. I preached to a church some years ago where neither of its two trustees belonged to the church or even professed Christianity. One was a judge and the other was a banker, and they were both worldly men. They were there simply because they had money.

That is a nice state of affairs!

I say, before God and man, that the masses of the people in this old world have suffered indescribable slavery. As I have said before, slavery always exists in some form or another.

Perhaps you have noticed that Lord ———— has sold all his estates and has moved into an ordinary dwelling; because he sees that the storm is coming, and he thinks he is going to "get in out of the rain."

If you think that a revolution is not brewing in England and in France, you are badly mistaken; and nothing that they may do will stave it off. It is the inevitable conflict between Labor and Capital, on which I lectured more than twenty-five years ago. The Bible describes it and tells all about it.

The Peaceful Opening of the Terrible Rule of the Antichrist

When the seven years begin, the ruler of the Revived Roman Empire appears. He comes riding on a white horse. That means that he comes in peaceably, with soft words and great promises, deceiving the people. He carries a bow, but no arrow. Then comes in a red horse — war — and peace is taken from the earth. Next, a black horse appears. That is famine. Then by war and famine millions are destroyed, and hell follows after them to swallow them. Then comes the opening of the fifth seal. When the sixth seal is opened, then the "red terror" sweeps the earth. Every government will fall and every ruler will tumble. They are likened to stars falling from Heaven, "even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind." That means that revolution will be the cause of their fall.

The people say, "Tell us something pleasant!"

The Most Beautiful Thing Ever Spoken to Men—"Jesus is Coming Again"

Let me tell you the most beautiful thing that men ever have heard: JESUS THE CHRIST IS COMING TO TAKE HIS SAINTS. That is the most beautiful, the most pleasant thing I can tell you.

So far as the earth is concerned, it is due for a mighty *bump*. What has happened is only a gentle zephyr compared with what is going to happen. The fact of the matter is that the Lord Himself said of this period, which is described as the "Great Tribulation," that if the days are not shortened there will not be a man, woman, or child left alive on the face of the whole earth, "but that for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened" (Matthew 24:22).

"For the elect's sake" means the elect of Israel, because the Church will be with Christ. For the elect of Israel God will shorten the days; otherwise there would be no one left alive on the earth.

One person said, "Why does God do all these things?" God does *not* do them. Men and women today will not have God. They say to God Almighty, "Get out! We do not believe in You! We do not want You! We are not going to submit to Your rule! We do not believe in the Bible! We have no use for Jesus the Christ!" All right. Let them pay the penalty!

If you do not believe in God, if you do not believe in the Bible, what is to keep you from being a mere *animal*? What have you to guide you in this life? You have nothing!

Delusions Follow the Rejection of the Truth

People reap what they sow!

They will run after Christian Science, they will run after Spiritualism, they will run after Bahaism, they will run after Theosophy, they will run after New Thought, they will run after Millennial Dawnism, they will run after every false system palmed off by the Devil; but when it comes to the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ they will have nothing to do with it.

Now, WHY?

...Because THEY RECEIVED NOT THE LOVE OF THE TRUTH, THAT THEY MIGHT BE SAVED. (II Thessalonians 2:10.)

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That is the reason!

The Bible says, *"Try the spirits"*—and it does not take me very long to try them, either.

The Word of God says:

Every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: AND THIS IS THAT SPIRIT OF ANTI-CHRIST.... (I John 4:3.)

Every one of these false religions disposes of Christ. They do it in a very subtle and in a very cute manner.

I do not know why a man should get angry because he is told that there is a rattlesnake under his table, do you?

The people do not study these false systems.

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit Took Place on Pentecost—"One Baptism"

Here is an announcement from the Sunday Church Notices in a Chicago paper: "Do you want to be baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire?"

What crass ignorance!

Think of a Christian praying to be baptized with the Holy Ghost and with fire! The baptism with fire is the day of judgment for the ungodly, when the fire will burn and consume the chaff. If that is the way you pray, it is a good thing God does not answer your prayer! God, of course, is too All-wise to answer.

So far as the baptism of the Holy Spirit is concerned, that took place on the Day of Pentecost, and it would be just as foolish to pray for a repetition of the crucifixion of the Lord Jesus Christ as to pray for a repetition of Pentecost.

What foolish things people do when they do not know the Scriptures!

John the Baptist refers to the baptism of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost and the baptism of fire at the day of judgment upon a godless world when he says:

...He Who 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. (Matthew 3:11.)

The people do not know the Word of God and do not study it—that is the difficulty.

The Bible is a wonderful Book, and, at the same time, it is a very simple Book. The Inspired Word of God is put into very simple language. There is no need for people to fall into all kinds of error.

"Do you want to be baptized with the Holy Ghost and with fire?"

Paul says, "One Lord, one faith, ONE BAPTISM" (Ephesians 4:5). And he refers to the baptism of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost.

One Crucifixion!

One Baptism—covering all the members of the Body of Christ from Pentecost to the Rapture. Consequently, Paul says: "For by One Spirit are we all baptized into One Body" (I Corinthians 12:13).

The Holy Spirit Received When Conversion and Regeneration Occur

When a man is converted and regenerated, right then and there he receives the Holy Spirit. Paul says, in the Eighth Chapter of Romans: "If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His" (Verse 9).

Whenever an individual says that you can be a Christian and not have the Holy Spirit, he is a liar.

Let us follow the plain Word of God!

These things are intensely interesting.

During the entire "Time of the End" the Church is safe in Heaven. Revelation the Third Chapter, Verse Ten, says that the Church shall be kept from the Great Tribulation that shall try the whole world.

You will see compulsory military training in every land before very many months. The greatest army that the world ever has seen will be trained. When they meet in the valley of Jehoshaphat, the army of the Revived Roman Empire (the nations of Western Europe) and the army of the Northeastern Confederacy will number two hundred million.

They talk about the League of Nations and say there will be no more war. Why, the League of Nations has in its very constitution the causes for forty wars! I will guarantee that many of the nations today—like the little boy who said when his father thrashed him, "You just wait until I am five years older!"—are gritting their teeth and saying, "We will swallow it now, but just wait!"

Ah, what is man without God?

What is an unconverted man?— nothing but an *animal!*

...Except a man be BORN AGAIN, he cannot see the kingdom of God. (John 3:3.)

The New Birth must take place. The "old man" must die. And the change that is wrought in that man can be compared only to being "born again." He must become an entirely "new creature." Therefore, the Bible speaks of crucifying the "old man," and of putting him to death "with his deeds" and becoming a "new creature" in Christ.

Apostate Churches and Ministers Responsible for Heartrending Scenes After the Rapture

Now, men and women cannot quarrel with me about the condition of the churches today. I know them like a book. They have made many infidels in this world, and they will have to answer for it before God Almighty.

The saints will be taken out of this world, and the rest will be left behind. Almost every one will have a relative gone, and there will be heartrending scenes. They will say to the preachers, "If you had preached the Gospel instead of reading an essay to us, if you had told us what the Word of God teaches, we would not have been left behind!"

Ask the average preacher what he knows about the great prophecy in Daniel the Ninth Chapter — he knows nothing about it; in fact, the majority of the preachers do not know it is there. They know nothing about the Book of Revelation, although it is very simple. It is as plain as the Dear Lord ever intended that it should be made to His servants, for the time is almost up.

As I have said before, this afternoon and tonight, I still believe that a few will be saved.

The Marshaling of the Nations for the Last Great War

One would think that persons who profess to be Christians would be interested in these subjects. Take, for instance, the Fourteenth Chapter of Zechariah, which gives a detailed description of the marshaling of the nations for the last great war; take the Second Chapter of Joel, which describes the invasion of the army of the North. It says that they will find the land like the Garden of Eden and leave it behind them like a desert.

Now, it is a terrible thing to be lied to and tricked. One hears everywhere that we are right on the verge of a great world-wide revival — yes, like "Billy" Sunday's, for instance.

APPLY THE WORD OF GOD — repentance of sins, confession of wrongs, restitution, cleaning up the life, getting right with God and man, forsaking the world, and being a Christian! That is what *counts!* That is something worth having; it is worth more than the whole world. But the thing that passes for the Christian religion is nauseating, sickening, disgusting! I do not see how any man or woman who has a little glimpse of the Word of God can have any use for it.

I know that some in these meetings will be saved; I know that some will be healed. They will come where the Gospel is preached; and I will not preach anything else.

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion Created for These Days of Peril

A Methodist parson, as I have said, recommended that a moving picture show should be added to every church building in the land. Well, if that is what the people want, let them go down here to State Street and get it! If they want the Gospel of the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, let them come to Zion Tabernacle, because here they will get nothing else. There will be no vaudeville performances, there will be no oyster suppers, there will be no pork-and-bean suppers, there will be no Tom Thumb weddings, or any of the things that belong to the world, the flesh, and the Devil.

God Almighty, in these last days of peril, created the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion for His saints. He never has permitted an age to close without a place of refuge for His children.

It means something to come into Zion and to belong to Zion. You must bear a cross. We stand for something, we live for

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something, and we *get something* — Salvation, Healing, Cleansing, the Word of God.

Some one said to me, "Do you believe in the same God that the Methodists do?"

I answered, "I certainly do not!"

"Do you have the same Bible?"

"I should say not! The Methodist Bible says that God makes the people sick: my Bible says that the DEVIL makes them sick. ZION'S God hears and answers prayer."

A Jew once said to me: "The difference between you and the rest of them is that you practice what you preach, and they don't. You take *everything* to God in prayer."

I said: "We certainly do. We take EVERYTHING to God in prayer."

God and Jesus Christ are Real to Zion People

We can trust *our* God. He is a Reality. He is just as real to me as my earthly father ever was; so is the Lord Jesus Christ. True, I do not see Him with my physical eyes. I do not see a thousand angels in this room; but I will guarantee they are here. The line of separation between this life and the life on the other side is very thin.

The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them who fear Him.... (Psalm 34:7.)

Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation? (Hebrews 1:14.)

Many a saint, just before saying goodbye, has said to his loved ones, "Don't you see the angels?" Those around him did not see them, but he did, and make no mistake about it. It is a reality.

This life is very brief. You and I are here only for a short time. God did not intend that we should be here a great while. It is only a preparatory state. It is a scaffolding; the life to come is the building. Yet look at the people who give all their attention to the scaffolding and none to the building! It is true that you and I must eat, that we must sleep somewhere tonight, and that we must have clothes; but they are only secondary matters and fleeting things.

The Folly of Setting Your Affections on Earthly Things

Men have asked me to pray for them when they were dying of heart trouble, and I have heard them say, "Oh, I have been a fool! I had a good house and lot, but I wanted others. I have worked myself to death to pay for them, and now I have to die!"

I would as soon have ten rusty nails in my pocket as ten silver dollars, if I could not use them for the good of humanity. And yet I have known men who loved money so much that they would put a screw, a nickel, a dime, and a quarter in their pockets and go down the street rattling them!

The story is told of a great French artist that when the doctors told him he had only a short time to live he asked them to raise him up, and he looked all around his room and said, "My God, must I die and leave all these pictures!"

Yes, die and leave all the pictures, die and leave all the houses, die and leave all the farms, die and leave all the bonds and bank accounts!

Therefore, Jesus said:

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt....
But lay up for yourselves treasures in HEAVEN, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt.... (Matthew 6:19, 20.)

I believe that a great work can be done in the City of Chicago, and I shall do my part, God helping me. In many respects, Chicago is perplexing, it is baffling. It is a City, you know, with between two and three million inhabitants. I think of Australia, where I labored for four years. It is as large as the United States of America in area, and has less than two inhabitants per square mile. I received thirteen hundred into this Church in Australia, and sent almost five hundred, ten thousand miles to ZION CITY. In Chicago there are people of every nation.

The Coming Reign of Political and Ecclesiastical Babylon

You would be surprised at the letters that I receive from preachers. The poor preachers! I tell you, it is sad! They do not know what to do or which way to turn. One prominent minister said, "The moment they form the League of Churches, count me out!"

Before long, there will be a world conference, and the League of Nations and the League of Churches — political Babylon and ecclesiastical Babylon — will reign.

The Pope of Rome will boss ecclesiastical Babylon. He boasted the other day that he rules three hundred million people in this world today.

The head of the Revived Roman Empire and the Pope of Rome will cooperate for a certain period, as Revelation the Seventeenth Chapter tells us. That is what is coming.

The saints of God should get together. All those in the City of Chicago who believe in the Second Coming of Christ should stand together and bear a faithful, an unbroken testimony. We should be standing for "the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints" and demanding the things which the Methodists used to demand many years ago, which the Presbyterians used to demand, which the Baptists used to demand. But they do not demand them today. Why? Because a foreign element has gained control. There is the difficulty.

These matters are very plain, and they are very interesting — although, of course, most persons have no interest in them whatever.

A gentleman said to me the other day, "Don't you think that all this trouble will blow over?"

"Yes," I replied, "it will blow the *world* over!"

The Wealth of the United States of America Concentrated in the Hands of a Few Men

I tell you, there are too many wrongs and too many injustices in this old world, and unregenerate man will not do differently from what he has done in the past. I said twenty-five years ago: "If they go on creating monopolies, forming gigantic corporations, interlocking directorates, and putting everything under the thumbnails of a little handful of men, who oppress the masses of the people, the lid will blow off" — and that day has come! I have a table which shows that twenty-nine persons own and control by far the greater part of all the wealth of the United States of America. That one thing is a sign of the approaching crisis.

When Rome fell, five-sixths of her people were fed by charity.

We have the same signs in the world today.

You know, a nation is simply an aggregation of individuals.

Thank God for His Word! I believe it, I preach it, and I LIVE it!

The year 1919 soon will be gone, and we have no time to lose.

Bible Prophecies Fulfilled to the Letter in Both Past and Current Events

I can do nothing for the man who does not believe in God. I do not understand a human being of that kind. If I were to try day and night not to believe in God, I could not succeed; if I were to try day and night not to believe that God wrote the Bible, I could not succeed. God *did* write it. There are prophecies in it, written two hundred years before the men were born, outlining their careers just as they are written down in secular history today.

What about Cyrus?

What about Alexander the Great?

Every word that has not been fulfilled will be fulfilled.

The return of the Jews to Palestine was foretold in plain words thousands of years ago, and it was foretold that they would return in unbelief.

Now, may God bless you!

Let all stand, please, while I pronounce the

BENEDICTION

Father in Heaven, we thank Thee for the time which we have spent together in this Prayer Room. We thank Thee that Thou hast given Thy Dear Son for the whole world, that Thou hast sent the Holy Spirit into the world, that Thou hast given us the Word, and that everything has been done for our Salvation and Healing and Cleansing.

We pray that Thou wilt take this audience into a sacred nearness with Thyself. Thou knowest their needs, and we ask Thee to put Thine arms of love about them, to watch over them, to care for them, and to bless them. Help them every day to pray, "Lord Jesus, come!" to be ready for Thy Coming and not to go after the world.

O God, bless us tonight, in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

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GENERAL OVERSEER
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Form of Application for Membership in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

TO all who are desirous of entering into Fellowship with the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS — The principles of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion have been fully set forth in the report of Two Conferences on Organization, held in Zion Tabernacle No. 2, which are fully reported in LEAVES OF HEALING for January 31 and February 7, 1896. The Basis of Fellowship is set forth in the Second Section of the Resolution passed on February 5th (See LEAVES OF HEALING, Volume II, Number 17, Page 267):

FIRST — That we recognize the infallible inspiration and efficiency of the Holy Scriptures as the rule of faith and practice.

SECOND — That we recognize that no persons can be members of the Church who have not repented of their sins and have not trusted in Christ for Salvation.

THIRD — That such persons must also be able to make a good profession, and declare that they do know, in their own hearts, that they have truly repented, and are truly trusting Christ, and have the witness, in a measure, of the Holy Spirit.

FOURTH — That all other questions of every kind shall be held to be matters of opinion and not matters that are essential to Church unity.

All who are conscious of fulfilling these conditions, no matter where they may reside, are invited to fill up the following blank and answer all the questions contained therein.

I am, Faithfully yours in Jesus,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva.

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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What is your father's full Christian name?.....

What is your mother's full Christian name?.....

What is the full name of husband or wife?.....

What is your occupation, profession, or trade?.....

What nationality are you?.....Where were you born?.....

What language or languages do you speak?.....

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Are you conscious that you are saved through faith in Jesus?.....

When and where were you baptized by TRIUNE Immersion?.....

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Signature of Applicant.....

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All these things go to make a real home, but there is one more thing that must be mentioned. **A home without music lacks something that nothing can be substituted for.** If there are those in the family who could play, by all means let them get busy and learn, if not already doing so — failing this, an Edison Phonograph or Player Piano helps remarkably well. The reproductions on these instruments of master composers, which are so like the real, are very entertaining and delightful.

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"Closing Scenes in the Life of Jesus the Christ"

Report of the Lord's Day Afternoon Service Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., November 2, 1919, Conducted by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

Reported by E. I. C.

As the ZION White-robed Choirs entered the Tabernacle, they sang in PROCESSIONAL the HYMN, entitled, LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING."

INVOCATION PRAYER was offered by the GENERAL OVERSEER: The HYMN, "I SHALL BE SATISFIED," was then sung.

SCRIPTURE READING AND EXPOSITION

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let all turn to the Twenty-sixth Chapter of Matthew. In the reading of this Chapter there are blessings enough to repay a thousandfold for coming to Shiloh Tabernacle this afternoon.

The End of the Lord's Public Teaching

And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings,—

These sayings you will find in the preceding chapters, among them being Christ's last great prophecy. In the Twenty-fifth Chapter there are three parables, and these ended His public teaching. Never again were the people permitted to hear His teaching.

Some persons imagine that privileges will last forever, that opportunities never will cease, that the end never will come.

For the last time He had spoken to the public. Hence it is written:

And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, He said unto His DISCIPLES,

And to no one else.

Ye know that after two days is the feast of the passover,—

Oh, great and wonderful event, bringing to remembrance the night when the destroying angel passed over Egypt and when in every Egyptian household, the firstborn was slain!

—and the Son of Man is betrayed to be crucified.

This is the second time that Jesus had broached this subject to His disciples.

YE KNOW that after two days is the feast of the passover, and the Son of Man is betrayed to be crucified.

The Leaders of the People Plan for the Apprehension and Crucifixion of Jesus

At the very moment that Jesus was uttering these words, plans were being completed for His apprehension and crucifixion.

Then assembled together the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the people, —

It does not say that *the people* assembled together: it says that the "chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the people" — in other words, the *leaders* of the people — "assembled together."

What terrible things have happened in this world because of bad leadership!

—unto the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas,

Prophecy of Caiaphas the High Priest Concerning Jesus

In the Eleventh Chapter of John, beginning with the Forty-seventh Verse, you will find a prophecy made by this man:

Then gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said, What do we? for this Man doeth many miracles.

If we let Him thus alone, all men will believe on Him: and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation.

And one of them, named Caiaphas, —

The same man mentioned in the other Chapter. They were assembled in his palace — the palace of the high priest.

And one of them, named Caiaphas, being the high priest that same year, said unto them, Ye know nothing at all,

Nor consider that it is expedient for us, that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not.

And this spake he not of himself: but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation;

And not for that nation only, but that also He should gather together in one the children of God who were scattered abroad.

Returning to the Twenty-sixth Chapter of Matthew:

And consulted that they might take Jesus BY SUBTILTY, and kill Him.

Not openly, but "by subtilty." In other words, because they were cowards they plotted in the dark and in secret. When men plan to do a bad thing, they always plan it in the dark. They are afraid of the light.

But they said, Not on the feast day, lest there be an uproar among the people.

These were the leaders of the people talking.

A great multitude was in Jerusalem at this time, and as a large company had come from Galilee and there were many who had been impressed by the miracles of Jesus, they reasoned among themselves that if they undertook to seize Him and put Him to death the people would rise up and proclaim Him King.

Now when Jesus was in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper,

There came unto Him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on His head, as He sat at meat.

But when His disciples saw it, they had indignation, saying, To what purpose is this waste?

The Anointing of Mary Looked Forward to the Resurrection

What prompted this woman to anoint Jesus, and what prompted these disciples to utter a protest?

The reason this woman anointed Jesus was because she believed what He said, and because she realized and understood more than the disciples did. She anointed Him for His burial. You will notice that when the women came to the sepulchre with their spices and preparations, she was not with them. Her conduct was in exact accordance with her faith. She comprehended something of what He meant when He said that He would be crucified and that He would be resurrected; therefore, she anointed Him for His burial. It was a very commendable thing to do.

For this ointment might have been sold for much, and given to the poor.

When Jesus understood it, He said unto them, Why trouble ye the woman? for she hath wrought a good work upon Me.

For ye have the poor always with you; but Me ye have not always.

For in that she hath poured this ointment on My body, she did it for My burial.

Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this Gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall also this, that this woman hath done, be told for a memorial of her.

Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests,

And said unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver Him unto you? And they covenanted (that is, they agreed with him, bargained with him) for thirty pieces of silver.

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And from that time he sought opportunity to betray Him.

Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying unto Him, Where wilt Thou that we prepare for Thee to eat the passover?

And He said, Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master saith, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at thy house with My disciples.

And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the passover.

Now when the even was come, He sat down with the twelve.

And as they did eat, He said, Verily I say unto you, that one of you shall betray Me.

And they were exceeding sorrowful, and began every one of them to say unto Him, Lord, is it I?

And He answered and said, He who dippeth his hand with Me in the dish, the same shall betray Me.

The Son of Man goeth as it is written of Him; but woe unto that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! it had been good for that man if he had not been born.

Then Judas, who betrayed Him, answered and said, Master, is it I? He said unto him, Thou hast said.

Observance of the Lord's Supper and Baptism, Essential to a Full and Complete Obedience

This afternoon, we are to come to the Lord's Table. All that is necessary to bring spiritual death is to neglect it. There is no more ignorant or more wicked thing than for men and women who profess to be followers of the Lord Jesus Christ to refuse to obey Him in baptism or to come to His Table to eat bread and drink the juice of the grape — eating His Body and drinking His Blood, to show forth His death till He come.

Some obstreperous persons say, "Is being baptized by Triune Immersion essential to fellowship in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION?"

No, it is not; but I do not think that you will continue any great while in fellowship unless you are obedient. It is essential to a full, a perfect, and a complete obedience. It is the outward symbol, the outward sign of the inward work of God the Almighty through the Holy Spirit.

Can any man or any woman continue in disobedience and not, sooner or later, wreck himself or herself completely? I do not believe it is possible.

Not only will I reprimand, but I will severely discipline any man or any woman within our ranks who attempts to belittle or to minimize Christian Baptism by Triune Immersion, or the Lord's Supper.

....A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump (I Corinthians 5:6).

One bad apple will destroy a barrel of apples eventually. There is need of great care in these matters.

Brief Account of the Establishment of the Lord's Supper

I will read again in the Twenty-sixth Chapter of Matthew, a brief account of the establishment of the Lord's Supper. The Twenty-sixth Verse:

And as they were eating,—

That is, at the Passover Feast.

—Jesus took bread,—

The Passover was the old, the Lord's Supper was the new. He took some of the Passover bread, unleavened bread.

I do not believe in using leavened bread in the Lord's Supper.

Right here, let me drive something home to you: I believe in *form;* so does the Bible. In speaking of the latter days, you do not read that there is any condemnation of form. That is not what is condemned. What *is* condemned is having the form without the *power*. I believe in doing things in a proper manner. There is no place in this work for any harum-scarum business.

One of the things that impressed me deeply when I came to ZION in Chicago, in February, 1899, was that things were done "decently and in order." There was no confusion. In this Church we have form. We should have the finest organization on the face of the earth. If we allow ourselves to be surpassed by others, we ought to be ashamed. There must be form in observing the Lord's Supper.

Triune Immersion is Christian Baptism Itself

Now, it is a mistake to speak of Triune Immersion as the proper "mode" of baptism. Triune Immersion is NOT a mode of baptism: Triune Immersion is BAPTISM ITSELF. "Mode" means the method or way in which one does a thing. Christian Baptism is TRIUNE IMMERSION.

I should like to know if my Father's House and my Lord's Table are not worthy of proper respect and consideration!

Some individuals say, "I don't believe in any organization."

I have met certain persons who did not believe in marriage nor in the home, but who believed in "free love." I do not belong to that class. I have known farmers who did not believe in any organization, and the ragweeds took the corn and the fences broke down, and everything fell to pieces.

You know, I am God's watchman on the walls of ZION, and my desire is to live out my life and to bring this organization to the place where God wants it to be, for His honor and His glory. If there is any one here who does not agree with me, you may stay here — provided you keep your mouth shut and do not attempt to make trouble.

If you do not believe in the Lord's Supper or in Baptism, go to the Quakers. I guess that is your place. You do not belong here.

The Power of Efficient Organization Plainly Illustrated

It is impossible to do anything without form and without organization. Dr. Dowie gave an illustration of this at one time, which, although very simple, was very good. It was this: Take a flat pan fifteen inches in diameter and cover it with gunpowder, and then put a match to it. You will have a little flash — and it is all over. In this way he illustrated **the lack of form** and th lack of organization. Then, he said, take that same quantity of gunpowder and put it into the barrel of a gun or of a cannon, ramming it in compactly. Then put a bullet in front of it and an explosive cap behind it — and you know what happens! That represents organization.

You and I believe in ORGANIZATION. You and I believe in LAW and ORDER. And may God grant that ZION may be a well-organized, lawful body in these times when the whole earth is being swept by crime and lawlessness!

And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it,—

The word that is used there for "bless" (*eucharisteo*) is a word which means "to render thanksgiving," and that is the reason the Lord's Supper is called the Eucharist.

—and blessed it,—

The bread represents His Body. There is a mystery about this — how that in eating the bread and the juice of the grape we eat His Flesh and drink His Blood, and appropriate those things which were provided for us by His broken Body and His shed Blood.

God Inspired Both the Thoughts and the Words of the Bible

It is incorrect to refer to the Blood of Christ as the "spilled blood." You do not find that expression in the Bible, and I shall tell you why: God inspired the Bible, and when anything is spilled it is wasted. Therefore, it is not correct to say His "spilled blood."

God inspired the thoughts and the words of this Book. Christ *shed* His Blood; it was not wasted.

—and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is My Body.

Let us ponder over that statement — "This is My Body." He took bread — the Passover bread — and He "blessed it, and brake it."

This is a wonderful chapter!

And He took the cup,—

How many cups did they have at the Passover Feast? They had four. The third cup, which was called the "cup of blessing," is the cup that Jesus took.

—and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;

Notice this statement:

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT, WHICH IS SHED FOR MANY —

Why?

—FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS.

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It is a good thing to take sin with proper seriousness.

For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

What an unspeakable crime that multitudes should trample His Blood beneath their feet, and reject it, and count it an unholy thing, and expect to escape paying the penalty for what they have done!

But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's Kingdom.

And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.

A Part of the Hallel (Psalms 113-118) Sang at the Close of the Lord's Supper

Some persons do not believe in singing or in an organ, or in a choir, or in a preacher. That is nonsense! You will notice that Jesus and His disciples, after Jesus had instituted the Lord's Supper, sang a hymn — the very hymn that they had sung hundreds of times, no doubt, in the great temple service in Jerusalem

The singing of a hymn, or of a grand chorus, or of an anthem, often brings a person very close to Heaven. There is a great deal of music in Heaven. The whole earth is full of it. There is music in the wind. There is beautiful music in the rippling of waters.

Then saith Jesus unto them, All ye shall be offended because of Me this night: for it is written, I will smite the Shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad.

But after I am risen again, I will go before you into Galilee.

Peter answered and said unto Him, Though all men shall be offended because of Thee, yet will I never be offended.

"Everybody else may be offended, but not I, Lord,— I will be with Thee to the end!"

Jesus knew more about it than Peter did.

Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That THIS NIGHT, BEFORE THE COCK CROW, THOU SHALT DENY ME THRICE.

Peter said unto Him, Though I should die with Thee, yet will I not deny Thee. Likewise also said all the disciples.

That is the way the people talk when everything is going along nicely. It is very easy, then. God Almighty has His way of testing people out and of proving them.

I desire to read you two selections of Scripture; and I hope that every one in this audience will listen to them.

Satan's Request and Jesus Christ's Prayer for Peter

In Luke the Twenty-second Chapter, beginning with Verse Thirty-one:

And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you,—

Satan had sent in a request for him. And I wonder if Satan has sent in a request for any one of us? This is very impressive.

—that he may SIFT YOU AS WHEAT:

Have you ever operated an old fanning mill? I have, many a time.

But I have prayed for thee,—

Jesus knew what was coming, and that is the reason He prophesied it. The Lord, this afternoon, can write my whole history — every detail of my life right down to the moment that I depart. He can write the history of every individual in this congregation.

He knew more about it than Peter did.

But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.

And he said unto Him, Lord, I am ready to go with Thee, both into prison, and to death.

When the Devil heard the Zion people in old Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, say that they were in Zion for life, and with their last dollar and their last drop of blood, he said to the Lord: "Now, a lot of those people are lying. They don't know what they are talking about, and I want You to let me test them out." Then came a glorious day of testing, for which I thank God. I pray that, this time, we all shall be so good and so nearly perfect before God that when the Devil talks like that the Lord will say, "Those people are all right! You cannot touch them!" It would be a sad thing if He could not say it.

—I am ready to go with Thee, both into prison, and to death.

And He (Jesus) said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that Thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest Me.

And Peter did it! One of the maids frightened him terribly!

The Reason Why many Prayers are not Answered

Let me read you something else, to show you how individuals talk when they do not know what they are talking about. Turn to the Twentieth Chapter of Matthew, beginning with the Twentieth Verse. This is another interesting selection of Scripture.

Then came to Him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshiping Him, and desiring a certain thing of Him.

And He said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto Him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on Thy right hand, and the other on the left, in Thy Kingdom.

But Jesus answered and said, YE KNOW NOT WHAT YE ASK —

That is the reason hundreds of prayers are not answered — because they know not what they ask.

—ARE YE ABLE TO DRINK OF THE CUP...?

Continuing in the Twenty-sixth Chapter:

Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder.

And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy.

Then saith He unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful.—

"So sorrowful that the separation of spirit and body will take place if My Father does not intervene."

—My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death:—

"My sorrow is so great that I could die of it."

—tarry ye here, and watch with Me.

And He went a little farther, and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, O My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from Me:—

"Are YE able to drink of the cup?" He asked them, when they longed to sit, one on His right hand and the other on His left hand. "YE KNOW NOT WHAT YE ASK."

The Judgments of the Cup Which Christ Drank

Some day I shall write out for you all of the ingredients that went into the cup that Christ drank.

—O My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from Me: nevertheless not as I will, but as Thou wilt.....

And He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, O My Father, if this cup may not pass away from Me, except I drink it, Thy will be done.

ARE YE ABLE TO DRINK OF THE CUP THAT I SHALL DRINK OF?

Oh, what wonderful exaltation, what a magnificant position, to be able to sit on His right hand or on His left hand when Christ sits on His throne! Yes, indeed!

ARE YE ABLE TO DRINK OF THE CUP THAT I SHALL DRINK OF?

— Oh My Father, if this cup may not pass away from Me, except I drink it, Thy will be done....

And He left them, and went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words.

Here in the Garden of Gethsemane was the supreme struggle between the human will and the Divine will.

ARE YE ABLE TO DRINK OF THE CUP THAT I SHALL DRINK OF?

They certainly were not!

AND TO BE BAPTIZED WITH THE BAPTISM THAT I AM BAPTIZED WITH? They said unto Him, We are able. ....YE KNOW NOT WHAT YE ASK.

And He saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of My cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on My right hand, and on My left, is not Mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of My Father. (Matthew 20:22, 23.)

Have you ever heard a man who had lived a life of sin and

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who had come under conviction by the Holy Spirit's power break down and shed a flood of tears, crying for help in his agony and in his misery?

One of the ingredients that went into His cup was composed of all the sins ever committed, from Adam and Eve down to the last man.

Jesus Christ Bore the Sins and Sicknesses of All Mankind

If a man, under the load of his own sins, is broken down and crushed and cries for help, what must it have been when the Son of God, Who became the Son of Man,—a man like unto ourselves — bore the sins and the sicknesses of all the people from Adam down to the last man?

I have heard persons say, "Other men have died as well as Jesus!"

It is true that Latimer and Huss were tied to the stake, that the faggots were bound to them, and that they were burned to death; that they prayed and sang until their voices were hushed by the flames, and that they died martyrs' deaths; but that cannot be compared to the death of Jesus Christ.

It was not alone the act of crucifixion, the anticipated bodily pain. Into this cup that He drank — which He drained to the last dreg — went a long list of ingredients.

Another ingredient that went into His cup was the denial of Peter, which hurt Him more than the nails which were put through His hands and His feet, more than the crown of thorns that was placed on His brow, and more than the spear that was thrust into His side.

Another ingredient was His betrayal by Judas Iscariot, one of His twelve Apostles, who had sat within the inner circle.

The Holy, the Perfect, the Sinless One, Suffered Death for Sinners

Another ingredient — and one of the most awful things — that went into that cup was that He, the Holy, the Perfect, the Sinless One, should suffer death.

It was inconceivable!

It is not inconceivable that I should die or that you should die, for we are sinners; but He never sinned; and for Him to die was incomprehensible, inconceivable! And in His humanity He cried out: "Father, if it is possible, relieve Me from drinking this cup! Father, is there not some other way to redeem humanity? Is there not some other plan, some other method?" So great was the load that He carried that the sweat that poured from His Body was like drops of blood.

I have known persons to turn gray in one night, I have known persons to become insane in one night, I have known persons to become mental and physical wrecks in one night, through agony and suffering — perhaps over the death of a loved one.

He suffered all the sins, and all the sicknesses, and all the diseases, and all the pangs, and all the trials of the whole human race. He bore them all — "and His sweat was as it were great drops of blood."

You and I cannot comprehend the cost of man's redemption!

Three of the Most Wonderful Verses in the Bible

I wish to read you three remarkable verses. With all due respect to my beloved brothers and sisters in Christ, I believe that very few of you realize that they are in the Bible. The Bible is an Infinite Book.

Hebrews the Fifth Chapter, Verses Seven to Nine:

WHO IN THE DAYS OF HIS FLESH, WHEN HE HAD OFFERED UP PRAYERS AND SUPPLICATIONS WITH STRONG CRYING AND TEARS UNTO HIM WHO WAS ABLE TO SAVE HIM FROM DEATH,—

This is a description of Gethsemane.

"O My Father, if it is possible, excuse Me from drinking this cup!"

—AND WAS HEARD IN THAT HE FEARED;

You say, "My prayer was not heard!"

Oh, yes, it was! Christ's prayer was heard. But He had to die: He had to drink the cup. God heard His prayer.

THOUGH HE WERE A SON, YET LEARNED HE OBEDIENCE BY THE THINGS WHICH HE SUFFERED;
AND BEING MADE PERFECT, HE BECAME THE AUTHOR OF ETERNAL SALVATION UNTO ALL THEM WHO OBEY HIM.

There are three of the most wonderful verses in the Bible.

You and I know practically nothing of the meaning of the death of Christ upon Calvary. We have a very faint conception of the dregs that He drank when He drained the cup.

If a mother sitting here this afternoon knew that one of her sons, before the first day of next July, would murder her, what would be her anguish and her agony!

The Devil's Opposition to Zion Terminates in Horrible Murder

I never have spoken of this before. Several years ago, in company with more than twenty others, I traveled eight thousand miles, preaching in a number of the large cities, beginning with Minneapolis, on down to New Orleans, and closing in St. Louis. In the city of San Francisco, a lady came to the car in the station and introduced herself as a member of ZION. I remember her as well as though I had seen her yesterday. I invited her to take dinner with us. She attended the meeting in the Dreamland Rink, where I preached in the city of San Francisco. I had been in correspondence with her all these years, and very frequently had noticed her prayer requests. I had received letters from her saying that she had been planning to come to ZION this fall. Only a few weeks ago — I do not think it could be more than three or four — she was sitting at the breakfast table eating her breakfast. Her husband stepped out of the bedroom, leveled his gun at her, and put a bullet through her head, killing her instantly. He then turned the gun on himself and blew one whole side of his head and face off. He lay close by her dead body for twelve hours, until, in the evening, the milkman discovered what had happened. He was still conscious, but died soon thereafter. He was a Methodist, I believe, and professed to be a Christian. The Devil led him to do it. It is reported that he was determined that she should not come to ZION. An awful thing! She was a lovely woman and a faithful member of this Church. She has gone to her reward.

The Death of Jesus Christ Beyond the Power of Man's Comprehension

There is nothing in human experience, there is no anguish or sorrow that I could describe or that you or I have experienced, that could give us even the beginning of an adequate understanding of what the death of Jesus the Christ upon the Cross signified.

"What is so wonderful about His death? Have not others died for principle?" you say. You do not know what you are talking about! Do you imagine that His death consisted simply in being put upon a wooden cross and nailed there. Do you think that was all?

When He said, "My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death," He meant that His sorrow was great enough to cause the separation of spirit and body. You have heard persons say, "If I do not get deliverance from this sorrow I will die; it will kill me," have you not?

The cup that He drank had many ingredients in it. He saw, when He drank it, Adam and Eve, created perfect, innocent beings; He saw the Garden of Eden, their beautiful surroundings. But they sinned and lost it all. Now, in the Garden of Gethsemane, He was paying the price for their redemption and for the redemption of humanity, and it all entered into His cup — the denial of Peter, the betrayal of Judas, as I have said, and His being forsaken by His Apostles and being left alone.

It is a very commendable thing to hear a young man say, "Well, I have a very great love for my Father;" or, "I have a very great love for my Mother." That is very commendable. The love of Jesus the Christ is just as real; but, I tell you, some persons who have professed to be Christians for years never have seemed to get any real, genuine love for Christ.

The New Testament is full of love!

Some persons think that it is a sign of weakness for a young man to come into a meeting with his Father and sit down in the seat next to him, or for a young lady to make her Mother her boon companion. That idea is of the Devil!

Jesus Christ the Fullest Expression of God's Great Love

GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD, THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON....(John 3:16.)

....GOD IS LOVE. (I John 4:8.)

WE LOVE HIM,—

Why?

—BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US. (I John 4:19.)

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(At the General Overseer's request, the Choir and the Congregation then united in singing the chorus of the beautiful Hymn, "Oh, How I love Jesus!"—"Oh, how I love Jesus, because He first loved me!")

Let us not be ashamed of our Lord!

A true Christian loves Jesus with a deep and an abiding love.

Are you ashamed to be heard pouring out your spirit in love to God? He would be a peculiar child who never sat on his mother's lap and, putting his arms around her neck, tell her that he loved her. Are you ashamed to do that with Jesus the Christ? I am not! The greater my love for my Lord, the greater man and the stronger character I am.

I shall read beginning with the Thirty-sixth Verse again:

Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane,—

It always has been my desire to go to this place. If the Lord tarries, I shall see it; and if He comes, I shall see it with Him.

—and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder.

He said that to the eleven disciples. Judas had gone.

And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee,—

The Agony of Jesus Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane

They had seen Him transfigured; and now, from a distance,—although a little nearer than the other eight that He left at the entrance—they are permitted to see something of His suffering; but very little of it, because that is all they could endure.

—Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder.
And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy.
Then saith He unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and WATCH WITH ME.

Then He prayed the first time.

There are just three occasions on record where Jesus cried: He wept over Jerusalem, He wept with Mary and Martha over the death of Lazarus, and He wept in the Garden of Gethsemane.

And He cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter,—

You will notice that He did not say it unto James or unto John—and why? Because Peter had said: "If every one else forsakes You, Lord, I will not! Though I should *die* with You, yet will I not deny You! I will go to prison and to death with You!" Hence, Jesus said unto Peter:

—WHAT, COULD YE NOT WATCH WITH ME ONE HOUR? WATCH AND PRAY, THAT YE ENTER NOT INTO TEMPTATION:

Jesus predicted the Denial. Peter was going to be tested.

—the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Then He went away the second time to pray, and when He came back He found them asleep again. The third time, He came to them and said:

—SLEEP ON NOW, AND TAKE YOUR REST:—

The time for watching was gone—and gone forever! He had won the victory, the human will was in harmony with the Divine will, and He was ready to drink the cup.

—behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.
Rise, let us be going: behold, he is at hand who doth betray Me.

I shall close here. And may God sanctify this portion of His Word. Amen.

The Senior Choir then sang the ANTHEM, entitled, "UNFOLD! UNFOLD!" after which the General Overseer made the Announcements for the Week, which was followed by the OFFERTORY and the collection of the Tithes and Free-will Offerings. It being the first Lord's Day of the month, the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper was observed, preceded by the Consecration of Young Children. The Choir then sang in RECESSIONAL: "DAY IS DYING IN THE WEST."

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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1920 - ZION, ILLINOIS

"Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy Crown."

—Revelation 3:11.

I am faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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MASTER WILLIAM HENRY McGARRAHAN, SON OF DEACON CHARLES HENRY AND MRS. LIZZIE MAY McGARRAHAN, A SIX-YEAR-OLD MUSICAL PRODIGY.

This little boy took the part of Conductor in The Christmas Exercises of December 1919, held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A.

In one number in the Cantata, "A Star Was His Crown," he wielded the baton over an orchestra of eleven pieces and a chorus of one hundred and fifty voices. Fred Faassen, the organist, accompanied him on the pipe organ — one of the largest pipe organs in the world.

Master McGarrahan performed his part with much care and self-possession.

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The Foregleaming Consummation of Calvary

By Apostle Willis F. Jordan

JESUS OF NAZARETH is the most sublime character in all history and prophecy. The biggest double fact in His earthly career is His death and resurrection.

His whole life on earth was wonderful in both its purity and strength. Marvelous was His wisdom, yet His teaching is most simple. All men of heart have been profoundly touched with His compassion and sympathy.

But His death was most conspicuous. It is emblazoned in the one word — Calvary. Its one and only symbol is the Cross. He "endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." "He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."

City and Mountain Experiences in Jesus' Life Made Real Through Calvary

His birthplace was Bethlehem; His life place was Nazareth; His ministerial place was Capernaum; His sacrificial places were Jerusalem and Calvary.

This is the "city tale" of our Lord Jesus Christ. There is also a "mountain tale" concerning Him. There is Sinai where He thundered forth the law of condemnation written and engraven on stones. Here is where the Law came "through Moses;" but there is also Calvary where love, truth, mercy, propitiation, and atonement came "through our Lord Jesus Christ."

There is Mount Hatton (traditional) where the so-called "Sermon on the Mount" was delivered, which is the great sermonic, constitutional, Kingdom of the Heavens Magna Charter Address.

There is either Mount Tabor or Mount Hermon (both traditional) — the Mount of the Transfiguration — where our Lord's Majesty and Glory, as God's Great Theocratic Millennial King, shone out in anticipation of the now-soon-to-begin Thousand Years.

There is the Ascension Mount — Olivet — directly on the east of Jerusalem. This is, also, the Mount of His Apocalyptic Revelation at the end of Daniel's Seventieth Week.

But not one of these mountains and the incidents they stand for could ever be realized if there were no Calvary and what it includes.

To this judgment spot He traveled that He might go out of life for us men and sinners, that we might come into real life with, and for, Him.

Calvary is God's way of spelling the meaningful words — "vicarious," "substitutional," and "sacrifice."

Thus, the words "Calvary" and "sacrifice" take on a new meaning. The Calvary-sacrifice was the best and the worst which ever could have been made. The best because the great heart of God broke in love for a lost world. The worst because of the bitter agony and woe-cup emptied by the Lord. Our Lord Jesus Christ drank the cup, dregs and all, for us.

The simplest definition of "sacrifice" is one's dying in the room and stead of another — the blood of the innocent shed for the guilty. In the Calvary-sacrifice One died for all who deserved to die. He died only because of others' sin and guilt. Of Himself He need not, and could not, die.

The Great Three-fold Fact and God's Plan to Meet It

The Inspiration of the Bible is not impossible of belief. Of all books which have ever been in the world, in the Bible alone you find (running all through its blessed pages) the great three-fold fact of Man's Sin; Man's Need because of that sin; and God's Plan to meet that need.

Go where you will, you will find man's sin, man's need, and man hunting everywhere and experimenting with everything to try to silence and get rid of the memory of his sin.

Oh, why will not all men take God's Remedy for sin, sickness, and death?

The Bible fully answers man's great need by pointing to Calvary and the Cross. Why will not men look to Jesus?

The Calvary Principle is Imbedded in the Entire Word of God

Substitution or sacrifice is interwoven with every division and page of the Bible. In every book, in every chapter, in every section, in every page, in every verse, in every sentence, in every word, in every letter (and even between the lines) you can see and hear the steady drip, drip, drip of the Sacred, Substitutional, Vicarious, and Sacrificial Blood.

The Old Testament is one great index finger, typically, symbolically, and prophetically, pointing along the years and Dispensations to Someone and to Something coming. From the first of Genesis to the last of Malachi you can feel the throbbing heart-beat pulse of God, breathing out the advance intimations of John 3:16 and I John 3:16.

In the Old Testament there as a galaxy of acted-out pictures of the Coming One and His universe-affecting Calvary-sacrifice. The reader will note that these pictures intensify themselves — each succeeding one becoming clearer in meaning and richer in blood-redness.

THE SKIN COVERINGS FOR THE EXPOSED PAIR (Genesis 3:7, 21).

Connected with this important Scripture, here (in Genesis 3:15) the promise first is met of Him Who came to pay our debt.

Our first parents had sinned; they were undone. They actually fell, not upward, but downward.

Fundamental Proclamations by the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion proclaims the Fall. She also proclaims the one and only possible Remedy therefrom — not a Devil-concocted, evolutionary, human, bootstrap, self-lifting-up process, but the-Blood-of-the-Lord-Jesus-Christ-as-shed-on-Calvary process, only (Acts 4:12).

Old Testament Photographs Typifying Calvary's Great Sacrifice

In the sacrificial death of the innocent animals, of Genesis 3:21, and their skin coats, covering the guilty pair, we see the first Holy-Spirit-indented photograph of our sin and our provided Remedy.

The lives of those skin-covered animals were taken by the permissive act of God: yea, rather, of THE LORD GOD — the Jehovah-Jesus *Elohim*, and for the one purpose of providing a skin-covering garment for the guilty pair. They had failed to cover themselves. They said, "We will clothe ourselves." So they toiled and they labored. Oh, how they *worked!* but of no avail. They said, "We will make for ourselves full dress suits." After all their work was done they had only "aprons" to show.

Thus, when they had miserably failed and were willing to be helped, God came in and covered them with garments made out of the skins of the slain animals.

And remember that this covering was not merely to protect their bodies while they lived on earth; it was not simply a badge of decency; nor was it for warmth. It was because of, and to shelter them from, their sin.

The second photograph typifying Calvary is recorded in Genesis, Chapter Twenty-two. In it we see a suffering father, a willing and submissive son, a great sacrifice, and Mount Moriah (afterwards the Solomonic Temple Site), the place of sacrifice.

Here the suffering father gives up his son as a whole burnt-offering — nothing held back. That son was the well-beloved one of that father. He was, also, the son of promise, and of the father's old age. In intent and purpose He was sacrificed and consumed on the altar.

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Faith, submission, and obedience characterized Abraham. Oh, how his faith shines out! (Hebrews 11:17-19.)

The Law of Obedience Maintained in Vicarious Sacrifice

Here we see Isaac also submitting in odedience to his father's will, plan, and purpose. He was not a mere child in years and understanding, but a full-grown young man. He could understand the father's proposition, and he did, and submitted. He allowed himself to be bound and laid on the altar. He never flinched nor wavered when his own father raised his hand, with the gleaming knife, to slay him. He willingly (in intent) received that knife and poured out his blood — every drop of it — upon that sacrificial altar, and left his whole body, as a whole burnt-offering, to be entirely consumed there.

The photograph has still another shade to it, for us men and sinners. In it, Isaac is also made to represent each one of us, while the ram caught, slain, and consumed on that sacrifical altar, "in the stead" of Isaac, is made to represent the Lord Jesus Christ — the Lamb of God.

What, suppose you, were Isaac's thoughts about substitutional sacrifice, as he stood there, to one side, and beheld, with awe-struck countenance, the bleeding ram burning on the altar where he himself had lain only a short time before?

A so-called "safe and sane scholarship" has no use for sacrifice and the Blood. Isaac was not of that satanic class. The sacrifice had saved him — the Blood was real to him. Was he not under it?— sheltered by it? Because of it was he not alive?

As Isaac contemplated that bleeding, burning victim he said, "I was there; I am not now. Another life has been taken in my stead. I am free from the Law and no longer am I under condemnation. The Blood — the Blood is all my surety. Bless Jehovah for my substitute!"

Joseph a Type of Jesus the Great Antitype

The third photographic declaration is that of Joseph.

1. Joseph was the well-beloved son of his father Jacob.
2. Because of his goodness and simplicity, and because of the wicked envy of their hearts, his brethren despised, rejected, and sought their utmost, to destroy him.

In intent and purpose his brethren put him to death. The picture never can declare it all. The type is always less than the antitype.

Jesus was the antitype. He, too, was despised and rejected by his brethren, but, at the first, by His Own brothers — the sons of His Own mother.

3. Joseph was delivered to the Gentiles (sold into Egypt) and so was Jesus betrayed to, condemned and crucified by, the Gentiles.

In Egypt Joseph was imprisoned, reproached, and slandered because he was pure and clean. So, Jesus was reproached and slandered (Hebrews 13:12-14).

Members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion Bear "the Reproach of Christ"

When we, of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church, are reviled, slandered, and bitterly persecuted, it is declared that we bear "the reproach of Christ" —

I Peter 4:14 says, "If ye be repoached for the Name of Christ, happy are ye."

4. In Egypt Joseph obtained a Gentile bride. So in the Rapture Jesus, too, will receive a Bride, the Lamb's Wife, made up largely from among the Gentiles (Romans 11:25 and Acts 15:13-18). His royal Church-Body and Bride will be composed of some "out of every nation, tribe, tongue, and kindred."

5. Finally, Joseph was lifted to the throne of Egypt, and he seated his Gentile bride on the throne by his side. When he was thus elevated he went forth in his royal chariot, his Gentile bride and queen by his side, to meet his brethren of his father's house who were then on their way to his kingdom in Egypt.

The Climax of Calvary for Our Lord Jesus Christ and the Church

This, too, will be the climax of Calvary for our Lord Jesus Christ. Were there no Calvary, we see now, there could be no Church-Bride-Queen of the Great King Joseph who is to reign over the Millennial Kingdom in Egypt — the World.

When that time comes "the remnant of His brethren shall return unto" Him — thank God!

Our Joseph-Jesus died, but He rose again. Rising again, "He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand" (Isaiah 53:10).

"He shall see the travail of His soul (life)." "By His knowledge (plan and purpose) shall My Righteous Servant justify many" (Isaiah 53:11).

The resurrection of Joseph was first, to his father; second, to his family: and third, to Egypt, the whole world.

THE FOREGLEAMING OF CALVARY may also be seen in the outworking of a God-appointed ritual.

The intelligent reader will recognize the story readily. You know how God appointed the Levitico-Mosaical code. This code or ritual plainly foreshadowed THE GREAT SUBSTITUTIONAL CALVARY SACRIFICE.

The Gospel of the Grace of God Foreshadowed in Leviticus

The main requirements of the Levitical Sacrificial Lamb were as follows:

1. The sacrifice must be a lamb or a bullock.
2. It must be the first-begotten, or born, of its mother.
3. It must be closely scrutinized and officially declared to be without blemish.
4. It did not deserve death, yet it died — its blood was shed — not for itself — but for each one for whom it died.
5. In taking its life, "not a bone of it shall be broken." After it was slain it (every part of it) must be entirely consumed on the altar, as an whole burnt-offering.
6. In presenting it to God's priest, as his offering, the bringer thereof, put his hand upon its head and confessed: "God's Law is holy, good, true, righteous, and just. It condemns me to death. I must die or furnish a substitute. I and this sin-offering are as one. In giving it — my substitute — unto death, I acknowledge my transgression and my sin as ever before me. I deserve to die, but it takes my place. It will die in my stead. By its death I will live. I confess my sins upon its head, and here and now claim my life because of the death of my substitute."
7. Through its death, its poured-out blood, and the consumption of the substitutional sacrifice, the offerer was reckoned justified, acquitted, cleansed, and sanctified (set apart to God), and he could walk into God's Temple, into His Presence, and have fellowship with God and with God's people.

That was the God-Appointed Levitico-Mosaic Ritual.

Jesus the Christ meets every one of these seven requirements. The Gospel of the Grace of God was foreshadowed in Leviticus.

For Two Thousand years the Mosaic Ritual ran its course. Then Christ, the Lamb of God, came to Calvary, fulfilling each one of its stipulations — thank God!

Atonement for Sin Requires the Shedding of Innocent Sacrificial Blood

No student can really read those great Millennial chapters of Ezekiel's wonderful prophecy without seeing that, in some way and for some purpose, there will be, in that Millennial Age, a series of blood-sacrifices, resembling, in some measure at least, the old Hebrew Ritualistic Code.

In that Millennium they will be a continual reminder to Israel and to the world (then associated with Israel in the Kingdom) of the One and Only Way by which men could ever come back to God — the shedding of Innocent and Sacrificial Blood.

As the Levitical Ritual sacrifices all pointed, with a blood-red long index finger FORWARD to Calvary, so the Ezekiel chapters (Ezekiel, Chapters Forty to Forty-eight) declare that during the Thousand Years there will be another long blood-red index finger pointing BACKWARD to that same Calvary Substitutional Sacrifice, which will then, in that Millennial Kingdom-Age, be taking "away the sin of the world."

How very wonderful is God's plan of Salvation!

Psalm Twenty-two Foreshadows Calvary and the Crucifixion

Then, there is that "Psalm of Sobs," the Calvary Psalm, the Crucifixion Psalm — Psalm Twenty-two.

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This Psalm, without doubt, had an historical setting in David's own experience when he thought that God had forsaken him in his contest with Saul and, later, with his own son Absalom.

However, it meets its complete fulfillment in our Lord Jesus Christ and His intense sufferings, culminating in the Great Calvary Sacrifice.

The Lord, undoubtedly, had it in mind when He hung upon the cruel Cross. At the darkest part of the awful darkness of those terrible three hours, while He was on the Cross, He suddenly exclaimed: "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" — then, awful silence! During that silence He must have quoted (and realized their fulfillment in Himself) Verses Six to Eighteen.

Then His faith in God His Father triumphed, and He used the words of Verses Nineteen to Twenty-two.

Christ's Conquering Shout: "It is Finished"

By this time the end had come, and out of the awful darkness He suddenly cried, with a loud voice, — the shout of the Conqueror: "It is finished." Then He bowed His head, and, dismissing His spirit into His Father's hands, He fulfilled John 10:17, 18.

Psalm Sixty-nine also concerns the Divine Calvary Sufferer. It goes into great detail relative to the sorrow, pain, and woe of Jesus the Christ on His way to, and while He was upon, Calvary. Get in the real prayer-spirit and study Verses 1-4, 7-12, and 14-21. Notice the "gall" and the "vinegar." Note also the "blindness in part" as it then began to fall on Israel — Verses 22-28.

The Great Prophetic Foregleamings of Calvary

Next come THE PROPHETIC FOREGLEAMINGS OF CALVARY. These foreshadowings are of one or more kinds:

1. Those in the personal experience of those prophets. Each prophet suffered greatly for God and the message committed to him. Their sufferings were sacrificial illustrations, and, therefore, anticipatory of Calvary.

Paul also suffered, as an apostle. He called his sufferings "the sufferings of Christ" which he was "filling up" in his body for the sake (good) of the Church.

Such were the sufferings of the Old Testament prophets, with this difference, however: Paul's sufferings were those of Christ which were "behind," i.e., this side, the Cross, while the prophets' sufferings were the anticipatory "sufferings of Christ" before the Cross.

2. Life came to the Hebrew people through, or because of, the sufferings of the prophets.

Jeremiah will do as an illustration. He was "the weeping prophet." His "weeping" was not a sign of weakness but of the sin, sorrow, pain, and woe of his poor people. They sinned and would not repent. They were self-righteous. He preached God's Word to them. He delivered God's Message. They rejected it and hated the prophet. They put him under the whip and the rod. They put him in the mire in the dungeon and fed him on the bread and water of affliction. He suffered torments and indignities. They killed him, in intent and purpose. THEY SACRIFICED HIM.

Out from it all — that all undeserved by him — a new and better life came unto Israel, his people.

Paul's sufferings and their effect upon the Church sustain the same argument from the New Testament Gospel of the Grace of God record.

3. The prophetic message is surcharged with suffering. Take Isaiah the Fifty-third Chapter as an example. Compare Acts 8:26-39 with this chapter.

The Eunich said, "Of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or some other man?"

"Then Philip.....began at the same Scripture (Isaiah Fifty-three), and preached unto him Jesus."

Then there is Daniel in far away Babylon among the Gentiles. His beloved City has been trodden down and his "people" in captivity for about Seventy Years. He longs for the restoration of his City and his people's release. He pours out a suffering, penitential confessional, in which he acknowledges the sins of his City, and people, and declares that God's judgments had overtaken the City and people because of the sins of Israel and Jerusalem.

Daniel's Great Prophecy Concerning the Great Messiah-Prince

Following his remarkable prayer, as recorded in Daniel 9: 3-19, the angel Gabriel was sent to him with, in several respects, the greatest prophecy in the Bible.

Daniel is told that the Great Messiah-Prince of his people is coming within less than Four Hundred Ninety full years. However, his heart almost stood still as he heard, "And after three-score and two weeks (Four Hundred Eighty-three years) shall Messiah be cut off," and shall have nothing — the Kingdom will not then be restored unto Israel.

The Glorious King "cut off" and to have nothing! What did it all mean? He wonders, and wonders, and so did all the prophets. See I Peter 1:10-12.

No Old Testament prophet comprehended the cutting off of the Suffering Calvary Messiah, yet they all declared the message.

Then Zechariah, next to the last of the Old Testament prophets, steps upon the scene. There is a sorrowful picture in that book of visions.

Zechariah appears to serve as a shepherd. He asks for his wages: they are paid to him. They are only THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER — the then price of a common slave. Jehovah (Jesus), speaking through the shepherd-prophet, says, "The goodly price that I was prized at by them" — the Jews who sold and bought Him.

Jesus, through the prophet, saw and suffered it all in advance! What a photograph!

In Chapter Thirteen of the same great prophecy, God, Himself, exclaims, "Awake, O sword, against My Shepherd, and against the Man Who is My Fellow (He Who only can be Mine Equal)!" "Smite the Shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered."

Sacrificial Substitution the Great Theme of All the Word of God

In this article we have presented only a few of the Calvary Foreshadowings.

Sacrifice is the one current running clear through the Bible. Sacrificial Substitution — the Innocent Blood being shed for the guilty and the guilty thereby going free — is the great theme of all the Word of God.

The Cross! The Cross is the one thing! It stands up tall on every page of the Bible. It is the mark of the Cross!

Pilate said, "BEHOLD THE MAN!"

Who? There is but One. Jesus of Nazareth, the Man of Galilee, the Son of Man, the Son of God.

And He is the Man, the One Divine Man, the Lord Jesus Who climbed the Cross for us men and sinners.

This is the Key to the Book of all books. Look for the Man Christ Jesus. Where, and how, will you find Him?

As Counsellor (Isaiah 9:6) — conferring with God the Father and the Holy Spirit (the Three Persons of the Trinity, Godhead, the *Elohim*) relative to —

1. The shedding of His Own Blood — the Great Calvary Sacrifice. Compare I Peter 1:18-21 with John 1:29, 36 and Luke 9:30, 31.

2. The creation, founding, and completion of the Church (Ephesians 1:4; II Timothy 1:9; Acts 15:14; Romans 11:25; I Thessalonians 4:13-18; I Corinthians 15:50-53; Revelation 3:10; 4:1; 10:7).

3. The creation of man (Genesis 1:26, 27; 2:7).

4. In the preparation for the Kingdom of the Heavens (Matthew 25:31-34; Luke 19:11-15; 1:30-33; Isaiah 2:1-5; Micah 4:1-8; Acts 15:13-18; Ezekiel 20:33-44; 21:24-27; Isaiah 11:1-16; 27:12, 13; Jeremiah 23:5-8; 3:17; Daniel 2:34, 35, 44, 45; Chapter Seven; Psalm 72:4-11, 17; Zechariah 6:12-15; 9:10; 14:8, 9, 16, 17; and the Book of The Revelation.

The Great Calvary Sacrifice Openly Denied by an Apostate Church

All this involves and requires His Second Advent.

This is the Great Calvary Sacrifice, which, with other fundamentals of THE FAITH, is being openly denied on every hand by an apostate, lifeless church.

The Great Apostasy is no surprise to God. He foresaw it, and has told us all about it in His Inspired Word — the Bible.

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He declared that the Apostasy would come in the end of the Church Period; that it would become universal; that it would intrench and intensify itself just before the Lord's Return for the Saints; that it would climax just after the Rapture, when it would produce and accept the Antichrist, and that, after a short interval of fancied and boasted security under him, it would be totally consumed by him and his confederated kings in the Great Tribulation.

Things Which the Apostasy Will Utterly Repudiate

THE GREAT APOSTASY is to do several distinct, yet coordinate things —

1. IT WILL REPUDIATE SOUND DOCTRINE — deny and cast out the Inspired Word of God, paying no attention to its authoritative voice — using the Bible only as a textbook. In doing this it will substitute fables, anecdotes, old wives' fables, and crying stories.

The churches everywhere were to substitute the gospel of war, patriotism, humanism, philosophy, democracy and this-world ethics for the Gospel of the Grace of God — that Gospel by which "whosoever will" may be saved by the crucified Christ.

2. IT WILL REPUDIATE AUTHORITY — speak evil of dignities; allow children to become disobedient to parents; permit lawlessness to spread everywhere, thus preparing the way for the Antichrist — the supreme Lawless One.

3. IT WILL REPUDIATE THE HOLY SPIRIT. "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power (Holy Spirit) thereof." Hence, the apostate preachers everywhere today refer to the Holy Spirit as "it," "itself," declaring that He is only the "influence of the Supreme Architect."

4. IT WILL REPUDIATE THE INCARNATION. They call Jesus "The Son of Joseph." He was only "a good man." He lived "a beautiful life" and "we ought to imitate *it*," not "Him." He was "a Socialist," "a friend of the poor," "a Great Reformer." They have about quit calling Him the Son of God.

They are rejecting His Incarnation, His Deity, His Atonement on the Cross, His bodily Resurrection, His present High-Priesthood in Heaven, His Second Coming and His forecasted Millennial Reign.

Thus, its ministers are the ministers of Satan — ministers of righteousness, but without the Blood (II Corinthians 11:13-15).

The Final Act in the Consummation of the Great Apostasy

5. IT WILL AT THE LAST DENY BOTH THE FATHER AND THE SON (II Peter 2:1-3; Jude 3, 4; I John 2:22).

When they do this, "swift destruction" overtakes all. In denying God and His Christ, they accept the Devil and his christ — the Great Antichrist. Now they are rapidly preparing to do so.

6. IT WILL GOURMANDIZE ITSELF UPON THE FORBIDDEN FOOD, as Adam and Eve did in Eden.

In His Bible, God has told us plainly what food may be eaten and what may not. He forbids all unclean food: the hog, the horse, the bear, the rabbit, the eel, the clam, the frog, the turtle, the oyster, the crab, all creeping things, all things strangled and blood, all medicines and poisons, such as pills, arsenic, strychnine, quinine, all drugs, patent medicines, whisky, beer, brandy, gin, etc. — none of these are for food, tonics or stimulants. They should never be taken internally or used externally, sold, or given away, according to God's Inspired Word.

7. IT WILL REJECT GOD'S SYSTEM OF DIVINE HEALING AND KEEPING POWER, and turn the Lord's sheep and lambs over to the medical poisoners and sorcerers, to be dosed, cut, pierced, and carved, from the cradle to the grave — totally rejecting "the Great Physician" of Whom they hypocritically sing.

In the face of that Bible which they reject, that Book of God which does not contain one single chapter and verse in favor of doctors, surgeons, pills, poisons and drugs, they even appoint and train so-called medical missionaries to the pagans with the church creed or discipline in one hand and the pills, poisons, surgical instrument case in the other.

Antichrist Will Rule Over a Demon-Inspired Manipulated Church

No wonder the Christ of God has already "spued out" the whole satanically raised-up, inspired and manipulated outfit!

The Great Apostasy has filled its church buildings with the Devil's instruments of pollution and destruction, such as gymnasiums, athletics, basket ball room and swimming pool, where the bathers and swimmers, both young men and women, children and married people, and sometimes so-called ministers of the Gospel, appear more nearly nude than clothed; card tables, checker boards, pool tables, smoking room, ice cream parlor, drinking fountain, soup tables, roasters, oyster vats, chorus stage, and stage for theatricals, dancing annex, employment office, brotherhood and town-club room — a first class, all-around worldly establishment, *the Church of This World.*

The Great Apostasy set in long ago. It is now deep-rooted and strongly intrenched. It is wide sweeping, universal, and all-engulfing. It lacks only one more characteristic: the revelation and acceptance of the Antichrist, and he is not far away; he is about due to be revealed in his time — the last Seven Years immediately following the Rapture of the True Church.

It is a most significant fact, that, (as the Great Apostasy had set in, and was beginning to intrench itself in all the churches) God, in great mercy raised up, fitted and qualified John Alexander Dowie to found, under God, the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and the City of Zion — the only Church on earth today which stands foursquare for "the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints;" the only Church left which proclaims and defends the seven great fundamentals, described above, which are now denied and repudiated everywhere by the Great Apostasy.

The Great Apostasy Compelled John Alexander Dowie to Found the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

It was not John Alexander Dowie's purpose, at the first, to found the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church. Aided by the Mighty Spirit of God, he preached the Great Truths of God's Word and denounced the Great Apostasy for repudiating them. His converts — those who believed his teaching — were told to go to the churches, deliver their testimony, and live the Christian life. They were not allowed to testify, and they were given the "cold shoulder" and told to "sit down and keep still."

Everything was made so uncomfortable for them that they got out of the apostate synagogues. Those who persisted in staying and delivering their testimony were cast out (John 9:34,35).

The Great Apostasy itself compelled John Alexander Dowie to found, under God, the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church. So conferences were held and the Church was founded in Chicago, U. S. A., February 22, 1896.

The blessing of God has been upon this Church in a marvelous manner. Many of the saints have been gathered into it. They have come from all lands, and all churches which have become more and more apostate from the faith.

Today the saints, sick of higher criticism, infidelity, doubts, misgivings, whys and wherefores, ifs and maybes, — the awful uncertainties, — and the appalling worldliness, the profanity, lying, stealing, dancing, card-playing, drinking, feasting, frolicking, tobacco, cigarettes, gambling, uncleanness and impurity to be found in a steadily increasing stream in all the apostate churches — the real saints, I say, who are pure in heart; who love God and Jesus the Christ; who desire to please Him in all things; who want to be ready for the Rapture so that they will not be left behind to go under the reign of the awful Antichrist and his False Prophet, the head of the World-Federated Church now being founded,— in a word, all who believe in the Second Coming of Jesus the Christ and who love His appearing (II Timothy 4:1; Hebrews 9:28), must, and will, look more and more toward the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church and the City of Zion.

The Only Place of Refuge Now Left for the Saints

This Church and this City are the only things that God has left on the whole earth. Here is *the only Place of Refuge* now left to the saints this side the Rapture. The entire apostasy is so utterly gone that there is no remedy. It is organizing its

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World-Federated Church. It has organized its League of Nations, which is soon to become the Revived Roman Empire; and it will soon accept and enthrone over it the Antichrist, its last king and god; and, with one last insane Seven Year leer and orgy of uncleanness and blood-lust, it will plunge into hell. These are the nations and churches that are forgetting God, and they will try to dethrone Jesus the Christ.

That last insane plunge is coming and coming soon. What can God's poor saints do? What ought they to do?

The ancient landmarks have long since been removed by the Great Apostasy. The guide-posts have been taken up and carted off, as so much ancient rubbish, by the higher critics and the rest of the agnostical and infidel outfit, the blind leaders and false shepherds of an apostate church, yet professedly of Jesus Christ.

The gates and bars between the world, the flesh, and the Devil on one side and the professed church of the Living God on the other have long since been taken down and carried off by the Giant Sampson, the modern Compromiser. The only difference today between the professed church and the world is that the world is the better of the two; for it does not play the hypocrite; it makes no profession at all.

The saints must get out of the Great Apostasy; they may, can, and must, come into the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church. If this Church and the City of ZION are only one Church and City of many other churches and cities; if this Church and City of ZION are no better (have no higher standard) than any one of the many apostate churches and cities of this world, then we might as well have stayed where we were, and other saints may just as well stay where they now are.

THE HIGH STANDARD OF LIVING DEMANDED OF ALL ZION PEOPLE

This Church and City allow no divorce except Scripturally — for adultery; they allow no red-light district, no assignation house; if a woman here appears on the streets, or in any public place, improperly dressed she will be run in by the police.

There is no whisky making, selling, or giving, in this Church or City; no tobacco shops, either for selling, giving away, or chewing or smoking. Here we have no pipes, cigars, nor cigarets. Here you can walk the streets without having some "stinkpot" blow his foul-smelling, disease-laden smoke in your face and so fill and pollute your clothes with it, that you would feel you ought to beg the polecat's pardon if you should meet him.

This is the only Church and City on the whole earth that forbids tobacco, drugs, pool, cabarets, dance-halls, theaters, and moving picture shows.

Reader, you would think that every father and, especially, every mother would want to move here with all the children at once, would you not?

In this Church and City, we have maternity nurses instead of doctors with their horrible instruments of torture. There is one deaconess maternity nurse here who has ministered at over five hundred births, about one-half of which were boys and the other half were girls. There were only three deaths out of the more than five hundred.

It is a wonderful sight to see, in a testimony meeting here in ZION, young people stand up and to hear them say, "We were born in ZION without doctors and have never taken a pill nor any other medicine."

I have heard a mother, with a baby in her arms, say, "Baby and I both were born in ZION without doctors. We have never taken a dose of any kind of medicine." Impressive is such a sight and such a testimony!

THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH AND THE CITY OF ZION ANTICIPATES THE MILLENNIUM

ZION means the Mount of Exaltation, the Kingdom and Rule of Jehovah on Earth. It was to be founded in these last days.

It was to be the Place of Refuge.

What shall one than answer the messengers of the nations? That Jehovah hath founded Zion, and the afflicted of His people shall take REFUGE therein. — Isaiah 14:32.

The way to ZION is very plain.

The unclean, the proud, and the unteachable, will not walk in the way to ZION, neither is it the way nor the place for the lions, the wild, untameable, unregenerate, ravenous, wild beasts. — Isaiah 35:8-10.

This Church and City to be built up at a certain time.

Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favor her, yea, the set time, is come. — Psalm 102:13.

God has a set time for everything that He does. There are no "happen sos" with Him.

THIS CHURCH AND ZION WAS TO BE FOUNDED JUST BEFORE THE LORD'S RETURN.

When Jehovah shall build up Zion, He will appear in His glory. — Psalm 102:16.

You say, "ZION is very unpopular now." That makes no difference. "That which is highly esteemed among men is an abomination in the sight of the Lord." "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth? Come and see."

Bethlehem and Bethany were only small, insignificant, wayside villages, but one cradled the Infant Christ, and the other fed and sheltered Him during His last week on the earth before the Crucifixion. Jerusalem, the great and mighty city, rejected and crucified Him, as Chicago, New York City, Paris, London, Berlin, and Rome are now doing.

The apostate churches, like the apostate synagogues, of the Savior's day, will not believe it, and they give ZION no recognition, but only bitter hatred, opposition, and persecution. Yet the full cause of the Christ is here in ZION, and, believe me, it is nowhere else on earth at this hour.

NATIONS AND CHURCHES HAVE FAILED AND BEEN SET ASIDE

ZION, only, has the vision of the soon coming King and His Great Millennial Kingdom. Both the nations and the churches have failed. The time for their setting aside and overthrow is at hand. God can no longer use them in the establishment of His One-Thousand-Year Kingdom.

Accept ZION, and the Elijah and Kingdom questions are all solved. Reject ZION, and the Second Coming and the Kingdom question vanishes.

When Jesus the Christ first came, the Jewish Nation and religious system had served their purpose, had become apostate, and were set aside. The Christian Church was then brought in. It did well for a time, but even before Paul was dead, "the mystery of iniquity" had begun to work, and the Apostolic Church had left its "first love." The Popes gained the ascendancy, the Dark Ages were brought in, and ran their course. Then came the Reformation — Revelation 3:1-6. It began well, but has not been perfected before God. It started out with a mighty protest, but split up into many rival sects, cults, and denominations during its course.

The so-called Christian Church has destroyed itself by division, and the leaven of the Pharisees, of the Sadducees, and of Herod, has done its work. Protestantism is a thing of the past. It has a great name, but is dead spiritually. God has already disowned apostate Christianity, and spued all the churches out of His mouth. — Revelation 3:14-22.

But you say, "Oh, they still continue." Yes, but so did the Jewish Nation and religion (Galatians 1:13, 14) for nearly forty years after Matthew Twenty-three and the Olivet discourse. That system and religion was no longer God's — it was just a mere Jew's religion. Sentence had already been pronounced, and only waited until 70 A. D. for execution at the hands of the Lord's messengers, the pagan Roman armies — Matthew 22:7; Luke 21:20-24.

And so, when the churches refused their privilege of being true to the Christ, filling their place, keeping the unity of the faith, and doing His will and work — not theirs, nor the world's, He set them aside, and raised up ZION as a Place of Refuge for His weary, oppressed, boycotted, and frozen-out saints. Oh, that they would flee, every man and women, out of Babylon, and into ZION! (Jeremiah 51:6, 7).

APOSTATE CHURCHES LARGELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE GREAT WORLD-WAR

The teaching and conduct of the apostate churches was very largely responsible for the appalling Great War (Jeremiah 51:8-10, 45).

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Reader, after such a solemn warning as this, if you stay another hour in Babylon, you do so at your peril. I entreat you, in the Name of Jesus the Christ, "Escape for thy life; stay not in all the plain." Get into Zion, the Place of Refuge in this very day, ere it be forever too late.

And yet, even God's people, enmeshed in the great apostasy, are not going to heed the warning, and pour into Zion. Zion is not popular with the world, and is bitterly hated by the apostate preachers, the false shepherds, and their churches. So it will be very hard for all of God's children to break away. Many, like poor old Lot, are so wedded to Sodom and the world, that, if they do come out, it will be with the smell of fire all over them. Many, even after they start, will, like old Mrs. Lot, be such fools as to look back, and will be among the left. No, they will not come out of Babylon into Zion by the hundreds and the thousands; for—

I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and will bring you to Zion. — Jeremiah 3:14.

Zion Unpopular With the World and the Churches

Zion is not popular today!

One main reason why I came into Zion is its unpopularity. No man sought for it. Those who come into Zion must be Spirit-filled and Spirit-led. Zion is hated greatly and bitterly opposed. That makes her of God. If it were of the world, the world would love its own, but because chosen out of the world, and utterly separate from the apostate church-mass everywhere around us, therefore the world and the churches hate us. *That proves us to be of God.*

SOME SCRIPTURAL REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD LEAVE THE GREAT APOSTASY AT ONCE AND COME INTO THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH AND WHY YOU SHOULD MOVE WITH ALL YOU HAVE INTO THE CITY OF ZION, ILLINOIS, U. S. A.

1. Absolute separation (I Corinthians 10:21; II Corinthians 6:14-18).

2. Apostate Christianity and all the fallen churches make the Son of God sick. He is now spueing them out of His mouth. To keep from being disowned by Him, and left to go through the reign of the Beast, and have my head cut off in the Great Tribulation, I had to flee out of the apostasy — out of Babylon, and into Zion (Revelation 3:14-18).

The Devil's World-Federated Church Now Organizing

2. Because all the apostate mass—both wings of Catholicism, and all the so-called Protestant denominations, with Theosophy, New Thought, the New Theology, Unitarianism, Evolution, Spiritualism, Mormonism, Russellism, Seventh Day Adventism, and Christian Science, make up the "Mystery, Babylon the Great, the Mother of Harlots, and the Abominations of the Earth," the now organizing World-Federated Church. I did not dare risk being caught in such a Devil's mixture as that infernal mess (Revelation 17:5).

4. The angel cries mightily with a strong, warning voice, saying "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of demons, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird." My Father, deliver Thy people from it! (Revelation 18:2).

The time has come when neither the Christ nor His true Church is seen and heard in the apostate mass, the false profession of His Name; for she has repudiated both His Word and His Name.

Hebrews 13:12-14 is literally fulfilled in all who come to Christ in Zion.

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion is not a denomination among the many human denominations of this hour. It is the fulfillment of prophecy. IT IS, THEREFORE, GOD'S ONE AND ONLY ORGANIZATION IN THE END OF THE CHURCH PERIOD.

Zion has a peculiar mission.

First: To stand for the faith once for all delivered to the saints. To preserve, proclaim, and defend every item (no matter how small one may be) which *the Great Apostasy* has denied, repudiated, and cast over.

Second: To have a different Standard of purity and attainment than any single church sect, ism, of *the Great Apostasy*. She does not allow in her membership, and in her tabernacles and places of worship, anyone of the very questionable customs and practices to be seen now in parctically all of the churches of the Great Apostasy.

Third: To announce everywhere that The World-Federated Church-System, "Babylon the Great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of demons, the hold of every unclean and hateful bird" (Revelation 18:2).

Heaven's Last Command and Urgent Invitation to the Saints in Babylon

She is commissioned of *The Great Head of The True Church* to issue Heaven's last command and urgent invitation to any of the Saints of God yet enmeshed in Babylon.

Come out of her My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins; for her sins have reached unto Heaven, and God hath (will certainly) remembered her iniquities.

It makes no difference if some will not heed the warning and come out, we are to declare the Message Now Due and warn one and all. May God help us to do it. If any prefer to remain with the World-Federated Church, the awful Babylon, that is their privilege. Let them remain, if they will. All who do will be delivered, bound hand and foot, as it were, to the Antichrist, by his False Prophet. Antichrist will take the last town lot, the last piece of land, all of their bank deposits, the last cent they have (he is to take over everything in the League of Nations, which will soon become the Revived Roman Empire — none will even be allowed to buy or sell, nor to eat bread nor drink water unless they wear this trademark — Revelation 13:16, 17); and he will then cut off the heads of all who refuse to obey and worship him. If any saint wishes to risk all this by remaining another moment in any one of the many churches or sects now preparing to enter the World-Federated Church-System, let him do so; but we warn one and all of the consequences, and we show him the present great Ark of Safety — the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church, and the City of Zion, Illinois, U. S. A.

Fourth: To collect those who do come out of Babylon, here into the City of Zion, if possible, and teach them, train them, and thus make them ready to be the Bride of the Christ, and also teach and train them as co-rulers with the Christ as King over the Messianic, Israelitish and Theocratic, Millennial Kingdom of the Heavens to be established, with Jerusalem as the World-Capital at the Revelation of Jesus the Christ at the end of the Seven Years.

The Last Warning to the Godless Gentile World and the Apostate Church

Fifth: To give Apostate Israel, The Godless Gentile World, and The Great Apostasy of the Christ-rejecting church, their last warning before Antichrist, the False Prophet, and the Head of the Great Northeastern Confederacy, comes and takes them all away in the Last Seven Years' Flood of trouble, turmoil, war, revolution, *Great Tribulation*, blood-lust and complete overthrow.

The urgent duty of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion:—

Gather My saints together unto Me; those that have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice. — Psalm 50:5.

The urgent duty of every saint now lost in the Great Apostasy:—

He said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed. — Genesis 19:17.

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church and the City of Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., IS THE ONLY PLACE OF REFUGE NOW — the present "Mountain" of Security. Let all hasten into it! Delay not! The time is short!

"No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord; and their righteousness is of Me, saith the Lord."—Isaiah 54:17.

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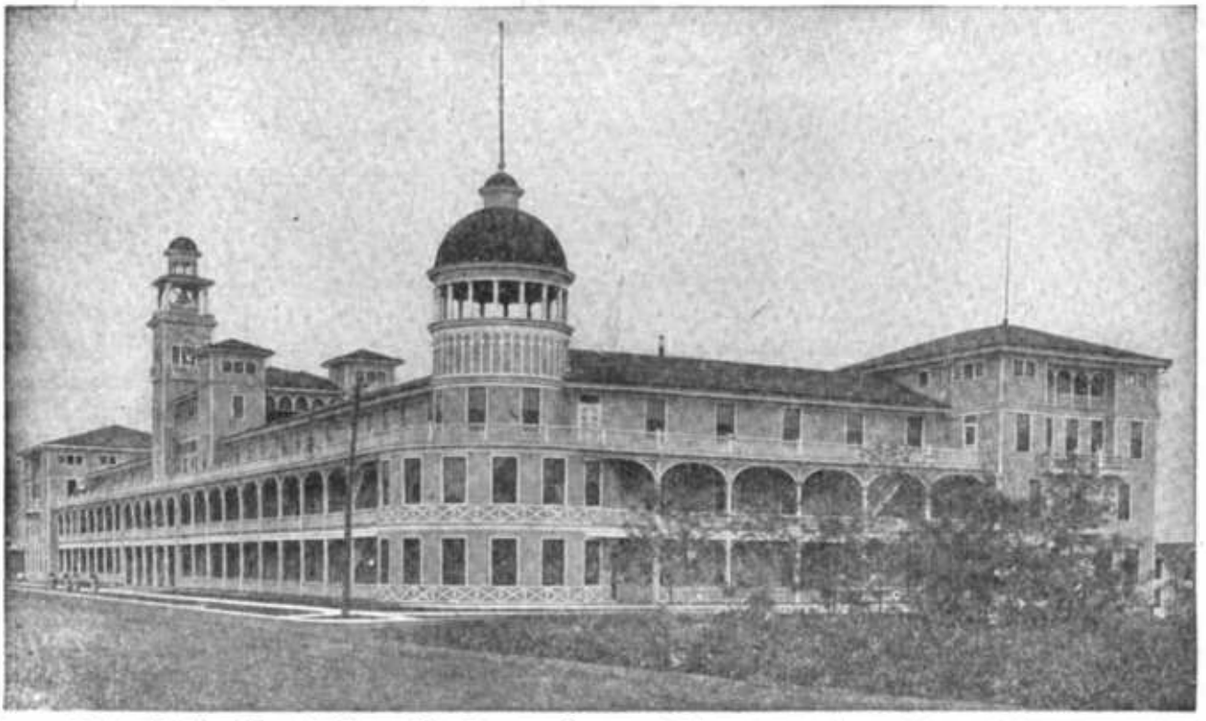
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GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Mr. Bowie Converted in Zion, Brought Out of Roman Catholicism, Instantly and Permanently Healed of Chronic Foot Trouble, and Blessed and Prospered in Tithing; Mrs. Bowie Healed of Catarrh, Rheumatism, Sprained Ankle, Abscesses at the Base of Spine, and Other Diseases, by the Power of God, in Answer to the Prayer of Faithful Officers in Zion.

BE THOU EXALTED, LORD, IN THINE OWN STRENGTH: SO WILL WE SING AND PRAISE THY POWER."—Psalm 21:13.

These words were the expression of one whom the Lord had healed, and whose days had been lengthened by the power of God. They have stood throughout the centuries.

So, today, we place them at the head of these testimonies, for they fittingly express the desires of these witnesses to exalt the Name of the Lord, and ascribe to Him all power.

GOD GLORIFIED IN HEALING

Surely those whom God has delivered from sin and sickness have reason to sing and praise God in triumphant strains.

Every victory calls for rejoicing!

Every healing calls for praise!

"And, behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself.

"And when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.

"And He laid His hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and *glorified* God."—Luke 13:11-13.

"And as He entered into a certain village, there met Him ten men that were lepers, who stood afar off:

"And they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.

"And when He saw them, He said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priest. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed.

"And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice *glorified* God."—Luke 17:12-15.

The churches of this day have no healings and consequently never praise God for His healing power.



MR. AND MRS. WALTER K. BOWIE

GOD PRAISED IN ZION

ZION, with her many healings, is sending forth a great and continuous stream of praise and testimony.

What cause for rejoicing!—for the healing stream that flowed in Jesus' Day and that the apostate churches had dammed up, again flows in endless healing power and blessing in ZION!

The churches praise the doctor; ZION praises God!

The churches ascribe power to drugs; ZION ascribes power to God!

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JESUS CHRIST THE SAME YESTERDAY, AND TODAY, AND FOREVER. — Hebrew 13:8.

The same Savior! the same Healer! the same Keeper!

The Scope of Christ's Atonement

Man is a tripartite being — spirit, soul and body.

Therefore, a full salvation must cover the three constituent parts of man. Anything less would be an incomplete work.

To cleanse one part of a dwelling and leave filth in another part, would be the height of absurdity on the part of man.

How much more unthinkable, that God should cleanse one part of His dwelling, or temple, and make no provision for another part — That He should save the spirit, but ignore the soul and body!

God has provided a way of salvation and healing, and that Way is Jesus the Christ.

The Roman Catholic Church Dumb and Blind

These witnesses belonged to the Roman Catholic Church, but never had heard, in that apostate church, the glorious teaching set forth in God's Word concerning Divine Healing. But, like all Roman Catholics, they were in darkness, being led by blind guides.

How eagerly they received the message from Zion and accepted the teaching, is shown in their written testimonies given below.

Zion officers went to Minneapolis and carried to them the Leaves of Healing.

They accepted the message and both, very quickly and wonderfully, were healed in answer to Zion's prayers.

God is no Respecter of Persons

God hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth.—Acts 17:26.

Denominational divisions, racial discriminations, and national boundaries must all disappear before the onward march of Zion — one church, one people, one nation — God's great and glorious theocracy!

People from all denominations and from all nationalities and races have gathered in the city of Zion, and dwell together in unity of faith and spirit.

Kind reader, what God has done for these witnesses, He waits to do for every sufferer, for He is no Respecter of persons. Only put away the doctors and drugs and trust God fully, and He will heal you.

—Apostle Wm. S. Peckham.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MR. WALTER K. BOWIE

Minneapolis, Minnesota.
December 14, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

With great joy I testify as to God's goodness and mercy toward myself and wife.

About February 1915, before we became members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church, Mrs. Bowie was taken very sick. I called our family doctor by telephone and he stated that, if convenient, he would rather we would call in a neighboring doctor as the snow storm was so severe and it was such a long distance that he could not make the trip with horse and buggy. Mrs. Bowie, at this hour, was in terrible pain. She said, "Call Apostle Peckham. He will come and pray for me and I will be healed. God will hear and answer prayer." I called the Apostle and I will never forget the picture as I looked across the street — there stood God's faithful servant, Apostle Peckham, and his wife, in the blinding snow storm looking for my house. I called to them, and brought them in out of the storm. The Apostle layed hands on Mrs. Bowie, anointed her with oil, and prayed the prayer of faith according to James 5:13-16. Mrs. Peckham gave her wonderful testimony. In about three days, Mrs. Bowie received complete victory. Three abscesses broke at the base of the spine and left no marks whatever. A lady nurse we had said she had seen many abscesses but that those were about the worst she had ever seen. It took hours for the poisonous matter to discharge.

During this same visit, I was healed in answer to prayer and laying on of hands. I had been troubled with my foot for at least seven years. Apostle Peckham asked me if I believed God would heal me. I said, "Yes sir, I do." He layed hands on the foot and prayed and immediately the pain ceased and I have never been troubled with it since. It is now over four years since I was healed. Before I was prayed for, I would sit for hours at night by a big stove calling on God and putting Sloan's liniment on the foot. God never answered! I found I was trying to serve God and Mammon at the same time. That just opened my eyes.

After about forty-two years in the bondage of Old Rome, I simply tore the shackles off and bade her good-by. All I knew about the Bible was the births, deaths, and marriages on the front page of our family Bible, which weighed about twenty pounds.

I am only an infant in the Christian life, but am trying to press on to the high mark in Christ Jesus.

I am away back with my tithes. I have been robbing God, but have promised to pay those tithes with interest. The minute I took that stand God blessed me. I received a raise in salary, which amounted to my tithes to the penny. A neighbor began paying for water he used on my place. My hens in three weeks layed three hundred and twenty-four eggs — only about twenty-seven hens. Now, to head off the Devil, when I come home with my pay envelope, I go straight and get my tithe envelope, put my tithes in it and put it in my Lord's Day coat.

As Elder Hammock has said many times, the minute a person declares himself for God, then the Devil turns loose all the imps of Hell on him.

If I miss the Rapture, it will be my own fault. Pray that I may be working for God when Jesus comes, and ready to meet Him.

I thank God for all blessings.

Your Brother in Christ,
(Signed) WALTER K. BOWIE.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MRS. PEARL MAYFIELD-BOWIE

Minneapolis, Minnesota.
December 14, 1919.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

It is with heartfelt gratitude to God that I praise Him for His goodness to me.

I was converted when a child; and I thank God for the privilege of being brought up in a Christian home.

We first heard of ZION through LEAVES OF HEALING which were sent to us from Chicago by an Aunt, in the spring of 1899. In the fall of the same year my youngest brother was wonderfully healed of typhoid-pneumonia through the prayers of Dr. Dowie.

Soon after this, my mother and father sent in their applications for membership.

In July, 1903, I went to ZION — was baptized, received into fellowship and joined the choir. For three years I had the joy of sitting under Dr. Dowie's Ministry and hearing the wonderful truths of God's Word.

In February, 1907, my people moved away from ZION; and I drifted far from God and ZION. I married a Roman Catholic and became a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

I wish to thank and praise God for Deaconess A. O. Lee, and for Apostle Peckham and his wife. I know it was through their faithfulness to God and ZION and their earnest prayers that I was brought back to God and my husband was converted.

Since I first heard of ZION I have had many wonderful healings: catarrh, rheumatism, abscesses at the base of my spine, constipation, and a very severe sprained ankle. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!

Pray for me that I shall be able to do more for God and that I will be faithful and ready to meet our Lord and Savior when He comes for His Saints.

Your Sister in Christ,
(Signed) MRS. PEARL MAYFIELD-BOWIE

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"The Beginning of the Last Seven Years of Gentile Dominion, and the Antichrist Revealed"

Report of the Service Held in Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, June 15, 1919, Address by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. M.)

SCRIPTURE READING

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let all turn to the Second Chapter of Second Thessalonians — one of the most important of all the chapters in the Bible; because it is for the present day:

Now we beseech you, brethren,—

This Epistle was written by Paul to the members of the Church of the Living God in the City of Thessalonica.

Word had reached Paul that some one had been teaching the Thessalonians that the "Day of the Lord was at hand."

The "Day of the Lord" and "The Time of the End" are Synonymous Terms

In my address I will show what is meant by the Day of the Lord. The Day of the Lord in the Scriptures refers to the wind-up of the affairs of this old world; it is called the "Time of the End" and it lasts for exactly SEVEN YEARS.

Now, somebody in that day — about eighteen hundred and fifty years ago — was saying that this Day of the Lord, this Seventieth Week of Daniel, this "Time of the End," this last seven years of Gentile history, was at hand. Some persons had written letters and signed Paul's name to them.

In this Epistle Paul is writing to them regarding this matter, and he entreats them, he *beseeches them,* and he calls them *"brethren."*

Next he presents the motives — what are they?

The Great Central Doctrine of the Second Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ

First:

— By the COMING OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,—

That is the great central doctrine, but there are not very many who are interested in it. Sometimes in an audience of five hundred you will find five persons who are really interested in the doctrine of the Second Coming of Christ. Many people do not know anything about it, and they do not *want* to know anything about it.

The Saints Shall Gather Unto the Lord Jesus Christ at the Rapture

Second:

—And by our gathering together unto Him,—

When are we going to be gathered "together unto Him"? At the RAPTURE!

Jesus did not have the title, "Lord Jesus Christ" until after His resurrection from the dead. Since His resurrection His full title, as you will find in the epistles, is "Lord Jesus Christ."

That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled,—

It is a good thing to stand on the Solid Rock and to cling to the Word. He did not want them to be "shaken in mind." A leader likes to see men and women of principle — men and women who take their stand for the right and stand against all opposition.

— Neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by LETTER AS FROM US,—

Persons had been forging Paul's name.

— As that the DAY OF THE LORD is at hand.

The "Day of the Lord" and the "Day of Christ" are Two Separate Days

The expression "Day of Christ," which you will find in your Bibles there, is incorrect. The Day of Christ and the Day of the Lord are two separate days. The Day of Christ is when He comes for the saints; the Day of the Lord is the day of judgment, and it lasts for SEVEN YEARS.

Let no man deceive you by any means:—

The world is full of deceivers. You will not be deceived if you take the Word of God and stick to it. That is the only protection.

We are told to "try the spirits."

I reject Christian Science, because when I try the spirit I find that they deny that Jesus the Christ came in the flesh; and that is the spirit of Antichrist.

I reject Millennial Dawnism because they deny that Christ was God; they reject the doctrine of the Trinity and claim that Christ was a Created Being.

That kind of stuff was not preached forty years ago. It is one of the signs that we are in the closing years of this Dispensation.

It is a terrible thing to be deceived by *others,* and it is equally terrible for an individual to deceive *himself.* For instance, some men and women deceive themselves into believing they are really Christians and going to Heaven.

Deceit is a horrible thing.

The "Day of the Lord" Cannot Come Until the Church has Apostatized

In other words, Paul says, "The Day of the Lord is *not* at hand, and let no man deceive you into believing that it *is* at hand."

Now then, we will take his declarations and see when it *will be* at hand.

— For that day (the Day of the Lord) shall not come, except there come a falling away (the great apostasy) first,—

No use to look for the Day of the Lord until the GREAT APOSTASY — until the Church has apostatized, given up the faith, "having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof."

That is the first sign.

The second is:

— And that MAN OF SIN (the Beast, the Antichrist) BE REVEALED, the son of perdition;—

There are the two things which must take place before the Day of the Lord comes.

— Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshiped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

This man is the false Messiah. During the seven-year period the COUNTERFEIT TRINITY will rule this world.

The Devil, the Antichrist, and the False Prophet, Counterfeits of the True Trinity — Father, Son and Holy Spirit

We have God the Father; Jesus the Christ, the Son; and the Holy Spirit, the Comforter and Guide. But during the seven-year period this earth will be ruled by the Devil, who impersonates the Father; by the Antichrist, the false Messiah; and by the False Prophet, who impersonates the Holy Spirit — an exact counterfeit of the TRUE TRINITY.

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Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?
And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.

It is the Holy Spirit Who hinders, and when He is taken out of the way then this man will come out from under cover.

Present-day Lawlessness Paving the Way for the Reign of the Lawless One

The world is full of lawlessness *today*, and during the *seven-year* period LAWLESSNESS will reign.

I am a staunch advocate of LAW AND ORDER!

Lawlessness means universal wreckage.

That is what it means!

But lawlessness is rampant the world over!

When a number of men get together and so manipulate the markets that they compel the masses of the people to pay two prices for the necessaries of life, what is that but lawlessness?

When a judge sitting on a bench can stoop so low down as to allow his decision to be dictated by prejudice and passion, what is he but a law-breaker?

— Only He Who now letteth will let, until He be taken out of the way.

Some day all of the saints will leave this earth; and at the same time the Holy Spirit, Who has been here since the Day of Pentecost, will go out of this world, and then there will be no restraining influence whatever — no "salt" on the earth. And when men and women do not believe in God, or in Jesus the Christ, or in the Holy Spirit, or in God's Word, — when there are no restraints — how long will it take this world to become precisely what the Book of Revelation tells us it is going to become during the seven-year period?

And then shall that Wicked (one) be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the Spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming:
Even him (the Antichrist), whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,

Many Signs and Wonders in the World Today Wrought by the Devil

Do not forget that there are a lot of signs and wonders in this world today that are wrought by the *Devil*, and not by God through the Holy Spirit.

Try the spirits!

And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.
And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

When a man rejects God, rejects Jesus the Christ, and rejects the Word of God, he gets into trouble, not only with the Devil, but with God; and God permits him to come under a delusion, that he may "believe a lie."

Show me a man who rejects God, and I will show you a man who believes in iniquity! Show me a man who spurns Jesus the Christ, the Holy Spirit, and God's Word, and I will show you a man who is serving the Devil and who is under some strong delusion!

That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness. (II. Thessalonians 2:1-12)

This is a wonderful chapter that I have just read to you.

The most important part of this service is the part I have closed just now — the READING OF GOD'S WORD.

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: My subject this afternoon is: "The Beginning of the Last Seven Years of Gentile Dominion, and the Antichrist Revealed."

The SEVEN-YEAR period is referred to in the Scriptures as the "Time of the End." The seven years are years of three hundred and sixty days each. In many places in the Scriptures the "Time of the End" is divided into two definite periods of three and one-half years each.

Many interesting things are transpiring at this time.

The Reestablishment of the Jewish Commonwealth in the Land of Palestine

One of the next things about which you will read in the papers is the laying of the corner stone of the temple in Jerusalem.

Already you have read of the laying of the corner stone of the university there; and, if you read the papers day before yesterday, you read of the organizing of the first Zionist bank, with a capital of one million francs, for the purpose of settling Palestine.

Very shortly, no doubt, you will read that the League of Nations has given Palestine to the Jews for the establishment of a Jewish republic. Nominally, it will be under British sovereignty, but that will be only a tentative arrangement.

I desire you to keep that in mind, because later I will read to you about it in the Bible.

The Allies' Covenant with the Jews to be Confirmed by the Antichrist

The Allies have made a covenant with the Jews already, and it has been indorsed by the United States; for England and the United States, during the seven-year period, will be the "sheep" nations mentioned in the Twenty-fifth Chapter of Matthew — in other words, they will be the protectors and the succorers of the Israelitish remnant.

Here is another interesting thing: The Antichrist does not *make* a covenant with the Jews, but he "confirms," indorses the covenant which the Allies make; and it is under his jurisdiction that the Jews, during the first part of the seven years return to Palestine.

During the first part of the seven years they also complete and dedicate the temple, reestablish the Mosaic worship, and begin the daily sacrifice — which they will keep until the middle of the Seven Years.

The Scriptures plainly foretell that the Jews will go back to Palestine in unbelief.

The City of Rome the Headquarters of the Coming Antichrist

During the first three years and one-half the Antichrist's seat will be in Rome. They may put the capital at Geneva, but it is only a temporary move; it will not stay there long.

You may have noticed that the Pope has presented his petition to the Peace Conference to be admitted as a member of the League of Nations.

At the end of three years and one-half the Antichrist goes to Jerusalem. He throws off his cloak and reveals himself in his true colors. He expels the Jews from the temple which they will have built and takes away the daily sacrifice. His own image is then set up in the temple, and a decree is issued commanding everybody to bow down and worship him. Refusal to obey that decree will mean *death* — and millions will be guillotined.

Then will begin the GREAT TRIBULATION, concerning which Jesus says, in that last great prophecy in the Twenty-fourth of Matthew:

For then shall be GREAT TRIBULATION, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no nor ever shall be.
And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened. (Matthew 24:21, 22)

The Great World-war and Current Events the "Beginning of Sorrows"

Now, as everybody knows, events cast their shadows before them. There never has been a war which, some time before hostilities actually broke out, did not throw its dark shadows before it. And this seven-year period has been throwing its dark shadows over this earth for several years. The things that are transpiring now are the "beginning of sorrows."

Of course, the world laughs at that — it is all bunk and bosh to them.

However, the Word of God is perfectly plain, and every verse in this Bible which has *not* been fulfilled *will* be fulfilled.

Any one who thinks that some man took a pencil and a piece of paper and sat down and figured this all out thousands of years before the events took place, can believe it if he wants to; but he certainly has a big bump of credulity. If I were to

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try to believe that any *one* man or any *set* of men, two thousand years ago, sat down and wrote out the things which are now taking place on this earth, I could not do it.

Since the Year 1914 this world has passed through the most terrible war in its history, and most awful famine and pestilence.

The Whole World Ready to Plunge Into the "Seven-Year Period"

Today, the whole world is a seething mass of unrest. Why, there never was a time when people were so restless and when there were so many striking and so many wars and rumors of wars as today. The whole world is on tiptoe, ready to plunge into the Seven-year Period.

Now then, just how far it is from June 15, 1919, to the point where that period dawns, I am not going to stop to discuss. I will say this, however, that a man with a glass eye ought to be able to see, from the things now transpiring in the world, that it *cannot* be very far distant.

The Close of Man's Day—the Opening of the Lord's Day

In connection with the "times of the Gentiles," the one thing which we know for a certainty is that the end of the seven years marks their close. At that point man's day closes and the Lord's Day begins.

The "times of the Gentiles," I believe, are Two Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Years in length. As to when they began, I will not stop to go into that now.

The Twenty-first Chapter of Luke is one of the most important in the Bible. I will read beginning with the Twentieth Verse:

And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

That was in 70 A. D., when the Roman army surrounded Jerusalem.

Then let them who are in Judea flee to the mountains;—

And all the Christians who fled to Pella were saved.

— And let them who are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.
For these be the days of vengeance —

Upon the Jewish nation for their sins.

The Jewish Nation's Assumption of Guilt with Reference to Christ's Crucifixion Fearfully Fulfilled in Judgments

You know, the Jewish nation, with reference to the crucifixion of Christ, said, "His blood be on us, and on our children." And there is not an atrocity, there is not a form of torture or persecution known to the ingenuity of man or the Devil, which the Jews have not suffered — and they are still suffering.

When they said, "His blood be on us, and on our children," they did not know they were pronouncing judgment upon themselves. But they have paid the penalty to the full, and they will drain the cup to its bitterest dregs.

— That all things which are written may be fulfilled.
But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.
And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, AND SHALL BE LED AWAY CAPTIVE INTO ALL NATIONS:—

That was true in 70 A. D. and since then they have been buried in the nations.

The Bible calls the nations the "grave" of the Jewish nation. They are looked upon as dead — as being buried in the nations. Since that day the Jews have had no home; they have been scattered into every nation on the face of the earth. Yet, according to God's Word, they have maintained their identity.

It may interest you to know that the Zionist Movement and ZION were born the same year — 1896. This, to me, is a very significant fact in connection with prophecy. The Zionist Movement — which has to do with the Jews and their resettlement in the land of Palestine — and ZION have run parallel.

— And Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, UNTIL THE TIMES OF THE GENTILES BE FULFILLED. (Luke 21:20-24).

You know, in the beginning God made the Jews the rulers of the world, but because of their sins they lost the reins of government and were taken into captivity. Nebuchadnezzar, the ruler of the first universal empire, became the ruler, and this world has been ruled by Gentiles from that day to this. At the close of the seven years, however, the reins will be wrested from the Gentiles and the Lord Jesus Christ will begin His Millennial reign.

The Sands in the Hourglass of the "Times of the Gentiles" Almost Run Out

When General Allenby, with the British army, entered and took Jerusalem without firing a shot — which he did sometime between 1914 and 1919 — he struck the death knell of the reign of the Turk, which showed that the sands in the hourglass of the "times of the Gentiles" were almost run out. And when we reach the close of the seven years the sands will altogether have run out, and this long period — during which nations have been founded and cities have been built — will come to an end.

Oh, what a marvelous (?) civilization we have today! It is the most corrupt, the most rotten civilization the world ever has seen, covered with a very thin veneer of decency, and doomed to destruction at the hands of God the Almighty, the same as the Antediluvian civilization, which was just as brilliant and just as great!

What man calls *great*, God Almighty despises. The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.

Now, I desire to read a portion of Scripture in which the "Time of the End"— the last seven years of the history of this poor old world — is called THE DAY OF THE LORD.

I will begin at the Thirteenth Verse of the Fourth Chapter of First Thessalonians:

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren,—

Well, you do not have to be ignorant. If you will come to these meetings you can learn something. I hate ignorance. I do not believe there is any excuse for it.

— Concerning them who are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others who have no hope.

The Glorious Triumph of the Saints Over Death and the Grave

Death is bad enough — death is a horrible thing — but if death ends all, then I would like to know why we ever were created. What does this life amount to? I would not give you the snap of my finger for it! To be born into this world and live fifty or sixty years — what does it amount to? There is nothing to it. But death does *not* end all.

For if we believe that Jesus died (was crucified) and rose again (was resurrected), even so them also who sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.
For this we say unto you by the Word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain unto the COMING OF THE LORD —

Have you ever noticed how *much* there is in the Bible about the coming of the Lord, and how *little* the preachers say about it?

Well, the rank and file of the ministers do not *know* anything about it, and that is the reason they do not *say* anything about it. Whenever one of them *does* preach a sermon on it, he says that Christ comes at death; which is a lie.

— Shall not prevent them who are asleep.
For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God:—

He will come at the beginning of the seven years for the saints, because none of the saints go through the seven-year period. And well may they pray to God to be delivered. God has given a specific promise that the saints shall not go through that period.

The Welcome Shout of Our Victorious, Descending Lord

The shout with which the Lord will descend from Heaven is to be found in the First Verse of the Fourth Chapter of Revelation — the words, "Come up hither."

The Lord will descend from the third Heaven into the air, where the saints will meet him. At the *end* of the seven years the whole world — every man, woman, and child, on the earth— will see the open door in Heaven. Exactly seven years from the time that He comes *for* the saints, He will return to this earth *with* the saints and the holy angels to fight the Battle of Armageddon. That will be the last great war.

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— And the dead in Christ shall rise first:
Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

A few verses in the Fifth Chapter:

But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.
For yourselves know perfectly that the DAY OF THE LORD —

The seven-year period is the Day of the Lord.

— So cometh as a THIEF IN THE NIGHT. — I Thessalonians 5:1, 2.

And so it is not worth my while to be preaching any sermons to the *world*, or giving any articles to the newspapers, or talking to anybody of that sort. My message is to the *saints*.

The False Hopes and Delusions of the Poor Old World

The old world is fooling itself with newspapers and magazine articles about the League of Nations, which state that it will bring about universal peace and great prosperity, and introduce the Golden Age.

A certain Frenchman made the statement that the covenant of the League of Nations is a greater document than the Bible.

It has been said also that when President Wilson returns from Europe it will be said of him that he saved the world!

That is a lot of idiotic bunk and nonsense — what I call the world's *false hopes* and *delusions*.

It looks like universal peace, does it not? This world never saw such a period as it faces today! These are the "beginning of sorrows."

Now then, people can take their choice — they can listen to and heed the Word of God, or they can listen to a lot of nonsense, just as they like.

The Number of the Church of Jesus Christ About Complete

The fact of the matter is the number of the Church is about made up; it is about complete. If you will read the Twenty-fifth Verse of the Eleventh Chapter of Romans, you will find that it tells us that the moment the last member of the Church is added the seven-year period begins.

....Blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. (Romans 11:25)

That is, until the number is complete.

The door of Grace and Mercy is still open this afternoon, but it will close very soon — and the door of Judgment will begin to creak on its hinges.

During the first three years and one-half the six seals will be opened.

I desire to call your attention to three selections of Scripture, which cover the same ground and run parallel. They are Daniel Nine, Verses Twenty-four to Twenty-seven, the Twenty-fourth Chapter of Matthew, and the Sixth Chapter of Revelation.

The Wonderful Sweep of the Prophecy in the Ninth Chapter of Daniel

The Ninth Chapter of Daniel describes the seven-year period, and even reveals the nationality of the man who will rule the world during that time.

Beginning at the Twenty-fourth Verse:

Seventy weeks (four hundred and ninety years) are determined upon thy people (the Jews) and upon thy holy city (Jerusalem), to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make atonement for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness (the Millennium), and to seal up the vision and prophecy. —

That is, to roll it up and lay it on the shelf, because it will have been fulfilled.

— And to anoint the most Holy.

To crown Jesus the Christ as King of kings and Lord of lords at the beginning of the Millennium.

The Twenty-fifth Verse tells us what was to happen during the first Four Hundred and Eighty-three years and exactly when they were to end; and they ended on that very day with the crucifixion of Christ in A. D. 32. The last week was cut off, and comes in at the close of the Gentile times.

Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and three score and two weeks (sixty-nine weeks): the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.
And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, and shall have nothing: —

In other words, Israel would reject Him. And that is what they did.

— And the people (the Romans) of the PRINCE THAT SHALL COME —

The Nationality and the Capital City of the Antichrist

Showing that he is to be a Roman citizen. And the seat of his government for three years and one-half will be the City of Rome, and the Pope of Rome will ride him during that time, as the Book of Revelation says:

....And I saw a WOMAN sit upon a SCARLET COLORED beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. (Revelation 17:3)

The "woman" mentioned here represents Rome, and she dominates the world during the first three years and one-half. Then this prince — the "Beast" — will throw her off, and the Pope may become the False Prophet; and everything he does will be done on behalf of this prince.

— Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; —

The Romans did it in 70 A. D.

— And the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

Notice the Twenty-seventh Verse:

And he (the prince) shall confirm (strengthen) the covenant with many (of the Jews) for one week (seven years): and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolator — (Daniel 9:24-27)

Until Christ comes and hurls him into the "lake of fire" outside the City of Jerusalem.

The Literal Fulfillment of the Last Great Prophecy of Jesus Christ

I will read to you in the Twenty-fourth Chapter of Matthew, beginning at the First Verse:

And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and His disciples came to Him for to show Him the buildings of the temple.
And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

In 70 A. D. the Roman army battered through the three walls, took the City of Jerusalem, and destroyed ONE MILLION inhabitants. Mothers gnawed the flesh of their own children. The Romans demolished the temple, drew the plowshare across the site, and sprinkled salt upon it.

That is a matter of history.

This prophecy of Christ's — "There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down"—was literally fulfilled in 70 A. D.

And, this afternoon, what stands upon the temple site, do you know?

The Mosque of Omar.

And as He sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto Him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? —

You will not find the answer to that question in this chapter; you will find it in the Twenty-fourth Verse of the Twenty-first Chapter of Luke.

— And what shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world (Age)?

Now, there is no such thing as the end of the *world*. This world, finally, will be the home of the saints. It is the end of the *Age*. An age is a period that ends with judgement and great upheavals in nature.

And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.

Here is the first thing — false Christs.

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For many shall come in My Name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

A Graphic Description of the Character and the Reign of the Antichrist

The Antichrist will come in riding a white horse, carrying a bow, but no arrow. He comes as a sleek diplomat. And when the Bolshevists reach the Rhine and threaten the destruction of western civilization, this man on horseback will appear and promise the nations of western Europe to destroy the "red" terror. They will tumble into his trap and, after he has deceived them, at the end of three years and one-half his image will be set up in the temple. He will have his own calendar and his own coin, and he will rule the whole Revived Roman Empire, not allowing any man to buy or sell without his mark upon his right hand or in his forehead.

And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

All these are the beginning of sorrows.

Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for My Name's sake.

The Distinction Between the Church and the Israelitish Remnant Clearly Defined

That has no reference to the Church at all; it has reference to the Israelitish Remnant.

And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

But he that shall endure unto the end (of the Seven Years), the same shall be saved.

We, as *Christians*, are not saved because we endure to the end; we are saved through the *blood of Jesus the Christ*. This verse refers to the Israelitish Remnant.

And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

Ministers use this verse as a missionary text. But it applies, first, last, and always, to the seven-year period. When the *Gospel of the Grace of God* is preached no longer, then, once more, the *Gospel of the Kingdom* will be preached by the Israelitish Remnant to all the nations; "and then shall the end come."

The Setting Up of the Image of the Antichrist in the Temple

Notice the next verse:

When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

That is when the image of the Antichrist is set up in the temple.

The first fourteen verses of this Chapter belong to the first three years and one-half, the Fifteenth Verse marks the center of the seven-year period, and the rest of the Chapter belongs to the last half.

Then let them who are in Judea flee into the mountains: —

Right now God has a place of refuge provided for Israel, and when the Antichrist has his image set up in the temple that will be the sign for the Israelitish Remnant in Jerusalem to flee to the mountains to their place of refuge.

Let him who is on the housetop not come down to take anything out of his house:

Neither let him who is in the field return back to take his clothes.

And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the Sabbath Day: (Matthew 24:1-20)

The Sabbath for the Jews — The Lord's Day for the Church

Some persons have asked me about keeping Saturday. Well, I find that it is not much use to talk to persons who have come under that delusion.

Thank God, I have been kept from it.

Whenever a man starts to keep Saturday, he then puts himself in the place of a Jew and under the law; for the Sabbath is for *Israel*.

After the Church — which keeps the Lord's Day, memorial of the Resurrection — is caught up, then Israel will again keep Saturday; and it will keep Saturday throughout the seven-year period. Consequently Christ says, "Pray ye that your flight be not....on the SABBATH DAY."

You and I are not Jews; we are Gentiles and — if we are Christians — members of the MYSTICAL BODY OF CHRIST.

Time has nothing to do with the Church, which lasts from Pentecost to the Rapture. The Church — a paranthetical organization — was thrown in because Israel rejected the Lord.

God's clock ceased to run at the crucifixion of Christ, but the moment the Rapture takes place it will start ticking again for Israel and will tick off exactly SEVEN YEARS, during which time they will keep Saturday.

The Church's day is the LORD'S DAY.

The Church's Calling, Reward, and Destiny Are Heavenly

The Church is an heavenly body. As members of the Church, our calling, reward, and destiny are *heavenly*. We have the "HIGH CALLING" in Christ Jesus — the "out-resurrection from among the dead;" for when the sleeping *saints* arise, all the rest of the dead remain until the thousand years are finished, and then they are resurrected and brought before the "great white throne judgment."

Men and women need to learn the three divisions of humanity — the Jews, the Gentiles, and the Church of God (I. Corinthians 10:32)— and then apply the Scriptures that belong to the Jews to the Jews; the Scriptures that belong to the Gentiles to the Gentiles; the Scriptures that belong to the Church of God to the Church of God.

You are not a Jew. You are not an Israelite. God knows where "the Ten Lost Tribes" of Israel are, and whenever the proper time comes He will find them. You and I are called to be Joint rulers with the Lord Jesus Christ upon His throne in the New Jerusalem over this earth during the thousand years.

The City of Jerusalem the Coming Metropolis of the Earth

Jerusalem will become the metropolis of this earth. The literal throne of David will be restored there, and a lineal descendant of David will sit upon it. No doubt, periodically, the Lord Himself will descend from the New Jerusalem and sit upon that literal throne; and He will rule this earth with a "rod of iron"— He will rule Chicago, the State of Illinois, and the United States.

That is what some persons do not like; but it is coming, and it is coming very quickly.

Apocalyptic Judgments, Under the Six Seals, About to Break Upon the World

Let us turn now to the Sixth Chapter of Revelation, where the six seals are opened, which is an exact parallel of what I have just been reading to you.

And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four Living Beings saying, Come and see.

And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

That is the false Christ.

And when He had opened the SECOND SEAL, I heard the second Living Being say, Come and see.

And there went out another horse that was red: and power was given to him that sat thereon to TAKE PEACE FROM THE EARTH, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword.

There is war! Right after the declaration of *universal peace*, peace is taken from the earth.

And when He had opened the THIRD SEAL, I heard the third Living Being say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand.

And I heard a voice in the midst of the four Living Beings say, A measure of wheat for a penny, —

Wheat will be forty-eight dollars a bushel.

— And three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine.

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There is famine!

And when He had opened the FOURTH SEAL, I heard the voice of the fourth Living Being say, Come and see.

And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hades followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.

Death!

And when He had opened the FIFTH SEAL, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the Word of God, and for the testimony which they held:

Renewal of the Spanish Inquisition and the Massacre of St. Bartholomew

During the first three years and one-half Rome will put to death multitudes of people. This verse does not refer to the Spanish Inquisition or to the Massacre of St. Bartholomew. The martyrs under the altar here are those who are killed during the first three years and one-half, when Rome — pictured in the Bible as the woman upon the "scarlet colored beast"— rides the ruler of the Revived Roman Empire.

And I beheld when He had opened the SIXTH seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;

And the stars of Heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

And the Heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;

And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of Him Who sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

For the great day of His wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

These Scriptures which I have read to you will give you some idea of what is about to happen.

The Bible tells us that the world will be divided into two confederacies — the Revived Roman Empire, which will take in all the nations of western Europe, and the great Northeastern Confederacy, headed by Russia.

The United States of America Destined to be One of the "Sheep" Nations

The United States has no business in the League of Nations. It was no part of the old Roman Empire. It will be one of the "sheep" nations, which will get a special reward at the beginning of the Millennium, when the Lord Jesus Christ, as the Twenty-fifth Chapter of Matthew tells us, will summon all nations before Him.

He will put the *sheep* nations on His right hand and the *goat* nations on His left hand, and He will say to those on the right hand:

— Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the Kingdom (the Millennial Kingdom) prepared for you from the foundation of the world: (Matthew 25:34)

The Terrible Conflict Between the Antichrist and Gog at the Battle of Armageddon

In the middle of the seven years the Antichrist leaves the City of Rome and goes to Jerusalem. Instantly the message is flashed to Gog, of Magog, the ruler of the great Northeastern Confederacy and, with his army he starts toward Jerusalem, and the two armies of *two hundred million men* meet in the Valley of Megiddo, near the City of Jerusalem, where the Battle of Armageddon will be fought.

Mark what I say, we are in the "beginning of sorrows." The League of Nations, the return of the Jews to Palestine — which is the "fig tree" showing signs of life, concerning which the Savior said, "When these things begin to come to pass, then look up and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh"— the formation of the great Northeastern Confederacy, and the federation of the churches, are the last four great signs before the Lord comes for His saints.

My desire is to see you give your hearts to God.

May God help you to take your stand for Him!

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 GLORIOUS CHURCH"

Report of the Bible Study Given by Apostle Anton Darms at the Wednesday Evening Rally, January 14, 1920, Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A.

The subject of our Bible Study tonight is "THE GLORIOUS CHURCH."

I have placed ten divisions of this subject on the blackboard, which we will cover. They are as follows:—

1. The Foundation of the Church.
2. The Birth of the Church.
3. The Vision of the Church.
4. The Fellowheirs of the Church.
5. The Life of the Church.
6. The Separation of the Church.
7. The Perfecting of the Church.
8. The Nationalization of the Church.
9. The Unity of the Church.
10. The Destiny of the Church.

The Wonderful Calling, Work and Destiny of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

We shall follow out these divisions in connection with the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION. May God help us to realize what our place is in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION. May we realize what a wonderful calling, what a wonderful work, and what a wonderful destiny God has given us here in ZION.

We will read together Acts 15:14-16 and Ephesians 5:25-27.

The Fifteenth Chapter of Acts shows us an ideal church—a church that can be a help to the saints, a church with a leader, a church with authority, a church with the power of the Holy Spirit, a church that other churches can look to for an example and for guidance. This Church in Jerusalem was the Mother Church of all the churches. It was established through the ministry of Peter, the Apostle, on the Day of Pentecost, by the power of the Holy Spirit. We know that the time was reached when the influence of the Church at Jerusalem went over all Palestine and up as far as Antioch, in Syria; for we read that they were having trouble in the church at Antioch, which they were unable to settle among themselves. They sent Paul and Barnabas to the Mother Church in Jerusalem to settle the difficulty with regard to men who demanded of the disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ that they should conform themselves to the Law of Moses, practically becoming Jews, and follow out everything that was followed out in the Old Testament Dispensation.

This question was finally settled in the apostolic council in Jerusalem. James gave the decision that the saints at Antioch were not under the Law of Moses, but that they were under Grace, and, therefore, free from Old Testament legalism and ceremonialism that were put there in connection with circumcision, sacrifices and Temple worship; and that God's people were a free people in Christ Jesus to love and serve God and to do His will.

Apostle Darms then led the congregation in reading Acts 15:14-16:

Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for His Name.

And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written,

After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up.

In this passage He said, "I will build again the tabernacle of David."

Jesus Christ the Builder of the Church and the Tabernacle of David

There are two things that Jesus Christ is the Builder of: He is the Builder of the Church and He is the Builder of the tabernacle of David in the Millennial Kingdom.

Ephesians 5:25-27 sets forth what "a Glorious Church" is to be.

Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the Church, and gave Himself for it;

That He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the Word,

That He might present it to Himself a GLORIOUS CHURCH, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Jesus Christ was Most Glorious in all His life and ministry and was also glorified; and the Church is called to continue the work that Jesus Christ began upon the earth in His Incarnation. The Church is to be incarnate as He was incarnate; and if the Son of God is made real in your life and my life, all the stains of sin will be removed, and we shall be made spotless and blameless—"a GLORIOUS CHURCH," without "spot, or wrinkle."

Let us see what these passages set forth concerning "A Glorious Church." The first division is "The Foundation of the Church." I will ask Apostle Harwood to read Matthew 16:13-19:

When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, Who do men say that I the Son of Man am?

And they said, Some say that Thou art John the Baptist: some Elias: and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.

He saith unto them, But Who say ye that I am?

And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God.

And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but My Father Who is in Heaven.

And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

And I will give unto thee the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in Heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in Heaven.

In this passage we find the first mention of the Church in the Bible. Israel was called to accept the Messiah by the Old Testament prophets and particularly by John the Baptist—the messenger of God to Israel who spoke of Jesus as the Lamb of God Who "taketh away the sin of the world."

All the Prophecies of the Messianic Kingdom Centered in Jesus Christ

Jesus offered Himself as the One in Whom all the prophecies, concerning the setting up of the Messianic Kingdom, were to be fulfilled. We find, however, that Israel and the Jews, from the very beginning, failed to understand the import of His message. They were looking for an outward kingdom with power and glory to be set up. They were expecting that, through the coming of the Promised Messiah, the Roman yoke would be taken away and they would be liberated from their bondage; but Jesus Christ determined that before He could do anything with these people, they must first be willing to accept Him, and that He must enter into their hearts and transform their lives by the power of God and bring them to the place where they were willing to follow all the way.

Because they failed to do that, it became necessary for the Lord Jesus Christ to put Israel aside and to plan the institution of the Church, for the purpose of finding a company of men and women who would accept Him as the Promised Messiah and as the Lord and Savior Who would save His people from their sins.

And so we find Jesus asking this question of His disciples, "Who do men say that I the Son of Man am?" When they told Him that the people took Him for one of the prophets, Jesus then asked, "But Who say YE that I am?"

Peter's Answer to Christ's Question Concerning His Sonship and Messiahship

Then it was that Peter, the spokesman of all the twelve Apostles, declared the Messiahship of Jesus Christ and declared that He was the Son of God.

—Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God.

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Jesus Christ the Foundation of the Church

Jesus said:

—Thou art Peter, and upon this rock—

"Upon this confession which thou hast made concerning My Sonship and My Messiahship."

—I will build My church;—

"I will gather My people from all nations."

—and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

The second division is "The Birth of the Church." Elder Mintern will read Acts 2:1-5:

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 Spirit, 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.

Things Which Necessarily Precede the Birth of the Church

The Church could not be founded before Jesus Christ had made the sacrifice upon Calvary. The Church could not be founded until redemption had been made through the shedding of the blood of Jesus Christ. The Church could not be founded until this sacrifice made upon Calvary had been accepted of God, had been approved of God in the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ, in His ascension to the Father, and in His mediatorial work with the Father during the ten intervening days between His ascension and the Day of Pentecost.

It is wonderful how everything led up to the birth of the Church!

The Church Born on the Day of Pentecost

The Lord Jesus, in His final address, set forth in the closing Chapters of the Gospel of John, from the Fourteenth Chapter to the Sixteenth Chapter, made every preparation whereby His disciples knew that He would gather them into the Church. He made every provision for them. They knew that upon a stated day and at a stated hour the Church would be born; and, therefore, we find these disciples waiting, after the ascension of Jesus, until the set day and the set hour had come. We, therefore, find them in the upper room in Jerusalem, united in prayer for ten days, waiting for the Coming of the Holy Spirit.

When the Holy Spirit came on the Day of Pentecost, the Church was born, because at that very time when the Holy Spirit came upon these Apostles in Jerusalem, they began to proclaim the message of the Gospel of the Grace of God in different tongues and languages, which were understood by the Jews who had come from many lands to attend the Feast of Pentecost in Jerusalem. Therefore, we have a large number of people gathered into the Church on this her birthday — the Day of Pentecost. There were about three thousand persons converted.

At the close of the Second Chapter, we have the evidence that the Church had been born, for now the people who had been widely separated in many lands and nations had been united and had been brought to the place where they were willing to live together, to have fellowship together, and to be of one mind and heart in all things in the service of God and in following Jesus the Christ.

Pentecost the Very Antithesis of Old Testament Babel

The Day of Pentecost was the very antithesis of Babel as set forth in the Old Testament and was the day of the unification of humanity through Jesus Christ the Son of God.

What a wonderful heritage — the Holy Spirit had come to take up His abode, His presence; to be a substitute for the Presence of Jesus Christ; and to manifest the power of God in those who were saved and healed.

We have had wonderful teaching in Zion concerning the Church.

The General Overseer has told us about the baptism of the Holy Spirit and he has taught us that you and I, as members of the Body of Christ, partake of this baptism that was given to the Church on the Day of Pentecost. Apostle Paul says that there is "one Lord, one faith, one baptism" — the baptism of the Holy Spirit upon all believers, upon all the saints, in which you and I share today.

Let us realize what it means to have not only the knowledge concerning the earthly ministry of Jesus Christ, but to know that, through the power of the Holy Spirit and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, this Jesus — this Son of God, this Savior — is made a Present, Living, Throbbing Savior in your life and my life and that, through the power of the Holy Spirit, Christ becomes a Living Reality upon earth in the saving and redeeming of humanity.

The Vision of the Church Given to the Apostle Peter

The third division is "The Vision of the Church." Let all turn to Acts 10:6-19:

On the morrow, as they went on their journey, and drew nigh unto the city, Peter went up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour:
And he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready, He fell into a trance,
And saw Heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth:
Wherein were all manner of fourfooted beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.
And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter, kill and eat.
But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean.
And the voice spake unto him again the second time, What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common.
This was done thrice: and the vessel was received up again into Heaven.

This vision of the sheet, in which "were all manner of fourfooted beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air," was given to Apostle Peter, a servant of God, in order that he might be enabled to know what the work of the Church was and what the boundaries of the Church were.

Up to this time the preaching of the Gospel had been confined to the Jews and to the Samaritans.

Jesus said:

Ye shall be witnesses unto Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth—Acts 1:8.

In the Great Commission, Christ said:

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit—Matthew 28:19.

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned—Mark 16:16.

Therefore, the Lord made it very plain, even before the Church was born, that the boundaries of the Church were to be world-wide.

In the Old Testament we find the Gentile nations set forth as wild, ravenous beasts. In this vision which Peter saw, we find the nations represented by wild, ravenous beasts.

Jesus said to His disciples, "I send you forth as lambs among wolves."

The Church a Larger and Broader Institution than was Israel

That was no reason for them to shrink from going among the Gentiles. God said He would visit the Gentiles "to take out from among them a people for His Name," and, therefore, even though they were like ravenous beasts, the Gospel had to be taken to them. God showed Peter that He should not call any man common or unclean.

Christ had died for all, had tasted death for all, and, therefore, wherever the Word of God was proclaimed and any man was ready to accept the Gospel, then and there the grace of God was imparted to that man, whether Jew or Gentile. The Church, therefore, is a larger, broader institution than was Israel. The Church was called to be the Body of Christ, into which Jews and Gentiles would come upon the same basis and accept the Messiahship, the Sonship of Jesus Christ, and accept Him as their Lord and Redeemer.

The keys of the Kingdom were used on the Day of Pentecost for the Jews; but the house of Cornelius was the first place in which they were used among the Gentiles. The entire house of Cornelius accepted the Gospel of the Grace of God. The Holy Spirit came upon them, and they were ready to enter into fellowship and to be baptized and become true believers in Jesus the Christ.

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That shows us, therefore, that you and I in ZION today have a wonderful mission — that of going out and toiling among the nations, in all classes, realizing that God will back us up and that the Holy Spirit will be with us.

The High Destiny Set Before the Members of the Church

We will take up the next division which is "The Fellowheirs of the Church." Elder Robbins will read Ephesians 3:1-8:

For this cause I Paul the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,

If ye have heard of the Dispensation of the Grace of God which is given me to you-ward:

How that by revelation He made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words,

Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)

Which in other Ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto His holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ by the Gospel:

Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of His power.

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.

The General Overseer has spoken many times concerning the Apostles, and especially concerning the Apostle Paul, in connection with the unveiling of the Church; and you and I need not be in ignorance as to the high destiny which is set before us in the Church of Jesus Christ. How sad it is to look out tonight upon millions of people who call themselves followers of Jesus Christ who are members of apostate church organizations. They have not the slightest idea of what their calling in the Church is, or of what their destiny is to be, either upon earth or in Heaven.

Fellowheirs and Joint Rulers With Jesus Christ in His Millennial Kingdom

What a wonderful contrast the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION is, when we consider that it has been unfolded to us who the fellowheirs in the Church are — that you and I are called to be the heirs of God and joint heirs with Jesus Christ, and that the Church is to fill a certain great place in the plan of God; not that God's plan will end with the establishment of the Church, but that the Church will be used in the plan of God to consummate a larger, a fuller plan for the world's redemption.

What a wonderful thing it is that you and I are called to be heirs of God and that we fall right in line to be joint heirs with Jesus Christ in the Millennial Kingdom; when you and I, as co-rulers with Christ — the King of kings and Lord of lords— shall be given places of trust, places of leadership in that Millennial Kingdom to establish God's Kingdom over all the earth.

"The Life of the Church" is the next division in connection with "A Glorious Church." Apostle Peckham will read Colossians 3:1-11:

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.

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 to 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.

The Motto of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

The motto of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION is found in the Eleventh Verse of this Third Chapter of the Epistle of Paul to the Colossians: "Christ is All and in All."

Think of the wonderful depth of meaning in these simple words. When "Christ is All and in All" it will exclude everything that is of the world, the flesh, and the Devil; and, therefore, Paul admonishes in this passage here that we shall put off the works of the flesh and the deeds of the "old man," which is done through the New Birth, through the regenerating power of the Holy Spirit, and through the Incarnation of Jesus Christ.

In the heart of the believer the old works of sin should be cast out, and you and I should be redeemed from the power of sin and set free from bond-service to Satan and from all the evil appetites of the "old man"— thus helping to bring about the fulfillment of these words, "Christ is All and in all."

If there is to be nothing but Christ, then everything that is not of Christ will have to go.

I wonder how much we realize this in our individual lives in ZION, as members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION. It is only to the extent that we make this practical in our every day lives, it is only to the extent that Christ dwells in us, it is only to the extent that we manifest the Indwelling Christ in our conversation and in the activities of our lives, that the world can see that there is any Christ on the earth; that the world can see that there is any Christ in you or in me; and that the world can see that your life is "hid with Christ in God."

The one thing that we must seek for every day, as followers of Jesus Christ, is to put off the works of the "old man," to be overcomers day by day, and to put on the deeds of the "new man."

Just Two Men After Whom Men Pattern Their Lives

Paul speaks of it in First Corinthians 15:47:

The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from Heaven.

Adam was created from the dust. The second Man — the Lord Jesus Christ — was brought down from Heaven to the earth through the womb of the Virgin Mary, and He lived on the earth in His Incarnation.

There are just these two lives. We are either patterning after the Adamic life or the Christ life. Let us see to it, beloved brothers and sisters in ZION, that we make this practical. May every trace of the "old man" be put aside, that there shall be in ZION no anger, no wrath, no malice, no blasphemy, no foolish jests, no envy, no jealousy, and no works of the flesh, but perfect love which covereth a "multitude of sins."

May God help us to rise to a high plane and to follow the life of Christ, that Christ may be "All and in all" in every life, in every home, in every institution, and in every alley and lane in the City of ZION, so that it can be said indeed and in truth that "Christ is All and in all."

Our next division is "The Separation of the Church." I will ask Elder Robinson to read Second Corinthians 6:14-18:

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.

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

The Line of Demarcation Between the Church and the World

This is one passage which shows us the place of demarcation, the place of separation that must exist between the Church and the world. In the world today the church is in the world and the world is in the church until you cannot tell where the one begins and the other ends. They are so interwoven and so intermixed that they cannot be separated. The people who profess to be followers of Christ are so mixed up with the world through following the ways of the world that it is impossible to tell the church from the world.

I thank God tonight for the founding of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION under John Alexander Dowie, which has given us the true conception of what the Church is to be with reference to the world. We have been taught in ZION

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that when a person gives his heart to God and accepts Jesus Christ as his Lord and Master, then his activities with the world, the flesh, and the Devil must cease and he must bring in their place activities with Christ Jesus, with those who follow Christ, and with those who are the sons of God; for he then constitutes a part of the household of God and is a member of the Body of Christ.

Therefore, the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION is something visible. ZION presents a Church today which is set apart from the world; which is set apart from the ways and methods of the world, the flesh, and the Devil; and which is set upon a plane, where we can let out light shine as a beacon light out into the dark world.

"Touch not the unclean thing," says the Apostle in this passage.

John Alexander Dowie the Pioneer Warrior Against All Unrighteousness

Therefore, John Alexander Dowie's denunciation of the vile habits of those who use tobacco, who use strong drink, and who go to theaters!

Therefore, his witness against secretism!

Therefore, his witness against the "generation of vipers" in the ungodly press and against fiction and all manner of reading which is not conducive to a higher plane of service for God!

Therefore, we have ZION and the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, of whose existence ZION City was the inevitable outgrowth. All the fundamentals of the leases and contracts in Zion are based upon the facts which we have just read — that in ZION all fellowship with the world is done away with and that God's people is a separated people — so that the churches of the world may see that this work is established of God upon the basis of His Word and that the world, the flesh, and the Devil cannot overthrow it.

The Perfecting of the Church Through Organization and Leadership

The next division we will take up is "The Perfecting of the Church." We will read Ephesians 4:11-16:

And He gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive.

But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, Who is the Head, even Christ:

From Whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

In this wonderful passage we have the Church pictured as a body, of which each of the members is a part, and in which all the parts work harmoniously and in perfect unity for the carrying out of the plan of the Head — the Lord Jesus Christ. Every part, whether it has a prominent or a humble place, is important and must work in unity with the Head.

It gives us, there, a real picture of what the Church is to be under proper leadership, under proper officers in the church, and under proper men to whom God has entrusted the work of teaching the people.

The Word of God says:

....be not many masters....

Lack of Leadership in the Church Results in Error and Delusion

The curse of the churches today is that anybody is permitted to teach anything he pleases. The preachers preach anything the people want and desire. They fix it up by some foolish misinterpretations of the Scriptures; and, therefore, we have all these doctrines, such as Christian Science, Russellism, and Spiritualism, creeping into the churches, which have taken thousands and millions of people into error and delusion.

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion Wisely Taught and Faithfully Lead

How thankful we ought to be in ZION today for the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church, which was founded by the servant of God, the chosen leader of God, into whose hands He committed the reins of government and upon whose heart He put the burden of the salvation of all God's people. God inspired the message which must be proclaimed in this day and Age, and you and I have every opportunity of knowing what it means to love and serve God faithfully and to be ready when the Lord comes for His own.

We cannot say in ZION that we have been deceived by false and erroneous doctrines, for God has set us free from all of these delusions of the Devil which we find everywhere in the apostasy. In ZION the Word of God is proclaimed in its fulness and power. We believe in the Inspiration of the Bible, the Atoning work of the Son of God, the Presence and Power of the Holy Spirit, and we believe that there is Redemption, Salvation, Healing, and Cleansing for spirit, soul, and body.

How thankful we ought to be for the teaching which was given to us by the prophet of God, John Alexander Dowie, and for the teaching which the servant of God today is giving us. It will make us strong men and strong women, and will enable us to do a great and mighty work for Jesus Christ.

Peter's Four Statements Concerning "The Nationalization of the Church"

We will take up "The Nationalization of the Church" next. Apostle Moot will read First Peter 2:9-12:

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show 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;

Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.

I want you to notice the words "a chosen generation," "a royal priesthood," "an holy nation," "a peculiar people." Do you realize the import of those four statements given here by Peter, the Apostle, with reference to the Church? Can you apply these statements to the churches of the world or see that they are realized in the apostasy anywhere?

They do say that there are Christian nations. I believe that they call this country a Christian land.

There are three great church centers — the Roman Catholic in the city of Rome, the Greek Catholic in the city of St. Petersburg, and the Protestant Episcopal in the city of London.

It is wonderful to think that these three centers of worship have possession of the three great manuscripts of the New Testament. You find the Vaticanus Manuscript in the Vatican at Rome; you find the Alexandrinus Manuscript in the British Museum in the city of London; and you find the Sinaiticus Manuscript, discovered by Tischendorf in 1859, in St. Petersburg. It is wonderful to think that these great cities in Christendom — Rome, London, and St. Petersburg — have possession of these three great manuscripts of the New Testament; but I fail to find in any one of these three church centers, an exemplification of the Church of Christ.

Great Branches of Christendom Set Aside, When God Founded the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

I fail to find in the Roman Catholic, in the Greek Catholic, or in the Protestant Episcopal any evidence of their having realized what the vision of the Church is to be; that the Church is called to be "a chosen generation;" that the Church is called to be "an holy nation;" that the Church is called to be "a royal priesthood;" and that the Church is called to "show forth the praises of Him, Who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light."

I believe that, had these branches of Christendom taken advantage of the truths in the Word of God, God would have manifested His Presence and Power unto them. But He has put them aside and has spewed them out of His mouth and has founded the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church today because He could use none of these great branches of Christendom to set forth what "an holy nation" is to be.

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They say that Italy is a Christian nation, they say that England is a Christian nation, they say that Russia is a Christian country; but in none of these countries can you find any evidence of what the Church of Jesus Christ is, or should be.

Therefore, I can see the necessity of founding the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION and of founding a city where the saints can be gathered together from all lands and from all branches of the so-called churches, and where a Church can be established which will present to the world what Peter, the Apostle, sets forth in this passage — "an holy nation."

We say that ZION is a *nation!*

We have nothing in common with the world. We are "a peculiar people." In ZION we can say "which in times past were not a people, but are now the people of God."

Let us see to it that we manifest to the world that we are the people of God by putting aside the ways of the world and by following in the way of Jesus Christ.

The Unity of the Church in Answer to the Prayer of Her Lord

The next division is "The Unity of the Church."

Apostle Carey will read John 17:18-23:

As Thou hast sent Me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.

And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also who shall believe on Me through their word;

That they all 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.

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.

Apostle Carey will also read Acts 2:42-47:

And they continued stedfastly 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 favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the Church daily such as should be saved.

The saddest sight in the world tonight is a divided church — a church made up of multitudes of sects and schisms — a church whose people are fighting and devouring one another.

The most *glorious* sight in the world today is ZION — ZION, where the vision of the unity of the Church is being realized and where the prayer of Christ is being answered, that God's children all might be one.

It seems to me that when Christ offered that wonderful prayer at the very close of His ministry, His eyes scanned the centuries which were to follow and that He saw His people divided, saw them separated, and saw them fighting and devouring one another. It seems to me that, as He looked down through the centuries and realized that He must come back for His saints, His one desire was that, when the time came for Him to come back, He might find His people gathered together, that He might find His people united; that He might find some of His saints gathered together upon the same basis upon which He established them on the Day of Pentecost.

One Church, One Leader, One Faith, and One Place of Worship

Therefore, we have six thousand four hundred acres of land here, bought by John Alexander Dowie and taken over by our present General Overseer, to be redeemed for God and ZION, as a place where we can work out the proposition such as has been worked out in no other land — the building of a city with one Church, one Leader, one Faith, and one Place of Worship.

It is a wonderful thought!

It is a wonderful vision!

It is a wonderful work which God has given us to carry out in ZION!

We are engaged not only in building a city where we can worship God on Lord's Days and at the prayer meetings, but we are engaged in building a city where we can go from homes of prayer to our Institutions, in which the Word of God is read; where we can go to our Schools and find the Word of God; and where we can go to the City Council and find the Word of God — a city in which the Word of God is taken into all the activities of life — a city where God's people have true fellowship with each other.

Let us see to it tonight that we uphold the hands of our leader, that we bring in all our resources, and that we put everything on the altar for God, to be used in the redemption of ZION City, that the work of God may be built up and a place of refuge established upon which God can put His benediction and blessing.

The Destiny of the Church—The Rapture and Millennial Glory

Our last division is "The Destiny of the Church." Apostle Jordan will read First Thessalonians 4:13-18:

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them who are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others who have no hope.

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also who sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.

For this we say unto you by the Word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them who are asleep.

For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

We should be very thankful tonight for the teaching which has been given in ZION concerning the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. You and I will have no excuse for being ignorant.

What an awful thing it would be not to be prepared for the Coming of Christ. You and I have been taught the fundamental principles of what is necessary in your life and in my life in order that we shall be ready for the coming of the Lord.

It will be a wonderful testimony should the Lord, at His coming, find one Church, one City — a company ready to be taken out "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump;" and should you and I as officers and members in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION have a part in the glorious Rapture and find our desire at last fully carried out, which Paul explains in the words: "And so shall we ever be with the Lord."

An Earnest Plea for "A Glorious Church" in Zion

Let us determine this night, as never before, that we will not leave one single thing undone in being faithful to God and ZION; and that we will not leave one single thing undone, as members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, in living up to all of these wonderful opportunities concerning "A Glorious Church."

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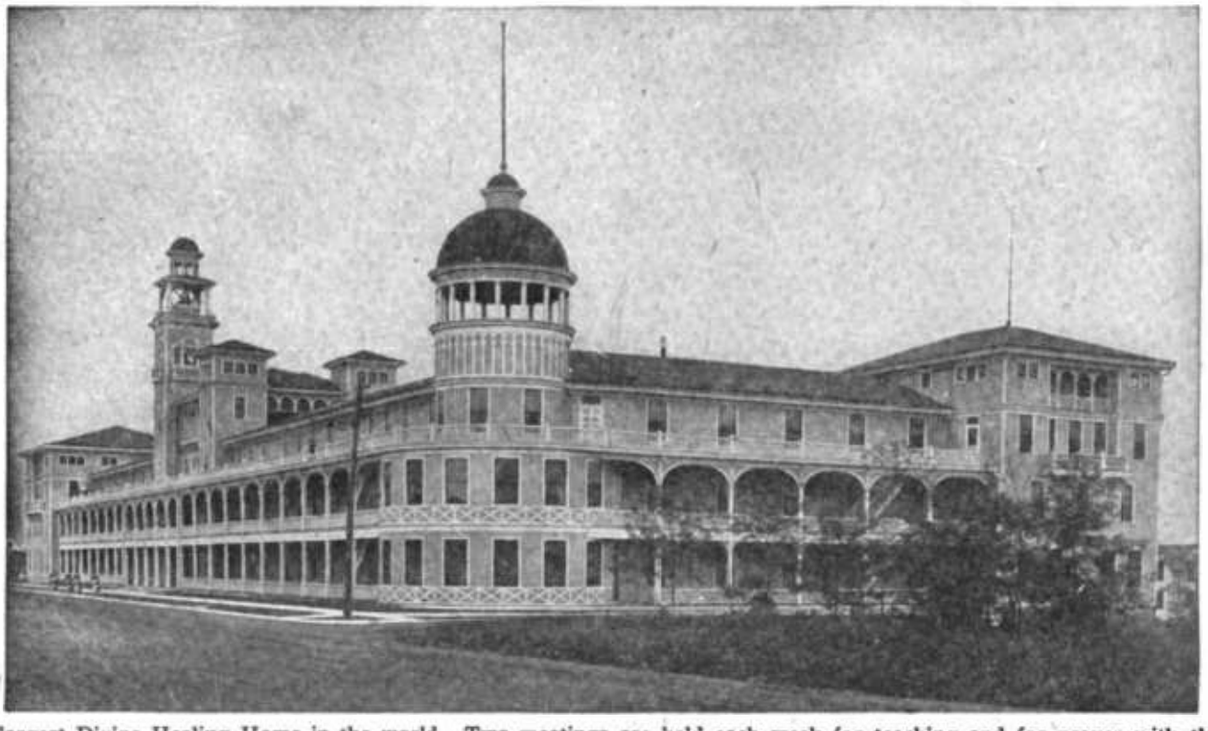
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GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

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God and His Word are Unchanging

There are no difficulties where God has spoken — the promises of God can never fail.

"God is not a man, that He should lie; neither the son of man, that He should repent." — Numbers 23:19.

God's truth is like Himself: unchanging in character and power.

Divine Healing, as its name indicates, is from God and cannot be obtained anywhere else.

Humanity is dying with disease today because it has turned away from God, the Source of life and healing.

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Man can no more heal himself than he can save himself. There is neither salvation nor healing apart from God.

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Back of Divine Healing is the law of Divine faith!

God and His Laws are Supreme Over All

Back of all laws God reigns supreme. If it were not for this fact chaos would prevail very soon throughout the universe.

Everywhere in the physical World we see the evidence of law, and a power higher than natural law, which can only be attributed to the Creator Himself.

However, man would still be groping in ignorance of God's Spirit and love, and Divine provision for the body were it not for the knowledge given in the Word of God.

The laws of health and life are stated plainly in the Bible, where we are taught unclean thinking, unclean eating and unclean living result in sickness, disease and death.

The Bible is the Book of Life — the Book by which to live — the Christian's guide to health and longevity.

The man who tries to live

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without the Bible will make a failure in the end no matter what present or apparent success may seem to exist.

Obedience to God's laws is necessary for health and success.

Obedience is faith in action!

Faith is the Essential Thing in Divine Healing

Faith is the one paramount need in Divine Healing, for without faith there is no hope of securing healing and blessing.

Jesus said to the woman healed of the issue of blood, "Thy faith hath made thee whole." (Matthew 9:22.) He said to the two blind men, "According to your faith be it unto you." (Matthew 9:29.)

Jesus commanded His disciples to "Have faith in God" (Mark 11:22), and also said to His disciples that "If ye have faith ..... nothing shall be impossible unto you." (Matthew 17:20.)

Doubt, the Great Hindrance to Divine Healing

Where there is the least doubt or wavering there can be no Divine Healing, for there is no faith where there is any doubt.

Doubt is unbelief, and the Devil's mighty weapon.

The power of Jesus was limited, by unbelief, in His ministry to the people of Nazareth. It is the great hindering cause today as it was in that day.

And He did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief. — Matthew 13:58.

Faith is assurance, evidence, confidence, possession — resting in God, taking God at His Word, trusting in His promises.

Doubt is weakness; faith is power!

Doubt is death; faith is life!

HAVE FAITH IN GOD. — Mark 11:22.

False Shepherds, in the Apostate Churches, Decry Divine Healing

The most bitter enemies of Divine healing are the so-called ministers of the Gospel today.

The pastor of Mrs. Coppins warned her against Zion and the beautiful teaching of Zion as set forth in Leaves of Healing and the tracts and messages of Zion, and advised her to submit to an operation.

Her physician advised her to accept the teaching of Zion, and displayed more faith in God and prayer than her preacher gave evidence of having.

The story of the healing of this witness is a wonderful testimony to the power and blessing of Zion literature.

O that all earth's teeming millions might get the Zion message, and learn that God is the Healer of His people, and that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today, and forever" — the same Savior, Healer, Cleanser, and Keeper.

— Apostle Wm. S. Peckham.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MRS. MARY E. COPPINS

Zion, Illinois,
February 24, 1920.

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee!

Having been requested to write my testimony for publication in LEAVES OF HEALING, it becomes a duty as well as a joy for me to do so.

It was in September of the year 1900 that I first heard of Zion. At that time I was sick, nigh unto death, with many diseases, the most prominent being heart disease and tumor. Oh, those weary days and nights! Life was a burden. Had it not been for the abiding Presence of my Blessed Savior and the comfort derived from reading my Bible I do not know how I would have endured the pain and suffering at that time.

One day I read a leaflet entitled, "Christ Shall also Quicken your Mortal Body." It contained the testimony of an invalid lady who, after reading Romans 8:11, claimed the promise and was healed.

This made a deep impression on me. The more I thought on the subject the more interested I became. I had known of some people who had been healed years before. My father was one of them. He was instantly healed of Asthma when the prayer of faith was offered for him.

I wrote a letter to a dear friend in Milwaukee enclosing the leaflet, asking her if she thought that Jesus would heal me. She replied to my letter, saying, "Yes, if you have faith enough." She also gave my address to a superannuated Methodist Episcopal minister who was interested in Zion and gave away much of the Zion literature. He sent me my first Zion message — four little tracts. These were entitled, "Jesus the Healer," "Satan the Defiler," "He is Just the Same Today," and "If it be Thy Will."

To say that I READ this literature is putting it too mild — I simply DEVOURED it. Those blessed truths burned down deep into my spirit as I lay there a prisoner, bound in affliction. I can never think of those days without tears — tears of joy, of thankfulness and gratitude to my Blessed Lord for His goodness and mercy to me.

"For He hath looked down from the height of His Sanctuary; from Heaven did the Lord behold the earth;

"To hear the groaning of the prisoner; to loose those that are appointed to death." — Psalm 102:19, 20.

And such was I — a "prisoner.....appointed to death." My physician had told me, when I refused to be operated upon, that there was no hope — that I could not possibly live longer than until Christmas time.

My pastor had urged, even more than the physician, that I undergo an operation; but God had shown me that I would not live through it. Therefore, I would not listen to anything they said regarding it.

Shortly after I had received the Zion tracts the physician called, and as I laid aside the tract that I was reading he picked it up, looked it over, and then asked if I was going to employ a New Doctor. I told him how interested I was in the tracts; and before he left he said, "I wish that you would take up with that teaching, for I knew of a case in New York, near where I lived, of a woman who was healed of curvature of the spine through that man's (meaning Dr. Dowie's) prayers, and we doctors could not contradict it."

When my pastor called I handed the tracts to him expecting words of encouragement; but instead, he warned me against that terrible (?) man, saying that his teaching was worse than Christian Science. He knew how bitterly opposed I was to that false system.

But I was ready to defend this new teaching. God prepared me for what followed. Unknown to me, up to that time, I had a cousin in Zion Home, Chicago, who, also, had a tumor. When I wrote to my aunt (her mother), she sent my letter to this cousin, and she sent me two copies of the LEAVES OF HEALING, and both she and her husband (Deacon C. D. Irvine) wrote to me asking me to trust God for my healing.

I feasted on those papers, the one containing Deaconess Paddock's testimony and the other being the one my physician had reference to — Vina Peck's testimony. I sent for more literature and read it all. My cousins wrote me about what they were being taught in the meetings they attended.

At this time Dr. Dowie was in Europe and my cousin told a Zion officer of my case. Wednesday, October 24, 1900, at 9:00 A. M., was the time set for prayer to be offered for my healing.

I had given up medicine a week before, made my vows to God, and waited for the hour, fully believing that what God had promised "He was able to perform."

I found that He was "Just the Same" that day; for soon after Nine O'clock I was healed in Jesus' Name, by the Power of the Holy Spirit, in accordance with His Will!

How wonderful!

"....He spake, and it was done; He commanded and it stood fast." — Psalm 33:9.

Praise be to His Holy Name!

Words fail to express my thankfulness for His wonderful goodness to me, and —

"Eternity will be too short
To utter all His praise."

I united with the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church at once; visited Zion in Chicago in January, 1901, and was baptized. In March I moved to Kenosha, Wisconsin, nine miles from Zion City Site, and opened a boarding house for Zion people who were coming to work in Zion City before the city was opened. We also held Zion meetings in my home.

However, we were "marching to Zion, the beautiful City of God;" and we were glad when the day came that we entered in through the Gates into the City.

I do thank God for calling me into Zion! During the years of testing which we have passed through, I have had no difficulty in knowing to Whom I belonged. God has kept me faithful to Him and to our General Overseer, for which I have great cause to be thankful.

I will mention several recent healings which I have received.

Five years ago this winter, while I was in Cleveland, Ohio, on Seventy Work, I took a severe cold which developed into pneumonia. I had to give up work on Monday. Tuesday my partner sent word to Apostle Carey at Headquarters, and on Friday morning, about Nine O'clock, I obtained relief; for all the pain and fever suddenly left me. I was stengthened, so I arose and made preparations to return home. About noon we received a telegram from the General Overseer saying that he had earnestly prayed for me and that I might return home at once.

How I thanked God for His healing power, and the General Overseer for his kindness and prayers!

One year later I was again attacked in the same way. I was very sick for about two weeks. Apostles Taylor and Moot anointed

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me and again God had compassion and the Prayer of Faith was answered. I have had various other deliverances, and I praise God for each one.

Early in December of last year, I fell, fracturing several ribs and otherwise injuring myself. Through the prayers of the faithful Officers and friends, God once more healed me; and I attended the All-Night Meeting, receiving much blessing thereby.

From childhood I was never strong, and for years I was almost a complete invalid, suffering tortures with neuralgia of the stomach and head, fainting spells and other things. During those years I was taking medicine continually.

Since coming into Zion and taking Christ as my Healer I have had better health than ever before in all my life. I weighed but little over one hundred pounds when I was first healed. Now I weigh about one hundred and sixty pounds.

When we first came into Zion we decided to come here to live, and we put our home up for sale. We had only one offer for it and the price named was one-half the amount that we had paid for it only two years before. It was a sacrifice, but we have never regretted it. We have had the privilege of living in Zion with those of "like Precious Faith," where, in times of sickness or other trials, we are closely in touch with our General Overseer, the Apostles and Elders, all of whom are always ready to minister unto us. They come to pray for us many times, no doubt, when they are very weary from the many duties they have to perform.

Then, there is the blessed privilege of attending the services in Shiloh Tabernacle and listening to the wonderful truths concerning our Dear Lord's Second Coming, such as we have heard the past few years, and all the other truths and teaching that have helped us year by year, until now, our hearts burn within us as we await His Coming.

Surely it is near!

My constant prayer is that I may be ready when He comes and help some one else to be ready by sending out the literature, who might not, otherwise, be ready.

I paid my tithes for more than ten years before coming into Zion. It is a joy to me to pay tithes.

I send this testimony with an earnest prayer that God will bless it, through LEAVES OF HEALING, to someone seeking healing.

Your Sister in Christ,
(Signed) MARY E. COPPINS.

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The following-named persons received the Right-Hand of Fellowship, Lord's Day, March 7, 1920, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION, ILLINOIS, U. S. A.:

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"Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy Crown."

—Revelation 3:11.

I am faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

Wilbur Glenn Voliva

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

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"Interesting Facts Concerning the Miracles of Jesus Christ"

Report of an Address Delivered at the Wednesday Evening Rally Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., September 10, 1919, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by L. H. T.)

Let all turn to Matthew, the Fifth Chapter.

Apostle Harwood will lead the audience in reading the first sixteen verses of this Chapter.

Principles of the Kingdom of the Heavens Outlined in Beatitudes

And seeing the multitudes, He went up into a mountain: and when He was set, His disciples came unto Him:

And He opened His mouth, and taught them, saying,

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for their's is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they who do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for their's is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake.

Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in Heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets who were before you.

Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father Who is in Heaven.

General Principles Regarding the Relation of the Disciples to Wealth and Service

Apostle Moot will lead the audience in reading the Sixth Chapter according to Saint Matthew, beginning with the Nineteenth Verse and closing with the Twenty-fourth.

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

But lay up for yourselves treasures in Heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.

But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!

No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for the body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?

Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?

And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow, they toil not, neither do they spin:

And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall He not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?

Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

(For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His Righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Christ our Righteousness, Sanctification, and Redemption

Who is God's Righteousness?

PEOPLE: JESUS CHRIST!

GENERAL OVERSEER: In First Corinthians, the First Chapter, Verses Thirty and Thirty-one, we read:

But of Him are ye in Christ Jesus, Who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:

That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.

Let us turn to Hymn No. 504, and sing the first two and last Stanzas:

At even, ere the sun was set,
The sick, O Lord, around Thee lay;
Oh, in what divers pains they met!
Oh, with what joy they went away!

That is based upon Matthew 8:16, 17:

When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with demons: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

Salvation and Healing Gained Only Through Individual Effort

There must be a *definite seeking after God for healing.* You cannot simply sit around with no action on your part and expect to get the blessing. To put it in very simple words, in order to get healing you must GO AFTER IT; you must meet the conditions set forth in God's Word.

There is no such thing as salvation without any action on the part of the individual. It is a fact that some people are too lazy to ask God to make them well.

It is no little matter to get people to trust God.

I have been in this ministry ever since 1899. It is not a difficult matter for me to trust God. There are some very lovely people who would like to come into ZION, but they cannot trust God for healing.

Only Two Persons in the Universe Have Life in Themselves

There are only two Persons in this universe Who the Scriptures tell us have life in Themselves.

God the Father hath life in Himself, and God the Son!

The *first Adam* was made a *living soul;* the *second Adam* was made a *Life-giving Spirit.* Your life and my life are derived, so it is true that you and I are absolutely dependent upon God. He is independent of all men; and yet, the way some people act, you would imagine that God depended absolutely upon *them.* Some people act as though they thought that if they passed away the sun would not rise in the morning.

Whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted. — Luke 14:11.

Salvation and Healing Must Each be Appropriated by Every Man

There is salvation in Christ's atonement for every man. All

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that God has done, all that Christ has done avails a sinner nothing unless he appropriates it.

The best time to fight the Devil is when he first attacks. It is a bad thing to wait until he has gotten on the inside of the camp and gotten possession of you. The Bible says, "Resist the Devil and he will flee from you."

A Picture of a First Century Divine Healing Meeting

This Hymn gives us a picture of a very beautiful Divine Healing Meeting.

Once more 'tis eventide; and we,
Oppressed with various ills, draw near;
What if Thy form we cannot see!
We know and feel that Thou art here.

One thing that attracted me to ZION was that ZION was teaching this last Stanza and believing it:

Thy touch has still its ancient power;
No word from Thee can fruitless fall;
Here in this solemn evening hour,
Lord, in Thy mercy heal us all.

Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever. — Hebrews 13:8.

Miracles and Gifts of Healing Not Confined to the Apostolic Period

The teaching that the miracles and gifts are to be locked up within the little period back there called the Apostolic Period is utterly foolish. It is a trick of the Devil to deprive the people of their privileges in Christ Jesus.

Every good thing is for the child of God!

Some Interesting Facts about the Miracles of Jesus Christ

Let us take up some interesting facts about the miracles which Jesus Christ wrought.

We have recorded in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John twenty-six narratives of healing. Let all bear in mind that these twenty-six narratives of healing were only a very small fraction of the miracles of healing wrought by the Lord. We have a number of Scriptures which we term "general statements," where we are told that He healed multitudes.

For instance, in Matthew 14:14 we read:

And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and He healed their sick.

Faith a Condition in All Works of Divine Healing

From the Scriptures we know that He must have talked to them and given them teaching, for there are certain conditions which had to be met *then* and which have to be met *now*.

When Christ healed the two blind men, He said unto them, "Believe ye that I am able to do this?"

They said, "Yea, Lord."

Jesus said unto them, "According to your faith be it unto you."

In Matthew, Mark, Luke and John there are thirty-six miracles recorded altogether. Twenty-six of these are miracles of healing and ten of them are miracles such as the stilling of the tempest, and the coin in the fish's mouth.

Fifty Miracles Recorded in the Old Testament Scriptures

In the Old Testament there are fifty miracles recorded. Most of these are miracles of destruction. Among these fifty miracles you will find three resurrections.

How many instances of resurrection were there in the life of Christ?

There were *three*.

Three Narratives Where Christ Brought the Dead to Life

It is an interesting thing to study these three narratives where Christ brought the dead to life.

The first one was a little maid. She had just passed away. Jesus tarried purposely so that there might be time for her to pass away, that He might show His power in her resurrection. It is well to note that because it is true.

The same thing is true in the Eleventh Chapter of John, when He received the message from the sisters of Lazarus. He tarried two whole days, and He said, "This sickness is not unto death, but for the GLORY OF GOD, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby."

In other words, death would not be the ultimate result of it. It was for the GLORY OF GOD, because He would exercise His power in resurrecting him from the dead.

He said to the maid, *"Talitha cumi"* — "Damsel, arise."

Peter, James and John Three Specially Chosen Disciples

You will notice also that He put everybody out of the room but the mother and father of the maid and His three disciples, Peter, James and John. It is of no use to go into a home and pray for a miracle of healing if you are surrounded by unbelief.

God raised this little maid from the dead.

This is the first occasion, where the Lord took from His twelve apostles, three special, chosen ones — Peter, James and John. The next time was when He took them to the Mount of Transfiguration; and the next time was when He took them to the Garden of Gethsemane.

The second resurrection under the ministry of Christ was the son of the widow, who had been prepared for burial and placed in the coffin, and the funeral was wending its way to the burial ground.

The third was Lazarus, who had been already in the ground four days.

These are the three recorded resurrections under the ministry of Christ. It is very hard to call the spirit of a man back, for death is the separation of the spirit from the body.

In the case of Lazarus, He called with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth," and the spirit of Lazarus reentered the body.

Six Persons Healed of Blindness by Jesus Christ According to the Scriptures

Who can tell me how many blind men Jesus healed, as recorded in the Scriptures?

There were the two blind men sitting by the wayside when Jesus of Nazareth was passing by.

There was "blind Bartimeus."

There was the man who was blind from his birth, on whose eyes Jesus put clay and spittle.

Then, there were these two blind men who followed Christ into the house, unto whom Christ said, "Believe ye that I am able to do this?"

Altogether that makes six persons who were healed of blindness under the ministry of Christ, according to the Scriptures.

Did Christ ever heal a case of cancer?

He never did.

Evidently Christ never saw a case of cancer, according to the record.

Did Christ ever hear of a case of dropsy, according to the Bible?

Just one case!

There are No Difficulties Which Faith Cannot Surmount

In the Second Chapter of Mark, you will find a case of paralysis. I wish we had thousands of people in the world today with as much faith as those people had. When they reached the house where Jesus was, the crowd was so great they could not get in, so they made an opening in the roof and let the man with the paralysis down that way.

People who will go to that much trouble always will be healed!

And Jesus "seeing their faith" healed the man.

That is a very interesting narrative.

How many lepers did Christ heal?

There were the ten He healed at one time. How many of the ten came back to say, "Thank you"?

Just *one!*

Then, there is one case of leprosy which Christ healed in the Eighth Chapter of Matthew.

There is much to learn about the Bible.

Only Two Miracles of Resurrection Under the Ministry of the Apostles

In the Acts of the Apostles we have two resurrections — that of Dorcas and Eutychus. The one was wrought through Peter and the other through Paul.

People have asked me how it is that God can hear a million people all praying at the same moment.

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That is a very simple matter. God belongs to you just the same as the sun belongs to you, and still your having all the sun does not prevent another person from having all of it. My having God and all of God does not prevent you from having all of God.

Conductor and Mrs. J. D. Thomas then sang the Hymn entitled, "He'll Never Forget to Keep Me."

My Father has many dear children;
Will He ever forget to keep me?
He gave His Own Son to redeem them,
And He cannot forget to keep me.

REFRAIN:

He'll never forget to keep me,
He'll never forget to keep me;
He gave His Own Son to redeem me,
And He'll never forget to keep me.

Our Father remembers the sparrows,
Their value and fall He doth see;
But dearer to Him are His children,
And He'll never forget to keep me.

REFRAIN:

He'll never forget to keep me,
He'll never forget to keep me;
But dearer to Him are His children,
And He'll never forget to keep me.

The words of the Lord are so priceless,
How patient and watchful is He;
Tho' mother forget her own offspring,
Yet He'll never forget to keep me.

REFRAIN:

He'll never forget to keep me,
He'll never forget to keep me;
Tho' mother forget her own offspring,
Yet He'll never forget to keep me.

I now will abide in His shadow,
Never restless nor fearful will be;
In the secret of His Presence He'll hide me,
And He'll never forget to keep me.

REFRAIN:

He'll never forget to keep me,
He'll never forget to keep me;
In the secret of His Presence He'll hide me,
And He'll never forget to keep me.

O brother, why don't you accept Him?
He offers salvation so free;
Repent and believe and obey Him,
And He'll never forget to keep thee.

REFRAIN:

He'll never forget to keep thee,
He'll never forget to keep thee;
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The Fate of the First Apostles

Matthew was martyred in a city in Ethiopia.

Mark was dragged through the streets of Alexandria, in Egypt, till he expired.

Luke was hanged upon an olive tree in Greece.

John, after having been put in a caldron of boiling oil at Rome, and receiving no hurt, died a natural death at Ephesus, in Asia.

Peter was crucified at Rome, and according to his request, with his head downward, thinking himself unworthy to die in the posture which his Lord had died.

James the Great was beheaded at Jerusalem.

James the Less was thrown from a pinnacle of the temple and beaten to death with a fullar's club.

Phillip was hanged against a pillar at Hierapolis, a city in Phrygia, till he expired.

Thomas was pierced through the body with a lance, at Corarandel, in the East Indies.

Bartholomew met his death by being flayed alive.

Jude was shot to death with arrows.

Simeon, the zealot, was crucified in Persia.

Andrew was bored to a cross, from which he preached till he expired.

Matthias was first stoned and afterward beheaded.

Barnabas was stoned to death by the Jews at Salamais.

Paul the great Apostle to the Gentiles, was beheaded at Rome by the Tyrant Nero.

Such was the fate of the first preachers of the Gospel of peace, according to tradition and the best accounts we have of their end, and truly they were "Sent forth as sheep among wolves."

BAPTISMS

The following-named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion on February 13, 1920, by Apostle Silas Moot, at Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A.:

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We enjoy reading the Leaves of Healing that have been handed to us so much, that we are sending in our subscription for six months.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Strond

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Beautiful Selections of Scripture

Proverbs 1:1-6

The Proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;

To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;

To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.

Proverbs 1:7-9

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

For they shall be an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.

Proverbs 1:10-19

My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.

If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause:

Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit:

We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil:

Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse:

My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path:

For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood.

Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird.

And they lay wait for their own blood; they lurk privily for their own lives.

So are the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; which taketh away the life of the owners thereof.

Proverbs 1:20-23

Wisdom crieth without: she uttereth her voice in the streets:

She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, saying,

How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorners delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge?

Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.

Proverbs 1:24-33

Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded;

But ye have set at naught all my counsel, and would none of my reproof:

I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh;

When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you.

Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me:

For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the Lord:

They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof.

Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices.

For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.

But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.

Proverbs 2:1-9

My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee;

So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding;

Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding;

If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures;

Then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God.

For the Lord giveth wisdom: out of His mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: He is a buckler to them that walk uprightly.

He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of His saints.

Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judgment, and equity; yea, every good path.

Proverbs 2:10, 15, 20-22

When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul;

Whose ways are crooked, and they froward in their paths:

That thou mayest walk in the way of good men, and keep the paths of the righteous.

For the upright shall dwell in the land, and the perfect shall remain in it.

But the wicked shall be cut off from the earth, and the transgressors shall be rooted out of it.

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"Humility and Obedience the Pathway to Exaltation"

Report of Address Delivered by Apostle Wm. S. Peckham, at the Early Morning Service Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Morning, February 1, 1920.

(Reported by L. H. T.)

ADDRESS

Let us turn to the Second Chapter of Philippians. This is one of the great Chapters in God's Holy Word. At the beginning of the Chapter we have set forth that Jesus Christ is our Example — the One after Whom we are to pattern our lives.

The preceding Chapter sets forth teaching on the sufferings of Christ. The Twenty-ninth and Thirtieth Verses read:

For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on Him, but also to suffer for His sake;

Having the same conflict which ye saw in me, and now hear to be in me.

An Earnest Exhortation to Christian Unity and Accord

Therefore:

If there be any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,

Fulfill ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.

That is an exhortation to unity with Christ.

Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory;—

Everything must be done in the spirit of unity and with the thought of unity with Christ and of unity with the Body of Christ.

Let nothing be done with one pulling this way and one pulling that way. Let nothing be done through friction.

In ZION we act in unison — we do everything as a body; we do everything with the thought that we are in unity with Christ and in unity with one another in the Body of Christ, and herein lies ZION'S great power as an organization.

All our interests are mutual; for members of the body cannot have different aims or interests, nor can they act independently.

Let there be no friction — setting up of our own opinions.

It does not mean that there should not be proper consultation and proper coming together for consideration or advice, and so on.

Let nothing be done through strife and VAINGLORY;—

Vainglory!

A better term might be "a desire or tendency for show." I know persons who like to make a show of what they do and who like to get credit for what they do; and they want it *individually*, and ostentatiously.

The thought is to sink ourselves into unity with the Body; and to work with no thought of ourselves, lost in the Body of Christ. I believe that is the teaching of the Apostle in this Verse.

Humility Essential for the Preservation of Unity

—but in lowliness of mind—

That is, not setting ourselves up as something great.

—let each esteem other better than themselves.

Humility is a crowning virtue among brethren, and welds the members of the body into an unbreakable unity.

Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

Then you get the *unity* of the Spirit. Otherwise, we lose the conception and get away from the thought of unity or mutual dependence. There can be no Independents in ZION!

Interdependence is God's order; independence is the Devil's order.

When a man has walked in the apostasy for many years, it is hard sometimes for him to get into the spirit of ZION where no man lives for himself alone, but where each one lives for the other and we all live as a body, each one for the other. It is hard sometimes for him to get that view and conception of ZION, but unless he gets it he is absolutely valueless, and he will go back into the apostasy or into individual work. Unless he gets that conception he is a hindrance in our ranks.

Unselfishness the Test of Christian Unity and Unanimity

Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

That is the spirit that should exist in the Body of Christ.

In ZION we do nothing with the thought of what will it *profit ME.*

INDIVIDUALITY!

They have lost that conception of the Christian life in the Churches. No man *lives* for *himself* in this organization, not even the leader, not even the most humble member who fills the place of least responsibility. We all live with the thought that we are building up a great organization of believers here to carry out the purpose of our Lord Jesus Christ and to prepare a people for His glorious Millennial Reign which will begin very soon.

All must get that conception; and, wherein any in the church have gotten away from that, they have to get back, for I believe it is easier for a church to apostatize in that respect than in any other.

In all the world today it is dog eat dog. The Devil take the hindmost, and every man live for *himself*, and toil for *himself*, and build up for *himself*. There is never a thought of the Body.

It is race against race; class against class; individual against individual; profiteering and selfishness rule everywhere.

In the next verses the humility of Christ is set forth:

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

Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

Christ's Pre-Incarnation Glory Given Up in His Earthly Humiliation

When Christ walked upon the earth, we did not see Him in the form of God, for the Word says that we never can look upon God and live. We saw Him through the veil of the flesh; and the glory which He had with the Father "before the world was." we never saw. We saw Him and we saw the Father in His love, in His sympathy, in His words, in His works, and we got an idea of Christ's character, but we did not see His glory — the GLORY *WHICH HE HAD WITH THE FATHER.*

He took upon Himself the form of man and walked among us; but He had laid aside the glory — that which made Him in appearance like unto God.

We get a glimpse of that when He stood upon the Mount of Transfiguration with His three disciples—Peter, James and John. The disciples saw something of His glory which He had with the Father. Jesus never laid aside His Eternal Character—His likeness to God. He had it, but He took upon Himself the form of man, and we saw the Man — the God-man. We saw God through the flesh.

We did not see His GLORY. By and by we shall — and more than that, we shall be like Him.

He became like us that we might become like Him!

But made Himself of no reputation and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

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And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became OBEDIENT unto death, even the death of the cross.

Yes, He emptied Himself of all that glory and laid it aside temporarily, and He was clothed in humanity, until the day when once more He shall shine forth in the glory which He had with the Father in the beginning.

Present Self-Abasement the Sure Pathway to Future Exaltation

Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, —

Why was He highly exalted?

Because of His humility and *obedience!*

That is the *only pathway* to exaltation. We can attain to no high position in the Christian life or in ZION's work except through obedience.

Wherefore (because of obedience) 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.

The day is coming when all rebellion will be put down, and the Lord of Heaven, Who is obedient, will be supreme on earth and in the glorious universe of God. The angels go forth as ministering spirits and they carry the message from Heaven to earth and throughout God's great universe.

They are *obedient!*

There were some angels who were not obedient, and they have been set aside, "reserved unto judgment."

Hell was made for whom?

The rebellious ones! The Devil and his angels!

Salvation is a Divine-Human, Individual Work

Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

YOU have something to do in connection with your own salvation.

We sing, "Jesus Paid it All."

"Jesus paid it all" in so far as justification is concerned. He laid aside the glory He had with the Father and came to this earth and became obedient "unto death, even the death of the cross," that we might be saved and might have salvation. Nevertheless, you and I have got to *work it out.*

I believe we shall find out from our study this morning, something of the way in which to work out our salvation.

For it is God Who worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure.

God works in you; you work with God; and God and you work it out. You cannot do it alone; it takes both. When you try to work it out yourself it is mere *reformation.* When you work it out with God it is *REGENERATION, SANCTIFICATION,* and the *FASHIONING OF YOURSELF AFTER JESUS CHRIST.* It is a complete and full salvation. You get it in no other way. The world is trying to get it another way. It *CANNOT BE DONE.*

—rightly dividing the word of truth.

If you say, *"We* individually will work out our salvation," that is wrongly dividing it. You must work it out by God's help, and He will work in you if you will let Him do it.

For it is God Who worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure.

Terrible Guilt Attached to Murmurings and Disputings—Doubtings

Do all things without murmurings and disputings:
That ye may be blameless and harmless —

Often when you murmur and dispute about things you do a lot of harm, and if you are not *"blameless"* you are *guilty.* You were *guilty* when you entered into that discussion and criticized, and found fault, and murmured.

YOU WERE GUILTY!

Engendering Criticism Among Brethren the Devil's Chief Work

I do not know whether any of you who attend these morning meetings ever do it, but it is a good thing to go over it and thereby fortify ourselves against that trick of the Devil; for engendering *CRITICISM* is the one great, *supreme* object of the Devil. Persuading us to criticize and find fault, and creating within us a feeling of unrest is his constant purpose.

GUARD YOURSELVES!

Let us be able to say, "I have not disputed in anything, I have not murmured about anything, I have not criticized in any matter."

Some people are letting the Devil trick them and deceive them into doing such things. If you do those things remember the Word of God says that you are not blameless. If you do not do them you are "blameless" and "harmless."

Criticism an Almost Universal Sin in the Church

If the General Overseer were to have all stand this afternoon who have murmured, who have disputed, who have criticized, I wonder how many could remain seated. If we went back far enough, I would have to stand myself and say, "Guilty." Maybe we all would have to say it.

I have learned a lesson along this line, and I hope we all shall learn it. Then we will be blameless and harmless. People with the criticizing and murmuring spirit do a lot of harm. The harm they do cannot be estimated! The damage that may come to ZION through murmuring, criticizing, questioning, and fault finding is often irreparable.

Do you realize that?

The thing to do when anybody approaches you in that spirit is to give him a good rebuke, to turn away from him, and to refuse to remain in his presence.

Criticism and murmuring are fatal to spiritual growth.

They are in the spiritual body what cancer and leprosy are in the physical body.

That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation,—

In the margin you will find the word "generation." I like the word "generation" better than I do the word "nation."

This is a "wicked and perverse generation." The world is full of wickedness.

Zion a Nation with Millennial Characteristics

ZION is a *NATION.* It has all the elements of national life. It covers all activities of life — ecclesiastical, educational, commercial, and political. That is a pretty wide field, is it not? If we have things right in all four departments, we have the whole situation in hand and all problems solved for the whole earth.

Someone said a while ago, "If all the world were like ZION City, we would have the Millennium. We would be ready for Christ to come and take up His reign."

There are only eleven square miles here where the inhabitants are ready in any sense for the Coming of Christ. I believe as a body we would *welcome* Him. There are some things which the Lord would have to correct, but in the main, we would be ready; and almost to a man, a woman, a child, we would welcome the Lord.

I was amused the other night at my grandchildren. The two boys were talking together, and William, the older boy, said, "When I grow up, I am going to be a carpenter."

Little Harold said, "When I grow up, I am going to be a good *ZION MAN.*"

There will be many people here who will welcome the Lord.

Zion People the "Salt of the Earth," the "Light of the World"

This is a very crooked, perverse generation, and in this nation, or generation, we — ZION — "shine as lights in the world."

ZION CITY is a *light* to the world!

True ZION people are lights in this world everywhere they go; they are lights to all with whom they come in contact.

We read in God's Holy Word:

Ye are the SALT OF THE EARTH.....ye are the LIGHT OF THE WORLD!

We can apply that to ZION, although it was spoken to the first disciples.

YE are the SALT OF THE EARTH.....YE are the LIGHT OF THE WORLD!

Let us realize our high calling!

May we be shining lights in the world and not put our lights "under a bushel"!

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Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father Who is in heaven.—Matthew 5:16.

Going back to the Second Chapter of Philippians, the Sixteenth Verse reads as follows:

Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither labored in vain.

All Christians Appear Before the Judgment Seat of Christ

Let us turn to First Corinthians 1:8:

Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

That refers to the time when we shall stand before the judgment seat of Christ. If we are faithful we shall be "blameless" then.

WILL WE BE BLAMELESS THEN?

The Day of our Lord Jesus Christ refers to His coming for the saints.

The Day of the Lord is the Seven Year Period — the "Time of the End." The Lord's Day is the Millennium.

There is a sense in which we stand in our own righteousness. Of course, we cannot stand in it, but there is a sense in whch we do. At the same time, we shall be judged for these things—whether we have been true to God, whether we have worked out our salvation, and whether we have put away worldly things.

Wherein we have walked blameless before Christ here in the world, we shall be blameless there. We were *judged* on Calvary, but there is a *reward* awaiting us.

As we walk here, so our rewards will be there.

Great Rewards Await God's Faithful Leaders in Zion

I believe John Alexander Dowie and our present General Overseer will get great rewards and will be sent back here to take charge, perhaps, of a continent. If we are faithful maybe we shall be given the care of cities. I look for great rewards for those who are faithful.

—I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither labored in vain.

The labor may be hard, but I tell you there is a great reward awaiting the laborers — the faithful men and the faithful women. Let us keep the reward in view.

"Keep the bright reward in view" in the midst of every trial, difficulty, temptation, and persecution. We do not see the hardships, they are nothing to us: we have the *reward* in view. With "the bright reward in view" we put the flesh under, the things of this world have no attraction for us, but we are subservient to the one great thought — the reward that awaits us—the joy that is set before us.

I learned obedience a long time ago. I learned it after I came to Zion, but I learned it under John Alexander Dowie. I think I have given full proof of it.

In Philippians 2:5-8 we also have Christ set forth as our Example.

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:
Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:
But made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:
And being found in the fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became OBEDIENT UNTO DEATH, even the death of the cross.

What wonderful condescension! What wonderful self-abasement and humiliation!

Christ's Supreme Authority in Heaven and on Earth

Let us turn to Matthew 28:18—

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All Authority is given unto Me in heaven and in earth.

He Who had *all authority* in Heaven became *obedient* unto death, even the death of the cross.

I want you to note that; for only those who know how to obey are fit to wield authority.

Our Lord has not had *all authority* on earth yet, but He *will have*.

He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.—Psalm 72:8.

The Earth belongs to the Devil now, and it is run by the Devil for the most part.

The Devil the Traitor Prince of this World

The Devil is the Traitor Prince of this World. God made him in the beginning, the Prince of this World. Christ said when He went away that the Prince of this World would come. He is coming, HE IS COMING, in the person of the Antichrist, and he will reign over this world for a period, but for a very short period. The Devil was at one time the greatest of all the angels and God gave him this earth to rule; and he, through pride and disobedience, became the Devil. But the *was* and *is* the Prince of this World.

God gave it to him to rule, and he mis-ruled it. Through disobedience we have the condition which exists today.

What the Devil promised Christ when he took Him up into the high mountain was really his to give.

"I will give You the kingdoms of this earth if You will fall down and worship me. I will give them all to You. They belong to me as the Prince of this World."

The Devil Rules in the Hearts of Men Through Disobedience

Does not the spirit of the Devil rule in all the nations today? Is not the spirit of disobedience in the hearts of people everywhere? He is ruling the world through that spirit today. His little imps come down and sit on your shoulder, enticing and wooing you from the path of rectitude and right.

That is the way you get the spirit of disobedience into you, as I shall show you.

Jesus had *ALL AUTHORITY* and yet He took the place of a servant and became obedient — OBEDIENT UNTO DEATH! There was no other way for Him to purchase redemption for you and for me and for this old world, except through "obedience unto death, even the death of the cross"— the most ignominious death any man could die — the death of the criminal.

That is what Jesus did, and He is our Example in this way—that we should be willing to become servants and to be obedient.

How long?

Unto *death!*

Are you going to give up before you get there? You must go the way Jesus went right straight through. You cannot stop short of it. If you do, you are not Christ's, you do not belong to Him.

The Lesson Which All True Followers of Christ Must Learn

How do we *LEARN* OBEDIENCE?

Let us turn to Hebrews 5:8:

Though He were a Son, yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered.

That is the way *we* learn it.

What is the object of all the sufferings, the persecutions, the trials, the testings, and the hard things that come into our lives?

It is not patience, is it?

No, it is that we may learn obedience, and through obedience gain what we read of in the next Verse:

And being made perfect, He became the Author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him.

You cannot be perfect and be disobedient. The perfection which people talk about does not come as an ecstatic joy, as a fleshly expression, as something that we get in a twinkling of an eye: it comes through obedience, through sufferings, through testings, and provings.

Have you ever heard anyone say, "I am *wholly sanctified*. I am *perfect*. I have not committed a sin for a long time."

I have heard people talk like that.

My Bible tells me that we get perfection through obedience, through testings, and through a long period of earnest, consecrated obedience. You do not get perfection in a moment. None of us are perfect, but we *shall be* some day, but not until "that day." I do not suppose that anybody will be perfect in the flesh.

That is the *GOAL*, and through all these testings and sufferings we are growing into that Perfect Likeness, and we shall attain unto it in the Rapture, and in the First Resurrection or the Out-resurrection from among the dead.

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Sanctification a Work of Purification Wrought By the Holy Spirit Through Obedience

In First Peter the First Chapter, and the Second Verse, we read:

Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

Sanctification is a continuous work and is carried on within our spirits by the Spirit of God as a work of purification through obedience. In other words, the sanctifying influence of the Holy Spirit creates and develops within us an obedient spirit. Obedience itself is the work of sanctification.

If there is a spirit of disobedience within you, you can gain an obedient spirit through the process of the sanctifying influence of the Holy Spirit, if you will let the Spirit work in you. I have known people who really wanted to get rid of a disobedient spirit. I have known little children who have cried because they were sorry on account of their disobedience.

The more of the Holy Spirit there is in us and the more He works in us, the *more obedient* we will be to God, to the General Overseer, and to the words of our Master.

Obeying Christ's Commandments the Proof of Love and Discipleship

In the Gospel according to St. John, the Fourteenth Chapter, Verses Twenty-one to Twenty-three, we find the proof of love and discipleship:

He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me:—

When we keep His commandments we are obedient. If we refuse to keep His commandments we are disobedient.

Let us read that Verse again and use the word "obeyeth" in place of the word "keepeth."

He that hath my commandments, and OBEYETH 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 to him.

If we have His commandments and keep or obey them, then are we loved of the Father, and of Jesus Christ.

You cannot tell me that it is possible for a father to love a disobedient child the same as he loves an obedient child. He can love him, but he cannot love him with the same degree of love.

God loves everybody. But do you believe that He loves a sinner in the same way in which He loves a saint?

Did not Jesus love one of His disciples more than He did any other, apparently? John is called "that disciple whom Jesus loved." He is the disciple who said that if we truly *loved* Christ we would *obey* Him.

God Loves His Obedient Children with a Peculiar Love

LOVE BEGETS *OBEDIENCE*, AND *OBEDIENCE* BEGETS *LOVE*.

It is reactive.

Judas saith unto Him, not Iscariot, Lord how is it that Thou wilt manifest Thyself unto us, and not unto the world?
Jesus answered and said unto him, 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.

God manifests Himself unto the obedient — those who have His commandments and obey them. God loves all His obedient children with a peculiar love.

Do you think it is possible for the General Overseer to love a disobedient man as he loves an obedient man?

He loves the disobedient man, although he will have to correct him and deal with him severely, perhaps, but he loves him. What must be the feeling in the heart of the General Overseer toward those who are obedient in all things and who go right on with their work, obedient to every wish and every direction he gives,

It makes a difference, and so it is with our Heavenly Father. If you want to be loved of God, *know* His commandments and *obey* them.

OBEDIENCE to His commandments is the test of your allegience and loyalty.

The Authority and Accountability of God's Leader

In Hebrews, the Thirteenth Chapter and the Seventeenth Verse, we read:

Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

That is, the man who rules must be obeyed, must be submitted to, in the sense that those under him must not set up their own wills and opinions against his.

WHY?

Because God's leader is seeking the good of all the people, is watching their every interest, and is trying to bring to pass their salvation.

WHY?

Because he must give an account of his stewardship, of his rulership, of all that he does in his ministry. Every ruler under God realizes that. He has to do some things that are hard in order that he may not be accused of unfaithfulness, so that his skirts may be clear, and so that no condemnation may rest upon him for not having done his duty toward you and me.

What a terrible thing it would be for you, Fathers and Mothers, to stand before the judgment seat of Christ and find that through your misrule and unfaithfulness your children had gone to the Devil! You are responsible for them.

What a great joy it will be if, through our faithfulness, others have gained Heaven! There will be much joy in that.

What a blessed thing it would be were all in the Ark — the fathers, the mothers, and all the dear children! What a *joy* that would be! It will be a joy to us if, through our faithfulness, that has come to pass; but if we are unfaithful, how sad it will be!

Every One Who Rules Over Others Accountable to God

Each manager in ZION Institutions and Industries will have to give an account of how he rules things in his department, and each one of us has got to render an account of our treatment of those under us. Each one has a responsibility for those over whom he is placed. Each teacher in ZION Schools has a responsibility for the children under her, that they may develop Christian character and that they may love God and His Word.

You will have to give an account. I will have to give an account. We all have an influence on those about us. We will be held responsible for that influence!

The principle of obedience and the awful results of disobedience run all the way through the Word of God.

All is obedience in Heaven; all is disobedience in hell.

Heaven is the destination of the faithful and obedient; hell is the destination of the unbelieving and disobedient.

In Second Thessalonians the First Chapter, Verses Seven to Nine, we have a warning against the sin of disobedience:

And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from Heaven with His mighty angels,
In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:
Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the Presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power.

No Fellowship Between the Obedient and the Disobedient

In Second Thessalonians, the Third Chapter and the Fourteenth Verse, we read:

And if any man—

Not the JEWS!
Not the CHURCH!
ANY MAN — INDIVIDUALLY!

And if ANY man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him,—

Why?

That he may be ashamed of himself.

When a disobedient man tries to influence you and to lead you astray, you should simply rebuke him and leave his company. When you come in contact with a man like that, get away from him, do not associate with him, have nothing to do with him.

Do what you can to help him, but do not go to see him the next day and talk some more about it, and the next week.

Do not associate with him!

Make him ashamed of himself!

A man who listens to that kind of thing and tolerates it is just as guilty as the one who is disobedient.

We must stand up straight in our Christian life and bring strong rebuke against the disobedient man and woman.

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Do not be a jellyfish!
Do not be afraid!
We had better lose the company of such a man than to imbibe his spirit and at last lose our rewards.

The Terrible Results of Unbelief and Disobedience

Romans the Second Chapter, Verses Eight and Nine, set forth the result of disobedience:

But unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath,
Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile.

The Jews did not accept the Christ; and, as a result of their disobedience, they are suffering today. The Gentiles will do the same. God is no respecter of persons.

You can trace directly or indirectly every bit of contention, discouragement, unrest, and friction to the one thing — disobedience. It causes all the trouble. It is, I believe, one of the greatest sins of this world, one of the great underlying sins.

Obedience is FAITH in action; disobedience is UNBELIEF in action.

Most all the trouble of this world comes through disobedience.

If all were obedient in ZION we would have little or no trouble.

The General Overseer says, "Every life, every dollar, every power, every talent, all that you are and have on the altar for the redemption of ZION CITY."

One fellow says, "But I am going to look out for myself and family. I have a farm outside and if things don't come out all right, I can go back to it."

How many ZION Cities would you build if we all were like that? You would not build one. You would not build this one.

Zion City Built Up by Faithful and Obedient Men and Women

Thank God we have many true and loyal men and women who are ready for anything. It is through these faithful men and women that we have attained to that which we have. Those who will not be obedient will have to go to their own place. They do not belong here.

Everybody ought to love to obey — to obey God, to obey His Word, to obey Jesus Christ, to obey the Holy Spirit, to obey God's man!

The General Overseer is called of God and is God's man.

The Devil hates all authority, and fights the Divine principle of Leadership in ZION.

God has not left us without a leader. Everyone will find it out sooner or later.

The Devil the Author of All Disobedience and Criticism

Let us turn to Galatians 3:1:

O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?

Who is the deceiver? who is the one who bewitches us?
It is the Devil.

The Galatians had been bewitched by the *Devil THROUGH THEIR DISOBEDIENCE,* and their criticism of the Apostle Paul.

Everybody who is disobedient is led of the Devil.

It is a devilish spirit that leads a man to say, "I will do as I please. You cannot tell me what to do."

That is of the Devil. The Devil has deceived him, bewitched him, made a fool of him.

Paul says, "O *foolish* Galatians."

The Devil has done that with a lot of people.

The Devil is the inspirer of disobedience. Whenever you feel a little rebellion creeping into your life, turn around and look for the Devil. Get a good look at him, and tell him to get away from you, and say to your Heavenly Father, "I *WILL BE OBEDIENT.* Father, I love You; I want to keep Your commandments; I want to be obedient in all things,— and I *WILL BE obedient* in all things."

Who are the happy people in ZION today?
The *obedient* people!

The Theocratic Form of Government Restored in Zion

God's government is a government of authority, and that authority rests in Jesus Christ Who delegates it to His ambassadors; and God is going to bring back in these last days the *proper rule* — the Theocracy — the rule of God.

ZION is more than a Church.

ZION is a NATION — God's Nation!

We have the ZION colors and all the elements of national life. The ruler of ZION is not only the General Overseer of the Church, but also of the commercial, educational and political departments in ZION.

ZION is a great deal more than a Church — an assembly — a gathering.

By and by we shall have a Church up yonder. Christ is the Head of the Church; but He also will rule over all the earth — every activity of the world.

ZION is a type of and looks forward to the Millennial reign of Jesus Christ and the glorified Church.

Let us get that *broad vision* of ZION. Let us realize that we are each a part of this government or organization, and that we must take our places in it. We are each an integral part of it, and let us be united as the drops of water in the ocean — every drop is there, but it is one great ocean.

We are one great body with one mind, one thought, one heart, and one purpose — all for the establishment of this great work in ZION.

What a great privilege you and I have in being members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION!

Let us have obedient spirits and be willing to go through fire, if need be, to prove our love and our loyalty as disciples of Jesus Christ and members of the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,
With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;
Endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling.—Ephesians 4:1-4.

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GENERAL OVERSEER
WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

Form of Application for Membership in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

TO all who are desirous of entering into Fellowship with the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS — The principles of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion have been fully set forth in the report of Two Conferences on Organization, held in Zion Tabernacle No. 2, which are fully reported in LEAVES OF HEALING for January 31 and February 7, 1896. The Basis of Fellowship is set forth in the Second Section of the Resolution passed on February 5th (See LEAVES OF HEALING, Volume II, Number 17, Page 267):

FIRST — That we recognize the infallible inspiration and efficiency of the Holy Scriptures as the rule of faith and practice.

SECOND — That we recognize that no persons can be members of the Church who have not repented of their sins and have set trusted in Christ for Salvation.

THIRD — That such persons must also be able to make a good profession, and declare that they do know, in their own hearts, that they have truly repented, and are truly trusting Christ, and have the witness, in a measure, of the Holy Spirit.

FOURTH — That all other questions of every kind shall be held to be matters of opinion and not matters that are essential to Church unity.

All who are conscious of fulfilling these conditions, no matter where they may reside, are invited to fill up the following blank and answer all the questions contained therein.

I am, Faithfully yours in Jesus,



General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

AS FAR AS POSSIBLE THE APPLICANT HIMSELF SHOULD FILL OUT THIS BLANK. WRITE PLAINLY AND WITH INK.

Address.....

Date.....

Please be Sure to fill in

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion,
Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

I hereby make application to be received as a member of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and declare my agreement with the Basis of Fellowship agreed upon at a Conference held February 5, 1896, as set forth in Circular Letter of February 7, 1896.

What is your full name?.....

Where is your residence? .....

Please give full postoffice address

What is your age last birthday?.....Date and year of birth.....

Are you married, unmarried, widowed, or divorced?.....How many children have you living?.. .....

What is your father's full Christian name?.....

What is your mother's full Christian name?.....

What is the full name of husband or wife?.....

What is your occupation, profession, or trade?.....

What nationality are you?.....Where were you born?.....

What language or languages do you speak?.....

How long have you lived in America (or the country where you are now living)?.....

When and where were you converted to God?.....

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Are you conscious that you are saved through faith in Jesus?.....

When and where were you baptized by TRIUNE Immersion?.....

By whom were you baptized?.....

With what religious organization were you formerly connected?.....

Recommended by .....

Signature of Applicant.....

Write very plainly

REMARKS

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Extra Copies of this Form will be sent to intending members on application to the General Recorder of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, Zion City, Lake County, Illinois, U. S. A.

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—*Wilbur Glenn Voliva*

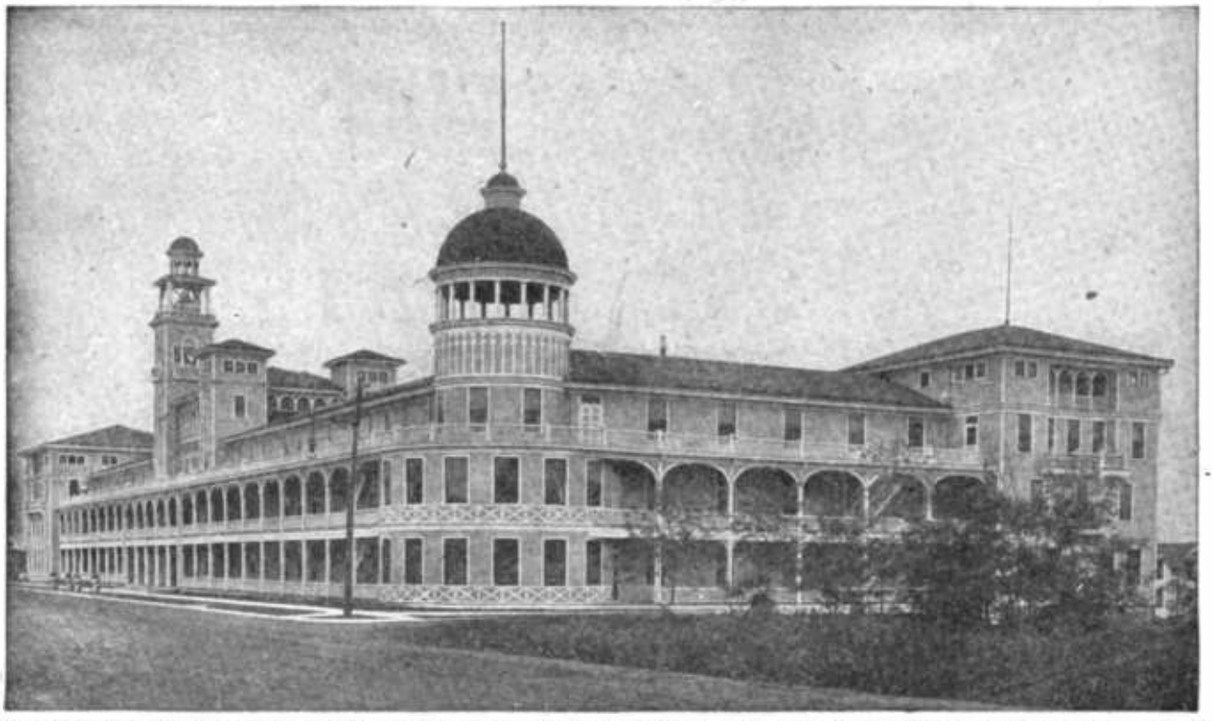
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For any further information write to — WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, Administration Building, Zion, Illinois, U. S. A., placing the words, "For Zion Home" on the lower left-hand corner of the envelope.

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ZION FEED DEPT.

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