

HERALD of HOPE

A messenger of salvation, healing, comfort, good cheer, and encouragement to the poor, the needy, the unsaved, the sick, the afflicted, the heavy hearted, the distressed, the discouraged, and to all who are in need of blessing and comfort from on high.

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Fear Not, Little Flock

by Cora L. Vinal

"Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom" (Luke 12:32). The children of God have always been in the minority. Not a forlorn and defeated minority, but a blessed and hopeful minority. Because such ones do not belong to this greatly perplexed and troubled world. They are not seeking high positions, nor fabulous possessions, nor worldly pleasures, nor are they worrying about their future security or prosperity. They are not even seeking their own rights. No, they have forsaken the ways of this world to walk in the paths of righteousness. Their hopes are built on things eternal. They are a peculiar people, a people separated unto God, a people with a holy purpose in life, and with a most worthy calling to fulfill. Jesus called them a "little flock."

And because Jesus was their Shepherd He confided in them, and instructed them in heavenly things, and forewarned them concerning things to come. And His words can well be a source of comfort and strength today. For He said: "Fear not, little flock." Therefore, while men of understanding tremble at the ever-present danger of nuclear warfare; and while various acts of lawlessness and civil disobedience are constantly disrupting the security of many peace-loving communities; and while ambitious politicians are making extravagant promises which can never be fulfilled; and while multitudes face the dreadful possibility of starvation because of the population explosion; and while the elements rage and roar, and flood waters rise high, and terrifying disasters multiply; then remember the words of Jesus: "Fear not, little flock."

The Psalmist said it like this: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be removed, and though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, and though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof" (Psa. 46:1-3). Was that man of God boasting? No! Was he presumptuous? No! He was moved by the Spirit of God. He was speaking better than he knew. He was not only giving expression to his own faith, but he was foretelling certain conditions that would prevail in the end-time of this dispensation. No intelligent human being would dare to utter such words of himself. For the natural man is utter weakness at his best. And the strongest men cry out in mortal fear in the face of death-dealing calamities. But God did not leave the Psalmist without any hope of future deliverance. For He said: "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the heathen. I will be exalted in the earth" (verse 10).

Trouble is surely coming. End-time trials and tribulations have been foretold. Listen to the prophet Isaiah: "Behold, the Lord maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof" (Isa. 24:1). Sounds alarming, but this world needs to be alarmed, in order that sinful men might seek God and find mercy. Now consider the words of the prophet Jeremiah: "Behold, evil shall go

Not Anxious

I am no longer anxious about anything, as I realize the Lord is able to carry out His will, and His will is mine. It makes no matter where He places me, or how. That is rather for Him to consider than for me; for in the easiest positions He must give me His grace, and in the most difficult His grace is sufficient. — J. Hudson Taylor

forth from nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth" (Jer. 25:31-33). This foretells the furious approach of terrific conflict among the nations such as this world has never known. And today danger signals are flashing out warnings: Trouble ahead; Be on the alert! Be ready! Jesus Himself said: "For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes in divers places" (Matt. 24:7). But to the little flock He said: "And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:28).

Again it is written: "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 recompense; He will come and save you" (Isa. 35:3,4). No need therefore for the righteous to fight their own battles. No need for the oppressed ones to give up in despair. God is mindful of His own children. His storehouse is full. He cares. "Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God? . . . Fear not therefore; ye are of more value than many sparrows" (Luke 12:6,7). "Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed" (Psa. 37:3). Fret not. Complain not. Keep humble. Keep sweet. Keep in touch with God. Keep close to the Christ of Calvary's Cross. Trust in the precious shed blood to cleanse from all sin, and have no confidence in the flesh.

And now let us consider the most comforting and hope-inspiring words of all. Harken and take heart. Here they are. "For it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." To give you what? The kingdom, the kingdom of peace and righteousness, the everlasting kingdom which God has promised to them that love Him. Not the latest model automobile, nor an expensive color TV set, nor some other material blessing that might soon become worthless. Not some rare gem that might be stolen. Not some high position in this world's ever-changing society. Not some devilish device designed to rob you of your soul's eternal salvation. No, indeed not. It is your Father's good pleasure to give you something of supreme value, something all-glorious and ever-enduring, even the coming kingdom for which believers have been praying all down through the centuries. And here it is: "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is done in heaven." And that will not be a temporal abode in a sort of improved kind of human society. But it will be a permanent Home prepared by God, with a capitol City built by

"Yesterday - Today - And Forever"

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever." Heb. 13:8.

Yesterday I gave my life to Him, today I follow in His footsteps, tomorrow I shall be forever with Him. And when I see Him I shall be like Him, for I shall see Him as He is. 1 John 3:2, 3 tells us, Beloved, now we are 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, every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure. Job speaks to us from the Old Testament, Job 19:26 — "And though after my skin worms destroy this body yet in my flesh I shall see God." Isaiah speaks to us down through the ages of time. "Thine eyes shall see the king in His beauty; they shall behold the land that is very far off." Matt. 5:8 makes the truth plain when he tells us, "Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God."

In the year 1929, November 26th, I gave my life to the Lord Jesus Christ. In January 1930 I was given up to die with heart trouble, by Dr. D. F. Banker of Canton, Ohio. I had not been able to sleep for two weeks and was so weak that it seemed that I was floating in the air. One day when no one was in my bedroom, a voice spoke to me these words, "James 5:14 — 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."

When our minister came to call, I told him of the strange thing that happened to me, and of the voice that spoke to me. And he said, "If you would like to be anointed with oil according to His word,

God, and a redeemed people beloved of God. Be not alarmed therefore because of conditions in this present evil world. Remember the words of Jesus: "Fear not, little flock."

"What a day that will be
When my Saviour I shall see,
When I look upon His face
Who redeemed me by His
grace;
When He takes me by the hand,
Leads me to the promised
land;
What a day, glorious day,
that will be."

Only A Dream?

Once a man dreamed that he stood at the gate of heaven, watching the passers-by. There was group of triumphant patriarchs of Old Testament days — Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph. Here came Moses, his face shining with the reflected glory of the Lord. Behind him followed the prophets: Elijah, Elisha, Daniel, Ezekiel, and Jeremiah. But the man could not go in with these. Sadly he turned to look again down the narrow road. Another group was coming. The Apostles of the Lord! Waving palm branches and shouting God's praises, they passed by, and were welcomed at the beautiful gate. But the man could not join them. Again he waited.

Who was this great throng dressed in spotless white? These were martyrs, ones who had given their lives for the Lord Jesus. However, our friend could not enter with them. He was about to turn away in despair when he caught sight of another company of pilgrims. There were Mary Magdalene, the thief on the cross, Zaccheus the tax collector, the Samaritan sinner woman who met Jesus at the well, and many others who had been redeemed from a life of sin by the precious blood of Jesus. Joyfully the dreamer joined that happy throng and passed through the gate!

we will come tomorrow morning at ten o'clock."

That just seemed to give me strength to live until tomorrow at ten o'clock. The next day the two ministers came, they read to me from the Word of God, then asked me, "Mrs. Johnston, have you come to the place in life where you can say to God 'Thy Will be Done'?" And I answered "Yes." They knelt down and poured out their hearts to God that He would raise me up, not to do my will but God's will. They anointed me with oil in His name.

The ministers left and I went to sleep, and only God knows how long I slept but when I awakened I was well and strong and today after twenty-six years I am still well and strong and caring for the sick.

Deut. 4:29 — But if from thence thou shalt seek the Lord thy God, Thou shalt find Him, if thou seek Him with all thy heart and with all thy soul. — Huldah Louise Johnston.

He who walks with God always gets to his destination.

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We are constantly revising our files. If you have not written us during the past six months, won't you do so at once? We do not want to remove your name from our mailing list.

Objects to Teachers 'Debunking'

Dear Sir:

On Friday, February 16, an assembly was held at the High School which must have been one of the most outstanding events to have taken place at that school, from what my two girls told me.

A group from Teen Challenge was there and told their life stories of hitting bottom on dope, finding God and living a decent life again. My girls were very much moved by the whole group. One of my daughters is a freshman and the other a senior, so it certainly fit in the "all-age" group category.

My freshman daughter went to her English class afterwards and the teacher said the whole thing was a fake, they were actors and their stories were full of holes. He further stated to the class marijuana wouldn't lead anyone into the use of drugs; he has friends who smoke it. He said he was glad his daughter didn't go to a school where she had to sit and listen to that junk and furthermore the flag was just a piece of rag.

I was furious when she told me this. I have raised three children alone for the past 8 years, the oldest is in college now and I have tried to raise them with high morals. They have never been in trouble with the police nor taken dope and do not run with friends who do. It infuriates me to think one teacher can stand in front of a whole classroom and attempt to sway children from the decent way of life. Youngsters this age are easily swayed, particularly by a teacher, and my youngsters have been taught to respect their elders, right or wrong, at least respect them. But how can they respect a man who displays this type of nonsense against the flag and God?

I am requesting my daughter be moved from this man's class. I do not know him and do not wish to know him now. He may be a good English teacher but I do not feel he is a good influence on my daughter. I expect to encounter problems when I request this change but as a taxpayer I do not wish to have this type of man teaching her. Furthermore, I do not feel he should even be allowed to teach in a district like the Unified School District.

Sincerely, Mrs. Phyllis Havet,

(A mother who has a daughter
in a So. Calif. High School.)

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Judge Rules Against School Prayer

Many are familiar with the verse so often recited by children:

"We thank You for the flowers so sweet,
We thank You for the food we eat;
We thank You for the birds that sing,
We thank You, God, for everything."

Some parents in De Kalb, Illinois, strenuously objected to the fact that their children were asked to recite this prayer in the kindergarten! So, to appease them, the teacher had them omit the word "God" from the verse. But still the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago ruled that it is unconstitutional for this prayer to be recited in schools!

Pray, Christians, pray!

"I exhort therefore, (said the Apostle Paul) that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time" (1 Timothy 2:1-6).

Surely there is great need for prayer for those in authority if they uphold a system so godless that it will not tolerate the giving of thanks to God for flowers, birds and food by a class of kindergarten tots in school!

The great thing is not so much where we stand, as in what direction ye are moving.

Ministers Oppose Bible Reading In Schools

Oklahoma's courageous Attorney General, G. T. Blankenship, issued a ruling that "voluntary prayer and Bible reading" is legal in the public schools. He declared that school teachers may conduct prayer and Bible reading on their own initiative without violating either the First or the Fourteenth amendments to the Constitution.

Immediately a group of ministers opposed the ruling and threatened legal action against the Attorney General.

What a tragic hour America has come upon when the very men who should have rejoiced in such a timely, God-honoring ruling should now be in the position of fighting God and the Bible! — Capital Voice

What difference does it make what you believe? You could believe a lie and propagate an untruth. But what saith the Word?

In Memorium

Mrs. Ruth Culler, one of our faithful Christ Faith Mission workers, slipped away quietly and suddenly the evening of May 10, just before Mother's Day.

Sister Ruth was visiting in the home of a friend who was convalescing from an auto accident and together they were reading the Bible and discussing the meaning of certain scriptures, when Sister Culler quietly laid her head back on the cushion of the chair, as if to rest, closed her eyes and went out to meet her Lord.

Ruth Culler is survived by four children — two daughters and two sons — all in the greater Los Angeles area.

Sister Culler was with our Herald of Hope team in the Island of Jamaica in the summer of 1966, and later returned to that country for a time to evangelize. She was active in the prayer ministry at the "Old Pisgah" Home, answering the phone and praying for those who had needs each forenoon from 7 to 12. She had great compassion for the sick and burdened and her strong faith in God brought many wonderful answers to prayer.

May God bless her memory to her many loved ones and friends.

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Judgment Is Coming!

by Irvine Ford

Our Nation needs today the "cry of the ancient prophet." The prophet's cry was a warning against impending judgment for national iniquity and a plea for men to repent of their evil ways and turn from their sins. Are there no prophets today?

I do not know. I believe there are men of courage who are crying out against the awful sinfulness of this generation. But other men could arise and speak again the mind of God in a world of corruption.

The prophet Malachi was one of the most daring and picturesque of men. He dared to cry out against the spiritual and social injustices of his time. Politician and laborer; priest and parishioner; rich and poor; great and small. All came under the sound of his voice as he lashed out against sin.

Without compromise, without fear, without favor, he bore down upon the sins of the people, and even presumed to name specifically their sins — ingratitude, deception, the priest's unfaithfulness, idolatry, compromise, backsliding, robbing God in failing to give of their tithes and offerings. No wonder the prophet was an unpopular man. No wonder there are no more prophets today.

Jesus was a Prophet Who cried out against the injustices of His day. "O generation of vipers!" . . . "Ye are of your father the devil." . . . "Blind leaders of the blind." These and other statements Jesus hurled into the teeth of the religious leaders of His day. Do you wonder the prophets of old were so unpopular?

Noah, Elijah, Paul, and a host of strong, virile men stood up against the sins of their generation. The universal testimony concerning these men of God is that they were persecuted. Noah was mocked; Elijah was hounded from one end of the country to another; Jeremiah was put into a muddy, stinking well, and fed on bread and water of affliction.

He became so emaciated that when they lifted him out, they had to put rags under his armpits to keep his bones from pulling out of their sockets. Malachi was subjected to a most ruthless campaign of vilification and contradiction of his message. John the Baptist and Paul were beheaded. Jesus was crucified.

In spite of their frankness and courage, these men were not moral giants by nature. This fact may be a source of comfort to some who have quailed beneath the withering blast of biting criticism.

The thing that characterized every true prophet of God was that — in spite of the weakness of human clay, God literally burned His message out to an unheeding people through the reluctant lips of His suffering servant. Characteristically Jeremiah cries out, "But His word was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not stay" Jer. 20:9.

Human lips, hurling forth defying words to a wicked people, finding it easier to suffer to the point of starvation than to stifle the God-breathed voice — burning like a scorching fire within the soul — is what America needs — to stay the on-rushing tide of awful corruption!

Our beloved land is at a crisis in her national history. If this great commonwealth, conceived in faith in God, and brought forth on the unalterable precepts of God's Holy Word, does not suffer some major catastrophe, we will be the first nation in the world to forsake God and not suffer. One thing can avert national judgment: that is your prayer and mine, your repentance and mine.

A Prayer

Lord, anoint me with thy Spirit!
Fill me with thy power divine,
Take away the love of sinning,
Make, oh make we wholly thine.

Lord, anoint me with thy Spirit
As I wait and watch and pray,
Grant a pentecost from Heaven,
Send, oh, send Him, Lord, today.

I am hungry for the fullness,
I am thirsting Lord, for Thee;
Fill oh, fill me with Thy Spirit—
Wholly Thine I want to be.

I am praying, waiting, trusting
For the power of pentecost;
Lord, anoint me with thy Spirit—
Send Him now at any cost.

— Written by a school girl
In Durham, N. C.

What Shall We Do?



Entrance To 3rd Floor Dormitory For Men

To Our Readers and Prayer Band:

As you already know from previous issues of the HERALD OF HOPE, we have been deeply concerned regarding the preservation of the "Old Pisgah" Home.

Although as yet it has not been possible to secure a permit to begin work on this building, one thing seems certain, the Building Department is determined to forbid the use of the 3rd floor for any purpose whatsoever.

For as long as our people can remember, this floor has been a dormitory for men. If we can no longer use it, then other accommodations must be found quickly for the needy ones who come our way, for up these stairs and into this door through the years literally thousands of men have entered to find lodging and encouragement.

Perhaps if we pray, God will move upon the hearts of several who are interested in this type of rescue work, to share in the expense of building and furnishing such a dormitory; or, perhaps somewhere there is someone who, as a memorial to some departed loved one, would desire to furnish the means for the erection of a suitable building for this worthy cause. We believe that \$25,000 would be a conservative estimate of the cost of such.

Please do make this financial need a definite matter of prayer. Pray, too, that the Lord will raise up men of ability to assist us in such a building and construction program. For the use of our friends in the United States, we are enclosing a postage-paid envelope. Will you please use this means to write us your letter of encouragement, send us your testimony of healing, or prayer requests you may have at this time? Thank you too, for any gift you are able to send for this work of faith.

May God's richest blessing be yours, is our prayer.

For Christ and souls,
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Blest Handkerchief

Our authority for sending these handkerchiefs is based on the Word of God as found in Acts 19:11,12, "And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: so that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them." If it could be done then, why not now? Elijah was a man of like passions as we, yet he prayed and God heard and answered him. God will hear and answer yet today.

Paul said, "It is no more I, but Christ." We can also say, "It is no more I, but Christ." To Him be the glory. Do you want to add glory to His great name? One way you may be able to do this is to get the poor, sick, and discouraged ones, the devil-ridden ones, to write to us in a brief way, describing their case or situation. We will pray for them and send them the handkerchief, and our paper. We are sure that God will bless you in doing this as you do it in His name.

Please do not fail to read the Gospel tracts that are enclosed in the letters. They are sent for your benefit and better understanding. Read prayerfully the Scripture references and we are sure that you will be greatly benefited, for it is the entrance of the Word that giveth light.

Please do not send for handkerchiefs without giving the name of the person, their disease or trouble. We send them out, not only for the healing of the body and casting out demons, but also to take the place of laying on of hands of the elders for special blessing, as well as for power of service when elders are not available.

TESTIMONIES OF HEALING

NOTICE!

In view of the fact that the writers of the testimonies sent to us have sometimes been bothered by those writing to them for help, which they are unable to give in most cases, we have decided to omit their names and addresses.

HUSBAND GETS JOB

I am very happy to say the Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad. My husband got a job this morning in answer to your prayer. Also the children are all well now, thank God, and back to school. — Mrs. E.S., Barbados, W.I.

BRONCHIAL COUGH LEAVING

Thank you for your prayers for my little girl. She had a bronchial cough, which nothing seemed to help and the doctors said she would have to outgrow it, which they thought would be several more years, but Praise God, since I've received your letter she hasn't coughed any to speak of. — Mrs. G.B., Malden, Missouri

GOD IS MOVING

God has heard you; I have obtained a job for which I was in want, and my problems are dissolving. I can surely say, God is moving in my life. — Mrs. I.M.C., Tottenham, Eng.

PASSED EXAM

I have written to you asking you to pray that I should pass my exam and, thank God, I have passed with a good certificate. — J.D., Trinidad, W. I.

HERNIA HEALED

I sent and asked you for help and prayer for the hernia that I did have, and, thank God, your prayer is answered. I have felt nothing of it again. — L.M., Kingston, Jamaica

ASTHMA GONE

I have received your blessed handkerchief, also the wonderful assurance that I would be healed. I must say that from the time I laid the kerchiefs on my chest, believing that I would be healed, it was so; the asthma and bronchitis went and now I am feeling wonderful — better than I have ever felt for a year now. — L.H.T., London, England

SUCCESS IN EXAM

I wrote you a letter about my sitting for the common entrance examination. I am successful and now in Bishop Herman College. — I.P.W., Ghana, W. Africa

NOW WORKING

I asked you to pray for me while I was out of a job. Thank God, the Lord has answered prayer and I'm now working at a Hospital. — Mrs. M. W., Ontario, Canada

CONTINUED HEALTH

Again we want to send our thanks for your prayers, for God is answering prayer every day. I am 67 and still working on a job 23 years in June. He has given me good health so that I can do my work. All my fellow-workmen say, When I leave they will have to hire two men to take my place. We do praise God for the health and strength He keeps supplying me so that I may continue. — R.A.M., Long Beach, Calif.

ANSWERED PRAYER

The last time we wrote we sent \$5.00 and had a prayer request. The Lord answered prayer and we thank and praise Him constantly, and thanks to each person who prayed. — Mrs. W.N., Sardinia, Ohio

SAVED AND HEALED

Thank you for the blest handkerchief which has brought blessing to my soul and healing to my body. I have accepted the Lord as my Saviour, and by His grace I determine to follow Him and serve Him. — Mrs. F. L., London, England

ALL AILMENTS GONE

I wish to thank all of you for your prayers, which have certainly been heard by the Lord Jesus Christ, and I am greatly benefited, as all ailments are gone. — F.N.A., Aruba, Neth. Antilles

GRANDDAUGHTER HAS NOT MISSED SCHOOL

I am glad to write you and let you know how your prayers reached my granddaughter. She hasn't been to the doctor and she has not stayed out of school since I wrote you to pray for her. I do thank God and you all for the prayer. — O.W., New Bern, N.C.

BETTER IN CLASS WORK

I can see in my J.S.C. Class that I am doing much better than before. Thank God, I can see that our prayers have been answered. — J.A., Walderston P.A., Jamaica

NOTHING WRONG

I wrote to you about an operation. When I received your blest handkerchief and went back to the doctor, he didn't find anything wrong. I truly can say, God is a Healer. — R.P., Simpson, N.C.

RAISED UP

I wrote to you last year for a blest handkerchief for my brother, who was down on his back, could not turn over in bed by himself. Thank you for your prayers. He is up now, working a little. Thanks to the Lord. — A.C.R., Morton, Miss.

GETS DESIRED JOB

I wrote you five weeks ago asking prayer for me to find a job from 8 to 4. Well, praise the Lord, I found it. The Lord answered prayer for me through your prayer. — Mrs. F. M., Gonzales, Texas

GOD HEALS

Two weeks after writing to you for help with my daughter's ear, she began to hear. I must say how thankful I am to God for healing her, and also for healing her brother of asthma. — Y.V., Tobago, W.I.

QUICK DELIVERY

Your prayer has done so much to me. My heart used to beat so fast that I could not do anything. I could not walk even a half chain, but, thank God, from the time I received your blest healing cloth I can walk miles in one day. I went in to have a baby and when the pain was so on me I remembered I had the cloth and I put it on my belly, and suddenly the baby was born. Thank God! — Mrs. D.S., Kingston, Jamaica

GOD, A VERY PRESENT HELP

A small bone had stuck in my throat. I could not get it up and was thinking to go to the hospital the following day to see if they could help me. Then I remembered I had one of your blest handkerchiefs, so I placed it where I thought the bone rested, and prayed to God that it would disappear, and it did. — E.G.D., London, England

GRACIOUS ANSWERS TO PRAYER

I wish to thank you for praying for my problems and family. I feel I want to tell you what God has already done for us. God is so good, so wonderful. If I had ten tongues and could speak every language on earth, I could not proclaim my praises and thanks enough to Him! Regarding my brother-in-law, for whom I asked prayer, God has blessed his wife with a beautiful baby girl, healthy and perfect. Then already God was dealing with him (he had hardened his heart for many years to the Lord). Besides his extremely bad heart condition, he hurt his spine and had a slipped disc. Sunday morning, he had a very serious heart attack and was as dead. We called our Pastor and a group of God's children and God gave him back his life. A message through interpreting of tongues said the Lord was giving him a short time yet. He gave his life to God and begged forgiveness and was sent to hospital the next day. It worried him to know he hadn't followed the Lord through the water baptism. The bone specialist told my mother-in-law he had to lie in traction for 2 weeks, 7 lbs. in weight on each leg and an operation was unavoidable to fix the back. Five days later my brother-in-law was back home as fit as a fiddle. God had completely healed him. The heart specialist, who has been treating him for years, said his heart beats normal as well as anybody else's. That Sunday night he was baptized. Praise God!

My husband was very unfaithful to me, used to drink very heavily and carried on terribly. We decided to get a divorce. After being apart for 3 weeks, my husband came and begged my forgiveness and told me every single thing. He is now saved and a changed being, so wonderful, even talks about the Lord, witnesses and prays. Oh, God is so good to us! — Mrs. J.D., Transvaal, South Africa

HEALED AND WORKING

God healed my body, and then I wrote back to you telling you all to pray for me to get a good job, and thanks be to Him, I have it. — Mrs. R.B., Dunn, N.C.

SPIRITUAL ENCOURAGEMENT

Thanks for sending to me your paper and leaflets — they are doing me good, both in spiritual life and temporal. They help me to concentrate on my God more, and to pray. — Mrs. C.M., Jamaica

SAVED AND BAPTIZED

I wrote to you for prayer, but before I received an answer from you I had to go to Trinidad, where I spent four months, and praise the Lord, within that time I was saved and have taken water baptism. I must also thank you for your correspondence, for before I was saved, your reading meant very much to me, for oftentimes it thrilled my soul, and I just went gradually until I meant real business with the Lord. — A.R., Tobago, W.I.

SUCCESS

During my schooling I wrote to you to pray for me to become successful in the Examination. Ultimately I was appointed as a pupil teacher. — J.E.X., Ghana, W. Africa

PASSES SCHOOL SUBJECTS

I thank you ever so much for the prayers offered to God for my daughter. I am happy to let you know that your prayers have been answered by the Heavenly Father. Evangeline took G.C.E. in five subjects and through God's blessing she passed successful in all. — Mrs. L.T., Monrovia, Liberia

FATHER RETURNS

Your blest handkerchief and tracts I have received and they have been of great help to me. Two months after receiving your blest handkerchief my children's father returned, to look for them. — A.H., Kingston, Jamaica

HEAD PAINS

When I wrote and told you of my suffering with my head, I received your blest kerchief and prayer. I pinned it in the inside of my hat, and thank God, I am feeling much better. — C.B., St. Thomas, Jamaica

SAFE CHILDBIRTH

Some months ago I wrote to ask for prayer on behalf of my unborn baby and myself. Thank God, I had a boy, three weeks ahead of time and quite normal; he is doing fine. Praise be unto God for His goodness. — V.M., Jamaica

ACCEPTS JESUS AS SAVIOUR

Thanks very much for your prayers, also the blest handkerchief you sent for my little boy and girl. From the moment you started to pray I could see the change on my little boy. His eczema is almost gone, and his skin is getting clear. Truly the Lord is great. I have proven Him in many circumstances. I have accepted Him as my Saviour, and although I am weak, I am praying daily for His strength to live a godly life in this present world. — E.W., London, England

HEALED OF ASTHMA

Sometime ago I made multiple requests in respect to my children and myself for your prayer band to pray for us. Glory be to God, for my faith is confirmed and your prayers with mine are heard as follows: 1. My son is healed completely of acute asthma, also he came out in Grade One with his last time examination. 2. My daughter Victoria passed her exam, too. 3. I gave free and easiest delivery to a baby boy. — Mrs. G.O., Eastern Nigeria

NURSES AID

I asked you to pray that the Lord would bless me with a good job and, praise the Lord, He has blessed me with a good job. I started to work the same week I received your letter. I work at a hospital as a Nurses Aid. — G.N., —

GRANDSON HEALED

I thank the Lord for healing my grandson who was seriously ill. I give God thanks for His gracious kindness toward us. — B.F., Manchester, Jamaica

GROWTH ON NOSE HEALED

I wrote you some months ago for prayer for my son John, who had a growth on his nose, and God has healed him. — Mrs. G.P., Oil City, Pa.

KNEE PAINS GONE

I wrote you for the blest handkerchief. I could hardly do my work or cook my food, my knees hurt me so bad. After I got the blest cloth I put it on my knee that night. Next morning I got up, cooked my food and cleaned up my house without pain. I know it was the Lord. — F.R.M., Montezuma, Ga.

BLADDER HEALED

I am very happy to report to you of a wonderful healing. I was suffering with my bladder for over 4 years and attending the hospital every 2 weeks without any success. Since I have received your blest handkerchief and used it only 3 times I am completely cured. — A.M., London, England

GETS JOB

Sometime ago I wrote asking for prayers for healing and a job. Well, I must say they were all answered. I am working as a Book Binder at the Library, and my complaint I had is better. — E.W., Basseterre, W. I.

FINANCIAL PROBLEM SOLVED

I asked you to pray for me regarding my financial problems. The same week my boss asked me to do some overtime, for he has had some very big orders, and it is going on since, so my wage is much better now. — T.R., England

ENCOURAGED IN THE LORD

It was a great pleasure to sit and read through the wonderful magazine. It has been a comfort to me in many ways. The kerchief has also been a great help to me. I have always been going to a doctor every month or two, and for the last 5 months I have not gone to any doctor. The Lord is answering my prayers little by little and I think that in all my needs, instead of sitting down to fuss and mourn, I will pray and in due time my prayer will be answered. — Kingston, Jamaica

FOOT HEALED

I wrote to you a few months ago asking for prayers for a spot of eczema on my husband's foot, and about a blockage in his nose. Within a week the foot began to heal; and what is just as wonderful, he has had a hard painful callous on the bottom of the other foot for about twenty-five years. Recently an abscess formed on the top of this foot which was so bad that we had to have a doctor open it to let it drain. The poison which was causing trouble in the whole foot must have drained out, because the callous simply peeled off and it is perfectly healed underneath it. — Mrs. C.A.L., Sask., Can.

SAVED AND QUILTS SMOKING

I had a bad habit of smoking. I thought I could not give it up. I was truly saved November 20, thank God, and have not had a cigarette since, or wanted one. — **G.B., Akron, Ohio**

LIKE A NEW PERSON

Many thanks for praying for my boy. He is like a new person. — **Mrs. P.S., -**

DAUGHTER IMPROVED

Every day as I look on my little daughter I feel a deeper feeling in my heart. I must say, Thank God for His healing power. She is now interested in everything that I am doing. She is helping carrying water, helping with dishes in the house. Her father is thanking you every day, also my mother and father; we all are put together to give God a big and hearty "thank you." — **Mrs. A.M., Jamaica**

JOY RESTORED

I am thankful since you have been praying about my problem. I have been seeing my biggest boy, but I could not see the small one at all, but today, Saturday, came my biggest joy. I saw my two sons together. I was so thrilled, thank God, and thanks for your prayers. — **Irene I., Antigua, W.I.**

JESUS SETS FREE

I just have to send my testimony of victory in Jesus. Thanks for your part in it. The Herald of Hope was a source Jesus used to set me free from the spiritual bondage I was in. Only God knows the torture I was going through. The Holy Spirit worked this mysterious miracle in my life through your paper. — **Rev. P.W., Lake Panasoffkee, Fla.**

UP AND ABLE

Just a line to say I really was sick when I wrote you. But thank God, that he has heard your prayer, for I am feeling much better and I am up and able to do my housework again. — **L.F., Fulshear, Tex.**

SON HEALED

I must thank God for my son's healing. He was sick with his brain. I took him to the doctor and he said he was not going to live. I wrote to you and told you all about him and asked you to pray for him, and from the moment you prayed my son was healed. Thanks be to God! — **Mrs. M.J.B., England**

RECEIVES JOB

Many thanks for your true prayers. I have received a job, praise God! — **S.B., Jamaica, W.I.**

PASSES EXAMINATION

I wrote to you some months ago to help me to pass my examination to Secondary School. Thanks be to God, I have passed my examination and am now in Winneba Secondary School, and also I am asking you to pray for me to be one of the best boys in class. — **T.M., Cape Coast, Ghana**

STOMACH TROUBLE HEALED

I thank the Lord for your many prayers in my behalf. My son enjoys good health and is able to preach. He was healed of stomach trouble some time ago through prayer. — **Mrs. O.A., Spokane, Wash.**

A CHANGED MAN

I am sincerely glad that the Lord gave me the health, strength and courage to write to you again for prayer. I know the Lord is at my right hand. I have changed a lot. I was a man of the world but, praise the Lord, I am happy, with a loving home. — **W.A., Keng, England**

DELIVERED FROM AILMENTS AND DRINK

I am sending these few lines asking you all to praise God with me for my husband is healed of all his complicated sickness through the mighty power of God. He was sick with all of these ailments, blood pressure, nervous breakdown, diabetes, pain and fever, rum drinking. He would drink one quart a day. Praise God, he is much better and has stopped drinking. From the moment I wrote and asked the Mission to pray, he stopped drinking. — **Mrs. M.C., Kingston, Jamaica**

SURRENDERED TO THE LORD

The dear Lord has heard prayer, for my child has passed her scholarship, glory to God, and best of all, she has given her life to the Lord, and will be baptized soon. — **Mrs. I.S., Kingston, Jamaica**

FAITH IN ACTION

Before I start to tell you my burden, I must need tell you this, that I am lying in my bed trying to sleep and can't sleep. It is now 25 past twelve midnight and God spoke to me and said, Why not write to you ask you to help me, instead of lying in my bed smoking out my life and thinking so hard, and I rose up immediately and am writing you — **Miss H.B., London, England**

EYESIGHT HEALED

I have taken Peter back to the doctor and he said that he is a lucky boy — his sight has improved real good. He is now seeing clear, and I thank you all for your prayer for my son. God has really worked a miracle on him. — **E.H., Barbados, W.I.**

STOMACH PAIN GONE

I thank you very much for the blest handkerchief you sent to me. It has proved more useful than I thought. I have realized with great amazement that no pain, fever, or any kind of sickness remains on my body up to 30 minutes when once I put the blest handkerchief on the infected part. Once, I had a biting stomach-ache. It was so painful that I began to lose faith that putting the blest handkerchief on my stomach would cure it. Then a thought struck me. I opened my Bible, read one of the portions on the handkerchief. Next, I put a little quantity of water in my tea cup and dipped a small part of the handkerchief in the water and drank it. Almost immediately the terrible pain stopped. It was so sudden that I could not believe myself. Then I remembered that "with God everything is possible." I was so happy I felt I could see God in person to thank Him! — **J.T.E., E. Nigeria,**

FINANCES SUPPLIED

I believe you prayed for me and God answered prayer. My husband and I were in great need the day before I received your letter. God answered prayer and we had enough money to pay our rent and send our family money back home to Jamaica. — **Mrs. I.W., Slough Bucks, England**

GOD IS GOOD

I must say your prayers have been answered. I sent to ask you to pray for me, and thanks be to God, the boy returned and explained himself, and my mind was settled. Also, I have passed my exams. God is good and faithful. — **A.E., Jamaica, W.I.**

NOW WORKING

It is a pleasure to send and tell you what the Lord has done for me. I am now working, and am now feeling much better. I just can't express to you all that the Lord has done for me. — **B.G., Jamaica**

BEAN REMOVED FROM EAR

After receiving your kerchiefs sent to me for the purpose of using on my daughter for apparent deafness that was coming on, she has improved wonderfully (as I informed and thanked you before), but the marvellous thing about it is that I took one of those same kerchiefs and used it on a niece of mine for an ear-ache which she had for about 3 years or more, which was due to someone idly shooting a bean in her ear. We have taken that child to several doctors, gave her all kinds of home treatment without success, then around the ear began swelling, as though inflamed, and would pain her endlessly; she usually got up nights crying. So one night when she had awakened crying, I remembered the kerchiefs and your prayer, and I used them as instructed on her. I told her she must believe that she would get better through my praying. I prayed with the kerchief on her ear and my hand on the kerchief; I did so for a few nights and the pain seemed to be increasing, and when no more of my hope was left, one day when I came home from work she told me that the bean is coming out. I looked at the ear and it was right at the ear-tip. I said I would take it out later, but was afraid to touch it lest it would go in back, about 15 minutes later she brought the bean smiling to me and said it came out. Well, to me that was a miracle, and I thank God — to let a bean come out of a child's ear who had been suffering so long with endless pain that no doctor could cure! It sure is a miracle! — **Y.R., Scarborough, Tobago, W.I.**

SPIRITUAL CONDITION IMPROVED

I can't express my warm gratitude, for receiving the Herald of Hope. The blest cloth that you sent to me, I use it in helping my neighbors and to rebuke the evil spirits. In fact, I can't express the power behind this cloth, except God Almighty. Herald of Hope is the most powerful magazine in my life. It helps me in restoring my spiritual situation of living. I'm always full with abundant blessing. It teaches me to march ahead, following Jesus my Saviour. I therefore thank you immensely for the copies you have been sending to me, and will be very grateful if you continue sending them to me. — **F.H., Isho-Owo, W.A.**

FAITH IS ENCOURAGED

Thanks a lot for your prayers. A part of my husband's results came today and he passed. Thanks to God. — **D.O., England**

SUCCESS IN EXAMS

I want to thank you, for I know it is through your prayer that I and my friends have passed our exams we took last year September. We have all passed. I used to pray for the girls in my class. During one previous year there were 2 to 3 failures, but this year there was not a single failure. To me, it's through prayer that this has happened. — **Miss R.A., Kent, England**

NOW IN U.S.A.

You will notice from my address that I am now in the U. S. I do not know where to begin telling you how much your prayers have helped my husband and I in getting here. From the time I wrote telling you how many job offers we had got and were disappointed, our luck changed. The same time I received your letter we got the offer of the job we are in now. Each time I wrote telling you our progress, by the time a letter came from you we kept making a step forward. My last letter to you was telling you of the date we had to go in to the American Consul, and through your help in prayer, here we are in our job, getting along splendidly. — **Mrs. E.S., West Nyack, N.Y.**

KIDNEYS HEALED

Thanks for your prayers, my cousin has been healed completely of her kidney sickness. God is certainly wonderful. — **Miss T.G., London, England**

MANY ANSWERS TO PRAYERS

I must report to you that all your prayers for me in times of difficulties have been answered. One of them was so remarkable, revealing the Hand of God. The answer came in showers, Deliverance vessel filled, financial vessel filled; a seat in a plane belonging to somebody else was made vacant in order to facilitate my my son a quick voyage to a country where he can get a job to earn a living. It was all so wonderful. It was likened unto the miracles of the Old Testament times. My heart cries out as the children of Israel cried, "Who is like unto Thee, O Lord, among the gods, who is like unto Thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders." — **Mrs. D.H., Jamaica, W.I.**

REJOICING IN THE LORD

Thanks to God the Father and unto you His people for cooperating with me in prayer which proves effective. And I pray thee all to thank Him with me for helping me in all His ways. O, thank the Lord with me, O ye His people (male and female, young and old) and let all within you rejoice with me, for I am successful in the papers taken under City and Guild of London Institute last June. — **T.A., Sapele, Nigeria, W.A.**

HEALED AND CLEANSED

I have received your letter and was very glad to hear from you, also for the Herald of Hope and anointed cloth. I used it as directed, and I am now acknowledging healing and cleansing through the working of the Holy Ghost. "What a Friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear; What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer." — **J.S.B., Birmingham, Eng.**

BOY NOW WALKING

Many thanks for your welcome letter, the regular sending of the HERALD OF HOPE and your loving faithful prayers in our behalf and for the people for whom we asked your prayers. — **Bro. F.J.B., Gellerland, Netherlands**

HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE HEALED

I have been completely healed of high blood pressure during one of your crusades on Waltham Park Road in Kingston, Jamaica. — **E.H., Kingston, Jamaica**

PASSES EXAM

I wrote you earlier stating that I was taking the National Teachers Examinations. Well, I took it in March, and thanks for your prayers, I passed it. — **H.M.N., Avon Park, Fla.**

MENTAL HEALING

I sent to ask you sometime ago to pray for my son who was here in England and returned to Jamaica and took sick and was in mental Hospital. Well, I must now report to you all that by your prayers he has returned to England a few months ago and is completely O.K., and will be getting married on the 21st of this month. — **E.H., Birmingham, England**

ANSWER TO PRAYER

One of my requests has been granted and it was that my father could sell his land. I must say how glad I am. My other request was that God could make my Aunt get interested in allowing me to go to the U.S.A. to live with her. This also has shown much improvement, because I am now getting out my passport to travel. — **Miss D.S., Jamaica, W.I.**

GOD HAS BLESSED

Since I wrote you my last letter I have passed my exams. — **V.W., London, England**

LIFE GIVEN

Years ago, my mother wrote for a handkerchief and prayer for my son, who was given a short time to live at birth. Today he is 23, strong and healthy. God healed him instantly and we have always given God the praise and glory. — **Mrs. J.A., Ashland, Oregon**

BABY HEALED

Thank God, I wrote to you to pray for my baby. The wheezing and the shortness of breath, like asthma, is all gone, praise God. — **N.J.P., Clapham, England**

HEALED OF NERVOUS CONDITION

I asked your prayers on behalf of my husband. He has been healed of a nervous condition. — **Mrs. B.W., Jamaica, W.I.**

ULCER HEALED

The Lord heard and answered prayer. The evening I received the prayer cloth I put it on the foot, placed the magazine around my back, said my prayers and went to sleep, to find the next morning the ulcer was healed, a new skin was there and swelling gone. I called to my husband to come and see, for I realized what God had done for me, and now I'm fully trusting Him. I've yielded my life entirely to His control. Since I've read your tracts and the Herald of Hope I am reading my Bible, praising and trusting God who has done so much for me. — **Mrs. E.S., Barbados, W.I.**

GOD GIVES STRENGTH AND POWER

God is really blessing me and my five children; He is taking care of us in each and every way, although my husband isn't working — he's still drinking and running the street. But it is something inside of me that God has changed. I would like very much to thank each and every one of you for praying for me. — **Mrs. E.B., Compton, Calif.**

HEALED AND SAVED

Thank you for blest handkerchief and for praying for me. I feel real fine. I feel wonderful! God has been good to me. Praise His Name! He has healed my body and saved my soul. — **M. R. G., Staffs, England**

QUITS DRINKING

We wrote you awhile back to pray for Sister, and about my husband's drinking. The Lord healed her leg, and my husband has quit drinking completely. Praise God! Praise His Holy Name! — **Mrs. M.P., Tifton, Georgia**

NO OPERATION

I am writing this letter on behalf of my Sister. She had written to you asking for prayer about a growth in her abdomen and had to undergo an operation. She never had the operation, and since asking for prayer she has not complained about it. — **Mrs. L.E., London, England**

A Scientist Discovers God

"Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of His Saints." —Psalm 116:15
 "The ungodly are not so; but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away."
 —Psalm 1:4

Dr. N. Jerome Stowell

I was almost a devout atheist. I didn't believe that God was more than a conglomeration of everyone's mind put together and the good that was there — that was God as far as I was concerned. As for the real, all-powerful God existing and loving us all, with power over everything, I didn't believe that!

Then one day I had an experience that really set me thinking. I was in a large pathological laboratory, and we were attempting to find the wavelength of the brain. We found more than just a wavelength of the brain; we found a channel of wavelengths, and that channel has so much room in it that the different wavelengths of each individual brain are further separated in identity than the lines of the fingerprints on each individual's hand. This is a point we should remember: God can actually keep in heaven a record of our thoughts as individuals just as the FBI can keep a record of our fingerprints in Washington, D.C.

We wanted to make an experiment to discover what took place in the brain at the moment of transition from life to death. We chose a lady whose family had sent her to a mental institution, but who had been discharged. The doctor could find nothing wrong with her other than the fact that she had cancer of the brain. This affected the balance of her body only. As far as her alertness of mind was concerned, and every other way, she was exceptionally brilliant. But we knew she was on the verge of death, and she was informed in this research hospital that she was going to die.

We arranged a tiny pickup in her room to ascertain what would take place in the transition of her brain from life to death. We also put a very small microphone, about the size of a quarter, in her room so that we could hear what she said if she had anything to say. Five of us, hardened scientists — perhaps I was the hardest and most atheistic of the group — were in an adjoining room with our instruments prepared to register and record what transpired. Our device had a needle pointing to 0 in the center of a scale. To the right, the scale was calibrated to 500 points positive. To the left, the scale was calibrated to 500 points negative. We previous had registered on this identical instrument the power used by a fifty-kilowatt broadcast station in sending a message around the world. The needle registered 9 points on the positive side.

As the last moments of this woman's life arrived, she began to pray and praise the Lord. She asked the Lord God to be merciful unto those who had despitely used her. Then she reaffirmed her faith in God, telling Him she knew He was the only power and that He was the living power. She told God he always had been and always would be. She told Him how much she loved Him!

We scientists had been so engrossed with this woman's prayer that we had forgotten our experiment. We looked at each other and saw tears streaming down scientific faces. I had not shed tears since I was a child.

Suddenly we heard a clicking sound on our forgotten instrument. We looked and the needle was registering a positive 500 desperately trying to go higher, only to bounce against the 500-point positive post in its attempt.

By actual instrumentation, we had recorded that the brain of a woman alone and dying, in communication with God, had registered more than 55 times the power used by a fifty-kilowatt broadcast station in sending a message around the world.

After this, we decided to try a case very unlike the first one. We chose a man lying in the research hospital, stricken with a deadly social disease. His brain had become atrophied to the very point of death. He was practically a maniac. After we had set up our instruments, we arranged for one of the nurses to antagonize the man. Through her wiles, she attracted his interest in her and then suddenly told him she didn't want to have anything more to do with him. He began verbally to abuse her, and the needle began to register on the negative side. Then

Foolish Humans

There is a story told concerning a very strange thing that happened in Hanover, Germany many years ago. It seems there was a certain woman who did not believe Jesus rose from the dead nor that she or anyone else would live again after death. In her will she ordered her grave to be made so secure that IF there should be a resurrection of the dead she could not be affected. Over her grave was placed a tombstone made of heavy slabs of granite and marble which had been cemented together and riveted with steel clasps. On the stones these words were carved:

"THIS BURIAL PLACE MUST NEVER BE OPENED!"

But a little seed chanced to lie beneath the stones. It began to grow and to try to find its way out to the light. It does not seem that a little growing plant could wrench those steel clasps from their sockets and burst the cemented stone slabs, but that is what happened. The little seed became a full-grown tree, and the great stones had to fall back to give it room.

Caiphass, Pilate, and all the enemies of Jesus thought when Jesus was crucified and His body laid in the tomb which was made secure, it could not be opened. But the power of God that worked through that little seed to make a tree and to split apart slabs of marble, worked in a more marvelous way to open the tomb of Jesus on the first resurrection morning.

He Only Held The Money

S. D. Gordon tells of a man who reckoned without God in the accumulation of his treasures. He says, The wealthy owner of a large business concern in Sweden had been a poor boy in a country district, tending cattle. One day he wanted to be away and asked his sister to tend the cattle for the day, promising to let her hold for the day a small coin, which was to be returned at evening. She consented. Long years afterwards, the brother was telling the story. He had grown very wealthy. His love of money had crowded out the Christ. He told the story to my friend with great glee, laughing at his sister's childish simplicity.

My friend said quietly, "That is all YOU get; you hold your wealth to the end of the day of your life, then you give it up and have as little as before, and the whole of your life is gone!"

And the man's startled face showed that he quite understood. —Sunday School Times.

Pray One For Another

There is nothing will make us love someone as much as praying for him. When we have learned to pray sincerely for a person we have fitted our souls to treat him in a Christlike manner. After all, did not Christ pray for His enemies? So if there is someone to whom you find it difficult to show a loving attitude, pray for him. Be as insistent and as earnest in praying for him as you would be praying for yourself. You will find your heart strangely changed toward that person. It's impossible to really pray for someone without developing a great and generous attitude toward him.

Prayer opens the door that swings both ways. It opens upon the heart of God, but it also opens our hearts to the will of God.

he cursed her and took the name of God in vain. The needle suddenly clicked back and forth against the 500-point negative post!

By actual instrumentation, we had registered what happened in the brain when that brain broke one of God's Ten Commandments. "Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain."

We had established by instrumentation the positive Power of God and negative power of the Adversary. We had found that beneficial truth is positive and that non-beneficial things, covered by the "thou shalt nots" of the Ten Commandments, are negative in varying degrees.

If we scientists can record these things, I believe with all my heart that the Lord God can keep a record of our thoughts. He has more power than we have and is a better record keeper than any of us on this earth.—Reprinted by request.

Everything But Love

The lady parked her Cadillac and walked inside the office building with her adopted son. They entered the psychologist's office. She wanted help for her son.

"You see, he doesn't love people. He does not want to associate with others. He won't go to church. What can be done?"

"He does want a black leather jacket and a motorcycle. A hate everyone cycle club, maybe hell's angels, is right up his alley. That's his life, but no love."

The doctor explained why he didn't love. He had everything when he was a baby. He had the best nursery room including the best quality of incubator. The hired maid was there to give him the best of needed care such as bottles and changes. He had just everything, everything he could want as a child — except — well, what he really needed: a real mother's love. He needed to feel the message of love in his mother's heartbeat. He needed to feel the warmth of a big hug as Mother conveyed a message of true love to him. He needed a real mother's love. But that he didn't get. You see, machines can't express love. Machines and things can't love and train boys. Here is a boy that can't love, because he never knew love.

Probably his parents never experienced real love. Only Jesus Christ can give that true love. Parents cannot love their children with a true love if they themselves have never experienced Christ's love.

Friend, can you love your family, your fellowman, or even your enemy? Receive the love of God now. You owe it to yourself, your family, as well as your fellowman. Jesus Christ invites you to come to Him, confess your sins, and receive the love of God in your heart. That love lasts forever. — Selected.

Love

We love because we are loved. Sometimes our weakness makes us doubt that we are loved, but that does not cancel the fact of love. It only cancels our awareness of that love. Awareness of being loved comes in prayer, in hours of worship, in fellowship that the church affords, in the silence that listens to the speech of God. "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us . . ."

—R: I. L.

Thoughts for the Week

MONDAY: When trouble knocks at your door send FAITH to open it and you'll find nobody there!

TUESDAY: When the outlook isn't good, try the uplook!

WEDNESDAY: Faith is the KEY that opens any door!

THURSDAY: If your knees tremble, kneel on them.

FRIDAY: After every shower you'll see a rainbow.

SATURDAY: A cheery smile to the living is worth mountains of flowers to the dead!

SUNDAY: The Holy Bible is the Anvil that wears out the hammers of the critics.

AS THE BODY needs food, breathing and exercise, so does the spiritual life need—

Food—Daily reading of God's Word.

Breathing — Prayer; talking to God, expressing our anxieties and desires, and listening for Him to talk to us.

Exercise — Tell others of the Christ. Expression helps to deepen your own impressions.

One Day At A Time

Sir James Horder, the famous physician, says: "The cultivation of a quiet mind, equanimity, is imperative in the maintenance of health. Jesus taught a fundamental lesson in mental hygiene when He bade us live one day at a time. The man who brings forward tomorrow's anticipated troubles, and carries over yesterday's useless regrets, so overloads today's duties that he is already sick at heart when the sun rises."

Our efficiency without His sufficiency is only deficiency.

"PRAISE" is FAITH at WORK.

From Sickness To Health

You are sick!
 You have been prayed for before? Nothing happened!

Maybe you have never thought about the subject of Divine Healing.

Then perhaps I can help you find healing right now.

May I suggest you take the following four simple steps —

Step No. 1

Recognize where your sickness comes from. It must come from somewhere. Find your Bible and read the following verses: Job 2:7; Luke 13:11; Acts 10:38; Matt. 12:22; Luke 11:14. Can you see the origin of your disease? **It comes from the DEVIL.** When you are living a perfectly normal life you are WELL and healthy. When you are diseased and sick you are being robbed of your health by the devil.

Sin and sickness come from the same source. They came into the world by Adam's transgression. Make sure your sins are forgiven and that Christ is your Saviour and living in your heart. Recognize your disease is the devil's oppression. God hates sickness as much as sin. He wants you to be whole and well. He wants to save and help you.

Healing is your deliverance from the works of the devil.

Get the position clear in your mind. Sickness comes from Satan.

Step No. 2

Recognizing Satan is responsible for your pains and diseases, begin to take up the challenge YOURSELF. You have no right to suffer. Read Matt. 8:17. See what God did with your diseases 2,000 years ago. Satan has no right to bind your body. Right now, recognizing this great truth, command your sickness to leave you in the Name of Jesus.

Satan must leave you NOW as you pray. Satan cannot resist you any longer. The Christ in you is bigger than the devil. **He must go now.**

Step No. 3

Now turn to the key verse of faith in Mark 11:24. Read it over and over again. Read it until you can act upon it with understanding. You are to accept your healing as a fact, from this moment, on the ground of God's promise in Mark 11:24. Can God fail you? Can God let you down? NO! A thousand times no!

Believe NOW that ye have received it. Praise God for it . . . and keep praising him until the full assurance has dawned in your soul. Praise him until the anointing of the Lord comes upon you. Even if you have to leave the usual business of the day behind . . . praise him. Let your thanks leave your heart and not just your lips. Praise him. Thank him over and over.

Step No. 4

Now rise up . . . yes, rise up in the Name of Jesus. Dare to move your limbs . . . Leave your sick bed . . . Vacate your wheel chair . . . Eat normally . . . Breathe freely . . . Act your healing, whatever was wrong with you! Each step of action you take whisper the name of Jesus. Move out on the promise of God. Read Malachi 3:6, and quote this promise as you rise up. Healings are manifest two ways — either instantly or gradually.

It is the Holy Ghost operating upon your body that brings healing. As you act in faith God heals. As you act you are to resist the devil. Satan never wants you to do this; but press through with thanksgiving upon your lips. Throw yourself upon God and His Word. God expects you to do this.

Continue in this act of obedience until every trace of your disease has left you. The Bible says, "Resist the devil and he will flee from you." **This is your hour of healing and deliverance. God is healing you now. He cannot fail.**

— Revivalist.

"It is on the NOTHING in man that God establishes His greatest works . . . He destroys that He might build; for when He is about to rear His sacred temple in us, He first totally razes that vain and pompous edifice which human art and power had erected, and from its horrible ruins a new structure is formed, by His power only." — Madam Guyon

You receive faith thru your ears; you operate faith through your mouth.

Shut up with your pleading and start in confessing.

The Weed of Dissent

Newsweek recently classed marijuana as a "weed of dissent, a symbol of revolt, a turn-on for young people who want to enlarge their experience — to escape it."

The increasing use of "pot" (marijuana) among middle-class Americans has brought the problem to the floodlights of controversy. Now a dangerous trend is developing to legalize its use. And so-called experts on both sides of the issue seem to be unaware of what the Bible says about it.

Drug experts are saying marijuana laws are the "frightening product of enlightened idiocy," while law enforcement officials are "astounded and amazed" by the rash statements of the self-styled experts. As Sheriff Peter J. Pitchess recently put it, "These individuals are either knowingly or unwittingly contributing to a major problem of society and law enforcement."

Those who favor legalization of marijuana say the drug is "not as bad" as alcohol. One of these, Dr. Joel Fort, a delegate to a recent White House conference on narcotics and drug abuse, told UCLA students recently that drugs are overpublicized, explaining "there are more alcoholics in San Francisco than addicts in the United States."

But instead of advocating a crackdown on alcohol, Fort and other experts say we should allow the use and outlaw the abuse of the drug.

What experts on both sides of the controversy apparently do not realize is that the trend to legalize marijuana is part of a mass deception working like acid on today's youth. It is like a spiritual force fiend, keeping an alarming percentage of America's high school and college students at the brink of spiritual disaster.

The Bible calls this force a "delusion." It is rooted in the master deception which began when Satan tempted Eve in the Garden of Eden. The deception grew until today it is a blossoming snapdragon, so crafty its victims are not aware of it.

The delusion is many-sided. The breaking down of law and morals is only a small part of it.

Simply, the delusion is the great lie which says that sin isn't evil, that sin is an idea that's as out of place in society as horses on a freeway.

Satan was crafty when he deceived Eve. "Aren't you going too far, Eve?" he asked. "God didn't really mean you will die if you eat the fruit" (Genesis 3:1-6, paraphrase). Eve fell for it and enticed Adam to eat the forbidden fruit. As a result sin entered the world, and Adam and Eve eventually died, just as God said they would.

Satan's aim is to blend sin so thin it can't be recognized. And some so-called experts have fallen into his trap. Laws are given to detect and hopefully deter crime — and in the spiritual sense, sin. When the "experts" attack our laws, they violate the very principles of God's righteousness.

Narcotics officials blame society for the drug problem. But the Bible blames it on man's disobedience to God.

Legalizing marijuana or enforcing strict laws again its use is society's vain attempt to cope with the problem.

The Bible offers the one solution which can wipe out its use — and all desire for it: a personal encounter with Jesus Christ.

Christ said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). Marijuana may offer an escape, but only Christ's life can fill the emptiness of the human heart.

Why not accept this life today?—Pentecostal Evangel.

"Longfellow could take a worthless sheet of paper, write a poem on it, and make it worth \$6,000 — that is genius.

"Rockefeller could sign his name to a piece of paper and make it worth millions — that is capital.

"Uncle Sam can take gold, stamp an eagle on it, and make it worth \$20 — that is money.

"A mechanic can take material worth \$5, and make an article worth \$20 — that is skill.

"An artist can take a 50-cent piece of canvas, paint a picture on it, and make it worth \$1,000,000 — that is art.

"But only God can take a worthless, sinful life, wash it in the blood of Christ, put His Spirit in it, and make it a blessing to humanity — that is Salvation." — Reprinted by Sam M. Tschette

Destroyed By Literal Hell Fire

By Oden Hetrick

"... bring them out to us, that we may know them." The men of Sodom were so insistent they nearly broke down the door to Lot's house to get the two men who were visiting him. Lot came out, shut the door and said to his neighbors, "I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly. Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good in your eyes; only unto these men do nothing." But the men of Sodom did not want Lot's daughters. The men of Sodom, both young and old were homosexuals!

Now I have daughters of my own, and I cannot imagine any set of circumstances so demanding as to force me to turn two of my virgin daughters over to a mob of bestial sex perverts, for them to defile in a manner pleasing to their base passions. Fortunately for Lot's daughters, the men refused. They were worse than Lot suspected.

The two men visiting Lot happened to be angels sent from God. They reached out, pulled Lot inside, and shut the door, causing those nearby to be blinded, so that they could not find the door. The angels then told Lot to take his family out of Sodom, "for we will destroy this place," they said. But Lot's children and relatives would not believe his warning of destruction. They would not leave their comfortable homes in the doomed city.

The next day the two angels took Lot, his wife and two daughters by the hand and practically dragged them out of Sodom. "The same day that Lot went out of Sodom, it rained fire and brimstone (burning stone) from heaven." Now just what kind of fire is referred to here as Jesus speaks to his disciples? Jude, in referring to Sodom and Gomorrah, says they suffered the judgment of eternal fire. Bible scholars agree that eternal judgment fire in the Bible refers to the literal hell fire prepared for Satan, which is also the place of departed wicked spirits.

For years Sodom and Gomorrah lay hidden beneath the waters of the Dead Sea and the Biblical account of their destruction had no scientific proof. But excavations and explorations at the Dead Sea have exposed the historical past even as excavations in Italy have exposed another ancient city destroyed by literal fire and burning stone.

There is little evidence that Christianity ever came to Pompeii, wealthy, pompous city by the sea and near the city of Rome. Pompeii was shaken by an earthquake in the year 63 A.D. but failed to accept this as a warning of Divine Providence to forsake her evil ways. What could have been the reason Divine Judgment visited Pompeii in such swift and complete destruction? Perhaps the answer can be found in things excavations have revealed.

It was a wealthy city with merchants, bankers and financiers. "All hail to profit" was one man's motto. "To earn is joy" was inscribed in mosaic on a wall. There was much spare time. Only six hours were used for work out of a twelve-hour day. Wealthy people and government heads went there to spend their spare time and their money on the pleasure of life so lavishly obtainable in Pompeii. Walls and utensils were beautifully carved and painted with human beings exposing all parts of the body. In one house was found a lifesize marble statue of a naked woman. Adolescent boys were introduced to life in one of the many licensed brothels wherein were found outrageously obscene frescoes and statues. Wine, women and gambling, along with bloody gladiatorial combat of men and beasts were the main pastimes in the city.

Seventeen years after the earthquake, earth tremors sent many people running to the sea. Others perished trying to rescue their possessions of jewels and silver as literal fire and burning rocks fell from the sky for forty-eight hours.

Where did the fire come from? From Mt. Vesuvius, the volcano at the foot of which Pompeii was built; And what did the explorers discover on the floor of the Dead Sea? An ancient civilization covered with lava and volcanic ash, evidence that literal fire and brimstone did fall from the sky on Sodom and Gomorrah.

Now why did Jude refer to this volcanic destruction as eternal or hell fire? You may have to see this in your own Bible

A Fair Question

Last year, the people of Mississippi voted whether to remain "dry" or not. The Mississippi Baptist Record printed a sharp-pointed article by W. L. Coggin of Oklahoma, addressed to the "Mississippi Wets" and asking the question, "Who do you want to drink it?"

Here is a condensed version of the article:

Your son—to become an alcoholic?
Your daughter—and become a harlot?
Your doctor—then operate on you or your loved ones?
Your clerk — and become a thief?
Your nurse — then measure your medicine?
Your sister — and wreck her life?
Your mother who brought you into this world?
Your neighbor—and become your worst enemy?
Your president — and lead this nation to destruction?
No.? Then WHO will drink it?

Hell

"HELL! the prison house of despair, Here are some things that won't be there: No flowers will bloom on the banks of Hell,

No beauties of nature we love so well; No comforts of home, music and song, No friendship or joy will be found in the throng;

No children to brighten the long, weary night;

No love nor peace, nor one ray of light; No blood-washed soul with face beaming bright,

No loving smile in that region of night; No mercy, no pity, pardon nor grace, No water; O God, what a terrible place! The pangs of the lost no human can tell, Not one moment's ease—there is no rest in HELL!

"HELL! the prison house of despair, Here are some things that will be there: Fire and brimstone are there, we know, For God in His Word has told us so; Memory, remorse, suffering and pain, Weeping and wailing, but all in vain; Blasphemers, swearers, haters of God, Christ-rejectors while here on earth trod; Murderers, gamblers, drunkards and liars, Will have their part in the lake of fire;

The filthy, the vile, the cruel and mean, What a horrible mob in Hell will be seen! Yes, more than humans on earth can tell, Are torments and woes of Eternal HELL!

before you believe it! Hell, not being in the original creation, is an everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels (Matthew 25:41). Deuteronomy 32:22 describes its creation "For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn into the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase and set on fire the foundations of the mountains." Volcanoes are the mountains whose foundations are on fire. When they erupt, every living thing (the earth's increase) in the way is destroyed.

In verse 32 and following, a reference is made to Sodom and Gomorrah. Their fruits were gall and bitterness. Their behaviour is compared to the poison of dragons and the venom of snakes. The Lord then says all their actions are sealed up among His treasures. In Pompeii the excavators tapped the lava and found a hollow place. They drilled small holes and poured in liquid plaster of paris. When they removed the lava, the plaster cast was of a human being in the agonies of a fiery death. Sealed up among God's treasures their flesh had rotted away with the centuries leaving a cavity the shape of their body in the hardened lava. Verse 24 says "They shall be burnt with hunger" (those sealed in safe places starved to death) "and devoured with burning heat and with bitter destruction." Hundreds of plaster of paris casts were made of people in Pompeii who were buried alive in hot burning lava. "... they shall ... look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me." Isaiah 66:24.

God goes on to say in Deuteronomy 32:37, "Where are the gods you served? Could they not save you? Do you see now that I Am the Only God? I put to death and I make alive and no one can escape from Me."

So we see that volcanoes contain literal eternal hell fire and brimstone, and Sodom and Gomorrah and Pompeii and other cities, ancient and modern, suffered the vengeance of eternal fire for being so wicked as to displease a longsuffering, righteous Creator.—Harvest Time.

Traveling On My Knees

Last night I took a journey,
To a land across the sea
I didn't go by boat or plane,
I traveled on my knees.

I saw so many people there,
In deepest depths of sin
And Jesus told me I should go,
That there were souls to win.

But I said, "Jesus, I can't go,
And work with such as these,"
He answered quickly, "Yes, you can,
By traveling on your knees."

He said, "You pray, I'll meet the need,"
You call and I will hear,
Be concerned about lost souls,
Of those both far and near."

And so I tried it, knelt in prayer,
Gave up some hours of ease,
I felt the Lord right by my side,
While traveling on my knees.

So I prayed on, and saw souls saved,
The sick and weak were healed.
I saw God's workers strength renewed,
While laboring on the field.

I said, "Yes, Lord, I have a job,
Thy heart of love to please,
I shall go on and do thy will,
While traveling on my knees.

— Sandra Goodwin.

Power Of The Printed Page

"The pen is mightier than the sword" is a saying which is acknowledged by all for its truth. It is equally true that the pen is mightier than the human voice. The written word will go where and when the human voice cannot.

- It has no passport or visa problem.
- It travels cheaply.
- It leaps language barriers and is never influenced by prejudice.
- It will sail across the ocean, trek across the desert, and trudge down a narrow jungle path.
- It will go into a crowded city or sparsely settled countryside . . . into the mansion or the cottage.
- It will tell its story in home or shop, in factory or field.
- It will reach the most secluded village and dwelling; it will go where even the radio cannot reach.

The written word is often more powerful than the human voice. It was said of the apostle Paul, "His letters are weighty and powerful; but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech contemptible" (II Cor. 10:10).

- The written word knows no fear . . . it flinches in the face of no man.
- It preaches the same message to the rich and the poor, the king and the commoner.
- It never loses its temper . . . never talks back in anger.
- It takes no note of scoffs, jeers, and insults.
- It never tires, but works 24 hours a day, even while we sleep and rest.
- It is never discouraged, but will tell its story over and over again.
- It will speak to one as willingly as to a multitude, and to a multitude as readily as to one.
- It always catches a person in just the right mood to be receptive, for it only speaks as he chooses to listen.
- It can be received, read, and studied in secret.
- It gets undivided attention in the quiet hours.
- It speaks without a foreign accent.
- The written word is more permanent than the human voice.
- It never compromises . . . never changes its message.
- It continues to speak and make its message plain after audible words have been forgotten and lost.
- It is greatly appreciated by the nationals of any country.

— The Revelator

Please

When writing to the HERALD of HOPE, ALWAYS write your name and address clearly on the outside of the envelope.

The Poets Corner

On The Roll

Her name was on the church-roll where
it so long had been,
But she was not a Christian and lived
a life of sin;
Although she went each Sunday and
taught in Sunday School,
She did not in her life time Obey the
Golden Rule.

She went to all the meetings, and there
she'd stand and sing,
But sad to say she did not crown the
Saviour Lord and King.
Her heart was sad and empty, she had
no peace within!
She was a regular member, but was not
saved from sin.

She never missed Communion, she always
paid her tithes,
And testified of wanting a home beyond
the skies.

But though her life seemed moral, and
others she would win,
She made no preparation by being born
again.

Take heed, ye church-roll members, it's
not your works and deeds
That you enjoy performing that meets
your Christian needs;
"Be born again," said Jesus, regardless of
the cost,
Or when this life is ended you'll be for-
ever lost.

—Scrapbook of Radiant Gems.

The Better Way

A woman sat by a hearthside place
Reading a book, with a pleasant face,
Till a child came up, with a childish
frown,
And pushed the book, saying, "Put it
down."

Then the mother, slapping his curly head,
Said "Troublesome child go off to bed;
A great deal of Christ's life I must know
To train you up as a child should go."
And the child went off to bed to cry,
And denounce religion — by and by.

Another woman bent over a book
With a smile of joy and an intent look,
Till a child came up and jogged her knee,
And said of the book, "Put it down—
take me."

Then the mother sighed as she stroked
his head,
Saying softly, "I never shall get it read;
But I'll try by loving to learn His will,
And His love into my child instill."
That child went to bed without a sigh,
And will love religion by and by.

— Unknown.

Life Is To Short

Life is too short to harbor thoughts un-
kindly,
To cherish bitterness and gender strife,
Let us forgive, if anyone has wronged us,
Let us forget the petty ills of life;
Let us forget the past, with all hard
feeling
That tends to weaken all the good we've
wrought;
Let us not break one strand of friend-
ship weaving—
Life is too short.

Life is too short to hold the grudge
against one
Who may have been repentant all these
years,
Too short for malice, silent or outspoken,
That brings thy brother to the fount of
tears;
Let us forgive as we would be forgiven,
Let us remember trivial things as
naught;
Let not these clumsy hands rend quiver-
ing heartstrings—
Life is too short.

Life is too short to smite a fallen brother,
To bring him lower or to wound again;
Help him retrieve the past by earnest ef-
fort,
Help him be strong to bear his load of
pain;
Let us forgive that which made us re-
proachful,
Let us forget not any good we're taught,
Nor hold ourselves aloof from highest
ideals—
Life is too short.

— Bernard A. Pitman.

The Gospel
According To You

There's a Gospel according to Matthew,
To Mark, and to Luke, and John too;
There's another that many are reading,—
The Gospel according to you.

All the teachings we find in the Bible
Are but facts we believe to be true;
You must live them to make them the
Gospel—
The Gospel according to you.

Every day you are writing your Gospel;
In this life you may never know who
May be helped or hindered by reading,—
The Gospel according to you.

Many read not the words of the Bible;
I will tell you what some of them do;
They are reading the Book you are writ-
ing,—
The Gospel according to you.

There's a power in the minister's preach-
ing,
So you say: I believe this is true;
But the thing that may tell most on
others,
Is the Gospel according to you.

God help you in Christ to be fruitful,
And to live all His teachings, so true,
So that all may be seeing His Spirit,
In the Gospel according to you.

—Selected.

Myself

I have to live with myself, and so
I want to be fit for myself to know.
I want to be able as days go by,
Always to look myself straight in the
eye;

I don't want to stand, with the setting
sun
And hate myself for the things I've
done.

I don't want to keep on a closet shelf
A lot of secrets about myself,
And fool myself, as I come and go
Into thinking that nobody else will
know
The kind of a man I really am;
I don't want to dress myself up in sham.

I want to go out with my head erect,
I want to deserve all men's respect,
But here in the struggle for fame and pelf.
I want to be able to like myself,
I don't want to look at myself and know
That I'm bluster and bluff and empty
show.

I never can hide myself from me;
I see what others may never see;
I know what others may never know;
I never can fool myself, and so,
Whatever happens, I want to be
Self-respecting and conscience-free.

My Heart Is A Garden

The heart is a garden
Were thought flowers grow
The thoughts that I think
Are the seeds that I sow.

Every kind loving thought
Bears a kind loving deed
But thoughts that are selfish
Are just like a weed.

So we must watch what we think
Each minute all day
And pull out the weed thoughts
And throw them away.

And plant loving seed thoughts
So thick in a row
There will not be room
For weed thoughts to grow.

Selected.

The Clock

The clock of life is wound but once,
And no man has the power
To tell just when the hands will stop
At late or early hour.

To lose one's wealth is sad indeed.
To lose one's health is more.
To lose one's soul is such a loss
That no man can restore.

(39 people died while you read this
short poem. Every hour 5,417 go to meet
their Maker. You could have been among
them. Sooner or later you will be. Are
you ready?)

Truth In Humor

"To Save
The Sober Folks"

There is a way to save the lives,
Of Many Sober Folks;
Just keep our many Highways clear,
For only Drunken Soaks.

They must have Personal Liberty,
Though Murder is the Cost;
Their Liberty should bring to them,
Alone, This awful loss.

And those who own Distilleries,
And Breweries to make Drink;
Should be Compelled to travel there,
My but they'd raise a stink.

All highways should be made taboo,
To those who must stay dry;
Then only drunks, and liquor folks,
Would be the ones to die.

Or when some sober person's killed,
By drunken carelessness;
Just thank the ones who sold him drink,
And caused the awful mess.

Reduce the Taverns down to one,
For each square million miles;
And only let that one sell milk,
That sure would bring the smiles.

But there wouldn't be so many deaths,
To tear good homes apart;
And many orphans to bring up,
Nor so many broken hearts.

The Devil does not need the help,
The liquor business brings;
To help him populate the place,
Where Faith, and Hope ne'er springs.

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America's ideals cannot be preserved in
alcohol.

In compiling a list of names for sug-
gested membership, most of our churches
today would not have accepted
Abraham—he signed the hotel register as
a single man.

Jacob—he was a deceiver (crooked, the
world would call him today).

Moses—his name was on the "wanted" list
of every post office in Egypt.

Peter — he was foul-mouthed, ignorant
man. The only one that ever would
have gone after Peter was Dave Wil-
kerson, for Peter had a switch-blade.

A man with both feet on the ground
hasn't far to fall.

It is never safe to trust God's business
to the man who neglects his own.

God is not so much concerned with
what a man DOES as with what he IS.

Always drive as if YOUR children were
in the other car.

A procrastinator puts off until tomor-
row the things he put off until today.

To evade a barrier, try rising above it.

The man who is carried away with en-
thusiasm sometimes has to walk back.

It's never too late to learn, but we of-
ten learn that too late!

What you laugh at tells plainer than
words what you are!

If you want to please the devil, begin
to admire yourself.

Serving the Lord with a doubt in your
mind is like trying to drive with the
brakes on.

DON'T WORRY, MEN. According to
"Decision," a young man, newly married,
came to Dr. Harry Ironsides in great dis-
tress. "I'm afraid," he said, "that I'm
drifting into idolatry because I love my
wife too much." Dr. Ironsides asked, "Do
you love her more than the Lord loved
the Church?" "No, I don't think so," re-
plied the young husband. "Well, don't
worry then," his counselor said, "the Bi-
ble gives us that as the limit — 'love
your wives as Christ loved the Church.'"
Most husbands have quite a way to go.

For Preachers and Others

He who is weak in secret prayer will
be weak in his public life.

Preachers, if you do not pick fruit when
it is ripe it will be lost.

An inquiry room may be all right if
those in charge are all right.

Sometimes the altar is too far away
from the pastor.

When the altar goes up in the attic or
down in the basement the Lord leaves the
auditorium.

A stream has in it what comes from the
head.

A spiritual church is close to the sum-
mit and far from the world.

A church that is not having a revival
is abnormal.

Many preachers should be on the other
side of the altar rail.

If you want to hear a lot of good
things about some members of the church,
go to their funeral.

A fault-finding member has the lowest
job in the church.

The greatest joy to some audiences is
when the preacher says, "This is my last
point."

Preachers, when the weed is close to
the corn, don't hoe too hard — you may
damage the corn.

The prayer meeting crowd is the spir-
itual storehouse of the church.

Not too long with that firstly, secondly,
thirdly. Preacher, remember we are liv-
ing in a swift age.

Some sermons have too many details
in them. There is nothing left for the
congregation to think about.

Some preachers try to cut an 18-inch
furrow with a 14-inch plow.

Preacher, your sermons should have
roots as well as tops or they will die.

The proper time to take the whip to
church is when the house of God becomes
a den of thieves.

Everything being normal, a preacher
ought to get into "high" at least within
five minutes from his text.

Layman, if you desire to avoid a wreck,
keep on your side. Remember, one half of
the right-of-way is the other fellow's half.

When you are condemning the other
fellow, consider his situation; put your-
self in his place one half hour with prayer
and meditation and see how you come
out.

Some preachers may have the message
but have not the method, while others
have the method and not the message.

Preacher, your theology may be all
right, but unless it has teeth it will never
bite.

If some preachers would talk as much
about Jesus and sinners as they do about
Plato and Socrates they would have more
converts.

Woe unto the preacher who gets his so-
called sermon out of the Sunday morn-
ing newspaper.

Some preachers' homilectics run from
Dan to Beersheba and vice versa, then
out into the desert.

Think twice before you say an unkind
word — then don't say it.

God has no poor children — "he that
overcometh shall inherit all things" . . .
a white lie is a black lie whitewashed . . .
— Live.

If you don't have time to do it right,
you may have to find time to do it over.

Men are born with two eyes, but with
one tongue, that they may see twice as
much as they say.—Cotton.

An ulcer is something you can get
mountain-climbing over molehills.

Worry takes up just as much time as
work, and work pays better dividends.

It is reported that Americans con-
sumed 8000 tons of tranquilizers last year.

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