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Jesus Saves — Jesus Heals

"... It shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: and on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; ..." Acts 2:17, 18.

"And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out

devils; they shall speak with new tongues; ...; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." Luke 16:17, 18.

"Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as He did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God?" Acts 11:17

"... If a spirit or an angel hath spoken ... , let us not fight against God." Acts 23:9

Latin America's Charismatics

By W. DAYTON ROBERTS

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"THE FUTURE of the gospel in Latin America is in the hands of the Roman Catholics and the Pentecostals."

This was the report that John Mackay brought back from a tour of that region about twenty-five years ago. Most of us really didn't believe him. And, perhaps he himself is surprised today by the accuracy of his prediction!

What he may not have guessed, however, is that in 1978 it is often hard to tell the Pentecostals and the Catholics apart! And that together with many "renovation Protestants" they make up a much-misunderstood

"charismatic movement," which is where much of the action is today. It will be helpful to look at the three groups separately in order to understand their common strength and to see what God is really doing in Latin America.

Traditional Pentecostals

At the beginning of the century, there were fewer than 100,000 Protestants in Latin America, virtually none of them Pentecostals. (the only available statistics show a baptized membership of 30,998.) When Mackay made his tour fifty years later, the Protestants numbered about three million, of which half were Pentecostals. Already, however, the Pentecostals were showing signs of being the fastest-growing segment of Latin American Christendom, as Mackay pointed out.

The church-growth study of William Read, Victor Monterroso, and Harmon Johnson confirmed that by the mid-1960's, there were more than ten million Protestant Christians, and that two out of every three were Pentecostal. Projections now put today's total between 20 and 25 million Protestants, with nearly four out of every five of them

Pentecostals.

Pentecostals thus constitute between seventy-five and eighty percent of the evangelical community. Their greatest strength is found in Chile, Brazil, and Mexico. And socio-religious studies in all three of these countries have established that this traditional Pentecostalism finds its greatest appeal among the less-privileged masses of working people, offering them a dimension of supernatural reality in their Christian experience they had failed to find in the superstition of their previous folk religion.

Even traditional Pentecostalism naturally has not remained static. Conversion, liberation from degrading vices, education — these have provided an upward social mobility of considerable impact. Some Pentecostals today would doubtless prefer to be labeled "charismatics," a term that seems to play down the "tongues" aspect of the Pentecostal experience in favor of the more inward gifts of the Holy Spirit. As a matter of fact, many of the traditional Pentecostal groups that may have started with a strong emphasis on glossolalia have moved to a stage where tongues is no longer the major distinctive of their posture. The reality of their faith is reflected more in their type of worship and evangelism, sometimes blurring the line of distinction between them and the "renewed" Protestants and the charismatic Catholics.

"It is more a dynamic mood than a crystallized theology," says Peter Wagner in his significant and readable *"Look Out! The Pentecostals are Coming."* You can tell Pentecostals more by what they do than by what they teach. Not all Pentecostals speak in tongues, but none forbid speaking in tongues ... It might be easier than we think for non-Pentecostal churches to 'Pentecostalize' themselves without doctrinal compromise. In other words, non-Pentecostals might do well seriously to consider the possibility of behaving more like Pentecostals, even if they do not choose to believe like them" (Carol Stream, Ill.: Creation House, 1974, p. 39).

In any case, the Pentecostal

majority is a fact of life the other fourth of the Protestant community cannot ignore. Whether they represent the traditional denominations (such as the Church of the Foursquare Gospel or the Church of God), or whether they belong to indigenous movements (such as Mexico's *Portales* denomination or the Methodist Pentecostal Church of Chile), the Pentecostals are here to stay and are valued fellow members of the body of Christ. One of the largest Pentecostal groups, characterized by its cooperative spirit and its evangelistic zeal, is the Assemblies of God. The largest single Pentecostal church is the Brazil for Christ Church in Sao Paulo, Brazil, pastored by Manoel de Mello.

Many things about Pentecostalism are attractive to the Latin American: its bigness, its freedom of worship with everybody participating, its apprenticeship style of leadership training, its noise level, its enthusiasm, its warmth, its music, its rhythm and clapping. Even its preaching style is simpler, more dramatic, more direct. All this is not to say there are not gaps in its doctrine and practice. But for the Pentecostal, it must at least be said that it is fun to go to church! And that is precisely what they are doing — by the millions! More important — they are also preaching on the streets, in the homes and in the shops. Theirs is an effervescent, contagious faith in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

"Renewal," Renewed or Renovation Protestants

During the 1960's, in a number of non-Pentecostal

IDOL WORSHIPPERS

"We point our fingers at the heathen and idol worshippers of old, but the only difference is that our graven images are made of gleaming chromium steel and have thermostats and defrosting devices instead of jeweled eyes."

— Billy Graham.

denominations and even in the Pentecostal Assemblies of God, renewal came to many believers and congregations in the form of a new openness to charismatic experiences. It would sometimes be difficult to distinguish between these renewed Protestants and the traditional Pentecostals were it not for the fact that the renewal is often linked to conservative forms of discipleship and "subjection," and to reactionary concepts of the role of women in the church. That, plus the fact that the renewal has acquired in many places a certain middle-class aura. Otherwise, it might simply be said that the renewal is a new filling of the Holy Spirit. In any event, the result has been a release of inward power that brings a refreshing and uninhibited renovation of vibrant and joyful worship, a sincere and profound communion, and a contagious life-style not dependent on an intellectualized faith and Sunday piety.

Sometimes the charismatic expression of the renewal congregations is in contrast to the prevailing traditions of their own denominations. Renovation leader Juan Carlos Ortiz and his congregation were expelled from the Assemblies of God denomination because of the renewal, despite that denomination's Pentecostal character. Other renovationists reacted against the closed commu-

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To Our Readers and Prayer Band:

As we address this letter to all of our friends, we are looking forward to some great summer camps. We had a great beginning with our first California camp over the Good Friday - Easter week end in March. This was a beautiful experience for all who were in attendance. Then, the last of April, the ladies of our area had a three-day spiritual advance, which was really blest of God. Their special guest speakers were Agnes Laete Thomas (formerly of England), and Gertrude Holmes. Both of these Sisters are world travelers and excellent Bible Teachers, filled with the Holy Spirit, and who have just recently returned from overseas missions. The ladies reported that all of these services were outstanding in every way.

Elsewhere on this page you will find a detailed announcement of other California camps yet to come throughout this Summer and Fall. We trust that many of our readers will find it possible to be in attendance at these spiritual gatherings.

Also on this page, please note the announcement of our Tennessee Bible camp meetings, June 16-25 and October 20-29. These are being held at the Pisgah Home Movement Prayer Community, just one mile East of Pikeville, Tennessee, on Route 30. This place is open the year round and is dedicated to prayer, counselling, and spiritual intercession. Why not stop in as you pass that way? Special prayer is being made for volunteer workers who will share their talents there for God’s glory. (See prayer needs on opposite page).

We regret to announce the home-going of our beloved Gladys Person, a faith missionary with a prayer vision that far exceeded the strength of her frail body. She spent the last few years of her earthly pilgrimage in service in the Philippines. She was well known and much loved there as she ministered to young and old, passing out Christian literature, praying, counselling, and living among the poor and needy. Her work will never be forgotten. Her life was not lived in vain. Her last days in the Philippines were spent in the home of American Missionaries, Brother and Sister Harry Roy Marsack. Brother Marsack testified of her deep spiritual life and sweet Christian spirit. She was led of the Lord to come back to the States to visit her family in Seattle, Washington, and while there, God called her home. Before going overseas she spent sometime here at “Old Pisgah” in Los Angeles where her vision and zeal for foreign missions was an inspiration and example to others. God bless her memory to us all.

Please do pray with us daily, at 5 to 7:30 A.M., 10 to 12 noon, and 3 to 5 P.M. Please pray for our Nation and its leaders, and for the work of God all over the world. God wonders when there is no intercessor. Read Isaiah 59:16. Our continuance as a nation depends upon our faithfulness in prayer, and God’s faithfulness in answering.

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H.J. Smith, Editor

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A number of these papers are still available, and we felt we would like to share them with you before the supply is exhausted. Many of the inspired articles were written by men who long ago have gone on to be with the Lord. We believe this material could bring you blessing and inspiration.

To those who would desire such and would be willing to send a donation to cover the cost of postage and

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Latin America's Charismatics

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nion, the extreme dispensationalism, or the imported patterns of worship of their parent denominations.

One of the precursors of the renewal movement appeared in the Latin American Mission-related churches of northern Colombia. During that country's "ten years of violence," the Bible penetrated a pioneer area of slash-and-burn farmers south of Monteria. Their ignorance and their isolation demanded a simple faith in the promises of Scripture, and they very naturally acknowledged without equivocation the lordship of Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit matched their consecration with supernatural manifestations of power and grace. Perhaps even their illiteracy required special forms of revelation.

Visions, dreams, healing, prophecies, tongues and interpretations — all were a very natural part of the Christian experience and life-style — and this without any encouragement from Pentecostals outside the area, and at variance with the patterns and practices of the denomination to which they belonged. The experience was contagious, however, and has come to be a dynamic part of church life in the entire coastal area — a sort of disciplined Pentecostalism that commends itself to everybody.

Catholic "Charismatics"

More surprising than the strength of the Pentecostals and the emergence of renewed Protestant congregations has been the upsurge of the Catholic charismatic movement. This is the greatest single religious phenomenon of our experience. It is a development exceeded in its eschatological significance only by the establishment of the state of Israel. Who could have believed that the church which a generation ago was burning Bibles and persecuting evangelicals would today be singing evangelical choruses and sharing its faith in Christ?

In many areas of Latin America, there are today as many Catholic charismatics as there are Protestant Christians. And one perhaps overly optimistic observer has predicted that within a few years a majority of the Catholics in Latin America may become charismatics! ("Catholic Charismatics: An age of Revolution," *Christianity Today*, July 2, 1976.) The thought is staggering! What does this phenomenon mean, and where did it come from?

Really it was Pope Pius X (1903-1914) who started things rolling when he established the Pontifical Bible Institute in Rome. But it was Pius XII who, in 1943, launched the *aggiornamento* by establishing a second institute of biblical research in Jerusalem and authorizing the translation of the Scriptures from manuscripts that were earlier and more accurate than the Vulgate of Jerome. This unleashed a flood of new Spanish translations and an interest in Bible study in the Hispanic world, which had been pent-up for centuries. A seminary reform movement topped things off and paved

A Man of Prayer . . .

John Knox was a man famous for his power in prayer, so that bloody Queen Mary used to say she feared his prayers more than all the armies of Europe. And events showed she had reason to do so.

He used to be in agony so much for the deliverance of his country that he could not sleep. He had a place in his garden where he used to go to pray.

One nite he and several friends were praying together, and as they prayed Knox spoke and said that deliverance had come. He could not tell what had happened, but he felt that something had taken place, for God had heard their prayers. Soon came the news of Mary's death!

— Prevailing Prayer.

the way for John XXIII and the fresh winds of Vatican II.

The Second Vatican Council released a mighty current of spiritual energy, a new Christian agenda, a real revival. And one of the forms it has taken — more important, in our judgement, than the radical leftist elements and the Catholic Marriage Encounter movement (known in Latin America as *cursillismo*) — has been the movement of charismatic renewal, in which multitudes have come to a personal, saving experience of Christ. For them, conversion and the filling of the Holy Spirit have been a simultaneous and life-changing adventure.

Today it is not unusual to find several hundred Catholics attending a mid-week service of praise and worship in a downtown Catholic church, singing doxologies, and choruses taken directly from the Bible, exercising spiritual gifts in a mutual ministry, and listening to the exposition of the Scriptures by a Protestant pastor. More common still are the home study groups where the spiritual and physical needs of each participant are lifted up to the Lord in prayer, which God answers in remarkable ways. Here, worship in song is tuned to the guitar and paced to the rhythm of the tambourine. Catholics cannot reasonably call themselves "Protestant" or "evangelical," so those who know and love the Lord Jesus Christ most frequently identify themselves as "charismatic."

The Catholic charismatics are not an altogether homogenous group. Some are bound by traditional dogma, superstitious about the way the Holy Spirit performs miracles (magically, in response to published "prayers" in the daily newspapers, as if He were just one more Catholic saint), fearful of offending the Virgin, but having experienced withal a supernatural, life-giving touch from God. These need to be encouraged to grow in their understanding of the Word into a full and firm faith in Jesus Christ.

Others, however, are almost "Protestant" in their readiness to disavow anything in the mother church that seems to contradict the teaching of the Bible. They are open and ecumenical, eager for fellowship with all Christians wherever they may be found.

No Part of the Body Dispensable

College Must Erase Symbols of Religion

WESTMINSTER, Md. (AP) — Western Maryland College has taken down its crosses.

The college, which has an enrollment of about 1,300 students, permanently removed all religious symbols from atop its chapels and agreed to strict quotas limiting the number of Methodists on its board and teaching staff as part of a settlement of a suit against its receiving state funds.

The college — formerly supported by the Methodist Church — also agreed "neither to sponsor nor conduct any religious services," to "remain totally neutral to the spiritual development in a religious sense of its students" and not to include prayers, religious hymns or sermons in its graduation exercises.

The stipulations are part of the settlement the college made with the Maryland affiliate of the American Civil Liberties Union and Americans United for Separation of Church and State. The settlement ended three years of litigation.

(The above item was taken from The Clarksburg (W.Va.) Telegram. It really stirred me up and I hope it does the same for you.)

J.F. Brand

Pentecostals, the renovationists and the Catholic charismatics — constitute the overwhelming majority of the body of Christ in Latin America. Traditional, or mainline, Protestants and those related to interdenominational or "faith" missions make up a very small part of the Christian community. Sometimes this is hard for noncharismatics to swallow. But it is a fact. And as St. Paul has pointed out, we all need each other. No part of the body is dispensable. It is in the charismatic movement where most of the action is today. But the non-charismatic also has a prophetic role to play, flashing the warning lights when risks and dangers are spotted, and emphasizing the normative role of the Scriptures in all Christian experience.

Because wherever the Spirit of God is at work, there the enemy of our souls is doubly active. The misguided zeal of charismatics, for example, has often resulted in division, excesses, carnal imitations of supernatural activity. Their very openness makes them susceptible to being deceived into too ready acceptance of manifestations that may not be Spirit inspired. Should these aberrations surprise us? Are they not a part of the game plan?

We should rejoice, rather, in the positive features of the charismatic movement — the emphasis of love and witness, the importance of the word in experience and worship. The choruses, hymns and doxologies of the charismatic movement are rich in biblical content, often taking whole passages from the Psalms and putting them in contemporary music. In one song sheet of eighty-seven choruses, we counted thirty-four that were taken textually from seventeen different books of the Bible. Surely these are reasons to take heart and be thankful.

It is our conviction that we are living in the final days of our planet. God has indicated, through

Pray With Us

• For the miracle of healing that is necessary in the body of Sister Dorothy Spalding, one of our faithful workers. X-Rays and other tests seem to confirm the presence of malignancy in several areas of her body. God is the only answer.

• We are still needing, and praying for volunteer workers, who will dedicate time and talents to the Lord for necessary remodeling, painting, improving, etc. of the buildings and equipment on the farm of the Prayer Community at Pikeville, Tennessee.

Praise The Lord With Us

• The Lord has made possible the securing of a very good, nine-passenger station wagon for the Prayer Community in Pikeville, Tennessee.

• God is making possible the opening of another missionary home in the same block as the Pisgah Home and Tabernacle here in Los Angeles.

IMPOSSIBILITIES

It is impossible for pride and humility to live under the same skin.

It is impossible for you to be a leader if you are not willing to be led.

It is impossible for a man to climb Zion's hill carrying a load of conceit.

It is impossible for a man to be any better on the outside than he is on the inside.

It is impossible for a man to walk straight if he lives a crooked life.

the prophet Joel, for example, that signs will increase, and that we can expect both a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit and an increase in the counter-activity of demonic powers. The wheat and the tares will grow up together. Our attitude should be one of discernment, not of isolation. The charismatic movement is here to stay. It is a fact of life in Latin America. We cannot isolate ourselves from it any more than the hand can say to the foot, "I have no need of you."

We should rather take our cue from the example of Peter in Acts 10 and be very careful not to deny what God is doing, even though it may be alien to our previous experience. Frequently He works in unexpected places, and Manoel de Mello's warning is highly relevant: "No Protestant should sin against the Holy Spirit by doubting that these changes in the Catholic Church are the real thing . . . Yes, the Holy Spirit is powerful enough to change and renew even the Catholic Church. And as far as I'm concerned, all churches should rejoice in this fact." (Gerald H. Anderson and Thomas F. Stransky, C.S.P., editors, *Mission Trends No. 2 — Evangelization* (Grand Rapids, Eerdmans, 1975) p. 154.)

This article first appeared in the *Latin America Evangelist* (March-April 1977) and is used by permission of the *Latin America Mission*.

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 blessings, as well as for power for 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.

WARTS ARE GONE

Some time ago I wrote asking prayer for the warts on my son's feet. Thank God the warts are all gone. — A.S., Emerson, Ark.

FIRST COPY A BLESSING

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised for the Herald of Hope! Praise the Lord! One of the saints let me have a copy of your publication — the first copy I've seen. Enclosed is a check, and kindly add my name to your mailing list.—J.C.W., Port Arthur, Texas

HUSBAND NOW GOING TO CHURCH

I am so glad to hear from you. Thank you for sending the leaflets and prayers. God is so good to us and as the days go by we study more about the wonderful work He did while He was on earth. Things have changed now and my husband is going to church. Praise the Lord! Enclosed is an offering. —Mrs. I.L., Brampton, Jamaica

SON HEALED OF CANCER

I wish to let you know my son is now back to work. I do praise God for this wonderful miracle. He has been healed of cancer. We praise the Lord for what He is doing and we give Him the glory.—Mrs. L.deJ., Rep. of S. Africa

GOD GIVES PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT

Friends, I want you to know what God is doing for us — how He is answering prayer. My daughter's job has been made permanent and my son is doing well now in his job and has finished his final at York University. — H.L.C., Kingston, Jamaica

GETS PERMANENT JOB

I wrote and asked you to pray that I might receive a permanent job in the firm where I was employed temporarily. Now I am pleased to let you know that I am permanently employed. I even have obtained a raise in pay. If it had not been for your prayers and faith in God this would not have been possible.

SHE THANKS GOD

I thank you for your prayers and the wonderful messages that help me in times of need. Enclosed is my cash gift as I wish to share this love-work of Christ with others. God bless you as you send out His word.—M.R., Sun Valley, Cal.

PRAYER WORKS WONDERS

It gives me great pleasure to write and tell you that your prayers have done wonders for me. The Lord is with me day by day I know. All the nervous tension has gone and I am able to face up to life with a different view. Enclose a small donation to help with your good work. —Mrs. T.M.L., West Midlands, England

MY TRUST IS IN HIM

Thank you much for your letter. I was very happy to hear from you. You have helped me to get where I wished to be — in the Lord. I know Him to be the Father from Heaven, and he is concerned for us all. I put my trust in Him, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. I am thanking him with a heart of great gladness. . . Mr. B.M., Hanover, Jamaica

HER SON GOT A JOB

It is about time for me to write you. I enclose a donation. The last time I wrote was to ask prayer for my son who couldn't find any work. Thanks for your prayer. In a short time he was working. Praise the Lord! — Mrs. S.C., — Kamea, Canada

WE GAVE OURSELVES TO GOD

My wife and I thank the Herald of Hope and the most devoted prayer band for putting our case before the Lord, who so beautifully answered. We have been reading your wonderful tracts and paper about so many who have been healed, found Christ, and many problems solved.

After moving from the Barbados to New York we went to a Nazarene Church on Whit Sunday and God's Holy Spirit moved on me and I gave myself entirely over to Him. Keep sending the Herald of Hope, please. — H.G., Brooklyn, N.Y.

THIS WAS MY DAY

Today at the Health Center a lady was passing out this paper, the Herald of Hope. This is the first time I ever read this paper, and I am very happy to have it. . . P.J., Miami, Fla.

SUCCESSFUL IN DRIVING TEST

Before I had the test I asked God to help me and I was not nervous. I thank you for your prayers, and all we have to do is to ask Him to help us, for He is near. —J.A., San Juan, T'dad, W.I.

SUFFERING FROM KIDNEY STONE

Thank you for the Herald of Hope. My brother-in-law was suffering from a stone in the kidney. He was in acute pain and none of the injections by the doctor would relieve him. On the third day when he was beginning to despair, I brought out the prayer cloth, placed it on him and prayed. Then I asked him to repeat the name JESUS three times. He did it reverently and the pain steadily decreased. He had a good night's sleep and was discharged the next day. He came straight home to thank me. The Postman just came then with the Herald of Hope, which I handed to my brother-in-law, asking him to read the paper. He gave me an offering to send you. — Mrs. J.C., Petaling Jaya, Malaysia

HE ENJOYS THE PAPER

Just a line to let you know that I do enjoy the Paper. I like the testimonies and the poems; so I am sending you a donation to help in the work. Please keep me on the mailing list, for I do enjoy the Paper very much. May God bless you all in your labors of love. —P. & P.S., Hawk Run, Pa.

SON GETS PROMOTION

I wish to thank you in a special way, and I also praise God that my son has got his promotion. —Mrs. D.S., Trinidad, W. I.

GETS A JOB

I know God hears and answers prayer. A few months ago I wrote asking you to pray that I would get a nursing job. God heard and answered. I praise and thank God for you. I like the job and hope I can keep it. —N.T., Toronto, Canada

A "THANK YOU" FOR PRAYING

We enjoy the paper very much and you are definitely in our hearts. We pray that God will continue to bless your ministry and are happy to enclose our check to be used as needed.

God has blessed us mightily and we rejoice in His mercy and goodness. My wife was healed of a spot on her face and I of an ulcer on my right ankle by our blessed Lord. May He be given all honor and praise. —Mr. & Mrs. E.C., Santa, Calif.

HEALED OF T.B.

I wrote to you for prayer and a blest cloth many years ago when I was in the T.B. Hospital. I got better and was discharged. Since, I have been doing very well. Thanks to the Lord and the prayer warriors at Christ Faith Mission. — Mrs. M.S., White Castle, La.

PRAYERS MEET GOD'S THRONE — FINGER HEALED

Many years ago I wrote to you for prayer and the Lord answered. My finger was nearly cut off and I sent you a request for prayer and a blest cloth — When received I tied it around my finger and prayed. Immediately the pain stopped and in a few days the finger became normal. — Mrs. D.U. E., Eupene, C.R.S., Nigeria

RECEIVED HERALD OF HOPE FOR FIRST TIME

Enclosed please find a small donation. I have received the Herald of Hope for the first time and enjoyed reading it through. I was thrilled with all the testimonies. May God continue to bless your ministry. —Miss C.D.V., Grand Cayman, W.I.

THANK GOD FOR THE PRAYER OF FAITH

I give honor to God from the depth of my heart for the prayer of faith you prayed for me. I had a lump for over two years. I asked you to pray and the Lord healed me. The lump is gone, and I keep praising God. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. . . Mrs. E.A.T., Scarborough, Canada

HERALD OF HOPE A BLESSING

Your literature has been an inspiration and blessing since I received by first issue. And my life is like new. Problems just seem to vanish by reading the Paper and holding on to my faith in Christ. —Mrs. C.R.

MANY THANKS

I enclose an offering. Many thanks for the literature and for your prayers. I thank God and the Lord Jesus Christ. He makes these things possible and without Him we can do nothing. Again, many thanks. —S.L.R., Broodville, Pa.

THE PAIN WENT

It is a long time since I wrote you. I was ill and underwent an operation, which was a success. I took your prayers with me to the hospital and read them. I find it hard to believe that I had an operation.

Even the doctor was amazed that I recovered so soon. After I came out of the Hospital I had some pain in my head. However, after placing the Blest hankie on my head the pain went. I also had a pain on the place where I had the operation when I used the hankie that pain also went away. I am feeling fine now and have gone back to work. Thank the Lord for His abounding mercy. —C.R.J., Toronto, Ont., Canada

HEALED

Some time ago I asked prayer for a Mr. W., who was very ill. Thank the Lord, he is going to church, and also working in the yard. —R.B.P., DeFuniak Spr., Fla.

A CHANGE IN HER LIFE

What a glorious moment when I received that blessed letter of yours. I received some tracts and was greatly benefited. I know God answered my prayers. I can see a change in our lives.—Mrs. E. Mc.D., Westmoreland, Jamaica

THE BEST MAGAZINE

God bless you all. Thanks for the Herald of Hope which I have been receiving for 35 years. It is the best magazine in the world, next to my Bible. I do appreciate your great work. — Mrs. M.L.S., Syracuse, Mo.

LEG AND BACK HEALED

I have good news and praise the Lord for His goodness. About three weeks ago I wrote for prayer and a healing cloth. I had a bad sore on my hip and had to sit on a big sponge pillow — my back and my leg would pain. I thank and praise God, the week I received the prayer cloth, I was healed.—C.P., Crowley, La.

**DAUGHTER
COULDN'T WALK**

Please accept this small gift. We thank you for your prayers. My daughter couldn't walk, but Praise The Lord, she is walking fine now.—Mrs. R.S., Yorba Linda, Ca.

SHE GOT A JOB

Greetings in the Name of Jesus. I wrote you asking for prayer that I might get a job. Thank God, I got a part-time job as a receptionist. I enclose a donation, and may God bless your ministry.—Mrs. J.C., Wolverhampton, England

**A READER FOR OVER
FIFTY YEARS**

I have been a reader of your good paper for over 50 years. My Uncle lived in Pasgah Home over 60 years ago, and after being saved he went to Africa as a missionary. God used him in a miraculous way many times in winning souls for the Lord down in the diamond mines.

I am 88 years old and soon shall see my Lord and loved ones "over there". Praise the Lord.—F.M.M., Pacific Grove, Ca.

BOTH HEALED

Thank you for sending me the Herald of Hope and tracts, with your prayers. I had a headache so I placed the prayer cloth on my forehead and was healed. My nephew had a stomach-ache. I placed the hankie on his stomach and prayed. God healed him. Praise the Lord for His kindness to us and thanks to your praying group. Please send the paper regularly.—Mr. E.T.A., Bosiso, Ghana

**HEALED THROUGH
THE PAPER**

Enclosed you will find a donation to help keep your lovely Paper coming to us. I enjoy it very much. The Herald of Hope is a blessing. My pressure was high. I placed the paper under my head and said a prayer. The pressure went down. I thank the Lord. Please do not stop sending me Herald of Hope, and keep up the good work.—Mrs E.H., Ahoskie, N.C.

**I PASS IT
ON TO OTHERS**

I love your paper and have been getting it for a number of years. In the days of Mrs. Cheek she wrote an article entitled "Whither Thou Goest" which was the deciding factor in taking my stand for Jesus Christ — a stand I've never regretted. Please keep up the good work and keep sending the Herald of Hope. I pass it on to others in the hope someone will turn to Christ. — M.C., Rockford, Ill.

**THE PAPER
BRINGS BLESSING**

Thank you for sharing my burdens each time with me and family. Some time last month I asked you to pray for my daughter. Now she is much better. I must also thank you for the papers that come. They bring blessing. Here is my offering. — Mrs. M.M., Bramalea, Ont., Canada.

EACH GOT A GOOD JOB

I have two daughters and my husband asked you to pray for them to get a job. Praise God they each got a good job and thanks for your prayers. I pray that everybody will send a donation, no matter how small, to the Herald of Hope. — A.H., Bronx, N.Y.

ENJOYS THE PAPER

I have received your paper for some time and certainly enjoy reading it. We are a large family — eight girls and three boys. They are saved and some have the baptism of the Holy Spirit. We have had lots of joy and sorrow but His grace is able to meet every need. I was given up to die seven years ago; had bleeding ulcers but Jesus healed me. When we are sick Jesus meets our every need. — Mrs. L.T., Creston So., Canada

**MY FAVORITE
MAGAZINE**

I'm happy to say, "thanks" for the many prayers and my inspiring magazine. I do enjoy reading it when I need a brighter outlook on life. Herald of Hope is my favorite magazine — nearest to the Bible. Enclosed is my love-offering. Also, the tracts I do enjoy. — D.L.R., A.A., Cal.

MENTAL ILLNESS GONE

I must thank all of you who have joined me in praying for my son. He had been suffering with mental illness and was involved in a land dispute. Now everything has turned out favorable for him. He no longer gets sick and there is peace between all in this land affair. Praise the Lord! — Mrs. M.C., St. Lucia, W.I.

SON OUT OF PRISON

My son was imprisoned. I sent to you for prayer and he came out before the time; also he is a changed boy. Now I know that prayer can do all things. — Mrs. B.E.W., Manchester, Jamaica

**HUSBAND AND WIFE
SAVED AND HEALED**

Praise the Lord for His wonderful saving and healing power. I wrote you more than once for prayer for a man and his wife. Both have been saved and healed. Praise the Lord and thank you for your prayers. — Mrs. K.B., San Angelo, Texas

IT WAS A MIRACLE

When I first wrote you I was in Jamaica, not knowing what to do for a living. But thank God, He has brought a miracle by using a lady to send for me from Canada and here I am now working. Is not that wonderful? May the Lord bless you as you continue this great work with Him. — Mrs. L.W., Toronto, Ont., Canada

**I WANT EVERYBODY
TO KNOW**

Greetings in the wonderful name of Jesus our Lord. When good things come to God's people, I am anxious to share them. Thus, I write this letter to you to inform you of this good thing. I am 21 years old. I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour about six months ago and am so thrilled that I want everybody to know this Jesus as I know Him. I lived an immoral life before God saved me. I was a movie goer, a reader of paperback romances, etc. If it were not for God's forgiveness no one could ever stand righteous before Him. But the past is now gone forever and I am moving forward. I am saved and forgiven and I can trust Him. — Miss. Z.K.W., U.M. Church, Liberia Central Conference.

**THANK GOD FOR
PISGAH**

Thank God for the light house, Pisgah. God is so good — has answered so many prayers. This one seemingly impossible, just recently happened.

A young friend of mine went to her grandmother's home to take care of her. The husband of the young lady moved to Alaska, took their two month old baby, divorced the babies mother, and remarried. My friend had no knowledge of the babies whereabouts, no money to trace them. But God, after 17 years of prayer, brought the young girl back to California and she was living within six miles of her own mother. Her stepmother gave the girl the mother's phone number and she called her. What a grand reunion!

This is just one of the many requests Pisgah prayer warriors have prayed for. — B.K., Huntington Beach, Ca.

**CAN NOW
PAY HER BILLS**

I am so happy in my mind. Since the last time I wrote and asked you to pray for me, God has surely answered your prayers. I was having problems with my bills and the very next day the money started to come and I was able to pay off all my bills. Thanks to all you good people for your prayers. — A.B., Kingston, Jamaica

EASY CHILD-BIRTH

Thank you in the name of our Lord Jesus. My wife wrote to you to pray for her to bring forth in peace, and she brought forth without going to the hospital. I will never forget my Lord God for His wonderful help to me. — A.A.O., Bunso, Ghana

HEALED AND HAPPY

The day I received your letter and the Holy Handkerchief I was very much overjoyed, more than ever before, with singing, dancing and my heart was full of happiness. I want you to know that I believe Jesus Christ and what He has done for me — He has healed my pain in the waist and now I have happiness all day round. Also I now have a good job. I will be very happy to receive your papers. — I have accepted the Lord Jesus. — F.A., Accra, Ghana.

**RADIO LISTENER
GROWS SPIRITUALLY**

I am one of your listeners, Brother Smith, and thank God for His Holy Word which you make so plain. I have grown Spiritually in the Lord's way and praise Him for answered prayer in my life.

Last year I was in the hospital for many weeks and called on you for prayer, spiritual strength and faith to go through the pain. Jesus was with me every minute. The whole hospital staff knew I had Faith in God for I took no pain pills or pills to make me sleep. I kept prayerful, praiseful and thankful during the agony of three major surgeries — the grafting of skin where my thigh was broken off in an accident. I clung to Jesus Who brought me through. Thank you for your prayers — Praise God.

While in the hospital I prayed for my husband to get back in the service of Jesus, for he is a called, ordained minister. Now my home is a home of prayer and for the very first time we have prayer together each morning. Also, many are coming to our home for prayer and are blessed. — Sister W.M.P., Los Angeles, Ca.

**LIFE CHANGED
THROUGH PRAYER**

Thank you in the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who shed His blood on the cross even though we were sinners, to offer His blood to combine us in Him and close the gap between man and God. I have read your publication, the Herald of Hope, enthusiastically, and it has changed my life for now I give it all to my Saviour. — I.B.A., Prestea Gold Fields, Ghana

**DELIVERED OF
CHEST PAINS**

I am so happy to declare to you the wonderful work God did for me. I was seriously ill with chest pain. I prayed and cried for help and God delivered me from the pain. Now I am feeling well. I praise my God with my faith and hope, and thanking Him for His Almighty Power. — Mrs. A.J.I.A., Obura, Nigeria

KNEE IMPLANT HEALED

I wrote to you last week asking prayer for my brother who had had a complete knee implant (plastic and steel). The Doctors felt he needed another operation because the first did not seem to be healing well. But, when they opened his they found no sign of a reject or infection and were very surprised as well as pleased. They put a tube in for drainage and he is doing real well in every way. Praise the precious name of the Lord. — M.H., Acosta, Pa.

KIDNEY PROBLEM HEALED

We wrote you for prayer for our daughter whose kidneys were damaged due to high diabetes and who went blind as a result. Praise God He healed her of her kidney problem that very month. Even the physicians say it's a miracle. We are continuing to pray and believe that God will completely restore her.

M.C.A., Dubai
U.A.E., Arab

A Stranger Appears Before The United Nations

This Message was first given by Paul Harvey, nationally known news analyst, over the network of the American Broadcasting Company on Christmas Eve 1950.

This article appeared in the CoOrdinator in December 1960, and was reprinted in the Herald of Hope in the December 1969 issue. It is reprinted here because of the many requests for it.

"Now, something to slumber on. I want to tell you a Christmas story. In the case of the principal character of this story — I shall, with respect for the ethics of accurate reporting, quote His exact words precisely. Adding nothing.

"There was a special session of the United Nations Political Committee summoned at Lake Success by its chairman. In the recess of the Security Council, many Nations were represented by their chief delegates. Such was true in the case of The United States — where Mr. Austin sat for Mr. Dulles, though Mr. Dulles was like-wise present. The United Kingdom was represented by Jebb sitting for Younger, Vishinsky sat for the Soviet. Such was the unusual nature of this suddenly-summoned secret session, that the rows — six deep — of spectators seats around the perimeter of the Committee Room Twelve were empty.

"No photographers were allowed on the floor as the delegates filed in. CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY WERE SEATED IN THE GLASSED IN TRANSLATION LOFT which, I should explain, is about halfway up the high ceiling room and is accessible only by a stairwell in the outside hall. Were that not true our story might have been different.

"The doors were closed at between nine and twelve minutes after seven. No one could have entered the lower floor of the committee Room Twelve before the doors were closed without showing his credentials or being otherwise identified. None could have entered after the doors were closed without being seen by the blue-uniformed guards in the hall outside. They say they were there; they were not distracted; they saw no one. Yet the meeting had barely been called to order, first in English, then in French — when a tall, lean man rose to his feet from one of the chairs behind the chairman. A hush came over the oval table, and Sir Benegal Rau, presiding, thinking at first all eyes were on him, was nudged by a chair secretary. He then turned to follow their stare to the face of the Stranger who stood behind him. His first inclination was to signal a guard. This was a closed session of the Committee. It had been plainly summoned as such. But, instead, he spoke (these words):

"You, Sir, would you please identify your delegation affiliation?" The lean man was draped in the attire of the East. Not uncommon at Lake Success. Sandals, bearded — the beard well groomed — His lips parted. The last of the hubub on the floor was suddenly still. And He said: "I have many things to say and to judge of you. I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world. And ye shall know the truth."

"You could hear the asthmatic breathing of a fat aid completely across that windowless room — so still it had suddenly become. "Why are you, Sir?" Mr. Rau demanded. He had meant to say, "Who are you?" but was momentarily flustered. The soft, compelling voice that seemed, though without benefit of microphone, somehow to fill the whole room, continued: "There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it is common among men. With their tongues they have used deceit, the poison of asps is under their lips. and the way to peace they have not known."

Concerning Russia's Judgment

"The delegate from Belgium beckoned, (and being) recognized, he said: 'Let this man speak, He is here; let Him speak.' 'May I question the witness?' interrupted Russia's Vishinsky, grinning. His wit went unheeded from the floor. He fidgeted, — Dr. Rau, testing the Stranger, spoke: 'Represented here is a great Nation which keeps itself apart from the rest of us. I fear they will move shortly to silence you, too.'

"And the Stranger said: 'Everyone that does evil hateth the Light. They make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess. The axe is laid onto the root of such trees' (referring to Russia, as also in the preceeding paragraph).

"Mr. Vishinsky, stern and unsmiling now, spoke. It was a long moment before the translation came. 'The Soviet Delegation will not listen to the ravings of this warmonger. This interruption is doubtless some carefully planned and poorly executed plot to depict the Soviet as the aggressor in a War of which we have no part. Is it any wonder communism in Korea opposes these imperialists?' He snapped his spectacles from his nose and with them, indicated in the direction of the United States Delegation.

"The stranger spoke more sharply now: "Foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes. If a man strive for masteries, then he is not crowned except he strive lawfully. the days shall come upon thee," — He looked squarely at Vishinsky — "that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee and compass thee round and keep thee in on every side, and shall utterly destroy thee," 'But,' interrupted the chairman, 'you have touched on the purpose for which this meeting was called. What about Korea? How have we erred there?'

"And the Stranger said, 'If the good man of the house had known in what watch the thief would

come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up. But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.'

"Mr. Jebb, for the United Kingdom said, 'I think what we all fear most is that any one of us may be next.' And the Visitor, still standing, said, 'When a strong man, armed, keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace.' Mr. Austin was waving the small sign which marked his place. 'The Chair recognizes the delegate from the United States,' (said Mr. Rau). "In the United States, we are hosts to enemies within our own house, (who are) agents of another government who plead mercy, saying that they are loyal to our own government as well."

"And the Man of gentle grace raised His hand as if to hasten the end of the question, 'No man can serve two masters; for either he will hate one and love the other; or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation.' 'But, said Mr. Austin, 'They use our own laws — our own courts — our own freedoms to outwit us.' The Stranger replied, 'How can one enter into a strong man's house and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man?' 'But,' Mr. Austin went on, 'these among us say they intend only to alter our government by peaceful means — to better our economic system — to —' Less patient now, the Visitor interrupted, 'They that be whole need not a Physician, but they that are sick.'

Concerning America's Judgement

(Let us suggest at this point that the Stranger is referring to America as the 'Strong Man's House,' America is 'sick' and needs a 'Physician.' America needs 'JESUS CHRIST' the 'GREAT HEALER.')

"Mr. Austin turned, smiling, to Mr. Dulles. and the Speaker turned toward them — 'There is none righteous among you; no, not one. I know thy works; that thou art neither cold nor hot. Because thou sayest, I am rich and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched. Beware, lest ye, also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness.'

"Procedure was forgotten now. The representative from France spoke out: 'This same enemy is within my country — demonstrating against our parliament — antagonizing our courts — And the Voice replied, 'Scatter thou the people that delight in war. Put them in mind to be subject to Principalities and Powers, to obey Magistrates, to be ready to every good work. To be not brawlers, but gentle, showing all meekness unto all men.'

"Mr. Rau rose from his chair (and, turned (saying). "We came here to place the blame for our unrest, and You have given each of us a share. What is it then, that we should do? Abandon our efforts to seek peace? And the Stranger said, 'Let all things be done decently

Ask Largely

By Catherine Brown

If e'er you feel discouraged,
And things seem going wrong,
Then count your many mercies
And gloom will change to song.

And if the past seems failure,
And you would fain give o'er, —
Launch out upon the promises,
And leave the wave-beat shore.

Of grace that overcometh,
God hath abundant store; —
He sees you claim so little,
He bids you ask for more.

The Saviour said, "Ask largely
And you shall much receive," —
For God hath stores of wisdom,
For all who do believe.

His coffers ne'er are empty.
This world and Heaven's gold
Are owned by our Redeemer, —
And He hath wealth untold.

According to your need He'll give,
He hears the raven's cry, —
And if in faith you ask aright,
He'll every want supply.

and in order. Be sober and vigilant. Depart from evil and do good. Execute ye judgment and righteousness and deliver the spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor. It is impossible but that offences will come; but woe unto him through whom they come. Seek peace and pursue it. And increase your faith. FAITH hath SUBDUED KINGDOMS, WROUGHT

RIGHTEOUSNESS OBTAINED PROMISES, STOPPED THE MOUTHS OF LIONS.

"You make all this seem so infinitely simple," said Rau. 'Many righteous men,' replied the Stranger, 'Have desired to hear those thing which ye hear, and have not heard them.' 'It is not customary,' Mr. Rau smiled, 'for us to hear Wisdom from outside our own chambers. We are inclined, I fear, to feel that ALL THE WISDOM OF THE WORLD IS ASSEMBLED HERE.' His Guest unsmiling, said, 'BE NOT FORGETFUL TO ENTERTAIN STRANGERS FOR THEREBY SOME HAVE ENTERTAINED ANGELS UNAWARES.'

WHO IS THE STRANGER?

(Will the reader please notice that these exact Words are recorded in the Holy Bible, in Hebrews 13:2, and suggests that our Stranger is an Angel (messenger) of the LORD. could this Stranger have been the Angel of the LORD, who so often in Scripture is Jesus Himself? Could He have been Jesus again standing before the sanhedrin of our day — warning of the destructive Judgments from the Almighty about to be loosed upon them and those who follow their precepts which lead to the 'ditch'? Whereas, the Sanhedrin of Jesus' day Judged Him and condemned Him to the Cross, where He shed His precious blood for your sins and for all men everywhere.

"Sir Benegal Hau turned to the assembly and said quietly, 'There is no further purpose in this meeting. This Man has answered

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Mother's Translation Of The Bible

There is a story about four clergymen who were discussing the merits of the various translations of the Bible. One liked the King James Version best because of its simple, beautiful English.

Another liked the American Revised Version best because it is more literal and comes nearer the original Hebrew and Greek.

Still another liked Moffatt's translation best because of its up-to-date vocabulary.

The fourth minister was silent. When asked to express his opinion, he replied, "I like my mother's translation best."

The other three expressed surprise. They did not know that his mother had translated the Bible. "Yes, she did," he replied. "She translated it into life, and it was the most convincing translation I ever saw." — Selected.

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all our questions.' Then turning to the Man, still standing behind him, he said, 'You, Sir, thank you.' Then, (he said), 'If — if only you could write these things — which you have spoken — if you could write them in a Book — that men of all ages might read them —' It was AT THAT MOMENT, just for a fleeting second that the Visitor's quiet eyes seemed to flash with sudden anger (indicating His Words may have already been written in The Book, our Holy Bible). Mr. Rau noticed, for he stopped short. Then the anger faded. The eyes were calm again. And somehow sad. And the tall Stranger turned to the door. And it was opened for Him.

"There was no effort made to detain Him. The U.N. OFFICIAL RECORDING SECRETARY who was in the upper tier translating room and who FURNISHED ME WITH THIS TRANSLATION OF THE VISITORS WORDS — left the booth — walked — still making notes as he went to the stairs and down the hall — outside Room Twelve. But thinking the Man would be detained he had not hurried. And the Man had not been detained and was said to have left the building. That is as much as I know. You know how it is after such an unusual occurrence. There are as many different versions of what happened as there are witnesses. And as many varied descriptions of the soft spoken Stranger.

"One delegate, whom I shall not identify except to say he sits in one of the first of the alphabetically arranged chairs and probably only chairman himself (Mr. Rau), could have seen the Visitor better. This delegate, whose name you'd know, said, 'Such a strange fellow. Was it a tear in His eye? Yet' 'I'M STILL QUOTING (says Mr. Harvey) — 'Yet His calloused hand was that of a laboring man. A man of the soil perhaps. Or a carpenter.' And so ends my

THE SPIRIT BEHIND YOUR SPEECH

By J.D. Smith

He was an inspiring speaker. He held his audience enthralled with the power and fire of his voice. He finished and the applause thundered and rolled throughout the huge auditorium.

Later, as a long line of people waited to shake his hand and congratulate him, one man asked him if he could have permission to print the sermon. The minister answered, "Yes, providing you also print the thunder and lightning that go with it."

You can't put personality on paper. You can type the most thrilling speech and put it on paper and it will lose a great deal of its power. You can even record a great speech on a tape recorder and it will still lack greatly from the live, in person performance. The recording might carry the music of an excellent voice, but it will not capture his fiery light in the speaker's eyes, the glow of his face, the sweep of his hand, nor the inspiration of his spirit.

You can read the finest book on salesmanship and still not get as much from it as the pep talk the sales manager delivers in person. The spirit of the personality is all important. People who give their testimonies in a church meeting are often very impressive because they give you the spirit of their personality.

When you speak, it is almost impossible to hide all that has gone before in making up your own individual personality. It is true, that what you have most recently steeped yourself in the way of thought will come out with more force and conviction in your speech.

Bruce Barton has written: "If you have anything really valuable to contribute to the world it will come through the expression of your own personality . . . that single spark of divinity that sets you off and makes you different from every other living creature." The idea is to bring out your best personality in a conversation or a public speech. — Moorcroft (Wyoming) Leader.

Christmas story. If I have not said what I intended, the fault lies in the messenger (that is, in Mr. Harvey) not in the message. FOR I HAVE QUOTED THE MESSAGE PRECISELY. ADDING NOTHING.

—Paul Harvey, Goodnight." End quote.

Mr. Paul Harvey's influential position and his stand for Christian principles is very much appreciated in relation to the above message which was released by radio and later in printed form for reproduction.

This message has been able to stir and thrill many hearts of both believers and unbelievers to a sense of the soon coming of the Lord.

"And now abideth faith, hope, love, these three, but the greatest of these is love." I Cor. 13:13.

"Lord, grant that I may always DESIRE more than I accomplish." — Michelangelo.

Many RECEIVE advice: few PROFIT by it.

History Of Jerusalem

B.C.

1900 Priest of the Most High God. Melchizedek was Priest-King of Salem when he met Abraham (Gen. 14.)

1900 to c. 1800 Egypt. The Armana letters (14th Century B.C.) called Jerusalem "Uru Salem." Abraham and Isaac went there. (Gen. 22.)

1300 Jebusite Fortress. Joshua entered the land but did not take Jerusalem. He was promised Sinai and the northern part of the fertile crescent.

1010 David's Capital. David captured the stronghold and called it Zion. It was held by him and his successors for 400 years. Solomon's magnificent temple was built in 950 B.C.

587 Babylon. Nebuchadnezzar destroyed Jerusalem and carried away the last of the people into captivity.

536 Persia. Cyrus conquered Babylon and permitted the Jews to return. Nehemiah (444 B.C.) rebuilt Jerusalem at Government expense.

331 Greece. Alexander the Great defeated Darius III at the battle of Arbela near Nineveh. Jerusalem passed into Greek hands.

300 Egypt. After Alexander's death his General Ptolemy (founder of the Ptolemaic dynasty in Egypt) included Jerusalem in its empire.

198 Syria. Antiochus III, Seleucid King (descendant of Seleucus Nicator, Alexander's general) took Palestine and Jerusalem.

142 Jewish Control. Antiochus IV entered Jerusalem, plundered and desecrated the Temple. The Maccabees rose in revolt (165). The Temple was rededicated. Independence in 142.

63 Rome. Two Roman generals forced their way into the city in 63 and 54.

40 Parthians. A Parthian army plundered it.

37 Rome. Herod the Great fought his way in and started a great building project. The walls were restored, some notable towers added and the temple rebuilt on a huge scale.

A.D.

33 Jesus Christ was crucified, Tiberius being Emperor in Rome, Pilate procurator in Judea and Caiaphas High Priest in Jerusalem.

70 In April Titus surrounded Jerusalem. In May half the city was captured. In July the Fortress of Antonia fell and the daily sacrifices ceased. In August the Temple went up in flames. On Sept. 4th the city fell after 143 days' siege. 600,000 perished.

132 Hadrian razed Jerusalem to the ground after another revolt. A much smaller city was built, dedicated to Jupiter, from which all Jews were excluded.

321 Constantine allowed Jews into the city again, and from this time the city became Christian and many holy sites were commemorated by churches and monasteries being built over them.

614 Persians stormed and plundered the city.

637 Arabs captured the city (Caliph Omar).

691 The Dome of the Rock was built on the site of the Temple area.

1050 Turks replaced the Arabs. These were semi-barbarian and treated Jews and Christians badly.

1099 The Crusades resulted and a Christian Kingdom was established there for nearly 100 years.

1187 Arabs under Saladin (Egypt) took the city and held it for 330 years.

1517 Turks of the Ottoman Empire took it. In 1942 Suleiman the Magnificent rebuilt the walls as they are today.

1917 Great Britain (Allenby) entered the city on foot, and the Balfour Declaration opened Palestine for Jewish immigration, under a British Mandate.

1948 The State of Israel was born. The British Mandate ceased. Jerusalem was partitioned after an intensive siege. The Jews won but Jerusalem was divided, Jordan controlling the Old City.

1967 Israel took the Old city and was in control of all Jerusalem for the first time for 2030 years.

JESUS CHRIST FORETOLD THIS DRAMA

When Jesus was being asked by His disciples about the coming of His Kingdom He replied in words recorded for us in three long chapters in the Gospels . . . Mathew 24, Luke 21 and Mark 13.

There he foretold the destruction of Jerusalem by encircling armies and warned his disciples to flee for their lives when they saw this happening. This was fulfilled in A.D. 70 when Titus invested the city and the Christians escaped to Pella.

But in Luke 21:24, He looked forward past the immediate political and military dominance of Rome to a far off day. He said (speaking of the Jewish people) "they will fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations; and Jerusalem will be trodden down by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled."

He saw the day when Jerusalem would

NEED A NEW PREACHER?

A church was in need of a pastor. So, one of the elders, interested in knowing just what kind of a minister they desired, wrote a letter as if he had received it from an applicant. He then read the letter to the pulpit committee:

Gentlemen:

Understanding that your pulpit is vacant, I would like to apply for the position. I have many qualifications that I think you will appreciate. I have been blessed to preach with power and have had some success as a writer. Some say that I am a good organizer. I've been a leader in most places I have gone.

Some folks, however, have some things against me. I am over 50 years of age. I've never preached in one place more than three years at a time. In some places I have left the town after my work caused riots and disturbances. I have to admit that I've been in jail three or four times, but not because of any real wrong-doing on my part. My health is not too good, tho I do get a good deal done. I've had to work at my trade to help pay my way. The churches I've ministered in have been small, tho located in several large cities.

I've not gotten along too well with the religious leaders in different towns where I've preached. In fact, some of them have threatened me, taken me to court, and have ever attacked me physically.

In all honesty I must say that I'm not too good at keeping records. I've been known to forget whom I baptized. But I've tried to write helpful letters to those who've been converted under my ministry, altho some have criticized me severely for writing back to a congregation after I've moved on.

Oh, yes — since it is of great importance to many churches — I should point out that I do not have a wife to serve as my unpaid assistant and to lead in the music of the church and the women's activities and to listen to problems. But thru diligent effort I try to make up for this which is lacking.

If you can use me, please know that I shall do my best for you, even if I have to work at an outside activity to help with my support . . .

The Elder then asked the committee if they were interested in such a candidate for the pastorate of their church. The immediate reply was "No." They were not interested in any unhealthy, contentious, trouble-making, absent-minded ex-jailbird. They were insulted that his application had been submitted. They demanded to know the name of such a character. Whereupon the Elder showed them the signature of the letter — The Apostle Paul.

no longer be the capital of an occupied country but be free in her own sovereign right. And that day when it came would signal an approaching vast international upheaval, the end of the Great Powers and the beginning of an entirely new day when He, the Jew's Messiah and the world's King, would come to establish universal Kingdom of Justice and Peace on earth. (Dan. 2; Isa. 11 and 12; Mat 24; Rom. 11; and Rev. 20.)

The whole of the Bible looks forward to that Day. The whole of history has been moving towards that Day. — Sel.

The Poets Page

Don't Quit

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill,
When the funds are low and the debts are high,
And you want to smile, but have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit,
Rest, if you must, but don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learn,
And many a failure turns about —
When he might have won had he stuck it out.
Don't give up, tho the pace seems slow —
You may succeed with another blow.

Success is failure turned inside out —
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt;
And you never can tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems afar;
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit —
It's when things seem worst that you must not quit.

A Mother And Her Boys

I envy not a Mother's role,
She's such a sweet unselfish soul,
But raising boys, it's often true,
She fails to keep the end in view.
She serves them as a willing
slave
And this attention soon they
crave.
If they do wrong, she just
employs
The old excuse, "Boys will be
boys."
But boys will not be boys for long,
To think they will, is very wrong.
For, all too soon — the boys are
men,
It's much too late to change them
then.
So Mother, while they play with
toys,
Remember, boys do not stay
boys;
So keep in mind God's Master
Plan,
And raise that boy to be a man.
— Arthur Slater.

I sought my soul,
But my soul I could not see,
I sought my God,
But my God eluded me,
I sought my brother
and found all three.

Smile

The thing that goes the farthest
toward making life worth while
that costs the least and does the
most
just a pleasant smile.
The smile that bubbles from a
heart
that loves its fellow men,
Will drive away the clouds of
gloom
and show the sun again.
It's full of worth and goodness too,
With genial kindness blent.
It's worth a million dollars
and doesn't cost a cent.

There is nothing more beautiful
than cheerfulness in an old face.

Too Busy?

Too busy to laugh, too busy to
play,
Too busy to loaf, for even a day;
Too busy to smile or walk a mile,
Too busy to see that beautiful tree
Or gaze a while at the open sea.
From friend and foe, all they
know —
"I'm too busy!"

Too much hurry, too much rush,
No time to listen to the song of
a thrush.
Too busy to live, too busy to love.
Too busy to ever look above;
At last at the Gate I can hear
Peter say:
"You're too busy, please go away.
If I let you in you wouldn't stay!
"You're too busy!"

Love Divine

By Catherine Brown
O Love, unequalled Love Divine,
That pardons every erring foe.
Supremest love in Heaven above,
And purest love on earth below.
He dwells with those of humble
mind,
In evil works He takes no part.
His ministry to all is kind,
His favorite throne, — the human
heart.

The Middle Years

I thank thee, God, for all the years
behind me and the ones ahead.
I would not change the toil and
tears, nor all the storms which
have buffeted my life, for they
have made me strong to meet
the years to come.
I know rememberings of joy,
a song to carry in my years.
I grow content and face the
setting sun.
A life complete, a life begun!
— Frances L. Lovell.

God makes a promise
Faith believes it
Hope anticipates
Patience waits for it.

"I'm Out For A Good Time"

SOME YEARS AGO I had been trying to present Christ to the hardy population of a beautiful mining town in the mountain regions of Northern California. One afternoon I noticed in the meeting-hall a young woman whose sin-marked face, weary look and careless demeanor could not fail to attract attention.

Stepping over to her at the close I asked, "What about your soul. Have you ever thought of preparation for eternity?"

"My soul? — I ain't got none!" was the flippant reply, followed by a foolish laugh. After solemnly warning her of coming judgement, she exclaimed, "You ain't going to scare me into religion. Wouldn't I look nice joining you folks?" I'm out for a good time — "

"But when you've had your day, when your so-called 'good time' is over forever, when death, judgement and eternity have to be faced, when God has to be met, WHAT THEN?"

"Oh well, of course, I don't intend to live like this right along. I'll get religion when I grow old. I ain't got time for it now."

"Yes; so the devil has deceived thousands, but you may never live to grow old. You may not have time to prepare for eternity, tho you must find time to die."

Another laugh greeted this warning, and she was gone . . . I was told she had abandoned herself to a grossly wicked life, tho little more than a child, and was an outcast from respectable society.

Some weeks after the above conversation, an undertaker came to me and said he had a funeral to attend that was a source of much embarrassment to him. The person to be buried was a young woman of so notorious a character that he could scarcely persuade anyone to act as pallbearers. Mentioning her name, he asked if we knew anyone who might do her this last service. We promptly offered ourselves.

It was the girl I had so recently spoken to, cut down in a moment — "suddenly destroyed, and that without remedy." Two days before, she had spent a public holiday in a revolting manner, and after midnight was carried home drunk and put into bed from which she never arose. In a few hours she had passed into eternity.

A minister had been called in but what could he say?

"She has lived her life," the minister said. "I won't speak of it, for it cannot be altered now. You have YOURS to live yet. I speak then to YOU," and he faithfully urged them to flee to Christ for refuge.

As I helped to lower the coffin in the grave, my heart was sad indeed. As I turned away I heard someone exclaim, under his breath, "Just think of it, only seventeen years old, and gone to !!" The last word was lost in the noise about me, or perhaps never uttered.

Were you to pass suddenly from time to eternity in your present condition, what word could be truthfully used to speak of your final abode? Heaven or Hell?

H.A.I.

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The Broken Leg

A BROKEN LEG is not a pleasant thing; yet a good Christian minister, named Gilpin, who lived in the days of the cruel Mary, Queen of England, had cause to be thankful for it.

He was actually on his way to London, where he was to be tried for daring to preach the Gospel, when he broke his leg through a fall. Of course it was impossible for him to proceed on his journey for some time, and the man who had charge of him said with a sneer, "You say that nothing happens to God's people but what is for their good. Do you think your broken leg is for your good?"

"I have no question but it is," said the Christian, and his faith was rewarded.

Before he was able to travel, Queen Mary died, and Mr. Gilpin was allowed to return to his parish, where he was welcomed by crowds of people, who blessed God for the deliverance of their beloved pastor.

— The Banner of Truth

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