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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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## Jesus Saves — Jesus Heals

"The Lord is the strength of my life." Psalm 27:1.

"My God shall supply all your need . . ." Phil 4:19.

"Fear thou not! for I am with thee: . . . I will strengthen thee: . . . I will help thee: . . . I will uphold thee . . ." Isaiah 41:10.

". . . I am the Lord that healeth thee." Exodus 15:26.

"Behold, I give you power . . . over all the power of the enemy: . . ." Luke 10:19.

". . . God, . . . always causes us to triumph in Christ." 2 Cor. 2:14.

". . . The Lord, . . . healeth all thy diseases." Psalm 103:1-3.

". . . The sick, . . . shall recover." Mark 16:18.

### Pisgah Comes Home

It was on February 5, 1895 that Doctor Finis Yoakum, founder of the Pisgah Home Movement, was healed of the Lord. He had been a practicing Medical Doctor in Denver, Colorado until approximately six months previous, at which time he was seriously injured when struck down in the city street by a run-away horse being driven by a drunken man. The severity of his injuries caused his health to deteriorate rapidly, and even after he arrived in California, where he declares God led him contrary to the advice of his family and friends, he continued to grow worse. But on that wonderful day when he was prayed for at the Missionary Alliance Hall, 107½ North Main Street in downtown Los Angeles, the Pisgah work was born in the good Doctor's heart.

After his own healing, Doctor Yoakum became greatly moved in compassion for sick and suffering humanity. He began immediately to pray for needy ones and his ministry began to bear fruit, until multitudes were soon coming his way for spiritual and physical deliverance.

From 1895 up to 1909 when the first Pisgah Journal was published, many things took place on and near the grounds of "Old Pisgah" in Highland Park (now a part of Los Angeles proper). A tent for Gospel meetings was erected and used for a period of time, and finally in 1908 a large tabernacle was erected in place of the tent. The same year the final addition was built on the Pisgah Home. Shortly before and after that time other enterprises began to blossom forth. Included among these was the Benner Street Hall and Free Store, where one could come and select articles of merchandise as well as foodstuffs. The only credential needed was that the individual was too poor to buy anything, so it was freely given to him. Then there was The Ark (the place with one door, clinging to the hillside above the Free Store) which Doctor Yoakum dedicated as a home for fallen girls.

Many of the vegetables for Pisgah's use in those days came from the Lanker-shim Gardens in the San Fernando Valley. Here Doctor Yoakum used to send the consumptive to regain his strength after his healing by the Lord.

Then, too, there was Pisgah Grande, a Christian community erected on a 3,000 acre ranch in the Santa Susanna Mountains, which was more than an experiment in communal living. It thrived, up until the death of the good Doctor in 1920. Unfortunately, after Doctor Yoakum's home going, many pressures were

brought to bear upon the work and, without the spiritual guidance of a strong man of faith, deterioration soon became evident. It finally was the decision of the Pisgah elders to sell the remaining property in Highland Park and the Pisgah Home Movement was moved first to the San Bernardino, California area and later to a large farm near Pikeville, Tennessee.

However, God's hand was still upon the Pisgah work and mindful of the dedication of Doctor Yoakum, the Highland Park property was purchased by Argyle F. Green, whose son was converted under Doctor Yoakum's ministry. "Mother" Green was saved at the death bed of her son who died in the great flu epidemic of 1918. She later (in 1939) incorporated the work under the name of the Christ Faith Mission and as such it has continued until this day.

In the early 1950's the Herald of Hope became the mouthpiece of the Christ Faith Mission work in Los Angeles. This paper was founded in April, 1928, by Brother James Cheek, who was the first superintendent of the Pisgah work after Doctor Yoakum's death. Brother Cheek continued as Editor of the Herald of Hope until his decease on March 6, 1954, at which time Brother H. J. Smith became the Editor of the publication.

On November 2nd, 1962, Brother C. M. White, the last of the original Pisgah Board which took over after Doctor Yoakum's death, was called to his eternal reward.

During the following 10 years and until his recently announced retirement, the responsibilities of the Pisgah Home Movement of Pikeville, Tennessee has rested upon the shoulders and hearts of Brother Paul I. Kelly and his dear wife Opal G. Kelly, who worked so faithfully with Brother and Sister White for a number of years before Brother White's passing. (Sister White is still alive — in her 90's — and very frail).

Just before their published announcement of retirement, Brother and Sister Kelly visited the Old Pisgah Home in Los Angeles and discussed with Brother Smith the combining of the two publications and the uniting of the works in Tennessee and Los Angeles. Brother Kelly felt "it was time for Pisgah to come back home."

Our prayers are with Brother and Sister Kelly in their retirement and as they return to their home in San Bernardino, California. May God grant them his continued Presence and assurance of a work well done.

Pray for Brother H. J. Smith, your

### Divine Healing — How To Get It — How To Keep It

Satan's primary objective is to discredit God. Spoiling of our bodies is one way he operates. Created in the image of God, we are caught in the middle of this spiritual battleground. Satan "as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour." I Pet. 5:8. He will devour you with disease and sickness if you let him. Our great advantage is that God sent His Son to destroy the works of the devil. I John 3:8. God through Jesus Christ will destroy Satan's evil works in your body!

Jesus our Lamb suffered in two ways. He shed His blood on the cross for our salvation from sin, and He bore the stripes on His BODY for our healing from sickness. If you have let Him take your sins, won't you let Him take your sickness? Healing is part of your salvation; do not be cheated out of it any more than you would permit yourself to be cheated out of forgiveness of sins.

The faith that receives from God rests upon the knowledge of His will. We cannot definitely take healing by faith, if there is any question whether it is for us. With proper knowledge of the will of God, we should not pray: "Lord, heal me, if it be thy will." "If" implies doubt, and doubt cancels faith. Never be guilty of praying a useless, unbelieving prayer concerning anything that God has promised. If you truly feel that it is God's will for you

Editor of the combined publications, and for all our faithful workers, that God may grant them Divine guidance, Divine health and Divine supply.

to be sick, you have no business going to a doctor trying to get rid of the will of God! The will of God is expressed in the Lord's Prayer: — "Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven." Is heaven filled with sick people?"

Our will, also, has a part in the question of healing. Will we take that which God has willed to give us? "If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." John 15:6. When our "I will" meets His "I will" the work is done.

Speak the following verses boldly, over and over, and you will become a changed person. Your life will become hidden in Christ. Don't read them quietly, but read them aloud. You are building your own faith! Break the silence with God's unchanging Word:

**Never confess that I can't . . . SAY:**

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13.  
"The Lord is the strength of my life." Psalm 27:1.  
"Oh, Lord, my strength, and my stronghold, and my refuge in the day of affliction." Jer. 16:19.

**Never confess that you lack . . . SAY:**

"My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in Glory by Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:19.  
"No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly." Psa. 84:11.

**Never confess that you fear . . . SAY:**

"For God hath not given me the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." 2 Tim. 1:7.  
"Fear thou not! for I am with thee: be not dismayed for I am thy God. I will strengthen thee: yea, I will help thee: yea, I will uphold thee with the  
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**To Our Readers and Prayer Band:**

It seems that the year 1972 ended so soon. I guess that the older we get the years seem to pass by much more quickly. But then, time is too important to waste on the backward look. What about 1973?

I am sure that God is granting us a lengthening of our tranquility. Time and opportunity is still ours in 1973, or as long as we continue in faithful intercessory prayer. God is still not far away, though the wickedness of men's hearts is great. God can be reached by earnest men and women. Fervent prayer still moves His heart. Let us make of 1973 a banner year of Holy Ghost intercession and activity. What is there that must yet be done before Jesus comes? Prayer will open closed doors and loose those in chains of bondage. Let us be encouraged. Revival is still in the earth and there are greater things ahead.

There is much spiritual activity in the greater Los Angeles area in these days. Of a truth, the wheels of revival are turning, and the winds of revival are blowing. Let us never minimize the value of any move of God. Full Gospel Business Men are on the move for God. New Chapters are springing up everywhere. Charismatic movements are spreading and stirring churches and denominations. Revival is still increasing in power and scope among the youth of today, in spite of the evil designs of the Wicked One. There is a very real move of God's Holy Spirit in evidence wherever you look.

About this time last year I was addressing a rather large gathering of Christians here at "Old Pisgah" and recounting some of the calamities and judgments of the past few years. I mentioned the floods of 1969, the fires of 1970, the great earthquake of 1971, and I said to the people, "What shall 1972 bring us?" A great chorus of voices joined together to bring the answer, "REVIVAL!" "REVIVAL IN '72!" This was surely a prophetic voice — revival came to our entire area, and revival is still with us. Let us pray for its continuation and increase.

May we say to our many friends, "Thank you for your kind response to the last issue of the Herald of Hope." It was heartening and encouraging. We have been passing through a very severe time of testing and we are grateful for your prayers and financial help. Please stand with us that we may rapidly recover ourselves so that we can begin to send out our foreign issues regularly throughout the world. We would hope that the days of retrenchment in overseas Christian Literature work has come to an end. Will you pray with us for an increase in funds for this Literature ministry?

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## The Inside Story Of Azusa Street April 1906

By Mother Cotton

Brother W. J. Seymour, the one whom God used to bring the message that stirred the world, was born in Louisiana. He was saved and sanctified under the "Evening Light Saints", a Holiness group. Later, he came to Houston, Texas, where he met Sister Farrar, who had a small Holiness mission. She was led to go to Kansas to attend Bible School and Brother Seymour, who was now one of the congregation, was asked to act as pastor during her absence.

While away Sister Farrar received the light on Acts 2:4. She began at once to seek for more of God and the Spirit came upon her so strongly that she was unable to remain at Bible School. She then returned to Houston to tell the story of her wonderful new experience.

It was at this time that a Sister Terry went to Houston, Texas. Before she left for Houston, she learned of a group of Nazarine colored saints in Los Angeles who had organized a little Holiness church on Santa Fe Avenue. Sister Terry went to these meetings where she met the pastor, Julia Hutchins. Consequently, when Sister Terry finally arrived in Houston that summer to visit her folks, she visited the Holiness mission there, where she met Brother Seymour.

Sister Terry later returned to Los Angeles where she immediately went out on Santa Fe to the little Nazarene group, and told Sister Hutchins about the "very godly man" she had met in Houston. Right away interest was stirred and the group invited the Holiness preacher, Brother Seymour, to their little church.

Just before Brother Seymour received this invitation to the Coast, Sister Farrar had returned from Kansas to her little mission, with her new experience. As she made it known to the preacher, that she had received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, he was amazed because he had thought the Baptism of the Holy Ghost was received when one was sanctified.

He then began to seek the Lord through prayer and the Word of God. It was then the Lord, in His faithfulness to Brother Seymour, as He is faithful to everyone who is honest, began to show him that he was mistaken about being baptized with the Holy Spirit; that he was only sanctified.

Brother Seymour began asking the Lord to empty him of his false ideas, and when he was emptied of every false thought and idea that he had, the Lord then made plain to him Acts 2:4, as a personal experience.

By this time, the fare from Los Angeles had reached him, and when he arrived here, he found the saints waiting for him with eagerness to see the man of God of whom they had heard.

Everybody was happy to see him, but on Sunday morning, when Brother Seymour preached on Acts 2:4, as a personal experience, oh! what a surprise to those old saints who had claimed the baptism of the Holy Ghost for years. There they were told by the preacher they did not have the Holy Ghost; they were only sanctified.

When the meeting was dismissed, Brother Lee, a precious colored saint who was a member of the Peniel mission, invited Brother Seymour to his home to dinner. When they returned to the mission to the afternoon service, the lock was on the door, because the saints thought he had a false doctrine, and they would not permit him in the mission any more. So then, Brother Lee, out of courtesy for the stranger, (not that he believed that he was right) had to take him back to his home. He could not leave the stranger in the street.

Brother Seymour had no money to get out of town and the saints did not believe in him and he did not know anybody, so he stayed in his room and prayed. Brother and Sister Lee did not feel so good toward him, but they just could not invite him to leave. They had the unwelcome guest on their hands.

After a few nights in the home, Brother Seymour asked them if they would pray when Brother Lee would come in from his work, so they did. In a few nights, the Spirit of God began to take hold of the hearts of Brother and Sister Lee, for prayer, and they felt differently toward the stranger. Then in a few days more,

## Do We Really Trust God?

IF WE DID — we should never murmur, complain, or grumble.  
IF WE DID — the darkest future would be bright with His will.  
IF WE DID — our head would rest at night on the pillow of His peace.  
IF WE DID — our own scheming, planning, plotting would cease.  
IF WE DID — we should know our loved ones were safe in His keeping.  
IF WE DID — strange mysteries would not baffle.  
IF WE DID — the most severe cross would become our glory.

the saints from the little mission began to come around to see if the stranger was still in town or had gone.

They found such a wonderful spirit of prayer in that home, that they began to humble themselves before the Lord. It was then the Lord began to talk to them and everyone that came into that home would get down and pray. The news began to spread among the people about that praying man. They would not receive his doctrine, but they would pray with him.

Then came a neighbor into the home, a Baptist sister, Sister Asbury of 214 North Bonnie Brae, and invited the stranger, Brother Seymour, to hold the prayer meeting in her home. So they began the prayer meeting in Brother and Sister Asbury's home, and they tarried day and night. In the meantime, the Spirit of the Lord had taken hold of Brother Lee's heart in such a way that he now was in constant prayer. He was a janitor in the bank at Seventh and Spring for years and he said he used to go down into the basement of the bank and hide away and spend hours and hours in prayer.

One day the Lord gave him a vision. He plainly saw two men come to him: apparently Peter and John. He said he was not asleep; he was praying. They stood and looked at him; then they lifted their hands to heaven and they began to shake under the power of God and began to speak in other tongues. And he said he jumped up and he was just shaking, under the power of God, and did not know what was the matter with him. When he went home that night he said to Brother Seymour, "I know now how people act when they get the Holy Ghost." Brother Seymour had explained the manifestation of the Spirit to the group.

This sounded so foolish to them, and Brother Seymour could not explain it enough for them to understand; they just had to get it. After he had this vision, a deeper hunger was stirred in his heart. Brother Seymour could not impress the people, but after Brother Lee had the vision, they began to believe it was real experience. The Lord created such a hunger in Brother Lee, that he began to seek more earnestly for that experience.

One evening he came in from his work, and he said to Brother Seymour, "If you will lay your hands on me, I will receive my baptism." And Brother Seymour said, "No, the Lord wants me to lay hands suddenly on no man." Later on in the evening, Brother Seymour said to Brother Lee, "Brother, I lay my hands on you in Jesus' name," and when he laid his hands on him Brother Lee fell under the power, like dead, and Sister Lee was so frightened that she screamed and said, "What did you do to my husband?"

In a few minutes, Brother Lee rose up and sat in a chair. Brother Seymour said afterwards that he prayed and asked the Lord to let him get right up as they all seemed so frightened that the Lord could not finish the work at that time. Brother Lee had an heavenly touch then and he sought the Lord day and night.

Brother Seymour told about Sister Farrar, whom he had met in Texas, who had given him the light on Acts 2:4, so after Brother Lee had this experience with the Lord, they were anxious to see the woman who had had this wonderful experience in the Holy Ghost, and they got together the money and sent for her.

When Brother Lee came home one evening, and found Sister Farrar there, he fell on his knees at her feet, and he said, "Sister, if you will lay your hands on me, I believe I will get my baptism

## How To Get Faith

By D. L. Moody

Some say faith is the gift of God. So is the air; but you have to breathe it. So is bread; but you have to eat it. So is water; but you have to drink it. Some are wanting a miraculous kind of feeling. That is not faith. "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." Rom. 10:17. That is whence faith comes. It is not for me to sit down and wait for faith to come stealing over me with a strange sensation; but it is for me to take God at His Word. And you cannot believe unless you have something to believe. So take the Word as it is written, and appropriate it, and lay hold of it. In John 6:47,48 we read: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on Me hath everlasting life. I am that bread of life." There is the bread right at hand. Partake of it. I might have thousands of loaves within my home, and as many hungry men in waiting. They might assent to the fact that the bread was there; but unless they commenced eating, their hunger would not be satisfied. So Christ is the bread of heaven; and as the body feeds on natural food, so the soul must feed on Christ. Believe and live.

"I am come a light unto the world, that whosoever believeth on Me should not abide in darkness." St. John 12:46.

right now." And she said, "I cannot do it, unless the Lord says so."

Later, while at a dinner, Sister Farrar rose from her seat and she walked over to Brother Lee and said, "The Lord tells me to lay my hands on you for the Holy Ghost." And when she laid her hands on him, he fell out of his chair like dead, and began to speak in other tongues. It was so strange to Sister Lee and her brother, that the Lord did not do much through Brother Lee; he just spoke in tongues a few minutes and got up.

They went on over to the prayer meeting at Sister Asbury's home. When Brother Lee walked into the house, six people were already on their knees praying. As he walked in the door, he lifted his hands and began to speak in tongues and the Power fell on them and all six of them began to speak in tongues. Then came the great noise that was spread abroad.

They shouted three days and nights. The people came from everywhere. By the next morning, there was no way of getting nearer the house. As the people came in they fell under the Power; and the whole city was stirred. They shouted there until the foundation of the house gave way, but no one was hurt. During those three days, there were many people who received their baptism, who had just come to see what it was. The sick were healed, and sinners were saved just as they came in.

Then they went out to find another meeting place, and they found Old Azusa. It was an old discarded building on Azusa Street that had been used for a Methodist church but had been vacated for years. It seemed to have been waiting for the Lord and there began that great world-wide revival, where the people came from all over the world by the hundreds and thousands. That meeting lasted for three years, day and night, without a break.

While I write this, my soul is lifted up, because I saw the house in its first glory and when I remember those days, I feel like going down into the dust of humility, if only to bring back that old-time Power, I am willing to give my life.

I feel that this is the time now for the refreshing of the saints. This old-time Azusa work stood for and still stands for "the earnestly contending for the faith once delivered to the saints." This message of the Lord is a great getting together, that we all might be renewed in the old-time Spirit and Power; that we might do a greater work for Jesus in this last hour.

The noise of the great outpouring of the Spirit drew me, and I had been nothing but a walking drug store all my life, with weak lungs and cancer. As they looked on me, they said, "Child, God will heal you." In those days of that great outpouring, when they said God would heal you, you were healed.

For thirty-three years, I have never gone back to the doctors, thank God, nor any of that old medicine! The Lord saved me, and sent me on my way re-

## Victory Over Sin And Satan

In Matt. 12:29 the Lord said, "First bind the strong man," and then "Spoil his goods." How can you "bind" the strong man if you will not recognize his existence, and face the fact that he is the hidden cause of evil? The Church must learn this "binding" power of prayer, for it is written, "Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven."

(Matt. 18:18). And what can this "binding" mean except restraining the working of the enemy by appealing to the conquering power of HIM WHO was "manifested to destroy the works of the devil."

Once in the north of England, on a great market square, crowds of people were listening to the communists and atheists speaking. Some of their best speakers were there trying to stir up the people, and attacking the Christian workers of the town, and their work. A minister who knew something of this prayer warfare called the Christian people together on Sunday afternoon, and showed them from the Scriptures how satan was at the back of this attack on the market square, and that the thing to be done was to "bind" the adversary. The SPIRIT of GOD made it so clear that about one hundred Christians took CHRIST at HIS WORD, and aloud, with united hearts and voices, they said, "IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST we bind the strong man from stirring up these people and from attacking GOD'S work." They sang a hymn of victory, and committed themselves reliance upon GOD to fulfill HIS WORD. The next day a division arose among the atheists, their leader disappeared from town, and a week later he was arraigned before the police court and sentenced for other matters in his life. Then the authorities intervened and stopped the whole campaign on the market square, and the devil's attack was brought to nought.

In the light of this and many other proofs of the working of this truth, is the Church of GOD to sit still and let the enemy work unhindered? Is satan to stir up strife on every hand while men pretend there is no devil, and Christians shut their eyes and say, "We do not like to speak about him?" This in itself is the work of satan, and GOD'S children are taking sides with the world, which is under his blinding power (2 Cor. 4:4) when they yield to their feelings and do not wish to face the truth. If you will only take the Word of GOD, and search out these things for yourself, you will understand that the victory of Calvary was not only a victory over sin, but victory over satan — not only as a tempter, but as a hinderer, as a counterfeiter, as a deceiver, as a liar. And you will learn that you can have victory over the "strong man" in the victory of Calvary, and that too, not only for yourself but for others, yea, you may also stand with JESUS CHRIST in victory for the whole world.—Martha Penn-Lewis.

A great Scottish preacher has well pointed out that the real profanity of man is not some swear words we use. Those words are more stupid than sinful. The most profane word we use, he said, is the word "hopeless." When you say a situation or a person is hopeless, you are slamming the door in the face of God.

joicing. This is what I saw and heard. I have much more to say about the wonderful working of the Power of God among the people next time, if it is the Lord's will.—Taken from April, 1939 issue of "Message Of Faith".

Whatever else you do or fail to do, force yourself to form the habit of being alone with God, for the first of all secrets of holy living and serving is closet prayer.

JESUS IS COMING SOON!

Therefore be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh. Matt. 24:44.

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## The Poets Corner

### Diamonds In The Rough

A diamond in the rough  
Is a diamond sure enough,  
For, before it ever sparkled,  
It was made of diamond stuff.  
Of course someone must find it  
Or it never will be found.  
And then, someone must grind it  
Or it never will be ground.

But when it's found  
And when it's ground  
And when it's burnished bright,  
That diamond's everlastingly  
Flashing out its radiant light.  
Oh! Christian, please, whoever you be,  
Don't say you've done enough,  
That worst boy in the class may be  
A diamond in the rough.  
—Author Unknown.

### Faith

Faith came singing into my room,  
And other guests took flight:  
Fear and anxiety, grief and gloom  
Sped out into the night.  
I wondered that such peace could be;  
But Faith said gently, "Don't you see?  
They really cannot live with me."  
—Selected.

### Too Busy?

Dr. A. T. Pierson once said to a sick man, "I suppose you were such a busy man, and God had so many things to say to you, that He had to lay you on your back in order to get your attention." As he passed out the thought occurred to him, "I, too, am a busy man, and God Almighty may have to put me on my back in order to tell me all He wishes." He resolved to spend some time each night in his study, not reading or writing, but reviewing his life for the day, and opening his heart to God. It proved a great blessing to him, and doubtless it would to any one, besides saving us, possibly, from many delays in our work. "Wait, I say, on the Lord."—Sel.

### Recipe For Devil's Food

Take one boy of tender years, remove the ties of love, mix with parental neglect and bad company in equal parts; sift in a few foul stories; add a dash of devilry and a measure of mischief. Allow these to soak in, then beat into a fury. Add a pinch of hate, crush with brute force, putting in a pound of parental cussing. Shake well, and then turn into the street to harden. Garnish with ungodliness and serve with six months in the reformatory.  
—Dr. C. H. Williamson.

### Holding To The Word

Carosso, noted for the earnestness and faith of his prayers, tells as follows of the conversion of his children:

"I had always prayed for my children, but now I grasped the promises, with the hand of faith, and retired daily at special seasons to put the Lord to His word. I said nothing of what I felt or did, to any one but the Searcher of Hearts, with whom I wrestled in an agony of prayer."

About two weeks after, he was called from his work, to pray with his daughter, who became a seeker of Christ. His eldest son was converted at the same time.

Regarding his younger son he says: "I laid hold, by faith, on the promise which I had while pleading for my other children. One day while I was wrestling with God in mighty prayer for him, these words were applied with power to my mind. 'There shall not a hoof be left behind.' Soon after he yielded, and obtained the knowledge of salvation by the remission of sins."

"A dull and careless way of praying for our children will avail nothing. It may conceal hypocrisy, or strengthen deception concerning our own piety, but it will not move God nor convert a single soul. Our friends know that we are not in earnest, and care little for it. But, let us take hold of the matter in a spirit corresponding to the magnitude of the object to be secured, and there will be a movement!"—Prevailing Prayer.

### Postage Stamp Lesson

There was a little postage stamp  
No bigger than your thumb;  
But still it stuck right on the job,  
Until it's work was done.

They licked it and they pounded it  
Till it would make you sick;  
And the more it took a licking,  
The better it would stick.

Let's all be like the postage stamp  
In playing life's rough game,  
And just keep on sticking  
Though we hang our heads in shame.

The stamp stuck to the letter  
Till it saw it safely through  
There's no one can do better;  
Let's keep sticking and be true.

### Patience

Pain built a fence I was  
quick to hate.  
I clawed at the bars  
that held me fast.  
But when I learned to be  
patient at last,  
God took my fence and  
made it a gate.  
—Selected.

### One Day At A Time

There are two golden days in the week about which I never worry — two care-free days kept sacredly free from fear and apprehension.

One of these days is yesterday. Yesterday, with all its cares and frets, all its pains and aches, all its faults, its mistakes, and blunders, has passed forever beyond my recall. I cannot undo an act I wrought, I cannot unsay a word I said. All that it holds of my life — of wrong, of regret, and sorrow — is in the hands of the Mighty Love that can bring honey out of the rock and sweetest water out of the bitterest desert. Save for the beautiful memories, sweet and tender, that linger like the perfume of roses in the heart of the day that is gone, I have nothing to do with yesterday. It was mine — it is God's now.

And the other day that I do not worry about is tomorrow. Tomorrow, with all its possible adversities, its perils, its large promise and poor performance, its failures and mistakes, is as far beyond my mastery as its dead sister yesterday. It is a day of God's. Its sun will rise in roselate splendor or behind a mass of weeping clouds, but it will rise.

Until then, the same love and patience that held yesterday holds tomorrow. Save for the star of hope and faith that gleams forever on the brow of tomorrow, shining with tender promise into the heart of today, I have no possession in the unborn day of grace. Tomorrow is God's day. It will be mine.

There is left for myself, then, but one day in the week — today! And man can fight the battle of today. Any man can resist temptation for just one day. Any woman can carry the burdens for just one day. It is only when we willfully add the burdens of those awful eternities, yesterday and tomorrow — such burdens as only the mighty God can sustain — that we break down. It is the remorse of something that happened yesterday and the dread of what tomorrow brings. Those are God's days — leave them with God.

Therefore, I think and I do and I journey but one day at a time. That is man's day. Dutifully I run my course and work my appointed task on that day of ours, and God the Almighty and All-loving takes care of yesterday and tomorrow.—Robert J. Burdette.

### Hold On

"Hold fast till I come" Rev. 2:25. I believe that we shall see those successful who can in patience abide God's time. If the storm come, let us bow to it, but hold on to our anchor. If we cannot make much headway, let us try to hold on, and in time wind and tide will change. God may try us: He will not fail us.

## Truth In Humor

Scientists have been studying the effect of laughter on human beings and have found, among other things, that laughter has a profound and instantaneous effect on virtually every important organ in the human body. Laughter reduces health-sapping tensions and relaxes the tissues as well as exercising the most vital organs. It is said that laughter, even when forced, results in a beneficial effect on us, both mentally and physically. Next time you feel nervous and jittery, indulge in a good laugh.—Executives' Digest.

Don't be a big head at the board meeting and a pin head at prayer meetings. So many so-called pillars of the church are filled with "TERM"ites! Some church members live a cat and dog life — they purr at the prayer meeting and growl at home.

### MUSIC

The singing of a hymn should be a great experience for us. It can be a prayer, a testimony, a praise, and an invitation to others:

We sing "Sweet Hour of Prayer," and content ourselves with 10 or 15 minutes. We sing "Onward Christian Soldiers," and wait to be drafted into His service. We sing "O For A Thousand Tongues," and we won't use the one we have!

We sing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," and let the least little offense sever it.

We sing "Serve the Lord with Gladness," and gripe about all we have to do.

We sing "We're Marching to Zion," and fail to march to Sunday School, Prayer Meetings, or to Church.

We sing "I Love To Tell the Story," and never mention it all year.

### PERSECUTION

Better is an open enemy than false friend.

What if God ever looked you over for scars!

Grace grows best in winter.  
If religion costs you nothing, you pay for all you get!

The brook that has no rocks has no song.

Don't grumble; half the lies they tell on you are not true.

Blessed be the irritations of life that bring irrigations of grace.

If you have not tasted the bitter you don't know what is sweet.

Some things bitter to endure are sweet to remember.

One going no where can be sure of reaching his destination.

It is useless to have an aim in life unless one has ammunition to back it up.

The greatest danger for most of us is not that our aim is too high and we miss it, but that our aim is too low and we reach it.

Stand by principles and not by parties.

The selfish person never understands the unselfish person.

You can't quarantine a pastor's troubles. Steam is water gone crazy with the heat!

Murmuring Christians are spoiled children.

We should command the Devil and not just remind him.

If we hear God, the Devil will fear us.

Easter Day is not decoration day!

A candidate shakes our hands before election and us afterward.

If we sell principle for popularity we are bankrupt.

One counterfeit puts all under suspicion. Mere emotion is not devotion.

If you give me fair words only, you feed me with an empty spoon.

Many times Satan dresses in satin.

The wolf that lost his teeth has not lost his nature.

The Devil can't chase you as long as you are chasing the Devil.

A preacher who won't fight the Devil is afraid of the Devil or he is a friend of the Devil.

Man did not come from a monkey, but some are going to the dogs!

The man who toots his own horn usually comes out at the small end.

There is little difference in bragging and braying.

## How To Live The Christian Life

1. BELIEVE the Record that through Christ you have received eternal life (I John 5:10-13), and then by faith walk in the newness of life (Rom. 6:4; I Tim. 6:12). The Christian life is not an imitation of Christ manifested in the believer. "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life." (John 3:36).

2. READ your Bible daily. Memorize certain portions that are helpful to you, especially the promises. Meditate much upon these. They will be food to your soul (I Peter 2:2), light to your pathway (Psalm 119:105), and weapons for your warfare. (Eph. 6:17).

3. PRAY to God as your heavenly Father daily in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Thank Him for all things. Count your blessings, and remember that they are from God the giver. Recognize your weakness as well as your sinfulness, and pray for help and victory. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." (Isaiah 40:31).

4. CONFESS the Lord Jesus Christ frequently as your personal Saviour, especially when your silence would mean to deny Him. He has said: "Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven" (Matt. 10:32,33). It often requires courage to do this, but it always brings added blessing and increases your strength.

5. AVOID temptations. They are bound to come, but do not go in the way of them (Psalm 1:1). Avoid evil companions and make friends of God's people. Remember that you will not be tempted above that you are able to bear, and that there is always a way of escape through Christ. Always yield to Him and trust Him for victory. (I Cor. 10:13).

## Seven Blessings From God's Presence

May the Lord's presence this day be:

**ABOVE YOU — To Guard.** "Know therefore this day . . . that the Lord He is God in heaven above" (Deuteronomy 4:39).

**UNDERNEATH — To Support.** "The eternal God is thy refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms" (Deuteronomy 33:27).

**BEHIND — As A Rereward.** "The God of Israel will be your rereward" (Isaiah 52:12).

**BEFORE — To Lead.** "I will go before thee and make the crooked places straight" (Isaiah 45:2).

**AT YOUR RIGHT HAND — To Protect.** "Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved" (Psalm 16:8).

**ROUND ABOUT—To Shield From Storms.** "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem so the Lord is round about His people from henceforth even forever" (Psalm 125:2).

**WITHIN—As Companion And Comforter.** "And I will put my Spirit within you" (Ezekiel 36:27). "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless, I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me" (Galatians 2:20).

—Mrs. Jonathan Goforth.

"March around your difficulty with shouts of praise."

"The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want." Psalm 23:1.

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