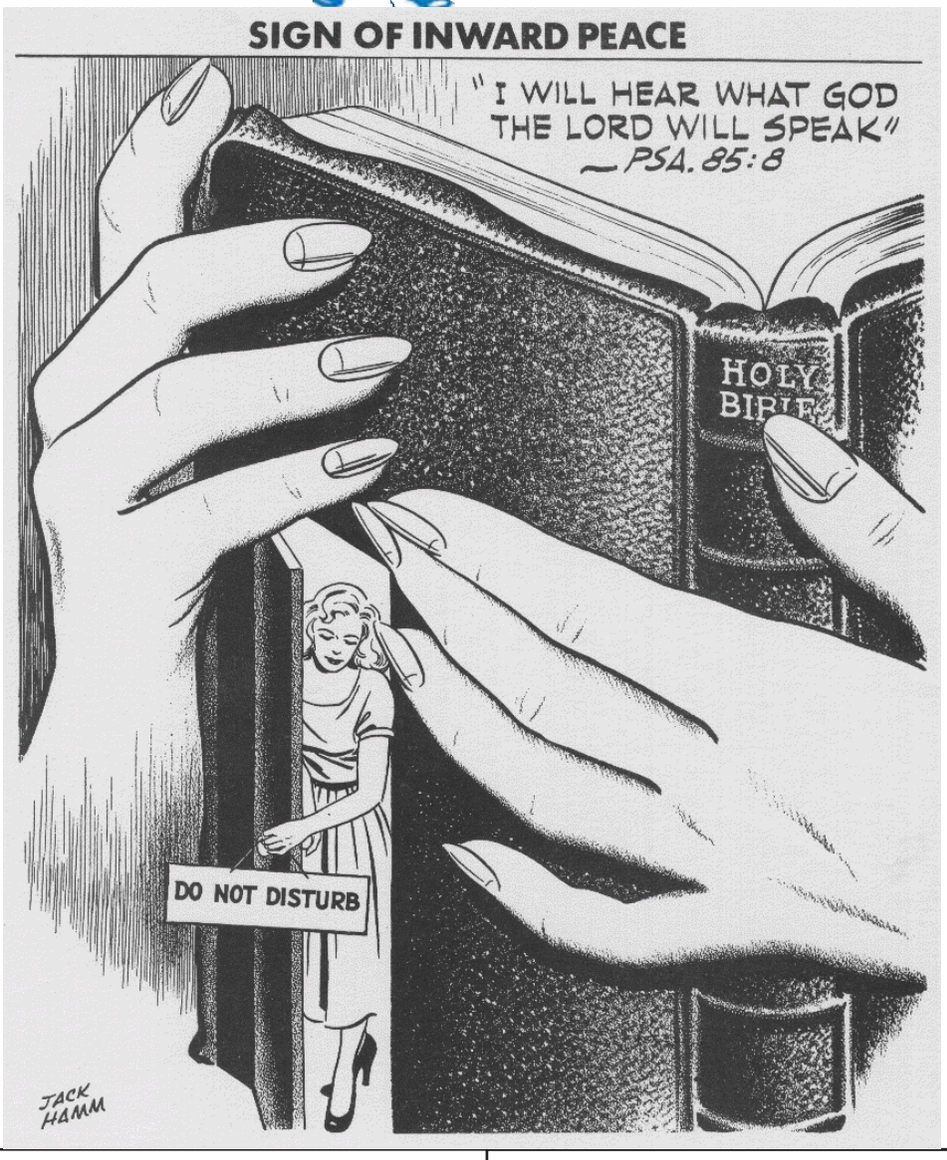
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OUR GOAL: REACHING FOR LOST SOULS FOR CHRIST WHILE THERE IS TIME



The believer who places his or her full confidence in a loving God and is thankful in every circumstance will possess a supernatural peace. An inner calm will dominate the heart. The faithful believer will know peace—his heart and mind are "guarded" by it—despite the tempest raging without. No one, especially those outside of Christ, will be able to fathom that peace. To most, it will remain a mystery how someone can be so serene in the midst of turmoil.

The peace that comes from being in a right relationship with God is not the peace of this world. The world's peace depends on having favorable circumstances: if things are going well, then we feel peaceful; when things go awry, the peace quickly dissipates. Jesus made the distinction between His peace and the world's vacillating peace: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you. not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid (John 14:27).

God's supernatural peace surpasses natural understanding. A cancer patient who experiences a remission of the disease may proclaim, "I am so thankful to God!" That is praise. A cancer patient who is dying and in pain may calmly say, "Everything is all right. I claim Romans 8:28, and I have peace in my heart." That is "the peace that passes all understanding."

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CHRIST IS THE ANSWER

Greetings to the Saints of God!



Pastor Junior and Brenda Tingle

Christian Greetings!
It is my honor to be able to come your way once again with another Issue of America's Christian Newspaper. I want to thank those of you who have contacted us and let us know that last month Newspaper was a blessing to you.

Also, I want to thank you who have sent in offerings to help with the rising costs of printing and postage. I have been pleased with brethren who have responded to let us know we are on target with the need of the hour.

In the very shadow of Christ's Blessed Appearing, it is time for good clean holiness-minded Brethren to unite in the spirit of brotherly love.

In July were in services at The Western Kentucky Holy Ghost and Fire Conference. This is one of the greatest Apostolic meetings in the Country. We were challenged by the strong meat of the Word! The fellowship was at its best. We were so encouraged by those that took part in this power packed Conference.

Brethren, many are standing strong in the face of todays opposition. There are many steady voices among us, pointing this end time generation of Apostolic's in the way of "the old paths"!

I thank God for every watchman who is lifting up his voice like a trumpet There are still giants in the land today who are worthy of double honor.

In closing, I want to invite you to send in· the names of pastors and ministers in your area who you feel might enjoy receiving this publication.

If this issue blesses you in some way, won't you sit down and write me this week? Share it with your friends, God Bless you. Brother Jr. Tingle

"Thus saith the Lord,Stand ye in the ways,and see and ask for the old paths, where is the good way,and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein." Jeremiah 6:16

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Water Baptism

Jesus, our exemplar, set forth the necessity of water baptism by precedent. Coming to John, He insisted that the Baptist baptize Him, and the reluctant prophet acquiesced (Matthew 3:13-17). Then, at the close of His earthly ministry, our Lord commissioned His church, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost" (Matthew 28:19). Thus, our Savior Himself initiated water baptism by both precedent and precept.

On this basis, water baptism has always been observed by true believers. Moreover, water baptism is of such importance and consequence that it is worthy of careful consideration.

The mode and meaning of baptism, its purpose, the formula, and whether or not water baptism is essential to salvation are matters of utmost concern.

The Scriptures depict only one mode of baptism-immersion. John sought and selected sites where ample water was available for baptizing (John 3:23; Matthew 3:13). Jesus came up out of the water after He was baptized (Matthew 3:16). Phil:p and the eunuch "went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him" (Acts 8:38). The word baptize, in its Greek form means "to dip," and there is no reason to think it means otherwise. The scriptural mode of baptism is immersion.

What is the meaning of the act of baptism to us?

Paul taught that we who are dead to sin were buried with Jesus Christ by baptism "that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:1-5). As He died, was buried, and arose, so we followed in His steps. We died out to this world (repented), were buried with Him by water baptism, and in the likeness of His resurrection, we arose to walk in a new life!

Peter amplified the beauty of baptism by relating how that "once the long suffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. The like figure whereunto even bap-tism doth also now save us ... by the resurrection of Jesus Christ" (I Peter 3:10-21). The "like figure" refers to the similarity between the salvation of Noah "by water" and water baptism which "doth also now save us."

Noah's old life the world and all that was in it-was destroyed by water, but, when the ark rested on Mount Ararat, a new life began! We were "baptized into his death" when we "were baptized into Jesus Christ" (Romans 6:3). He died and we laid down our old life in repent-ance, being baptized into His death.

But we were also made par-takers of the resurrection! The world, with all of its snares and en-tanglements, is under the curse of death and we are made aware of it. We are in the world, but not of the world.

When we went down into the baptismal water, the world system that is contrary to God went with us. We came forth washed in the blood of the Lamb; but the world and all that is in it was overflowed with the water. There is the "figure" and it is beautiful!

What does baptism do? What is its purpose?

When a convicted sinner turns to God in faith and repentance, he is pointed to God's answer to man's sins. Through the death, burial, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus, every person has access to God. This is accomplished by complying with Peter's Pentecostal message: "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost" (Acts 2:38). That is God's, answer to man's sins!

The purpose of baptism is clearly stated. It is "for (in order to obtain) the remission of sins." Jesus said that His blood was "shed for many for the remission of sins" (Matthew 26:28). Clearly, He shed His blood in order to obtain remission of sins for many. Anyone who suggests that we are baptized "because" we already have remission of sins would, in order to be consistent, be forced to say Jesus shed His blood "because" we already have remission of sins!

Peter preached "that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins" (Acts 10:43). This statement in-troduces us to the correct formula for water baptism. It tells us who receives remission of sins and the means by which the remission of sins is received, that is through the name of Jesus. Clearly, the correct formula for water baptism is one that uses the name of Jesus. Every recorded baptism supports this truth. (See Acts 2:38; 8:16; 10:48; 19:5.)

Those who fail to see the tremendous marvel of water baptism often attempt to dismiss the subject as irrelevant as nonessential. The thinking person is not so inclined, however. He understands that the essentially of water baptism emerges again and again in Scripture. For the honest-hearted the question is easily settled. The cogent words of the Lord of glory are adequate for such a person. He speaks, and the matter is forever settled!

Let us hear Him as He says, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:15-16). In those pointed words, He set forth the order of events: faith, baptism,salvation. He did not say, "He that believeth shall be saved, and he should be baptized." Instead, salvation is contingent upon our believing and being baptized. Clearly, baptism is essential to salvation!

Essential as water baptism is, by itself it is insufficient. It must be an act of faith, and that is why Jesus said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." Without faith, it is impossible to please God (Hebrews 11:6).

Water baptism is indeed worthy of careful prayerful consideration to both believers and to those who have not heard.

Bro E.L.Holley

Little Known Facts Of Church History

R.G. Hoekstra

"Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." Wonderful words, falling from the lips of Him whom Isaiah called "Wonderful, counselor, mighty God, the everlasting father". And yet millions of dollars are spent each year in the fields of science and education to controvert error, and to uncover the buried truths that set men free. How much more should we as Christians spend a few hours to uncover the greatest truths that God ever revealed to man.

Sad it is, but true nevertheless, that religionists have by their own unbelief covered many precious truths to the detriment of their souls, and to the great loss of their posterity. From the beginning of the church age a sinister plot has been evolved to keep from men the truths that will set them free.

And as, they (Peter and John) spake unto the people, the priests and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees came upon them, being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the. dead. Acts 4:1-2. Verse 17 reads as follows: "But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them (Peter and John) that they speak henceforth to no man in this name. And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.

Grasp if you can the significance of this act. The outstanding religionists of that day did all in their power to hinder the teaching of the name of Jesus Christ, the only name in which salvation might be found; the name in which Christ said that repentance and remission of sins should be preached to all nations.

Not to be turned from their purpose and minis-try, the apostles continued to preach and baptize in the name of Jesus Christ until thousands of con-verts were added to the church. The first great conflict centered about the name of Jesus, and it seems very apparent that the last great doctrinal controversy of the church age is now being fought on this old battle ground of truth.

Any scholar who is conversant with the Bible and with church histories knows that the apostolic church without exception baptized their converts by immersion in the name of Jesus. Christ for the remission of sins. Only after that the church was joined with the state and had started down the decline into apostasy was the name of Jesus Christ eliminated from the rite of baptism and the words, "Father, Son, and Holy Ghost", inserted in the place of the name of Jesus,.



Christ never did command us to baptize in the words, "Father, Son, and Holy Ghost", but rather He commanded us to baptize in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost (Matt. 28: 19). The apostles all baptized in the name of Jesus Christ which is the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. In reading the record of the acts of the apostles you will find that in every instance they baptized in the name of Jesus. Christ. Apart from that name, baptism is not valid, neither. is there any virtue in it. Paul tells us that there is one baptism. Is it the baptism of the early church, or is it the baptism of an apostate religion?

Church histories reveal that besides the apostles, the following church fathers adhered to the Bible method of baptism by immersion in water in the name of Jesus Christ. St. Cyprian, St. Ambrose, Pope Nicholas I, and as late as 792 A. D. the council of Frejus passed a resolution to return to the biblical method of qaptism in the name of Jesus Christ. By an outstanding authority on the Greek language we are illuminated with this literal trans-lation from the Greek-Epi Toi Onanati Jesou-means, the act of baptism taking place with the utterance of the name of Jesus.

A personal experience with this. great question may be in order at this time. A few years, ago I was an active worker and a young minister affiliated with a Trinitarian church in Long Beach, Calif. A minister in our city began to preach the doctrine of baptism in the name of Jesus Christ. The opposition soon marshaled their forces, and I was requested to search out in church histories the conclusive proof that all of the church father used the phrase, "Father, Son, and Holy Ghost", in baptism. Imagine my surprise when I found that none of them used that expression, but rather they, like the apostles, baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, which is the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, and which fulfills the commission given in Matt. 28 :19. (See Acts 2 :38, 4:10-12, Luke 24:47, Acts, 10:44-48, 8:16, 19:1-6).

How forceful are the words of the poet:

Truth crushed to earth, will rise again,
The eternal years of God are hers;
While error wounded, writhes in pain,
And dies among its worshipers.

Though the dust of the ages seemed to have hidden this great truth of biblical baptism, the Spirit of God searched it out before the eyes of men, and today many thousands are being baptized in the name of Jesus, Christ. Church history reveals that the greatest controversies of the church have had to do with the name of Jesus Christ and His deity. Throughout the dark ages many bitter battles were fought over the question of the Godhead and the deity of Christ.

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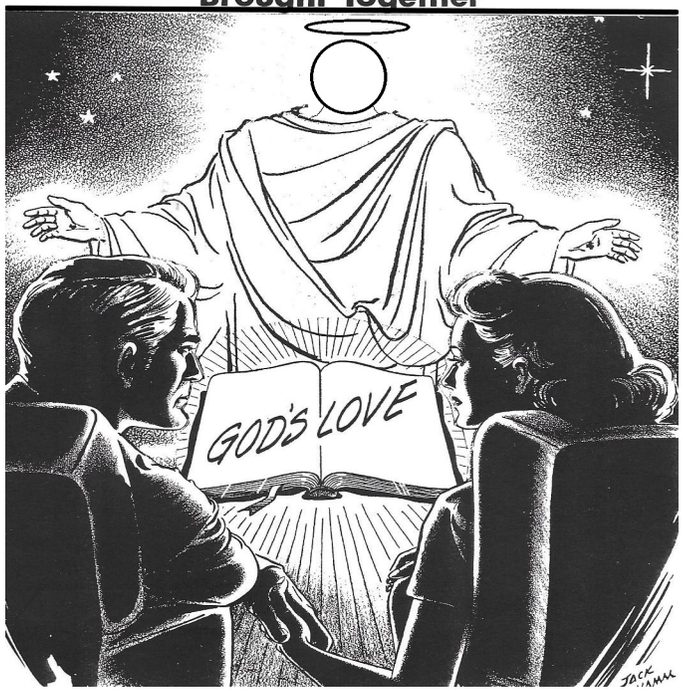
R.G. Hoekstra

Now that the smoke of the battle has cleared we can hear above the roar of the confused popes, prelates, bishops,, and laymen, the clear cut and decisive words of the Apostle Paul, "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ, for in him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily'. Col. 2 :8-9. With this the Apostle Peter agrees, say-ing, "There is no other name given under heaven among men, whereby we must be saved". Acts 4:1.2

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Not many years. ago in this city, Bishop G. T. Haywood made the church world conscious of the resurrection of this buried truth. Under his leader-ship hundreds went forth everywhere to preach this great gospel of the new birth of water and spirit: Baptism in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and the baptism of the Holy Spirit, speaking in other tongues. as the Spirit gives utterance. Eternity alone will measure the. worth of his ministry in the sight of God, and yet as measured by men on earth, his life and ministry were brought to an untimely end by his death in 1931. A great tribute was paid to him when, as our newspapers give record, his was the largest funeral ever conducted in this city. One of these days this champion of truth shall arise from the grave even as the truth that he "reached. "Truth crushed to earth will rise again, rise with it, and be saved." -end-

Brought Together



HAPPINESS

A WOMAN who had many sorrows and heavy burdens to bear, but who was noted for her cheerful spirit, once said in explanation: "You know I have no money, I had nothing to give but myself, and so I made the resolution that I would never sad-den anyone else with my troubles. I have laughed and told jokes when I could. have wept. I have always smiled in the face of every misfortune. I have tried never to let anyone go from my presence without a happy word or a bright thought to carry with him. And making happiness engenders happiness. I myself am happier than I would have been had I sat down and bemoaned my fate." This gospel of happiness is one which everyone should lay to heart. Set out with the invincible determination that you will bear burdens and not impose them. Whether the sun shines or the rain falls, show a glad face to your neighbor. If you must fall in life's battle, you can at least fall with a smile on your face.

Traveling on My Knees



Last night I took a journey
To a land far 'cross the seas;
I didn't go by boat or plane,
I traveled on my knees.

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

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

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

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

As I prayed on and saw souls saved
And twisted bodies healed,
And saw God's workers' strength renewed
While laboring on the field

I said, "Yes, Lord I have a job,
My desire Thy will to please;
I can go and heed Thy call
By traveling on my knees."

Whatever makes men good Christians, makes them good citizens.

Daniel Webster



At The Post Of Duty

"Every man stood in his place round about the camp. " Judges 7:21

As ministers of the Gospel, each one of us preached several times around this familiar passage of Scripture. We are familiar with the great victory God wrought through the hands of Gideon and the 300 valiant men who were not careless, fearful, or self-willed. Three characteristics, by the way, that would benefit every minister of the New Testament today!

The secret of success does not always lie in the masses. Napoleon evidently wasn't too familiar with his Bible when arrogantly expressing these sentiments: "God is always on the side of the heaviest battalion." If that were true, we may all be speaking French today.

We sing the song, "Little is much when God is in it". Sometimes God can speak a little clearer to us when we either feel alone or the number around us dwindles a bit. As in the case of Gideon, it is there that we understand that we really are dependent upon God.

Another reality check in this event is that God can't win victories with half-hearted soldiers. Someone has said, "Little prayer, little victory. Much prayer, much victory!"

It is the ploy of the enemy to provide so much turmoil in our families and churches that we begin handling things from a carnal standpoint and forget all about "leaning not on our own understanding".

What would have been the fate of Gideon and his men had they not entrenched themselves at their individual posts of duty? Brethren, the need is dire for each of us to gain a stronghold of prayer, love for Truth and holiness, and love for the saints that the Holy Ghost has made us overseer!

Evangelists must not desire the "post" of their pastor friend's church. The pastor must not look to the larger "post" with more "financial" opportunity! If you are in a home church lifting the hands of your shepherd, stay and operate where the Captain of our salvation has placed you. Opportunists do not witness the real victory!

Before usurping another post, please consider its ramifications on your family and the or each of us in Christ's great -Church. Operate in itBrotherhood as a whole. There is an honorable place and a task for each of us in Christ's great Church. Operate in it!



"Every man stood in his place round about the camp. "
Judges 7:21

The Battle

As I gaze across the battlefield
I see a man on his knees
with tears in his eyes.
He is not down in weakness,
but is gathering strength as he cries.
He leads his army without fear of
loss, for surrender is not an option
and to win is his cause.
He does not fear the enemy, but
fears his Leader Who is the Lord.
He is a battle hardened leader
who has won many battles
against the forces of the world.·
You may ask, "Is this man as
great as I've been told?"
I can only say, "Yes, "he is the
PASTOR
Who watches over my soul!

I supposed I knew my Bible

"I supposed I knew my Bible.
Reading piecemeal, hit or miss.
Now a bit of John or Matthew,
Now a snitch of Genesis.
You who treat the crown of writings
As you treat no other book
Just a paragraph disjointed,
Just a crude, impatient look
Try a worthier procedure,
Try a broad and steady view:
You will kneel in very rapture
When you read The Bible through.

unknown

"Dear Brethren Face The Deadly Foe"

Dear Brethren face the deadly foe, And walk in heaven's light,
Be firm and true in all you do, Through Jesus name and might: For we must conquer in this race, And glorify our God,
Who saved us by His matchless grace,
And cleansed us through His Word. Now in the name of Jesus Christ, As in the days of yore,
We reign through Him our sacrifice,
Salvation we adore;
Just as in days so long gone by, We trust His healing power,
And know when dead to self indeed He'll keep us every hour.
Oh let us ever watch and pray,
And read the precious Book, ...
Just let the Spirit lead the way, And to each promise look;
For we must fight and live by faith, Ole Satan to subdue,
And sing the victor's song at last, With saints in heaven anew.
"The just shall live by faith" we read And conquer o'er the beast,
Oh let the Spirit in you dwell,
On hidden manna feast;
For God has given a full supply, Your soul should not grow lean, So walk with trust in God alone, And not the things you've seen.
--By A. K. Chancellor

A GUIDING HAND

0. B. Mullins

Along life's long and thorny way
I slowly but rejoicing tread,
For though I do not know the way,
My Father knows what lies ahead.
My heart does know no doubt or fear;
I need not brave life's storm alone,
For with one hand Christ points the way,
And with the other holds my own.
The hills and valleys of life on earth,
For me are levelled by His care,
Because wherever I may go,
I always find that He is there.
Each day I trust Him for my needs,
And as I journey joyfully sing; For life is blessed, yes, life is rich underneath His mighty sheltering wing



DON'T QUIT!

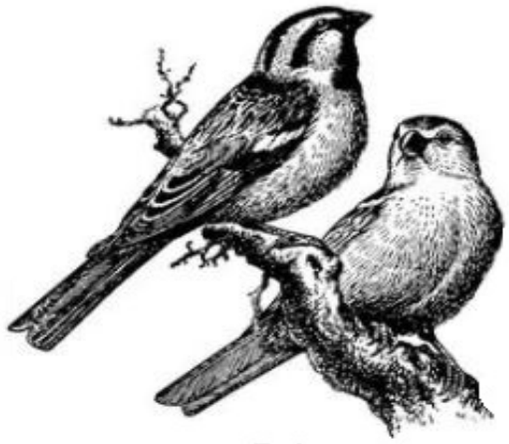
When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all up hill, When the funds are low and the debts are high, And you want to smile, but you have to sigh, When care is pressing you down a bit,
Rest, if you must - but don't you quit.
Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As everyone of us sometimes learns,
And many a "Failure" turns about
When he might have won if he'd stuck it out;
Don't give up though the pace seems slow, You may succeed with another blow.
Often the goal is nearer than
It seems to a faint and faltering man,
Often the struggler has given up
When he might have captured the victor's cup,
And he learned too late, when the night slipped down, How close he was to the golden crown.
Success is Failure turned .inside out-
The silver tint of the cloud of doubt,
You can never 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 mustn't quit.

Author Unknown

FAITHFUL IS HE WHO PROMISED

Are you passing through a testing,
Is your pillow wet with tears?
Do you wonder what the reason,
Why it seems God never hears?
Why it is you have no answer
To your oft repeated plea,
Why the Heaven still is leaden
As you wait on bended knee?
Do you wonder as you suffer,
Whether God does understand,
And if so, why He ignores you,
Fails to hold you in His hand?
Do black doubts creep in, assail you.
Fears without, and fears within,
Till your brave heart almost falters
And gives way to deadly sin?
All God's testings have a purpose
Some day you will see the light.
All He asks is that you trust Him,
Walk by faith and not by sight
Do not fear when doubts beset you,
Just remember He is near;
He will never, never leave you,
He will always, always hear.
Faithful is He who has promised,
He will never let you fall,
Daily will the strength be given
Strength for each and strength for all.
He will gladly share pain with you,
He will gladly give you peace,
Till your tired and weary body
Finds its blessed, glad release.
When the,darkened veil is lifted,
Then, dear heart, you'll understand
Why it is you had to suffer,
Why you could not feel His hand
Giving strength when it was needed,
Giving power and peace within
Giving joy through tears and trial,
Giving victory over sin.
So till then just keep on trusting,
Through the sunshine and the rain, Through the tears and through the heartaches,
Through the smiles and through the pain.
Knowing that our Father watches,
Knowing daily strength He'll give,
Victory for each passing hour of this life,
so let us live. by: John E. Zoller

All the trouble in the world began by believing a falsehood.



"HIS EYE IS ON THE SPARROW!"

"Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? And one of them shall not fal l on the ground without your Fath-er" (Matthew 10:29).
These words of Jesus encourage us to trust wholly in God. If the eye of Him who controls the universe notices the sparrow's fall, then certainly He is also concerned about every pain that rends the hearts of His children! An anonymous poet exclaims:
When the birds begin to worry
And the lilies toil and spin,
And God's creatures all are anxious,
Then I also may begin.
For my Father sets their table,
Decks them out in garments fine, And if He supplies their living,
Will He not provide for mine?
Just as noisy, common sparrows
Can be found most anywhere-
Unto some just worthless creatures,
If they perish who would care?
Yet our Heavenly Father numbers
Every creature great and small, Caring even for the sparrows,
Marking when to earth they fall.
If His children's hairs are numbered,
Why should we be filled with fear? _ He has promised all that's needful,
And in trouble to be near.
Believer, trust the Lord and let Him share the problems of your life. Since His eye is on the sparrow, be assured that He'll be near in your time of trouble!

If God sees the sparrow's fall, Paints the lily, short and tall, Gives the skies their azure hue, Will He not then care u?

AS YOU SEE HIM

"By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible" (Hebrews 11 :27).

A MAN'S LIFE and service for God will be commensurate with his understanding of the Lord; will be in proportion to the magnitude of God within him.

The word as used in this scripture is "to the same extent," or "to the degree." Moses was able to endure to the same extent, or to the degree of his perception of the invisible God. It was not because Moses was an Israelite that he was willing to leave Egypt, it was his concept of God. He had already left home; so he was not leaving for the sake of family and acquaintances. Nor was it a martyr spirit, sadism, minority group-complex, or sympathy with the underdog spirit that moved him. (This is a spirit that motivates so many today.) The impetus that conscripted Moses, constraining him to lead Israel in their peripatetic wander-ings around the wilderness was his comprehension of a God that was truly the "I AM"; the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, "trav-eling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save" (Isaiah 63:1).

Paul was driven by this same compelling force. He spoke of Christ being magnified in his body (Philippians 1:20). To magnify is to enlarge. Things invisible to the hu-man eye are clearly seen in their most minute detail when magni-fied. The thing that is magnified is not changed one iota. Whether you look at an amoeba or the moon, they remain the same, but the power of the microscope or telescope will greatly affect the observer.

Paul was the enemy of Christ and a destroyer of the Church until the light shone about him. The revealing light of the "knowledge of Jesus Christ" was even more powerful than the light on the Damascus road. For this revelation he renounced every ambition and counted all he had but loss for the "excellency of (this) knowledge."

The thing that is magnified is not changed one iota ... but the power of the microscope or telescope will greatly affect the observer. "

Jesus, magnified in his body, engulfed him; consumed him until he could say, "for me to live is Christ ... "

Follow the progressive revelation to Moses from the confusing stories of Israel's history, told by his Mother, to the burning bush, and on through the wilderness experiences. You will find him eventually talking to God face to face. He becomes so enamored to God that his greatest desire is to see Him in His glory. Watch him mature from groveling fear of leading Israel out, to a willingness to die for them. Before, he felt incapable; now, he argues with God, and reaches for even higher stakes.

It was not long before God turned down his life's ambition to conquer Canaan. He did not give up the ship. He did not despair or throw in the sponge. He did not consider his walk with God a loss. After all, HE HAD SEEN GOD!Such a blow in his earlier life might have caused him to run away as he did after the slaying of the Egyptian but never again. If you cannot see the invisible very well, you will not last. Achan only saw Him well enough to get to Jericho.

Lot's wife could not see Him well enough to get out of Sodom. As long as God allowed her Sodom, she could endure when it was taken away she looked back and lost both God and Sodom. Ruth saw Him and Rahab saw Him and the perception carried them into the lineage of Christ. Some 1500 years after Moses entreated God to allow him to see God's glory, Moses heard that same voice he had heard at Sinai, "Moses, come up on this mount Behold the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world." His perception of the Invisible brought him to the greatest revelation in the world the Mighty God in Christ. He endured as (to the degree of his perception) seeing the Invisible. So, if you are having trouble living for God, perhaps you have not yet seen Him as Isaiah did "High and lifted up," (Isaiah 6:1); or ex-perience Him as Job who complained until God came close enough to recognize,then Job



cried, "I have heard of you with the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you" (Job 42:5). There is a vast difference between hearsay and experience. Even when you have had an experience, it may be no more than seeing through a glass darkly. Remember that you will be able to endure according to your insight. You should pray with Paul in his prayer to the Ephesians: "That God ... may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him; the eyes of your understanding being enlightened ... " (Ephesians

By Kelsey Griffin

Have you ever watched logs burning in a fireplace? As long they were close together they burn warmly. But when they were separated the fire grew dim and they soon blew out So, Christians, worshiping together glow warmly, but when separated from each other soon grow cool and lose their testimony. Henry H. Evansen



Nearer To The Heart Of God

**There is a place of quiet rest,
Near to the heart of God.
A place where sin cannot molest,
Near to the heart of God.**

**There is a place of comfort sweet,
Near to the heart of God.
A place where we our Savior meet,
Near to the heart of God.**

**There is a place of full release,
Near to the heart of God.
A place where all is joy and peace,
Near to the heart of God.**

**0 Jesus, blest Redeemer,
Sent from the heart of God,
Hold us who wait before Thee
Near to the heart of God.**

Cleland B. McAfee

Be Sill And Know That I Am God



**He stood calmly, alone and quiet in the middle of the park, the gloom of the overcast day casting a gray shadow across his young face as he gazed steadily into the sky. His hand firmly gripped a thin line of worn string. The little boy had not gone unnoticed; many passersby looked wistfully at the scene, wishing they could pause in their hurried day and join the lad. But the only one who made time to stop was the tough neighborhood bully. Wandering by, he caught sight of the lone child, and tauntingly called out, "Hey, what'cha doin' out there, Billy?"
Billy smiled and replied, "Flying my kite!"
Scanning the cloudy sky, the bully scoffed, "I don't see a thing!
Bet your kite is long gone! Bet it's not even up there!"
The lad just turned back to his string with another smile. "Oh, it is there, all right. You see, I can feel the tug ... "
I know I can feel that pull upward, can't you? It is a call from above that beckons us to something beyond ourselves! The human soul and spirit have an innate desire to soar beyond our natural world. I believe that it is possible to have your feet on the clay of the earth while your soul flies into the heavenlies!
Do you long to follow the call?
Where is that place of quiet release and peace?
How do you get there?
When life is at its most suffocating, and you find yourself wondering how you can take even one more step through the decisions, turmoil, and stress that the journey brings, you can know a place of sweet escape and boundless peace. In that secret place of the Most High!!! Psalms 91:1
Psalms 46:10**

Question 's & Answers

Does Hebrews 6: 4-6 mean that if one backslides, there is no hope of his repenting and coming back to God?

Answer: *Verses 4 and 5 describe the rich experiences of one who has received the Holy Ghost. Then verse 6 says, "If they shall fall away (it is impossible-verse 4), to renew them again unto repentance .... " Verse 6 does not refer to what we commonly call "backsliding." To "fall away" means to go beyond "backsliding." Such people are described in 2 Thessalonians 2:10-12, " ... they received not the love of the truth that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not in the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness." Paul further said, "And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind .... " (Romans 1:28). Such people have not merely backslidden; they have fallen away. They have become possessed with a reprobate mind. God has given them up (Romans 1:24*

Repentance can only be brought about by godly sorrow (2 Corinthians 7:9, 10). A person who has fallen away, who has been given over to a reprobate mind, who believes a lie, and who has fallen into strong delusion cannot repent, because he can feel no sorrow for sin. His conscience is seared; his soul is damned.

Backsliding, turning away from the truth of God's Word, and becoming again entangled with sin is extremely dangerous. The devil will take away from such a person everything that God has given him, and will try to get him to the place that repentance is impossible.

If you are away from the Lord, and can still feel godly sorrow for sin, make a run back to the cross of Calvary before it is too late.

Bro. O.F.Fauss

When members of a church have problems or questions, and need advice and counsel, what is the relationship that should exist between them and the pastor and his wife?

The Bible teaches that the role of a pastor is one of leadership, as well as being a leader of the flock. The pastor is an overseer, a shepherd. He and his wife are as a father and mother to those who have been committed to their trust. Paul said, "For though ye have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet have ye not many fathers: for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel" (1 Corinthians 4:15).

A child should never fear or hesitate to seek the advice and counsel of his father or mother. Even so, saints, young or old, should avail themselves of that same opportunity to confide in and counsel with the pastor and his wife. They should be made to feel welcome. It is the duty of the pastor and his wife to make them feel at ease when they come seeking help.

This should be especially true of young people. Sometimes, to older folk, such problems seem small, but the personal and intimate problems of the young are too serious to deny, and they deserve good, sound, godly and spiritual advice. Just one wrong decision may mean a wrecked life farther down the road.

Saints who feel that their pastor and his wife love them, have their interests at heart, and want to present them to the Lord acceptable in His sight, will certainly find blessing and encouragement in their relationship with such godly leaders. This, in turn, will develop confidence and respect in their hearts toward the ministry.

SIN

Bro Andrew Urshan

THE MOST ABOMINABLE and cruel enemy of the human race is the fearful monster which is called sin.

There is a force that is dreadfully deceitful and misleading, something that breeds most intolerable hypocrisies, and that enemy is sin. The most degrading, disgusting, degenerating, disgraceful, and discouraging thing on earth, is sin.

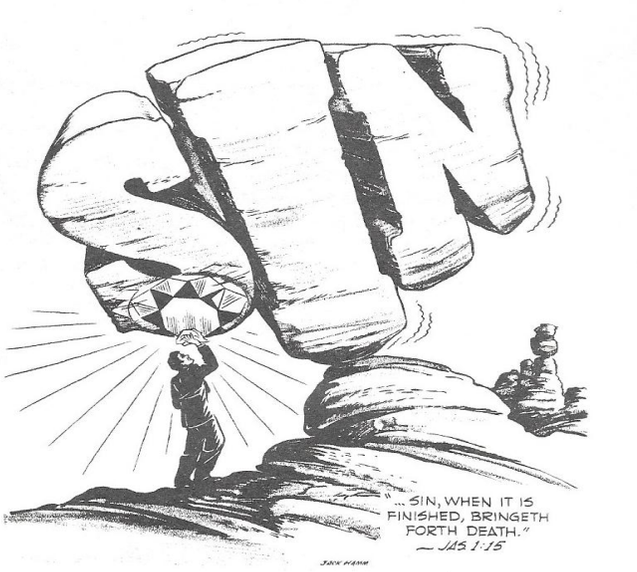
The most offensive, filthy, unclean, profane, and ill famed thing under God's heaven, is sin. Humanity's worst enemy is not the devil, but something worse than even Satan, and stronger than hades; that enemy is nothing else but sin. It was sin that turned the angels into devils It was sin that made the first human pair sorrowful and drove them out of God's paradise, into the unknown wilderness.

It was sin that began the age long martyrdom in Cain, first son of the first man, Adam. Sin drowned the ancient civilization by water; sin caused the confusion of the marvelous original language, and destroyed by fire the beautiful plains of Sodom and Gomorrah.

It was sin that killed the Israelites in the wilderness, and robbed them of their God promised inheritance in Canaan land. Sin tormented and killed all the innocent prophets, and even crucified the Creator on the cross of Calvary.

Sin is and shall be enemy "Number One" of all people of the earth, and the masterpiece of hell now and until the universal reign of Christ our Lord. Sin in religion, in commerce and in politics has caused hideous slanders and martyrdom of brother against brother; it has produced all the bloody, frightful wars; such wars, we believe, have caused even hades to shudder. Sin is blacker than the blackest crime; redder than the cruelest anarchist, and hotter than the fire of hell.

Sin creates malice, grudges, fears, doubts, jealousy, covetousness,



troubles of all kinds, and confusion through all ages. Those who entertain this terrible evil, exercise insults to God, hurt to their fellowmen, and finally damn themselves.

Sin cursed Mother Earth, made tame animals wild, caused the serpents to poison men and women of all ages. Sin's memories are as sickening as cancer; sin's shame is as dark as night; sin's wages are the first and second deaths.

This three-lettered destroying germ "S-I-N" ought to be painted above the doors of all asylums, prisons. and graveyards.

Sin has crumbled ancient and modern kingly thrones, it has made the rich poor, and the poor to revolt. It has broken not only all the laws, but many, many happy homes. It has broken many good hearts; it has broken strong men's characters, and it has destroyed good health and valuable wealth.

The arch angels could not escape its pangs. Adam and Eve, the first father and mother of the human family, could not cover it. All the man made religions have been unable to stop it. Sin, as a fact, is most real and stubborn. It is incurable humanly speaking ceaseless, sour, straining and strong. Yet, with all these plain facts, countless men and women love it, support it, live for it, fight for it, forsake all to commit it, and sell all to buy it. This hateful enemy has so cunningly deceived its highbrowed victims that some of them are even trying to deny its very existence; others will tell you to commit sin in order to build up nobler experiences,while others who seem to be helpless, have given up resisting it and are willingly yielding to its mean influence, trying to get pleasures from it.

For every thrill that comes from sin, countless tears have run down the cheeks of conscientious men and women. An hour of indulging in sin has caused the life ruination of multitudes. Oh, what sadness, how much of sorrow, and what heavy burdens have been laid upon the once just and happy hearts because of yielding to this cruel enemy.

Oh, my friend, do not boast in your sinning, but rather, repent! Yea, fearfully tremble, for if it cast the archangel down to the abyss, just think where it will lead you. Remember, sin has defilements, diseases, sorrows, shame, disgrace, and plenty of wages. Yea, an awful reaping of a miserable life now, here, and also in the eternal hell of tomorrow. So, my sinning fellowmen, let your laughing turn to weeping, let your boasting turn to humiliation, let your words turn to prayers, and offer your supplications to God almighty against this first bitter enemy of yours and your fellowmen. Jesus alone can deliver us from sin's dreadful clutches and woeful consequences.

Oh, friends, let us crusade against sin; let us fight it in Christ's name with God's power, let us denounce it and discourage it; let us confess it and turn away from it. Yea, let us get saved by the grace of God, to commit it no more. Will you not?

I have been asked, "Pastor, what do you think of SMALL SINS?" Sin is sin, whether small or large. A little snake, when fed and kept, will grow into a poisonous serpent, and that is the way small sins grow. The small white spot of leprosy is so innocent looking. You will see one of the fingers dropping off, and next a part of the chin will drop off, and so on, until the leper is the most pitiful looking creature on earth. The small spot applies to small sins. Entertain them, and you will get thrills or fun from them, but soon your character will be weakened, and you will fall into shameful sins.

Then you will be so helpless, with all of your will power gone; ruined morally, and ruined in your manliness **continued page 11**

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so much that you would rather die than live.

Small sins are the most lively things that have ever existed. They grow faster than grass, trees or our babies. Small sins will grow in everything and in all circumstances when allowed to live. So, my friends, do not call sin small, for it takes only small sparks to set great forest fires, and small words to start great wars. Sin is even stronger than the words of men, and wilder than the fire in the woods. Adam and Eve thought sin was a small matter, so they touched and ate the forbidden fruit. But you see where we all landed for that" small" disobedience of our first father and mother. Small insects have brought lofty eagles down from the skies. Small things grow, but small sins grow much faster. In the eyes of the Almighty, all sins are alike, whether they be small, wild, or criminal. To break one of His commandments is to be guilty of the whole law.

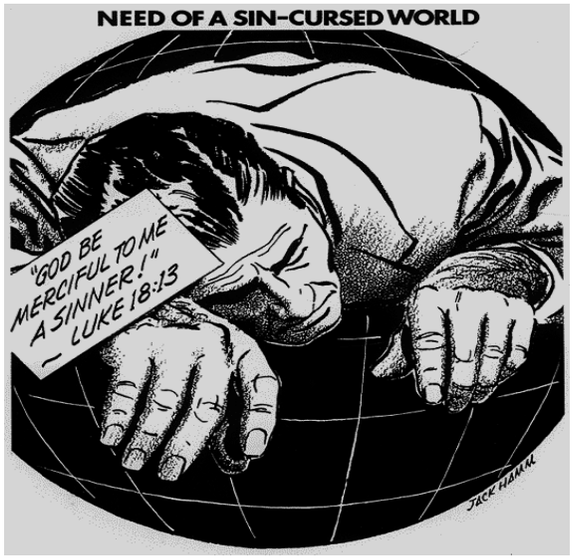
Some ask, "Pastor, tell us of THE ORIGIN OF SIN." SIN is a hideous mystery of iniquity. No one knows how old this detested enemy is. First it was found in Lucifer, the morning star archangel in heaven, and he, holding on to it and contending for it, lost his glory in the heavens. He was cast down with his host of angels into the unknown regions of darkness, yea into the limitless space, becoming a tormenting, wandering spirit of all foul spirits.

The first glimpse of SIN in the angels is called pride. That pride caused selfishness; selfishness caused dissatisfaction and rebellion, and thus the angelic war and the defeat of Satan.

What Is Sin?

Sin is doing, speaking and planning wrong. 'All wrong is sin, and all sin is all wrong. Sin is the transgression of the law of God. To break the laws of nature is to sin against nature; to break the civil laws is to transgress the rights of our loved ones. To break society's laws is to transgress against our neighbors. Sin is the breaking of the Ten Commandments of God, and is a rebellion against His holiness, justice and love. SIN is SIN, and SIN is SINFUL, and it is awful and horrible. When one admits that he is wrong, he means he has or is sinning. So, my dear fellowman, do not smilingly say "I am a sinner," but rather shudder and be converted.

All the trouble in the world began by believing a falsehood.



Heart Transplant

God too has had something to say a-bout heart transplant. "A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh" (Ezek. 36:26). When Saul was with the prophets of Samuel, it says, "God gave him another heart."

In Genesis we read that "the thoughts of the heart are only evil continually." One of the prophets said, "The heart is deceitful and desperately wicked, who can know it." "And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart" (Deut. 6:5). This cannot be done with an evil heart; therefore, there must be a heart transplant.

"LIFE IS IN THE BLOOD"

Medical science says that the physical heart is good for three hundred yea11, of living. We know that in the antediluvian world, people lived to be nine hundred years old or older. David said, "I am fearfully and wonderfully made." We think of the heart as the seat of life, yet life itself is in the blood. The heart is the organ that sends the blood to all parts of the body. Every twenty-two seconds the blood goes from the heart to the toes and returns to the heart.

The heart beats seventy two times a minute, and roughly speaking, one hundred thousand times a day and thirty-six million times a year; over two billion times during a lifetime of an ordinary person.

The normal heart never requires any valve adjustments, or needs to have any carbon burned out, or any particular lubri-cation. The work of the heart is truly as-tonishing, lifting many thousand foot-pounds a day, equivalent to raising one ton to a height of seventy-five feet. Only God could make a heart like that!

THE SPIRITUAL HEART

The spiritual heart is the seat of our spiritual life. That is why God told Ezekiel that man should have a new heart. For a long time, psychologists associated thinking with the brain, but God's Word says, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

.Paul said to the Romans, "For with the .h·eart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" (Romans 10 :10).

PURE IN HEART

The Bible also speaks of a pure heart. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." In II Chron. 25 :2 the Word says of Amaziah, "And he did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, but not with a perfect heart."

A perfect heart is a pure heart. If the heart is right it will regulate the rest of life; but if the heart is covetous, seeking th im-moral things of life, and allowing sin to dominate its forces, then we find man going the wrong way. We read that man looketh on the outside, but God looketh on the heart.

HEART TROUBLE

One of the most dreaded diseases is that of heart trouble, but there is spiritual "heart trouble" as well as physical. Millions of people have bad spiritual hearts, and with such a condition, have no hope of reaching Heaven. Go to the Great Physician, who will give you another heart.

One man cried out, "My heart is fixed, Oh God, my heart is fixed." The question is, "Is thy heart right with God?" If not, go to Him without delay.

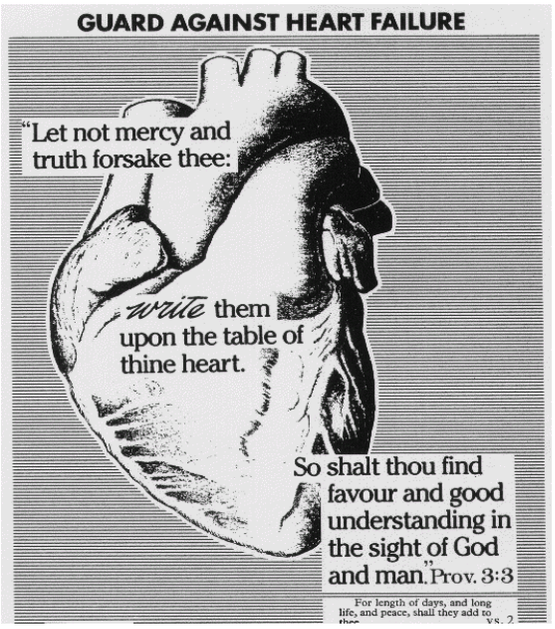
TRUE HEARTED

God will give you peace of mind and soul.

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Heart Transplant

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Then you will be able to say, "Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water" (Hebrews 10 :22).

NEW HEARTS

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old thing& are passed a-way· 1 behold, all things are become new" (II Corth 5:17)

Without God

At such time as this, I feel sorry for the evolutionist and humanist. Without God they are like blind men in a dark room looking for a black cat that isn't there. They don't know from whence they came and whither they are going. Surely they have no answer for this hour of history. They have leaned on a staff that will not sustain them. Like Belteshazzar in the presence of Daniel, the handwriting is on the wall. However, they cannot decipher it, and their knees are smiting one another.

Edythe Long

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding Proverbs 9:10

Lord, I Believe

When sorrow and storms are besetting my track,
And Satan is whispring,
"You'd better turn back,"
How oft I have proved it,
though dark be the way,
A little believing drives clouds all away.
How easy when sailing the sea in a calm, To trust in the strength of Jehovah's great arm;
But somehow I find when the waves swamp the boat,
It takes some believing to keep things afloat.
I'll stand to the end,"
I have heard people say,
I'll fight till I die, and will ne'er run away";
But when temptation so fiercely assailed, They left off believing, and terribly failed.
And others there are full of courage and zeal,
Who go to the battle like warriors of steel; But right in the heat of the conflict with sin,
Instead of believing they faint and give in.
Then let us remember in running this race, That faith is not feeling,
and trust is not trace;
And when all around us seems dark as night,
We'll keep on believing,
and win in the fight.

Unknown

Trust in the Lord, with all your heart.

Is Your Name Written

Oh friend, so loved of God,
Is your name written down
To inherit a Mansion'
A white robe and a crown?

Have you come to Jesus humbly
Who died upon the cross,
Shed His atoning blood
That we might not suffer loss?

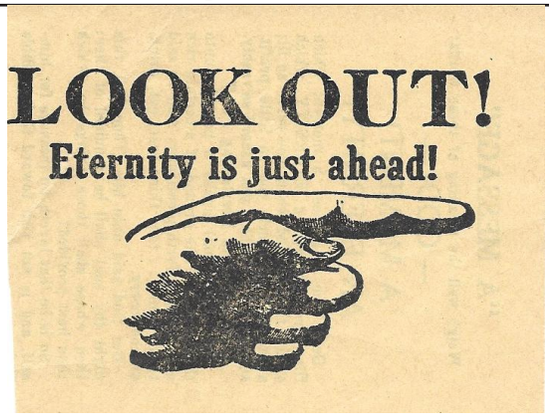
If not, it's not too late
To secure your future home
To live in God's great Heaven
Never more need you now roam.

So come to Him right now,my friend.
Make Him Lord of your life,
To receive your crown of glory
And a silken robe of white.

New life will He impart and
Heaven's door will open wide.
Your Mansion will be waiting
When with joy you step inside.

Helen Gleason





Please, Just One Drop Of Water!

"Please" the rich man begs... "please, send Lazarus with a drop of cold water to relieve my suffering." This is a clear indication as to what the wicked can expect in Hell... unbearable thirst caused by the tormentuous flames. Isn't it tragic, that most people today refuse to listen to even ONE sermon, or give a soulwinner ONE minute of their precious time.
No one has time for God anymore. Americans are absolutely saturated with idolatry, even naming one of the worlds most popular TV shows... AMERICAN IDOL.
We not only sin against God in America, we even name one of our biggest cities... SIN CITY. Woe unto America!

If you have rejected Jesus Christ, and you're not afraid of Hell,
YOU WILL BE! ...
"It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God" (Hebrews 10:31).

Keep your head and your heart going in the right direction and you'll not have to worry about your feet

Your Mouth-Weaponry?

Are you fretting about the words of another? Do the enemy's barbs stick in your gut? Remove the barbs and treat the venom with the healing balm of Gilead. Resist rehearsing the remarks and focus on confessing the word no matter how you feel. Let the word come out of your mouth, that the Lord may watch over it to perform it. Distractions, lies, and hurtful truths serve only as ammunition for the devil. Be careful lest your mouth be used as weaponry in the enemy's hands.

Water Baptism

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(The following information is offered as proof that Church History as well as the scriptures proves water baptism in Jesus Name was practiced for 300 years after Christ, and was changed by the Roman Catholic Church.)

1. Dictionary of the Bible by Scribners Page 241, Vol. 1 -The original form of words were into the Nome of Jesus Christ or Lord Jesus. Baptism into the Trinity was a later development.

2.Canney Ency. Page 53 -The early church always baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus until the development of the Trinity, afterward they were baptized in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

3.New International Ency. Vol. 22, Page 476 -Trinity Doctrine. The Catholic faith is this: We worship one God in Trinity, but there is one person of Father, another of the Son and another of the Holy Ghost. The Glory equal the majesty co-eternal. The doctrine is not found in its fully developed form in the Scriptures. Modern theology does not seek to find it in the Old Testament. At the time of the Reformation the Protestant Church took over the doctrine of the Trinity without serious examination.

4. Dictionary of the Bible, James Hastings it has been customary to trace the institution of the practice to the words of Christ in Matt 28:19, but the authenticity of this passage has been challenged on Historical as well as textual grounds. It must be acknowledged that the formulas of the threefold name, which is here enjoined, does not appear to have been used by the primitive church, which so far as our information goes, baptized "in" or "into" the Nome of Jesus, or Jesus Christ, or The Lord Jesus, without any reference lo the Father or the Spirit.

5.Catholic Ency. Vol. 11, Pages 33, 34 -The Athanasian Creed: Whosoever will be saved, before all things it is necessary that he hold the Catholic faith. Which faith, except everyone do keep whole and undefiled, without doubt he shall perish everlastingly, for alike we are compelled by the Christian verity to acknowledge every person by himself to be God and Lord.

Page 34, Paragraph 1 So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Ghost, not three Holy Ghosts; and in this trinity none is afore or after the other, none is less or greater than another, but the whole three persons ore co-eternal together and co-equal. He therefore that will be saved must thus think of the Trinity.

6.Catholic Ency. Vol. 15, Page 47, Paragraph 3 In the scripture is, as yet no single term by which the three divine persons ore denoted together.

7.The New International Standard Bible Ency. Vol. I, Pages 395-396-The formula for baptism: The formula for Christian baptism or mode which prevailed is given in Mott. 28: 19: "I baptize thee in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Ghost." But it is curious that the words are not given in any description of Christian baptism until the time of Justin Martyr, and there they are not repeated exactly but in a slightly extended form. In every account of the performance of the rite in Apostolic times a much shorter formula is in use. The 3000 believers were baptized on the day of Pentecost in the Nome of Jesus Christ. The same formula was used at the baptism of Cornelius and those that were with him. Indeed it would appear to hove been the usual one, from Poul's question to the Corinthians, where Paul asks them, "Were you baptized in the Nome of Paul?" No record of the trinitarian formula con be discovered in the Act of the Apostles. The difficulty was considered by Fathers.

8.Johnson's New Universal Ency-Vol. 2, P rt I, Page 586. Last Paragraph. -The monotheism of the old and new Testaments is unquestionable.

Vol. 1, Page 415 --The Greek church and eastern schismatics retained the custom of immersion; but the western church adopted or allowed the modes of baptism by pouring or sprinkling, since continued by most Protestants. This practice can be traced back certainly to the third century before which its existence is disputed.

Vol. 10, Page 3 --The word "Trinity" is not found in the Scriptures, and is said to have been first used by Theophilus, Bishop of Antioch, in the second century. (From Collier's New Ency.)

9. Brittanica Ency. Vol. 3, Page 365-366 The triune and trinity formula was not uniformly used from the beginning, and, up until the third century, baptism in the Name of Christ only was so wide-spread that Pope Stephen, in opposition to St. Cyprian. said that baptism in the Name of Christ was valid. But the Catholic missionaries, by omitting one or more persons of the Trinity when they were baptized, were anathematized by the Roman Church. Now the formula of Rome is "I baptize thee in the name of the Father and of the Son and the Holy Ghost."

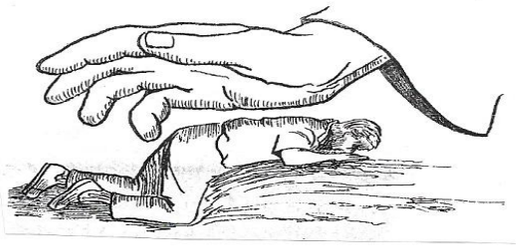
10. World Book Ency. Vol. 16, Page 7270 But the doctrine of the three in one is considered to be a mystery for which there is not adequate explanation. The first authoritative statement of belief in Father, Son and Holy Ghost was made by the earliest general council of churches held at Nice in 325 which also declared the Son to be of equal substance with the Father.

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Some say that they would rather obey Jesus than Peter, Acts I:1-2 says that Jesus through the Holy Ghost gave commandment!:' unto the Apostles; also having given the keys of the kingdom unto Peter (Matt. 16: 19). Peter commanded then to be baptized in the Name of the Lord (Jesus). Acts 10: 19 and Acts 2:38.

Think On These Things



A Prayer

Teach me the grace of silence, Lord,
In all to the the good, the best.
Let wrongs be righted by Thy hand.
May I in Thy care and keeping rest.
Teach me to pray and not complain,
To praise, commend, rejoice, and sing.
Help me always to put Thee first
And to Thy name all honor bring.
I know that all things work for good
To them that love the Lord,
To them, the called out ones, who stand
Firm on Thy mighty Word.

Mildred Christie

A Traveler's Prayer

On life's road I do embark;
It may be light, it may be dark.
Be Thou ever, ever near;
Then I'll have faith
Instead of fear.
As I sit behind the wheel,
Let Thy presence be so real.
As day by day I journey through,
Protect the old,
And young ones, too.

Jeanne Sutera

A YOUNG lady, Christian worker, who was much envied for her personal appearance, was asked the secret of her charm.
Her reply was: "For my lips, I use truth; for my voice, prayer; for my eyes, pity; for my hands, charity; for my figure, uprightness; for my heart, compassion; for my countenance, the joy of the Lord."

IF

God can hang the stars on high,
Can paint the clouds that drift on by,
Can send the sun across the sky,
What could He do through you?

IF

He can send a storm through space,
And dot with trees the mountain's face;
If He the sparrow's way can trace,
What could He do through you?

IF

God can do such little things
As count our hairs, make birds that sing,
Control the universe that swings,
What could He do through you?

No Time For God!

You've time to build houses, and in them to dwell,
And time to do business to buy and to sell, But none for repentance or deep earnest prayer;
To seek your salvation you've no time to spare.
You've time for earth's pleasures, for frolic and fun;
For glittering treasures how quickly you run.
But you care not to seek the fair mansions above,
The favor of God, or the gift of His love.
You've time to take voyages over the sea And time to take in the gay world's jubilee,
But soon your bright hopes will be lost in the gloom
Of the cold river of death, and the tomb.
You've time to retreat to woods, mountain, and glen,
And time to gain knowledge from books and from men;
Yet no time to search for the wisdom of God.
But what of your soul when you're under the sod
For time will not linger when helpless you lie;
Staring death in the face, you will take time to die!
Then what of the judgment? Pause, think, I implore;
For time will be lost on eternity's shore.



Changing My Life Into the Likeness of Christ

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

(1) Christ was humble (Phil. 2:3-11).
I must be humble (Jas. 4:6).
(2) Christ was forgiving (Lk. 23:34).
I must be forgiving (Mk. 11:25).
(3) Christ was zealous (Jn. 9:4, 2:17).
I must be zealous (Tit. 2:14).
(4) Christ was prayerful (Mk. 1:35).
I must be prayerful (I Thess. 5:17).
(5) Christ was compassionate (Jn. 11:35).
I must be compassionate (Rom. 12:15).
(6) Christ was not retaliatory (Mt. 26:59-69).
I must not be retaliatory (Rom. 12:17-21).
(7) Christ was submissive (Lk. 22:42).
I must be submissive (Mt. 6:10).
(8) Christ was serving (Mt. 20:28).
I must be serving (Mt. 20:26, 27).
(9) Christ was burdened (Lk. 19:41).
I must be burdened (Rom. 9:1-3).
(10) Christ was giving (Mt. 20:28).
I must be giving (Lk. 6:38).

With the apostle may we affirm, "So now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain" (Phil. 1:20, 21). Then, we can sing and really mean it-

"I Want to Be More Like Jesus."

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