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**WHEN THE COCOON BURSTS**

**"I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord."**  
Phil. 3:8.

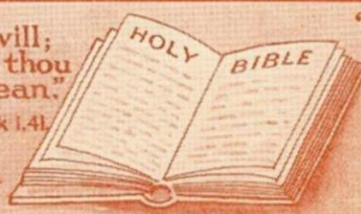
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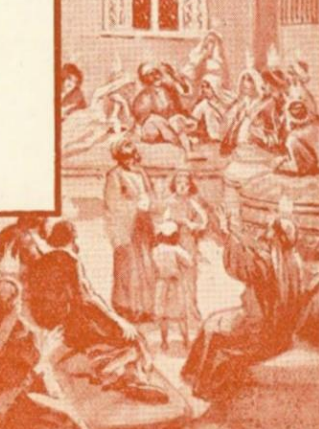
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"I will; be thou clean."  
Mark 1:41.



"I will send Him (the Comforter) unto you."  
John XVI. 7.



# The Elim Evangel

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## WATCH THESE DATES

**BRIGHTON.** April 23—30. Elim Tabernacle, Union Street, (The-Lanes). Campaign by the Revival Party. Sundays, 11 and 6.30. Every week-night, 7.30. Wednesday afternoon, 3.

**BRIGHTON.** Aug. 6—13. Annual Convention. Speakers include Principal George Jeffreys and the Revival Party. (See also HOVE HOLIDAY HOME.)

**HOVE HOLIDAY HOME.** July 28th to September 8th. Five minutes from sea and station. Between Hove and Brighton churches. Application to Miss M. F. Barbour, Elim Woodlands, Clarence Road, Clapham Park, S.W.4.

**KENSINGTON.** Every Friday at 7.30 p.m. Kensington Temple, Kensington Park Road. Foursquare Gospel Rally.

**MOIRA.** Commenced April 5. Campaign by Pastor W. J. Martin.

**RYE HOUSE.** April 23—May 7. Salisbury Road Hall. Campaign by Miss M. Pownall.

This space is reserved for local announcements

# London Easter Convention

Concluding Services this week (simultaneously) will be held as follows:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday,  
at 7.30 p.m., in the

**KENSINGTON TEMPLE, Kensington Park Road.**

**ELIM TABERNACLE, Park Crescent, Clapham.**

**ELIM TABERNACLE, Stanley Road, Croydon.**

**ELIM TABERNACLE, Central Park Road, East Ham.**

**ELIM TABERNACLE, Fowler Road, Cross Street, Islington.**

Afternoon meetings: Kensington, Wednesday, 3.30, Clapham, Thursday, 3.30.

DO NOT MISS THESE MEETINGS

## PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

# London Whitsuntide Convention

Whit-Sunday, June 4 to Thursday, June 8

## Foursquare Gospel Demonstration in the CRYSTAL PALACE

to be conducted by Principal GEORGE JEFFREYS

on SEPTEMBER 2. BOOK THE DATE!

## EASTER CONVENTIONS IN THE PROVINCES

**BATH.** Historic Assembly Rooms, Alfred Street.

**Speakers include:** Pastors H. T. D. Stoneham and S. J. Cooper

**BIRMINGHAM.** April 14—18. Elim Tabernacle, Graham Street (off Newhall Hill). Good Friday, 11, 3, and 6.30 Saturday, 7.30. Sunday and Monday, 11, 3, and 6.30 Tuesday, 3 and 6.30.

**Speakers include:** Pastors Chas. Kingston and P. Le Tissier, and Mrs. Saxon Walshaw.

**BELFAST.** April 16—18. Uister Temple, Ravenhill Road. Sunday and Monday, 11.30, 3.30 and 7. Tuesday, 3.30 and 7 (Baptismal service: Monday, 3.30).

**Speakers include:** Pastor J. Smith and other Elim Ministers

**CARDIFF.** April 14—20. Cory Hall.

**Speakers include:** Pastors J. J. Morgan, W. N. Brambleby, and W. G. Hill.

**CHELMSFORD.** April 14—16. Elim Tabernacle Mildmay Road. Good Friday, 11, 3, and 6.45 Saturday, 7.30 Sunday, 11 and 6.30.

**Speakers include:** Pastors R. D. Bradley, G. Dunk, J. N. C. Eaton, A. Brazil, A. Wright, and E. Hyde.

**DOWLAIS.** April 15—18. Elm Tabernacle, Ivor Street.

**Speakers include:** Pastors W. J. Patterson and A. Jackson

**GRIMSBY.** April 16-20. Elim Hall, Tunnard Street Sunday, 11, 6.30. Mon., 11, 3, 6.30 Tues., 3, 6.30. Wed., 7, Thurs., 7.30.

**Speakers include:** Pastor G. Lampard.

**GUERNSEY.** April 14-23. Vazon Mission Hall, Castel. Convention followed by Bible School Lectures.

**Speaker:** Principal P. G. Parker.

**HALIFAX.** April 14—16. Hanover School, Bond Street. Friday and Saturday, 7.30. Sunday, 10.30 and 6.30.

**Speakers include:** Pastors G. Lampard and I. R. Knight.

**LEEDS.** April 14—19. Foursquare Gospel Church, Bridge Road, off Lady Lane. Friday and Saturday, 3 and 7. Sunday 10.30 and 6.30. Monday and Tuesday, 11, 3 and 7. Wednesday, 3, and 7.

**Speakers include:** Rev. and Mrs. R. J. Jones, J.P., and Pastors H. W. Fardell, L. Morris, L. Knipe, J. McAvoy, S. Hillman, J. C. Kennedy, and W. L. Taylor.

**LEIGH-ON-SEA.** April 14 and 16. Elim Church, Glendale Gardens. Good Friday, 11, 3, and 6.30. Sunday, 11, and 6.30

**Speakers include:** Mr. R. J. Hayes.

**SOUTHPORT.** April 16, 17. Temperance Institute.

**Speakers include:** Pastor T. Tetchner.

**YEOVIL.** April 14—17. Foursquare Gospel Church, Southville. Friday to Monday, 11, 3 and 7. Baptismal service each day.

**Speakers include:** Pastor and Mrs. W. F. South. and Pastor J. Dyke.

# The Elim Evangel

AND FOURSQUARE REVIVALIST

The Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance was founded by Principal George Jeffreys, its present leader, in Ireland, in the year 1915. The Principal's campaigns have filled to overflowing the largest halls in the British Isles, and have resulted in many thousands of converts to Christ, and notable miracles of healing. The movement consists of Elim Revival and Healing Campaigns, Elim Foursquare Gospel Churches and Ministers, Elim Bible College, Elim



Publications and Supplies, Elim Bible College Correspondence School, Elim Crusaders and Cadets, Elim Foreign Missions, and Foursquare Gospel Testimony. It stands uncompromisingly for the whole Bible as the inspired Word of God, and contends for THE FAITH against all modern thought, Higher Criticism, and New Theology. It condemns extravagances and fanaticism in every shape and form. It promulgates the old-time Gospel in old-time power.

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## Why I am not a Post-Millennialist

By EDWARD CLUTTER

**J**ESUS is coming! What a thrill in the thought of meeting the One who has redeemed us by His grace, and snatched us as brands from the burning! There is not a true Christian who does not echo the words of the poet,

Face to face with Christ my Saviour,  
Face to face, what will it be,  
When with rapture I behold Him,  
Jesus Christ, who died for me!

Not one but longs for the time when looking upon that beautiful Face he shall know the fulfilled longing of the Psalmist, "I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with Thy likeness," or that of the apostle, "When He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is." For Jesus promised that He would return; "I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto Myself, that where I am, there ye may be also" (John xiv. 3). The men in white promised that He would return: "This same Jesus shall so come in like manner as ye have beheld Him go into heaven" (Acts i. 11).

### THE FATHER PROMISED

that He would return; "Behold, He cometh with the clouds; and every eye shall see Him, and they also that pierced Him" (Rev. i. 7). The Holy Spirit promised that He would return; "For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God" (I. Thess. iv. 16). And contemplating these precious promises the heart of the Christian burns with the unanswered prayer of the ages, "Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

The Apostles and the Early Church looked for the Saviour's speedy return, but when He tarried, and the persecution burst forth in fury, the Holy Spirit revealed that a falling away from the faith would come first, and many signs should precede His coming. The apostles sought to comfort the suffering disciples to the extent that one verse out of every twenty-five in the New Testament speaks of the return of Christ, and the glory that shall be for His faithful ones when He comes.

But nineteen centuries have vanished down the

halls of time, and still Jesus tarries. Satan has made use of the interval to fill the hearts of Christians with doubts as to the meaning of these promises. Many theories have been promulgated which have taken away their real meaning under the guise of spiritualising them. Some teach that the prophecies were fulfilled at the destruction of Jerusalem; others that He came at Pentecost in the rushing, mighty wind and tongues of flame; others that He comes to the individual when he is converted; and still others that He comes to the Christian at death. But for many years it was accepted as scriptural that Jesus was to come again to this earth to set up His kingdom, over which He was to

### REIGN FOR A THOUSAND YEARS

with His saints. This view was held until the third century when a school of interpretation arose, headed by Origen, which so spiritualised the Scriptures that the literal meaning of a millennial reign was entirely lost. The apostasy came, and the Church plunged into awful worldliness until the Reformers came with their message of a Gospel of grace, proclaiming salvation through faith in Christ and obedience to His commands. The leaders in the Reformation accepted and preached the soon return of the Lord. Such was the power of their preaching that it seemed to many that the Gospel was to transform mankind as a whole. Then Satan introduced another error, and Daniel Whitby brought forth the doctrine of Post-Millennialism, teaching that the thousand-year period of peace and righteousness upon the earth should be a spiritual triumph brought about by the preaching of the Gospel. The kingdoms of the world should acknowledge Christ as their spiritual King, and be ruled by His teachings. At some future time, perhaps hundreds or thousands of years after the Millennium, the end of time should come, when Christ returns with power and great glory, to judge the living and the resurrected dead, and the great eternal kingdom of God is ushered in.

Post-Millennialism is neither logical nor scriptural. In an article of this length it is impossible to go into detail, or to give all the reasons why I do not accept

the theory. Suffice it to say that I do not believe it to be either logically or scripturally correct. The Scriptures are too full of statements concerning the kingdom reign of Christ for us to put other than

#### A LITERAL MEANING

to them. Some writers have so spiritualised the prophecies that they would make all of Revelation, even the thousand-year period with its "first resurrection," a thing of the past, having been fulfilled during the apostasy. In the light of more recent knowledge of the Scripture such an interpretation is impossible of acceptance.

Neither can I believe that the Millennium can ever come through the work of the Church alone. I do not mean by this statement to belittle the power of the Holy Spirit, but it does not seem possible that Jesus expected that the work of the Church could ever bring about Millennial conditions, else He would not have given us the parable of the Sower, or the illustration of the two ways, the broad and narrow. And I believe He meant what He said when He told the disciples that they were to preach the Gospel to the whole creation, but only those who believe and obey will be saved. And I believe the statement of Acts xv. 14 that the Lord would visit the Gentiles to take out a people for His Name.

It is well-known that the Church in the nineteen hundred years of her existence has not succeeded in establishing her beliefs in the world. When we consider that there are far more heathen to-day than there were when Jesus trod the vine-clad hills of Judæa it does not seem that the Church was meant to bring about the happy state of peace and righteousness expected in the Millennium. The Church is in the condition described by Paul in regard to the last days, being filled with members who are lovers of money, pleasure and self more than lovers of God, who hold a form of godliness, but deny the power thereof (I. Tim. iii.). Only a few, comparatively, who are true to the Lord, and have learned the secret of the indwelling Christ, are looking for and earnestly

#### YEARNING FOR THE DELIVERANCE

His coming shall bring. How is such a Church to bind Satan, and bring peace and righteousness to the earth?

The post-millennialist accepts but one resurrection. But Paul in I. Thessalonians iv. 13-17, says that when the Lord comes the dead in Christ shall rise first, and this coincides with the statements of Christ in Matthew xxiv. 29-31 and Revelation vi. 12-17, xx. 4-14, and the statement of Paul in I. Corinthians xv. 20-25 says that each is raised in his own order, Christ, the firstfruits, then they that are Christ's at His coming, and after that the end. Each of these passages shews that Christ is coming for His own, and that there is a first resurrection, with those who are raised at that time having been raised to die no more. The post-millennialist accepts but one resurrection, that preceding the Great White Throne judgment.

The post-millennialist is careless in faith and practice. The adherents of this doctrine pretend to believe that Christ will come at some time or other,

but since the event is at least a thousand years in the future it is of very little importance to their minds, so they say little about it. The Bible admonishes us to "look for the blessed hope and appearing of the glory of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a people for His own possession, zealous of good works. These things speak and exhort, and reprove with all authority" (Titus ii. 13-15). It also tells us that we are to comfort one another with this hope. I believe that because the Church has not had this teaching, that it is in the apostate state of to-day, holding very largely a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof. The people who are looking for the

#### IMMINENT COMING OF THE LORD

are filled with a desire to be ready for Him, as Peter in speaking of the event suggests, "Seeing that these things are thus to be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy living and godliness, looking for and earnestly desiring the coming of the day of God." The greatest incentive to holy living is the constant expectancy of our Lord's return.

The post-millennialist believes that the world is growing better. I cannot accept that. What about the much-deplored crime wave of the past decade? What about the so-called depression which is bringing in the spirit of anarchy and communism, because men and women have been robbed of their possessions, and of the right to work for their living? What about the armed neutrality of the nations while their scientists are making more deadly weapons of annihilation? What about the lukewarm church catering to the things of the world? What about our schools filled with teachers of evolution and atheism, robbing our young people of their heritage of faith? Friend, I would like to believe that "every day, in every way," we are growing better and better, but the Bible says that evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse in the last days. The Mystery of Lawlessness which was working in Paul's day is about to culminate in the coming of the lawless one, whom the Lord Jesus shall slay with the brightness of His coming. Satan may put a lot of varnish upon the world, but underneath it is just what Jesus said it would be, like it was in the days of Noah. If you will go to Genesis vi. 5, you will find a horrible picture of that day. And Jesus likens it to the conditions of the "last days." Why is it that to-day the preaching of the Gospel has so little effect upon people? Evidently the same reason as that the preaching of Noah did not arouse the antediluvians to repentance.

But even in the gloom of present world conditions there is brightest hope for those who are of God's faithful remnant. As the ark lifted Noah above the Flood, so shall Jesus lift His saints out of the coming Tribulation which shall sweep the world clean and make it ready for the setting up of the Kingdom. The dawn is coming, the Day Star is approaching, and soon the Sun of Righteousness shall arise with healing in His wings. Praise God, for His word standeth sure, Jesus is coming!

# The Foursquare Revival in Aberdeen

By ALBERT W. EDSOR

**T**HE Revival and Healing Campaign held in Aberdeen by Principal George Jeffreys and his Revival Party has been an untold blessing to the city.

All classes of people attended the meetings night after night in the spacious Music Hall, and they entered with much enthusiasm into the revival services. On Sunday nights the Grand Central Picture House, George Street, was taken over, and large crowds flocked to hear the grand old Gospel story proclaimed there by the Principal and Pastor J. McWhirter.

The people are rejoicing wholeheartedly, and commenting upon the 250 souls that have been saved. They say that it is a long time since Aberdeen has witnessed such a splendid ingathering during an evangelistic mission. Not only have souls been saved, but the Lord has here as elsewhere graciously stretched forth His hand to heal, and numbers gratefully testify to bodily restoration received in answer to prayer. To God be all the praise, great things He hath done! Hearts have been warmed as the Word was opened up, and new love has been created for the dear old Bible. The converts are determined to stand foursquare on the Word of God.

After the campaign, regular services were commenced by the Revival Party, with Pastor McWhirter, who so ably follows on after the Principal, as the preacher. As before the people entered right into the meetings, and it was not an uncommon sight to see them sometimes enthusiastically waving their hymn sheets as they joyfully sang the Elim choruses.

On Wednesday, March 22nd, a baptismal service was held in the Church of Christ (kindly lent), and the Principal was present to officiate. Fifty-five of the converts passed gladly through the waters as the crowded congregation sang, "Follow, follow, I will follow Jesus." Another twenty stood to their feet to signify their intention of obeying the Lord in this significant way at the next opportunity.

On the following night, when the Party bade reluctant farewell, Pastor J. McGillivray was inducted as the minister of the Foursquare Gospel Church in Aberdeen, formed as a result of the campaign. Then

again a testimony meeting was held, and it was a delight to watch and listen to the converts and others, as they eagerly jumped to their feet one after the other, testifying to the great blessing received. We feel sure that Mr. McGillivray has the prayerful support of all our readers in his new sphere of labour for the Lord.

A splendid work for God has been started in this beautiful city, and the warm-hearted Aberdeen folk intend to stand true to the Christ of the Foursquare Gospel.

*A Canadian reader says :*

DEAR SIRS,

I am sorry to keep you waiting for my subscription. I would have written, but I expected it to come in any day, but it just didn't, and I was discouraged about it, but to-day my husband received some money and said, "Send \$2 right away." We had read Overseas readers could send it that way. If we waited to get an order something would be needed, and I would rather go without some much needed thing than these books. They have meant so much to me, especially during a long sickness, and often coming the day when all seemed so dark. Only God knows how they have helped me. Then I send them to my people (all unsaved) in England, and also lend them to friends out here. I'm sorry I cannot buy more that others may be brought in touch with this old-time Gospel. Please take for special number you sent, and also for stamps you used in writing, that all may go for the cause of Christ.

Wishing you all success,

—(Mrs.) A. W.

## BOOK REVIEW

By Pastor E. J. PHILLIPS

*Spiritual Gifts in the Church*, By Pastor W. G. HATHAWAY.

**F**OR a long time there has been a great need for such a book as this.

The present outpouring of the Holy Spirit has resulted in an immeasurable quickening of spiritual life in those who have come under its blessed influence, and in hundreds of thousands of real conversions to God. These effects have been world-wide.

Every great movement of God has had its opponents without and its fanatics within. We venture to suggest that had such a book as this been available in the early days of this Latter Rain outpouring of the Holy Spirit, both opposition and fanaticism would have been rarer.

The purposes and uses of each of the miraculous gifts of the Holy Spirit are so clearly and scripturally explained, that no one can read the book and fail to see their value in the Church to-day. The dangers and pitfalls are so plainly pointed out that none who clings to the scriptural principles herein set out need experience difficulty in the manifestation of the Gifts in the local church. Some of the chapters on the uses and abuses of the Gifts are invaluable.

We have read nothing else so clear or helpful on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, and we trust that this book will have the wide circulation that the subject demands.

Heart-to-Heart Talks on Vital Themes**“For this . . . I prayed” (I. Samuel i. 27)**

By Principal P. G. PARKER (of the Christian Workers' Bible Correspondence School)

**T**HE greatest moments in our lives are when we see crystallised before us the things for which we have earnestly prayed. Ours is a gracious jubilation when our prayers are distinctly answered. It is not sufficient to *think* our prayers are answered, neither to *hope* they are answered. Thinking and hoping will not bring us rapturous joy. We must *know* that the things we have earnestly implored God for are definitely given. Then it is we feel the jubilation and the ecstasy.

**(1) THIS JUBILATION IN THE PRESENCE OF ANSWERED PRAYER HAS BEEN FELT BY MANY SAINTS MENTIONED IN THE BIBLE.**

It was Hannah's experience. There had been for her a time of great *dissatisfaction*. She had

**A MOTHER'S HEART,**

but no child upon which to lavish her mother love. So her dissatisfaction was followed by *determination*. She determined to ask God for a child to fill the vacuum in her heart. Then there followed a period of *anticipation* during which she anticipated the answers to her prayer. At last came the day of *realisation*. The beautiful laddie was before her gaze. In the rapture of her heart she was able to say, "For this I prayed." No one can measure the delicious joy that filled her soul in the presence of answered prayer.

Paul had his experience. There was a period of *dissatisfaction*. He felt he was a debtor to the whole world. He had so experienced the generosity of the grace of God that he yearned to let others know. Then came a period of *determination*, no doubt implanted in his heart by the Holy Spirit. He desired to preach the Gospel at Rome—the hub of the world. Scripture puts it like this: "For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the Gospel of His Son, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers; *making request, if by any means now at length I might have a prosperous journey by the will of God, to come unto you*" (Rom. i. 9, 10).

Ceaselessly this great missionary statesman prayed that he might preach the Gospel in Rome. Then came years of *anticipation*. One day that anticipation

**REACHED ITS ZENITH,**

and he was able to say, "We went toward Rome." But at last came the day of *realisation*. "We came to Rome!" What tremendous gladness there must have been in the heart of Paul as he realised he was in Rome. Yes, actually in Rome! In the delight and gratitude of his heart his cry would be, "For this I prayed!" He did not reach Rome precisely as he would have desired, but the great overmastering enrapturing knowledge was that at last he was in Rome, and there he would be able in some measure

to preach the Gospel to the central city in the world—the metropolis of every nation.

**(2) THIS JUBILATION IN THE PRESENCE OF ANSWERED PRAYER HAS BEEN FELT BY MANY OF GOD'S PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE CENTURIES.**

Think of Augustine, Wycliffe, Luther, Tyndale, Farel, Whitefield, Wesley, Spurgeon, Booth, and an innumerable host of others. They have all been able to gaze at mighty results, and say as they surveyed each one, "For this I prayed."

Mrs. Dan Crawford told of a thrilling experience. She is the well-known widow of the late Dan Crawford—the missionary pioneer of Africa. Speaking in Westminster Chapel, London, Mrs. Crawford told of

**A DANGEROUS ILLNESS**

which overtook her when she was hurrying to perform an operation on an African chief. There was no suitable food for her to eat. Her native boy said to her, "Your God has forgotten you. He is not a God of love." But earnest prayer was made for God to provide suitable food. Suddenly in the clear blue sky an eagle was seen carrying something in its talons. It was a fish. The natives shouted and clapped their hands to frighten it. It hovered over a broad river for a while and then dropped the fish. Apparently the fish was falling into the river. But, no, in the midst of that river was a little flat rock. The fish fell upon it! With a shout of glee a native boy swam across and fetched it. Soon the invalid was eating the delicious fish. Like a miracle it had fallen from the skies. As the invalid partook of this miraculous nourishment she was able to say with indescribable gratitude, "For this I prayed."

Dr. Dixon tells of the heaven-sent deliverance that came to the city of Leyden in Holland. In the year 1574 the Dutch were besieged within its walls by the Spaniards, who were there in order to destroy the Protestants. The edict had gone forth that all the Protestants in Holland should be destroyed unless they recanted.

**THE PLIGHT OF THE BESIEGED**

became desperate. Some of the weakest pleaded for surrender to the Spaniards. But, no, they struggled on. The Christians met together and prayed for relief. King William the Silent had promised to send deliverance by water. The dykes were broken and the water surrounded the city, but it was not deep enough for the relief ships to reach the city. Three more feet of water was necessary, but how could they get it? Still the people prayed. On October 3rd, 1574, God sent a storm. That storm drove the waters high up into the low-lying fields. The Spaniards fled before the advancing tide, and the

ships of William the Silent sailed right up to the walls of the city. The people were supported, and the city was saved.

The next day they met in the church that still stands there, and tried to give thanks to God. But their hearts were too full to sing or speak. They just sat there and wept out their gratitude to Him. "For this we prayed, for this we prayed," was the anthem of praise that rose from their happy hearts.

Multitudes of similar stories could be told. George Muller of Bristol prayed that he might be able to prove to a sceptical world that

#### GOD ANSWERS PRAYER.

At last he saw that if God enabled him to support hundreds of orphan children without ever making request from man for a penny that his desire would be answered. Muller prayed on and on for years. Upon principle he never asked anyone for money. He himself was a poor man. But he prayed, until at last there stood on Ashley Down, Bristol, five huge orphan homes accommodating 2,000 children. Again and again during those marvellous years George Muller was able to say in the delight of his heart, "For this I prayed." He saw the first orphan house built and inhabited—"For this I prayed!" He saw the second orphan house built and inhabited.—"For this I prayed!" He saw the third, fourth, and fifth built and inhabited, and with the tears coursing down his face this man of God could say, "For this I prayed."

Even as I write about George Muller I am reminded that the privilege of being able to write about him is a thing "for which I prayed."

As I write I can visualise a rough narrow lane in the midlands of England. As a young pastor I walked along that lane with a great burden in my heart. It seemed I was doing so little to bless the world. In the quiet of my own study I was reading such wonderful things. But how could I let others know? I yearned with

#### A DEEP YEARNING

to let others know about Muller, and Taylor, and Hsi, and a host of other men and other things which filled my thought. I was not a writer. I had no scope for my writings even if I had been. But in that lane I surrendered my pen to God. I asked him to train me to write for His glory. It was a very real prayer on my part. I was ready for any training, any suffering, if only I could be used. And so, even as I write, and realise that this article will be read by many, I can say, "For this I prayed."

Mothers have prayed for their children for many years. At last the loved boy, the loved girl has yielded to Christ. "For this I prayed," says the delighted mother. Once more, as I write, my mind goes back to my own mother. It is gloaming. The sun is just setting on a beautiful summer's evening. I am sitting on the grass at my mother's feet. For months I have had a secret. I scarcely liked to tell mother. But at last I felt the opportunity had come. In hesitating tones I told her that I wanted to leave Bank life and give myself wholly into the service of God. How would she take it? Would she be dis-

pleased? For a while she said nothing. Then she squeezed my hand, and, as the tears streamed down her cheeks, she said, "My boy, I am glad. *I prayed for this before you ever saw the light of day.*"

#### MOODY AGONISED IN PRAYER

for a mighty outpouring of the Holy Ghost in his own life. One day in New York he got it—a mighty deluge. "For this I prayed," he was able to say.

Ah, yes, it is a wonderful thing when prayer is answered. No matter what the prayer is about as long as we know God has answered it. Whether we pray for spiritual blessing, physical healing or material provision the answer to our prayer sets up a hallelujah chorus in our hearts. Men and women have literally danced and laughed, and wept with delight when God has answered prayer.

Judson, the great-hearted missionary to Burma, said to his wife just before he passed into eternity, "Wife, I am amazed and awed to know that every prayer I have earnestly uttered has received an answer in some way or other at some time or other." "For this I prayed." "For this I prayed," has been the glad, grateful shout of countless throngs of Blood-washed men and women.

#### (3) THIS JUBILATION IN THE PRESENCE OF ANSWERED PRAYER HAS BEEN FELT BY OUR LORD AND WILL BE YET INCREASINGLY FELT.

In the mystery of the Divine nature there is prayer in the Trinity. The Son prays to the Father. The prayers of the Lord Jesus were numerous. Constantly He was praying. He prayed for Peter before that man went into one of the

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that can come to a human life. Satan sifted him. In that sifting hell combined its forces in trying to destroy the faith of the one who was to use the Gospel keys and open the kingdom of heaven to Israelites and Gentiles on the day of Pentecost and after. But the Lord said to him, "I have prayed for you that your faith fail not." The moment came when the buffeted Peter was completely restored. As the Lord looked into the glistening eyes of the reclaimed disciple on the lake side, and heard him say, "Thou knowest that I love Thee," there must have been a big joy in His heart. He could indeed say concerning His restored follower, "For this I prayed."

Again we read of the Lord saying, "I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever." Pentecost came. The Holy Ghost descended in tongues of fire. Three thousand were born again. As the Lord saw the tears of repentance, and heard the cries of contrition, and then the shouts of assurance, and then saw three thousand baptised in water as an open seal of their new faith, He was able to say, "For this I prayed." Every soul that is born again, sanctified, healed, and baptised in the Spirit is in response to the prayers of the Lord. As each one is added to the millions of the redeemed the Redeemer is able to say, "For this I prayed."



But there is another prayer, not fully answered yet, but it will be answered. It is written in

### THE SECOND PSALM,

"Ask of Me, and I shall give thee the heathen for Thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for Thy possession." That prayer has indeed been offered by our Lord—in part it is answered. But the great fulfilment lies in the future. The whole earth is yet to be held in the Hands that were nailed on Calvary. The kingdoms of the world are yet to become the kingdoms of Christ.

Sidney Watson tells the following story: The East India fleet was gathered in a harbour in Ceylon. One sultry evening after a hard day's manœuvres a little lad began to sing, "I think when I read that sweet story of old." Clear and sweet the words rang out stronger and stronger. By the time the second verse was reached all our ship's company was singing in full voice and absolute harmony. All the officers and men of all the other ships crowded forward to listen. A perfect fusillade of applause sounded from all the ships at the close. As the plaudits died away a concertina on another ship set the tune and soon that ship's company was singing, "When mothers of Salem their children brought to Jesus."

This went on till every ship had had its turn except the Admiral's.

As the sun was sinking a mighty volume of song burst forth from

### THE ADMIRAL'S SHIP,

and the air seemed to tremble with the magnificent lines of the *Te Deum*: "We praise Thee, O God; we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord."

Every one of the sailors on that ship took part. As far as is known not one voice was silent. From

all on board came the unanimous voice, "We acknowledge Thee to be the Lord."

The day will come when that song will be the cry of the whole earth. The time will come when Christ shall have put down all other rule and authority and power. Everything in earth and heaven and under the earth shall bow before Him. In the Name of Jesus every knee shall bow and then the cry will arise, "The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever." The great cry of the world will be, "We praise Thee, we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord."

When that glorious consummation takes place our triumphant Lord will be able jubilantly to say, "For this I prayed."

### (4) CONCLUSION.

The more numerous our prayers the more numerous will the answers be. The more frequently we say, "For this I pray," the more frequently shall we be able to say, "For this I prayed." Pray about everything you think about. If a thing is worth thinking about then it is worth praying about. If it is not worth praying about it is not worth thinking about.

Pray, always pray! the Holy Spirit pleads  
Within thee all thy daily, hourly needs.  
All earthly things with earth shall fade away;  
Prayer grasps eternity: pray, always pray.

Can Christianity change human nature? Certainly it can. What else is it for? If it can't do that, it can do nothing. . . . Nothing astonishes me more than the failure of many, I might almost say most, people to recognise the power of a vital religion to create a "new man."—*Canon Peter Green.*



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# FAMILY ALTAR



The Scripture Union Daily Portions: Meditations by PERCY G. PARKER

**Sunday, April 23rd.** I. Kings iii. 1-15.

"I am but a little child; I know not how to go out or come in" (verse 7).

It was a remarkable confession for a king to make—especially when he was king of one of the greatest kingdoms of his time. This childlike confession of the earthly king drew forth the favour of the heavenly King. Divine wisdom was given to Solomon. In that wisdom he rose to the highest heights of fame. Had Solomon never withdrawn from his childlike humility God would never have withdrawn His blessing. Solomon lost his blessing when he left his childlike trust. The high places of Christian service before men are reserved for those who take the low places of dependence before God. Our very successes can become our greatest disasters. God's lesson of humility must be well learned before He can trust us with the prize of success. Success without humility is a poisonous serpent. The higher our heights of success the deeper must be our valleys of humility.

**Monday, April 24th.** I. Kings iv. 20-34.

"God gave Solomon wisdom" (verse 29).

So God will give us wisdom. God's wisdom is for the everyday affairs of life, as well as for the exceptional events. Those who seek God's wisdom in little things are saved from many petty disappointments and annoyances. There is no problem too small for the interest of God. Not a letter is put through our letter box, not a ring comes to our door, not an interest arises in our life, apart from the knowledge and sympathy of God. Earthly parents are frequently too busy to trouble about the small concerns of the children. "Don't worry me" is a phrase which persists in rising to parental lips. But our heavenly Parent never so speaks. He is willing to give us guidance on the smallest matters. God's wisdom is not solely for the time after the difficulty has arisen—God's wisdom is waiting for us before the difficulty arises.

**Tuesday, April 25th.** I. Kings v. 1-18.

"So they prepared timber and stones to build the house" (verse 18).

Everyone of us can prepare material—human material—for the house of the Lord. When the father of John G. Paton prayed hours together for the conversion of his family he was preparing human material for the living temple of God. When Mrs. Wesley faithfully trained her children, when Pandita Ramabai patiently instructed her Indian girls in the things of Christ, when Carey unceasingly printed and published the Gospel from his missionary station, when Judson instructed

his sceptical teachers in the Bible message, when the day school teacher educated her class in the Gospel story, when the mother taught her young folks the Word of God, when the office girl bravely bore her witness concerning her faith in Christ, then human material was being prepared for the temple of God. Preparatory work is tedious, but no great triumphs have been achieved without it.

**Wednesday, April 26th.** I. Kings vi. 1-14.

"So Solomon built the house and finished it" (verse 14).

The joy of completion is very great. Even if it is only baking a special cake for tea, there is a flash of gladness in the eyes when it is successfully achieved. Much of the joy of life is found in our accomplishment of little things. The carpenter knows such joy when he gazes at the finished wardrobe. The lapidary knows it when he surveys the gleams and sparkles in the polished gem. The builder knows it when he looks at the completed villa. The minister knows it when he reads through his finished sermon. Such joy never comes to the careless worker. Nothing is properly finished—and there is no accompanying satisfaction. Solomon built with God's approval in his thought. He obtained it and was satisfied. Remember, God sees what you are building—even if it is only a hayrick. Whether you are building a rick or a palace, build well.

**Thursday, April 27th.** I. Kings viii. 1-13.

"The glory of the Lord had filled the house of the Lord" (verse 11).

There is the glory that flows from God's created things. There is the glory of the sun, the glory of the stars, the glory of the flowers. But the glory which surpasses all glory is the glory presence of God Himself. God is light. The light of God was manifested at the east of the garden of Eden. It was there in the Tabernacle and Temple. It was seen on the Damascus road. It will be seen when the Lord Jesus returns. But we do not have to wait for the indwelling glory. Each one of us is a temple of God. God dwells within each one of the redeemed. Far greater than electric light, far greater than vapour light, is the light of God within. Shine forth in my heart, O Lord. Grant that I indeed may be light in the Lord. Make me an attractive advertisement for Thyself.

**Friday, April 28th.** I. Kings viii. 14-30.

"Thou didst well that it was in thine heart" (verse 18).

Blessed Lord, it is strengthening to us to remember that thou dost know

what is in the heart. The deep desires of our hearts are known to Thee. Thou knowest the yearning to please Thee. Thou knowest the eager longing to spread Thy kingdom among men. Yet, Thou also knowest how frequently our efforts are frustrated. Our plans are hindered, our eagerness is quenched, our desires are thwarted. On occasions it seems that much time is wasted, much money is lost, and much disappointment is felt through useless efforts. Our efforts end in tears instead of triumphs. Yet it encourages us to remember that Thou art pleased with the desires of our hearts. The day will come when we shall spread our unsuccessful efforts before Thee. Thou wilt not rebuke us, but tenderly Thou wilt say, "Thou didst well that it was in thine heart."

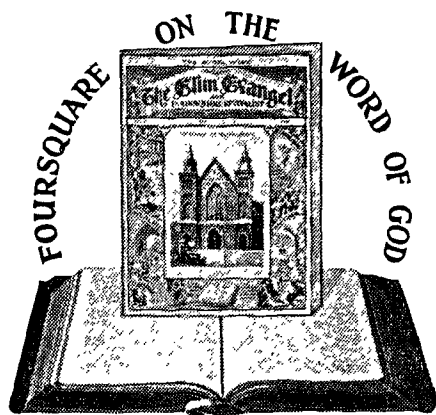
**Saturday, April 29th.** I. Kings viii. 44-61.

"Let Him [God] not leave us, nor forsake us" (verse 57).

How strikingly the Old Testament and the New can be linked together. Says the Old, "Let Him not leave us nor forsake us." Says the New, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." The prayer of Solomon rises in every heart. As we march though life we pass into lonely and dangerous places. The cry of our hearts is, "Let Him not leave us nor forsake us." We feel we should tremble and collapse if we had to face the future alone. Naturally there always hang over our heads the threats of unpleasant surprises. Youth in its buoyancy may not feel the threats so much—but thoughtful middle age is sadly aware of the uncertainties ahead. Our needy hearts cry out, "Let Him not leave us nor forsake us." And to our joy the cry comes ringing back, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee."

"Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them and bring them unto Me. And if any man say aught unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them."

"Nobody seems to want me," said the youngest girl of a large family, "I'm a cripple and in everybody's way." As she spoke she was passing a bookseller's shop, and her eyes fell on the words, "The Lord hath need of him." She carefully remembered the reference and searched it out at home. "Jesus once needed a donkey," she said, "so perhaps He wants me—a cripple, I'll ask Him." Forty years afterwards a lame Bible woman died, beloved by hundreds, and blessed by God in her work. That Bible woman was once the crippled girl.



## EDITORIAL

### The Return of the Lord.

THE startling events in the world to-day have given a new interest to the subject of the Lord's return. The pieces of world-puzzle movements may at any moment be fitted together to form the fulfilment of the ancient prophecies. Words from Dr. Torrey are stimulating and yet hortatory. In a sermon on "When Christ is coming," he says: "He may come back in a moment. How our hearts ought to throb with exultation, if we love Him! if a wife has a husband that she dearly loves, and who has gone across the seas, if tidings are brought to her that he is coming to-night, oh, how her heart will throb with joy! But if she was coquetting with other men, and someone said to her, 'Your husband is coming to-night,' she would not be very happy, would she? And the Church is coquetting with the world. It does not like to think that the Lord may come at any moment. It would be a pretty serious business for some professing Christians if the Lord should come to-day. There are things in their business that they would like to straighten out first. They have got some speculations that they would like to realise on first. It would be very inconvenient for some of us preachers if the Lord should come to-day. Be ready for His coming, whenever it may be, and as to your unconverted friends, instead of wondering what will become of them at the Lord's coming, get them converted and be quick about it!

### All the Difference.

A lady, after having made several attempts to read a book, put it away, thinking how very uninteresting it was.

Later, during her holidays, she met a very pleasant and agreeable gentleman, who turned out to be the author of the book.

Returning home, she read the story right through, and this time found it most fascinating and helpful. Why? Because she had become acquainted with the author.

So with us, when we become acquainted with God, we find the Bible interesting and helpful.

### Echoes from the Sanctuary.

## ALONE WITH GOD

By Pastor E. C. W. BOULTON

*I was left alone, and saw this great vision.—Daniel x. 8*

**R**ARELY do we catch the heavenly vision in the throng. Amid the ebb and flow of life's crowded places there is so much to absorb the attention and claim the interest. And so God allows our feet to find the unfrequented path of loneliness—He permits our way to be hedged in on every side. We fain would take others with us within the veil of seclusion, and let human hands rest within ours as we pass on to the solitary summit of manifestation. From this side the lonely place appears so forbidding—so full of dark possibilities; consequently we cling to the crowd, and crave communion with flesh and blood.

How slow we are to perceive that God is anxious to shut us up to Himself. The lonely place is to become the Peniel of princely power; Patmos is to be the scene of the Divine apocalypse; at the backside of the desert both vision and vocation are to be vouchsafed. Here it is that God waits to anoint with the oil of gladness, and make the cup of holy bliss overflow.

"Alone with God! Oh joyous hour!  
Oh source of endless peace and power!  
Alone with Thee, and satisfied  
By Love's full, boundless, swelling tide!"

O my soul, why shrink from the desert place? Thou shalt find that in the plan of God it holds for thee life's truest riches. The Holy Spirit will teach thee to listen to the symphony of silence, and drink in the melody of God's eloquent stillness. Thou art accustomed to the stirring sounds and scenes of the busy mart, and now God is doing a new thing in thee, bringing thee by a strange path. And yet shall not the splendour of the goal throw its radiant light throughout the deep defiles which lead to God's chosen place? God hath somewhat to say to thee and shew thee, which is for thine ear and eye alone—He will not withdraw the veil until thou art alone with Him. Love's secrets are only uttered in prepared hearts. If thou dost persist in clinging to the crowd, then be not surprised if the vision tarries.

"Here who follows Him the nearest  
Needs must walk alone."

Be not afraid of that great hush which envelops thee. It portends the widening of thy spiritual horizon—the deepening of thy union with God—the transmutation of thy dross into gold—the transformation of thy character into the Divine image.

Thou hast also shewn me that even though I forsake the throng, the throng will not forsake me. It will still follow me to my place of retreat. Even in the closet of communion it will continue its claim for the throne within. On the other hand I may remain amid the multitude, and still enjoy that inward detachment—that central separation, which makes fellowship with Thee so gloriously real. My feet may continue to tread earth's crowded thoroughfares, and yet my heart may be in the mount with Thee.

# The Legacies of Christ

A Sermon preached at Kensington Temple, London, by Pastor J. J. MORGAN

*For where a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth.—Heb. ix. 16, 17.*

**W**E have here in this Book, the last will and testament of our blessed Lord. In it we read of the legacies which He left to His children. Many fail to realise that we may, even down here in this world, receive and enjoy some of the legacies left by Him. Too many are waiting until they go home to glory to enter into their estate, so that they largely miss the present blessings which God is waiting to give.

Before anyone can benefit through a will there must be the death of the testator.

A testament or will is the voluntary act and deed of a single person, duly executed and witnessed, bestowing bequests on such legatees as are described and characterised by the testator, and which can only take effect upon his (the testator's) death.

Before we could ever share the blessings of Christ's legacy, there must be a death. Blessed be His Name, there has been a death. He has died! He has ratified and confirmed His will to us by His death. "For where a testament is there must also of necessity be the

death of the testator." The will is subject to alteration during life. Some names may be cancelled, others may be added. But His death has sealed for ever His last will and testament to us. Our names can never be erased, our inheritance is reserved for us, no one else can claim it. Seeing it is finished, sealed, signed, and duly witnessed, it may now be executed.

Now as soon as the will is proved, legatees may benefit under it. There is no need to wait for years, unless the bequests have been post-dated in the will. Paul tells us, "All things are yours; whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come. All are yours; and ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's." So salvation with its attendant blessings is something to be enjoyed here and now. It is not to be sought for on a deathbed, but to be enjoyed during life.

## BEQUESTS UNDER CHRIST'S WILL.

During the stormy days of the Covenanters, a young girl was going to hear the Word of God read at one of their secret meetings. She was confronted by a soldier, who desired information as to where she was going and the nature of her business. She, without arousing his suspicion, replied, "I am going to my brother's house to hear his will read." On her return journey, meeting the soldier, he asked "What did he leave you?" She replied, "He left me all!"

Blessed be His Name, Jesus has left us all. Here are some of the bequests:

(a) *Rest for the weary.* "Come unto Me all ye

that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Rest for the weary-hearted. The strain and stress of life to-day is such that we must have rest. Where is it to be found? With what eagerness men seek rest and change and enjoyment. Some resort to all sorts of worldly pleasure and amusement. They call it happiness; weariness would be a truer word. After the most exciting time, they come home with a wounded heart and fevered brow to a sleepless pillow. You poor deluded souls, gay votaries of fashion, have you not learned that all is vanity and vexation of spirit, and that Christ alone has a rest cure

## FOR EVERY WEARY HEART.

(b) *Comfort for the sorrowful.* "And I will pray the Father and He shall give you another Comforter . . . I will not leave you comfortless." This world seems a fair place until we know something of its heart-aches and heart-breaks. It is when we look on the face of our dead, or stand by the graveside and hear the minister read the burial service, or when we sit up night after night with the child, tossing to and fro in a terrible fever; or realise that our fortune has gone, that time and tide have changed, and that we want something more substantial and satisfying than the hollow, empty joys of this world.

We want something or someone who can bind up broken hearts, help us through the sleepless nights, stand by us at the solemn grave, and help us, in the mortification of failure, not to lose heart or die with despair. Christ alone can do it. "As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you."

(c) *Peace for the troubled.* "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you . . . Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." Speaking of certain people Isaiah says, "The way of peace they know not; and there is no judgment in their goings; they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace." This is very true to-day. The majority of people know nothing of lasting peace. We are living in a mad feverish world, in which the trend of things is enough to alarm every soul. The hectic life, the desecration of God's rest-day, the frenzied pursuit of pleasure, the flushed cheek, the tired eyes after a night's pleasure-hunting—all tell the story. "The way of peace they know not." Woe to the man who week after week runs in mad career after worldly pleasure and amusement. No physical constitution can stand it. With nerves shattered, imagination unduly excited, strength exhausted, he becomes an early victim of disease and premature death.

Blistered by the hot winds of temptation, panting for the refreshing, restoring, and invigorating draught, burning with an unquenchable thirst within, your mind distressed and distracted, you are the one



Pastor J. J. Morgan.

to whom Christ has bequeathed His peace. He is the peace-bestower to the restless spirit—"These things have I spoken unto you that in Me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation. But be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

(d) *Joy for the sad.* "Hitherto have ye asked nothing in My Name. Ask and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full [filled full]." The Christian life is one of joy in the superlative degree. It is one of continual happiness and gladness. Let those Christians learn to rejoice in God, who so often give way to sadness and melancholy.

Luther said, "At one time I was sorely vexed and tried by my own sinfulness, by the wickedness of the world, and by the dangers which beset the Church. One morning I saw my wife dressed in mourning. Surprised, I asked her who had died.

" 'Do you not know?' she replied; 'God in heaven is dead.'

" 'How can you talk such nonsense, Katie,' I said; 'how can God die? Why, He is immortal, and will live through all eternity.'

" 'Is that really true?' she asked.

" 'Of course,' I said, still not perceiving what she was aiming at: 'how can you doubt it? As surely as there is a God in heaven, so sure is it that He can never die.'

" 'And yet,' she said, 'though you do not doubt that, you are so hopeless and discouraged.' Then I observed what a wise woman my wife was, and mastered my sadness."

Beloved, God is not dead. He is able to take the tangled skeins of your life and straighten them out; able to retune our hearts; able to remould our broken lives; able to give us a new hope amid the crushing calamities, disappointments, and sadness which come to us. He is still able to give "beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness."

(e) *Bread for the hungry.* "Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you." Man shall not live by bread alone, is a vital truth. It is not satisfying our appetites that satisfaction comes. The satisfaction of the heart is deeper, truer, and more lasting. In the bounty of Christ there is abundant satisfaction for the

#### HEART-HUNGER OF HUMANITY.

Of a truth He satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry with good things.

(f) *Drink for the thirsty.* "But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water, springing up into everlasting life." One drink of living, sparkling water from Christ cools, refreshes, and invigorates the soul. To-day the world is athirst for something, they run greedily after the latest craze, spend their time and money for that which satisfieth not. They try to satisfy an unquenchable thirst with draughts from this world's broken cisterns. Oh that every poor thirst-smitten traveller across the desert of this world would taste

the sparkling, gleaming, bubbling, living water which can be had from Christ, which satisfies the deepest longing and thirst of men and women.

Time and space would fail me to tell of "the unsearchable riches of Christ," of the bounty of His grace, and of all the wonderful legacies which He has bequeathed to us. He has given us eternal life, eternal blessedness, pardon from sin, freedom from its tyrannous power. Heaven, where we shall enjoy the pleasures of a pure heart;

#### SEE GOD FACE TO FACE;

enjoy health that never knows disease or sickness; have riches without wings; life that never ends; glory that never fades; happiness and joy which shall have no bitter admixture. These are given to us in the will of Jesus. Let me say, in closing, that only those mentioned by name benefit by the will. Can we find our names written in it? can we come in under any of its classifications? Are we poor, weary, sorrowful, troubled, sad, hungry, or thirsty? Then we can come for blessing. Some time ago, a very dear friend of mine, whose maiden name is Smith, was the recipient of a portion of a legacy left by her great-aunt in America. We all know that this is not the most uncommon name in the world; yet this legacy was left to a certain family of Smiths, and some fourteen or sixteen claimed a share in it. Only those mentioned had the right to benefit therefrom. At the same time although all the Smiths in the world could not receive a share, -those who benefited by it were able to claim their portion, but there had to be an appropriation of the gifts bequeathed.

So with all those who benefit by the death of Christ and are mentioned in His will. If they fail to claim their portion, they will find that some will try to deprive them of what is theirs by right. Oh may God help us to claim our inheritance in Christ.

#### DR. CAMPBELL MORGAN'S TESTIMONY

"From earliest childhood Bible stories charmed me, and I grew up firmly believing without question in its Divinity. Then came a day of questioning and doubt, of fear amounting almost to dread in the presence of much that was being written and said concerning the Scriptures. It was out of a deep sense of perplexity that I turned from books about the Bible to the Bible itself. The result in my own experience has been a discovery of unity which to me is the final proof of Divinity. Beginning with the Old Testament and moving systematically forward, I discovered that each book demanded another, and that when Malachi had been reached the whole collection demanded more. In other words I found that step by step I had proceeded through history and through teaching all of which pointed toward a Coming One. Then, turning to the New Testament, I found the answer to all the expectation created in reading the Old. He, the lonely and perfect Personality of the Gospel narratives, stands at the centre, and all the highways meet in Him. The roads of the books of the Old Testament lead up to Him. The pathways of the New lead out from Him."

IN MEMORIAM

# Hannah (Mrs. Charles H.) Coates

## A Tribute by her Husband delivered at the Grave-side

**I**T has been my desire to pay here some tribute to the memory of my beloved wife, whose body we now lay to rest awhile, "till He come."

The characters in her of wife and missionary were to me inseparable. I married her because she was a missionary. She married me because I was a missionary. The bond of missionary service was our essential passport into each other's lives.

Perhaps my most vivid recollection of her is as she bore herself during the great Chinese revolution of 1911 and onward. The moment of its outbreak



Mrs. Hannah Coates (with David, her youngest child).

found us at our station on the wild Chino-Tibetan frontier 2,000 miles from the coast, and many hundred miles from any British help, or the nearest steam transport; and very soon there was an army composed of revolutionaries, and of the horde of criminals whom they had everywhere released from the gaols to assist them, marching on our city, which was carried by assault in the small hours of an October

morning, succeeded by a dawn of terror and Asiatic slaughter. I recall her now standing by my side amid that vast oriental storm with unflinching courage. And when, after a marvellous Divine deliverance on that occasion, we had taken furlough, there was never a suggestion from her that the great task for which we had joined our lives should be given up, but she went straight back with me (and our two children of those days) to accomplish three more years of service in that same station, followed by other years of service elsewhere in inland China. Throughout those years, though her brave heart oft trembled on those far front lines of missionary advance, she never looked back from the great task; and when at length it became necessary, upon a point of principle, to sever the fellowships of twenty years' service in China and return home, none grieved more deeply than she that the work there should for a time be laid down.

Although never conspicuous in public meetings—for she shrank from publicity—she steadfastly pursued, in China and at home, the quieter ministries of wife and mother in the home circle. Though the very lives of her children were ever kept on the altar before God, and though, upon a number of occasions, those precious living sacrifices, unknown to themselves, were all but gathered to God during the frequent storms of Chinese revolutionary passion and brigand terror, she on the other hand ever counted their welfare in the home the

first part of a right missionary service, seeking to present thereby, amid the dark night of heathen society, the true and powerful example of a model Christian home, while, in her quiet visitations in the homes of the people for purposes of Gospel instruction and practical help, she was able fruitfully to implement this example in a direct reach to heathen hearts.

Her ministries during recent years in the home-land followed the same unostentatious character. It is in part the result of her faithful instruction and exhortations that every one of her six children is also a born-again child of God. As for ministry to others, upon every appearance of tradesman, hawker, or beggar at our door, she would immediately commence a personal Foursquare revival on the very door-step, by which she earnestly sought to lead them to Christ. They came; they were welcomed; and they went away with the bread of life. Many, too, among her Christian friends, as these days are more and more revealing, found their hands strengthened in God by her counsel and prayer fellowship as a true mother in Israel.

It might be thought that her quietly fruitful life closed prematurely. But looking as I do into this open grave, by the witness of God's Spirit, I find here no mere accident or mischance of circumstance, still less any failure of the Divine providence, of the Father's love, or the Good Shepherd's tender care. No, here is expressed His perfect will, before which I bow in humble surrender, and with joy for her present bliss. And even this honoured dust will not lie here long—this earth, here riven by man to receive it, will soon be riven again by Divine power, that she may rise in resurrection glory. For the swift vortices of last-days crisis throughout the earth proclaim aloud that the moment is near when the righteous dead must awake. Let me affectionately urge this upon any unsaved ones here whom my voice may reach. The Marriage Supper of the Lamb is in near preparation, and, as with large households on earth, it is to be announced, as it were, by two bells. The first or warning "bell" is even now sounding throughout the earth, in the crucial events now shaking the nations, carrying as they do the features and characteristics predicted in Holy Writ as immediately preceding the coming of the Lord for His people. The second "bell"—the last Trump—will wake the righteous dead—the grave of every one such lying in this cemetery will rend—and the guests of that Supper will sit down. "For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

And, for the little while between, goodbye now, dear wife and mother well-beloved—comrade true long lent of God—till dawns the morning without clouds.

# He Set Me Free

H.L.

HALDOR LILLENAS.

1. My soul is fill'd with joy and gladness, Since Je - sus came to me;  
2. The Com - fort - er a - bides so sweetly Within my soul to - day;  
3. The grace of Je - sus hath a - bounded For all my sin I see,

His love has ban - ished all my sadness, From sin He set me free.  
And peace doth fill my heart completely, Since Je - sus came to stay.  
Sal - va - tion walls hath me surrounded, From sin I am set free.

CHORUS.

He set me free, . . . . . He set me free, . . . . . I was blind but  
He set me free, He set me free, He set me free,

hal - le - lu - jah, now I see; . . . . . I shall ne'er for - get the day  
yes, now I see;

When He wash'd my sins a - way, And He set, He set me free. . . . .  
He set me free.

# Bible Study Helps

## WHAT THE MASTER SAW.

"From everything the Master saw,  
Lessons of wisdom He would draw."  
The clouds, the colour in the sky (Matt. xvi. 2, 3).  
The gentle breeze that whispers by (John iii. 8).  
The lilies that the vale adorn (Matt. vi. 28).  
The fields all white with waving corn (Mark ii. 23).  
The reed that trembles in the wind (Matt. xi. 7).  
The tree where none its fruits may find (Matt. xxi. 19).  
The shifting sand, the flinty rock,  
That bears unmoved the tempest's shock (Matt. vii. 24-27).  
The thorns that on the earth abound (Matt. xiii. 7).  
The tender grass that clothes the ground (Matt. xiv. 19).  
The little birds that fly in air (Matt. x. 29).  
The sheep that need the shepherd's care (Luke xv. 4).  
The pearls that in the ocean lie (Matt. xiii. 45, 46).  
The gold that tempts the miser's eye (Luke xii. 15)—  
All from Christ's lips some truth proclaim,  
Or learn to praise their Master's name.

## "HOLD FAST."

1. Hold fast our profession (Heb. iv. 14; x. 23; I. Tim. i. 19; iii. 9).  
2. Hold fast the faithful Word (Titus i. 9).  
3. Hold fast the form of sound words (I. Tim. i. 13; Titus ii. 7, 8).  
4. Hold fast confidence and rejoicing (Heb. iii. 6; x. 35; I. Thess. v. 16).  
5. Hold fast that which is good (I. Thess. v. 21; Prov. iv. 13; Job xxvii. 6).  
6. Hold fast till I come (Rev. ii. 13, 25; iii. 3, 11).

## "SO WALK YE IN HIM."

1. Christ is the Truth (John xiv. 6); walk in the truth (II. John 4).  
2. Christ is the Light (John i. 9); walk in the light (I. John i. 7; Eph. v. 8).  
3. Christ (God) is Spirit (John iv. 24); walk in the Spirit (Gal. v. 16, 25).  
4. Christ (God) is Love (I. John iv. 16); walk in love (Eph. v. 2).  
5. Christ is Wisdom (I. Cor. i. 24, 30); walk in wisdom (Col. iv. 5; Eph. v. 15).

# THE BIBLE AND CHRIST

I once saw a picture of the Constitution of the United States very skilfully engraved in copper-plate, so that when you looked at it closely it was nothing more than a piece of writing, but when you looked at it from a distance it was the face of George Washington. The face shone out in the shading of the letters at a little distance, and I saw the person,

not the words, nor the ideas; and I thought, "That is the way to look at the Scriptures and understand the thoughts of God; to see in them the face of Love, shining through and through, not ideas, not doctrines, but *Jesus Himself* as the Life and Source and sustaining Presence of all our life."

# Light

By HENRY PROCTOR, F.R.S.L.

"GOD dwelleth in light unapproachable, whom no man hath seen or can see." "No man can see God and live." Such are the statements of the Holy Scriptures regarding the Supreme God. Yet there are also affirmations in various parts of Holy Writ, which are the direct contrary of these, as, "The pure in heart shall see God"; and Job says, "I have heard of Thee by the hearing of the ear, but now mine eye seeth Thee." And again, "The throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it: and His servants shall serve Him, and they shall look upon His face."

No wonder the materialist, the man of mortal mind, says that the Bible abounds in contradictions, for so it must appear to him. But Divine wisdom justifies itself, though it may appear to be foolishness to human reason. "For what man knoweth the things of a man save the spirit of the man that is in him; even so, the things of God none knoweth, save the Spirit of God. But God hath revealed them to us by His Spirit."

## THINGS WHICH EYE SAW NOT,

nor ear heard, nor hath entered into the heart of man, even the deep things of God—such are the deeps of the Divine nature inconceivable to the mortal mind of the animal man, and only known by those who are partakers of the Divine nature, who possess the mind of Christ. They alone are initiated into this mystery, for as Drummond says, "It takes the Divine to know the Divine."

They understand therefore, that while they are

privileged to see God continually, they see Him not with the human sight, but with the spiritual sight of the inward man. For they possess a superconscious mind, and spiritual sight, hearing, smell, taste, and feeling. As human beings therefore, they do not and cannot see Him, for when the human soul approaches that Light it is consumed, like a moth in the flame of a lamp, and only that which is spiritual

## ENTERS INTO THE LIGHT.

As the moth loses its life (*psyche*) in the light, so does the man lose his personality (*psyche*) so that he is no longer a psychical, but a spiritual man.


This is what our Lord means, when He says, "He that seeks to save his life [*psyche*] shall lose it, but he that loses it for My sake shall preserve it alive," keep it unto life eternal. For he that follows the Christ, in the crucifixion, becoming a sharer in His death, follows Him also to the Mount of Transfiguration, into the light, so that he is immersed in the light, his whole body becomes full of light, having no part dark, and his raiment becomes white as the light, and his face shines like the sun. To such as these the Christ can say, "Ye are the light of the world," as a city which is set on a hill, they cannot be hid, but must shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. And the fruit of their light is seen in all holiness, and righteousness and truth. For the Light of the world is in them, and cannot but shine forth from them, as they go from glory unto glory, until they reach the light of the perfect day.



## FRUITFUL CHURCHES OF GOD'S PLANTING

Yielded Talents bring Blessed Harvests—Spirit-honoured Labours

### CONSECRATED ART.



**Pontardulais.** A very impressive service was held at this church on a recent Saturday evening, when a large oil-painted picture entitled, "The First Miracle in Cana," was unveiled by Mr. Bernarr Thornett of Swansea. The picture measures 8 ft. x 4 ft, and is the work and gift of a well-known Swansea artist, Mr. W. R. Fuller, who has met with great success, both in this country and America, as a portrait artist. Mr. Fuller is a man who has consecrated his artistic gifts and talents to the service of his Lord and Saviour, and is now devoting his spare time to painting a series of pictures illustrating the miracles of Jesus. "The First Miracle in Cana" is the first of the series.


In the foreground Jesus is seen speaking to His mother who has just informed Him that they have no more wine. Be-

hind the Saviour stands a misty cross while He Himself looks up to heaven saying, "Mine hour is not yet come." In the right hand corner a servant is seen filling the water pots, while the governor, bride, bridegroom, and guests, all have their eyes fixed on Jesus, waiting to see a manifestation of His miraculous power.

This service was followed by a mission conducted by Pastor E. C. Crew, of Mountain Ash. The presence of the Lord was felt in all the meetings, and the saints believe that the preaching of the Word shall not return void. To God be all the glory.

### PENTECOSTAL BLESSINGS.

**Chelmsford** (Pastor J. Woodhead). The blessing of God continues to fall upon the saints at Elim Tabernacle, Mildmay Road. Strangers continue to attend the services and on a recent Sun-



day two souls surrendered to the claims of Christ. The Lord continues to baptise His people in the Holy Spirit in the old-fashioned way.

On a recent Sunday we were favoured with a visit by Pastor R. D. Bradley of Colchester, whose ministry was greatly appreciated, and at the close of his Gospel message two souls were won for Christ. On a recent Thursday the assembly provided a tea for the wives of unemployed in Chelmsford, some 150 women beside children being entertained.

### THE ESSEX CONVENTION.

**Rayleigh** (Pastor J. C. N. Eaton). The monthly Convention of the Essex Elim Churches for March was a time to be remembered by everyone present. Souls were richly blessed. Pastor C. J. E. Kingston conducted the services in both the afternoon and evening, and the blessing of the Lord was upon His



servant. During the afternoon the Word was ministered by Pastor R. D. Bradley of Colchester, and Pastor G. T. S. Dunk of Hockley. These messages were inspiring and edifying to every one.

Mrs. J. Woodhead rendered solos with much feeling; hearts were stirred as our sister sang the blessed news of the Gospel.

Another great meeting was held in the evening, when representatives of every assembly contributed items.

Inspiring and blessed messages were given in the evening service by Pastor H. A. Mason, and Miss E. Hyde. The ministry of song by the Leigh and Rayleigh Crusaders was greatly appreciated.

### JUBILEE SERVICES.

**Knottingley** (Pastor S. E. Hillman). "Coming this way, yes, coming this way, a mighty revival is coming this way." This is the chorus on the lips, and in the hearts of the saints who gather at the Elim Tabernacle, Cow Lane. Since Pastor Hillman took up the ministry in this corner of God's vineyard, spiritually and materially, there has been a steady forward move. Now there is a further stirring-up of God's children, and a sound of abundance of rain.

Signs are following the faithful preaching of God's Word. There is joy in heaven and on earth over more than one hundred souls who have decided for Christ since Pastor Hillman came to Knottingley. Sunday morning continues to be a glorious time, when it is very blessed to meet with God. The mid-week meetings are greatly prospered of God. The Bible reading on Thursdays, when the Pastor gives food for thought upon the fundamental truths, are attracting not only members, but saints from other churches, and also the unsaved. Signs of an awakening are manifested in increased attendances, and activity in all branches of the work.

We recently had a Jubilee week-end, this building having been erected and consecrated to God's work fifty years ago, and though for many years despised and forsaken, a few saints have held on to God in prayer, and at this time their cry is, "How good is the God we adore, our faithful, unchangeable Friend." Jubilee week-end attracted a crowd, the Cadets creditably rendering a song service entitled, "The Man of Galilee," when the Sunday school prizes were distributed. This brought a few strangers, some of whom came back on the Sunday night, and after the Word had gone forth in the power of the Holy Ghost, five precious souls answered the call as also did another brother during the same week. To God be the glory.

### CAMPAIGN BLESSINGS.

**Chichester.** Prayer at last is being gloriously answered, and a real Holy Ghost revival is in progress here.

Pastor Fielding is bringing forth treasures, old and new, from the Good Old Book. The bright happy choruses and hymns are being thoroughly enjoyed. The inspired singing is keeping up the intensely spiritual tone of the campaign. Souls are being saved, as the Saviour of the world is "lifted up."

The truth as to Jesus Christ being

Healer of the body is being shewn in very fact to most attentive audiences—the majority of whom have never even thought of this before—the Pastor's own wonderful testimony being given as a demonstration of the power of the Great Physician.

That Christ still baptises with the Holy Spirit as at Pentecost is coming as a revelation to most, whilst the near return of our Lord for His Church is being stressed at every meeting.

Various denominations are being represented, but the bulk of the people are being drawn from those who either do not go to any church, or who have left because they are dissatisfied with formalism and ritualism. The congregations are increasing, a great many people coming regularly.

The Holy Spirit is convicting of sin, and lives are being changed. To God be the glory.



Pastor J. R. Moore baptising one of the candidates.

### SIXTY NEW MEMBERS.

**Gardiff** (Pastor J. R. Moore). Once again the saints meeting at the Cory Memorial Hall can raise their Ebenezer in recalling the rich blessings and tokens of His love bestowed on those who have been redeemed through the precious blood, and can join in the song around the throne, "Unto Him who liath loved us, and washed us from our sin."

It was by no chance or accident that Pastor Moore chose for the first Sunday evening of the new year the subject of Lukewarmness, taking as his text Revelation ii. 15, 16. He made reference to the circumstance that there are no needless repetitions in God's Word, so there must be unusual significance in a phrase expressed three times in two consecutive verses—"Neither cold nor hot." Referring to present-day conditions he said many churches have struck a lukewarm compromise between "cold" and

"hot." The early Church was absolutely different from anything else in the world. It could be contrasted with everything, but compared to nothing; in fact, it could only be likened unto itself. The modern Church is losing contrast—is becoming comparable to many things. Christians are paralysed by the lack of zeal. Earnestness, devotion, passion, and fire are sadly lacking. When the appeal was given after this memorable sermon twenty souls publicly accepted Jesus as their Saviour. It was indeed a time of searching, bending, breaking, moulding, filling, and lifting, to sinners and saints alike.

During the past three months sixty-four souls have accepted Jesus and these are now partaking of His bounty, and find joy and satisfaction in living a separated life unto God. Furthermore quite a goodly number have received the "This is that" experience, realising that though despised, yet Christ has promised to fill those who hunger and thirst after righteousness.

On a recent Thursday evening approximately a thousand people gathered at the Airon Baptist Church, Splott (kindly lent for the occasion), and hearts were gladdened in witnessing forty-nine candidates following their Lord through the waters of baptism. Not only in one meeting but in all is His blessing. The Bible readings on Thursday nights continue to be times of rich food for our souls, as the Pastor, under the deep rich unction and anointing of the Holy Spirit, brings forth the Word. In fact one cannot tell all God has done and is doing in these meetings.

During the past month sixty new members have received the right hand of fellowship.

### GLAD TESTIMONY.

**Blackpool** (Pastor L. Newsham). God is abundantly blessing the church at Elim Hall, Waterloo Road. Saints are being baptised and filled with the Holy Spirit. Sinners are being brought to the foot of the Cross under the faithful ministry of Pastor L. H. Newsham, who is being mightily used in His service.

The Sunday school also is progressing under the care of saved and sanctified teachers, and the children are being taught to love Jesus and live for Him, even in the days of their youth.

A memorable visit was recently paid by Mrs. Walshaw, of Halifax, who occupied the pulpit for several evenings, and inspired all hearers by her glad testimony. Other welcome visits include that of Pastor H. G. Hawkins of Lytham, who beautifully expounded God's Word to eager listeners.

Even in these days of apostasy and declension, God is doing a mighty work, and souls are being brought into the fold wherever the blood-stained banner of the Cross is uplifted. Pray on, Foursquare workers, that all efforts shall bear fruit to the extension of His glorious kingdom.

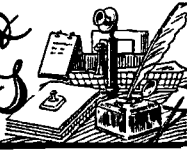


# ELIM CRUSADER PAGE



MOTTO: GOD'S BEST FOR US — OUR BEST FOR GOD

## Notes & News



**Grimsby.** Owing to the great spirit of blessing in all the meetings, the Crusader Convention recently held was extended over an extra week-end.

God's blessing was upon every effort put forth by the Crusaders, who took keen interest in the services. Many handbills were distributed and a special open-air meeting was held in the vicinity of the hall, preceding the campaign. All the meetings were well attended, the hall being full on two occasions. Special singing was rendered by the Crusaders, testimonies were given, also solos and duets, and in some way all the Crusaders took part, helping to make the Convention a spiritual success. Jesus Himself had the pre-eminence throughout all services. True, "blessings abound where'er He reigns," the result being that one sister accepted Christ as her Saviour, and the following evening her little son followed her example.

Impressive messages were given, revealing to the unsaved the wonderful love of God and their need of salvation, while to those born again they were a source of spiritual uplift and blessing. One evening was devoted to a special missionary effort. Two sisters and a brother gave interesting messages on missionary work at home and abroad. One of the sisters read letters received from a missionary in India. "To God be the glory, great things He hath done," was the theme of those who testified, shewing that Jesus not only saves, but fully satisfies the young people. One special item which proved to be of lasting blessing to those present, was the rendering of "Ivory Palaces," by two brothers, as a violin duet.

The week following, the Crusaders held their annual supper and fellowship gathering. For this event a Crusader sister made a Foursquare cake with the words, "Saviour, Healer, Baptiser, Coming King," worked in icing upon it. Several other young people were invited to attend, and were given a welcome to the Crusader services. A short message was given by a brother Crusader, who spoke of blessing received in the Crusaders' meetings during the past year, and of the deep spiritual advancement of the work. The Pastor followed on with a message exhorting all to have the spirit of unity and the love of Christ in their hearts. The Crusaders also had a special invitation to conduct a service at the Salvation Army Hall. They received a warm welcome and the presence and power of the Lord was felt in the midst.

Recently the assembly had the privilege of a visit from the young people of Victory Hall assembly, who were full of praise and joy in the Lord, their visit being blessed to many.—R.M.B.

**Ballymoney.** The branch here reports good progress this last few months. With the exception of coldness in respect of a few, the Crusaders here have been on fire for God, and a few new members have been gained. Also we hope for more soon, as a number of young people of Crusader age have been recently converted to Christ. Our meetings have been both interesting and instructive. We have had special studies and many times of spiritual blessing. Especially might we mention our recent open night. Mr. Hood led the meeting, and we had speakers, singers, testimonies, etc. It was a time of Holy Ghost blessing. The hall was packed to the doors, and all were of the unanimous decision that it was as good as any convention.

So we go ahead, thanking God for past blessings, and looking for greater times in the near future. To God be the glory.—D.B.

### He will yet Deliver Us.

Beneath Westminster Abbey is an old crypt which for centuries was used as the burial place of the early kings. It is related that one day, some years ago, a visitor who had wandered into this vault was locked in. He did not notice as the doors swung together. The janitors were busy, and no one heard the muffled voice which began to cry from the crypt, or the muffled blows which began to beat upon its oaken door. The afternoon passed away. What that imprisoned man suffered as it gradually grew upon him that he was buried alive, who can know?

At the usual hour the janitor made his evening round before closing the building for the night. The entombed man heard him as his footsteps came near, then retreated, came near again, then, finally receding, grew fainter and fainter, and died away at length in the distance. What imagination can conceive his agony! He redoubled his cries. He dashed his body wildly against the solid door. In vain.

Now he thought he heard the

distant entrance doors creak on their hinges, and the key pushed into the great iron lock. In a moment more the vast tomb would be closed for the night. Fortunately, before turning the key, the janitor paused a moment and listened. He thought he heard dull blows, faint and far away—a sound as of stifled, agonising cries. He listened more intently. A horrible thought suggested itself to his mind: "Someone is locked into the crypt." He hastened to the place, threw open the heavy oaken door, and held his lantern up to see. The buried man had fallen senseless upon the stone floor. He was rescued just in time to save his reason.

Were it not for the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we had all been like that poor imprisoned man, helplessly and hopelessly beating our wounded fists and raising our hopeless cries against the bolted door of the living tomb.

### The Last Days

*"Men shall be lovers of self . . . of money . . . disobedient to parents . . . lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God."*

Read that (the whole passage) and compare it with what we see every day. People will call me a crank and crazy in teaching about the Lord's return. Of course, that's nothing to me. My business is to teach what He taught (Matt. xxiv. 48). The Lord is going to set up His kingdom and reign on the earth. He will have a thousand years of His own. Let us go back to the idea that Christ is coming again, as the Book declares, and there isn't any power in earth or hell that can hinder Him. I went to the Lord's table for years and never saw the coming of the Lord, because I didn't read the Scriptures straight. Isn't there comfort in this doctrine? The Devil has tried to make us believe it is not real! Thank God for the glory and the outlook!—D. L. Moody.

# Concise Comments & Interesting Items

**Germany's war on Judæa**, as some have called the boycott on Jews in Germany, has created a great sympathy for God's ancient people amongst those who love the Gospel. The effect upon one Englishman travelling in Germany was to cause him to decide to buy only from Jewish tradesmen. That feeling is no doubt characteristic of the good will that the persecution has fostered toward the Jews in many hearts.

But we must remember that the Jew is not an innocent victim. During this period of the rejection of the Messiah the Jewish nation is wandering blindly, hopelessly, sinfully about. But that a new attitude is arising among them is shewn by the next comment.

"**The Lord Jesus re-tried**," so writes Ernest Gordon in the American "Sunday School Times." He says:

"A re-trial of Jesus is reported to have taken place in Jerusalem on the 25th of July last, before a packed assembly.

"The prosecutor was Dr. Blandeiser, a prominent Jewish jurist, who, from a typewritten document of a thousand pages, sought to uphold the judgment of the Sanhedrin. They acted according to their conscientious opinions. They saw in Jesus a leader of insurrection against the government, who had gathered men about Himself and announced Himself King. He had proclaimed a new religion, and for that offence numberless men had been earlier condemned.' After an address of four hours the speaker closed with an appeal for a confirmation and ratification of the earlier judgment.

"In a breathless silence the assembly listened to the defence by Dr. Reichswehr, who stated that he was to prove that the judgment was unjust and that Jesus was the object of a judicial murder. He continued for five hours. Then the judges went aside to confer, and when they came back declared that, with four votes to one, they affirmed the complete

innocence of the Accused. The complaint against Him was based on a regretful mistake and the Divine judgment would fall on the Jewish people until they freed themselves from this sin."

**A weekly prayer meeting** is held at the Houses of Parliament. This year the 100th anniversary has been celebrated. We understand that the meeting is of an informal character—any one present is free to lead in prayer. The first one to arrive becomes the leader of the meeting. It is a joy to know that our own land is very friendly toward the Jew. Prayer and a true feeling of friendliness toward the Jew seem to go together. Prayerless governments have no place for the scattered people of Jehovah.

**Bible students** will be glad to have this information concerning the present whereabouts of the Jews. Our authority is the "News Chronicle."

## WHERE THE JEWS ARE.

According to latest figures the Jewish population of the world is approximately 14½ millions, distributed as follows:

Poland	2,829,456	Arabia	25,000
Russia	2,626,667	India	22,500
Rumania	834,400	Bokhara	21,000
Germany	643,000	Afghanistan	18,000
Hungary	473,310	China	15,000
Czecho-Slovakia	354,342	Aden	4,000
Great Britain		Japan	500
& Ireland	300,000	Dutch East	
Austria	300,000	Indies	2,000
France	165,000	Straits Settlements	700
Lithuania	160,000	Philippines	600
Holland	115,229	Cyprus	180
Greece	110,000	Indo-China	1,000
Latvia	105,000	British South	
Turkey	85,000	Africa	62,103
Yugo-Slavia	80,000	French	
Belgium	60,000	Morocco	125,981
Bulgaria	50,000	Spanish	
Italy	46,000	Morocco	24,500
Switzerland	21,000	Tangier	10,000

Sweden	6,500	Algeria	85,000
Denmark	6,000	Tunis	65,000
Estonia	4,800	Egypt	65,000
Spain	4,500	Abyssinia	60,000
Danzig	9,239	Tripoli	19,000
Portugal	1,500	U S.A.	3,800,000
Finland	1,618	Argentina	200,000
Norway	1,457	Canada	126,196
Gibraltar	1,400	Mexico	10,000
Luxembourg	1,270	Brazil	27,000
Malta	50	Cuba	6,000
Russia in Asia	170,813	Chili	4,000
		Dutch	
Palestine	150,000	Guiana	1,343
Iraq	90,000	Jamaica	1,250
Asiatic Turkey	70,000	Uruguay	2,000
		Australia	21,622
Persia	80,000	New Zealand	2,380
Syria	35,000		

Grand Total ... 14,621,405

## He is Risen

"He is not here, but is risen."—Luke xxiv. 6.

He is risen, our Redeemer!  
Death the Life could not there hold:  
Captive bars are burst asunder,  
From the tomb the stone is rolled.

He is risen, our Deliverer!  
Heaven and earth His conquest tell:  
From the mighty spoil is taken;  
Christ's the keys of death and hell.

He is risen, blessed Saviour!  
Immortality to bring:  
Joy, O earth, thy travail endeth,  
Where, O death, is now thy sting.

He is risen, King eternal!  
Earth His footstool, heaven His throne.  
Give Him glory, nations, kingdoms—  
His the sceptre all must own.

—Annie Whitecross.

## God's Management Best

"THE stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner" (Matt. xxi. 42).

Many a time have we seen the hand of God lift up some wronged and despised brother just to vindicate His own Word, that the stone which the builders rejected is made the head of the corner.

A good lesson was once taught to the whole family of critics by the wise George Muller. When one of his boys was brought to him charged with finding fault with the way things were done, Mr. Muller received the boy with a deep bow of respect, and immediately proposed that he should take his seat, while he, Mr. Muller, stepped down among the boys. "Now," said he, "I understand that you do not like the way I manage things. I propose, therefore, that you shall manage things, and I now wait for your orders for the rest of the day."

The boy was greatly embarrassed, and after a while

began to cry and beg Mr. Muller to take his own place and let him be a boy again, promising to obey orders and support the government of the house in every way.

Men think they can manage God and His affairs, but they only demonstrate their mismanagement in their doings. The demonstration of the past is a long story of man's failure. Man blasted Eden by his sin (Gen. iii. 1-19); Saul wrecked his life by his disobedience (I. Sam. xv. 23); Israel shut themselves out of the land by their unbelief (Heb. iii. 19); Achan brought defeat on the host of Israel by his covetousness (Josh. vii. 13); Uzziah was smitten with leprosy by his self-inflation (II. Chron. xxvi. 16-21); the ten tribes were scattered because of their revolt (II. Chron. x. 1-16); and the Jews brought judgment upon themselves by their rejection of Christ (Luke xxiii. 27-31). Let God have the control of your life; surrender your life to Him and He will come into your heart and reign there, and you will know the peace that passeth all understanding.

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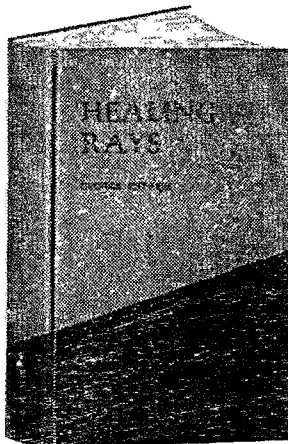
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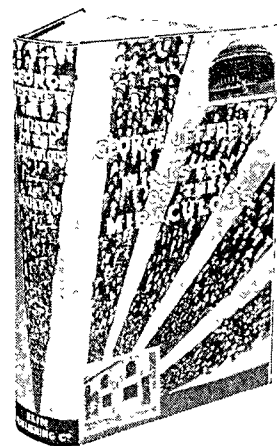
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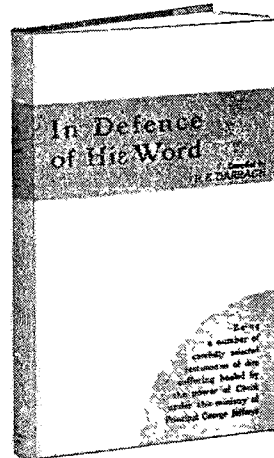
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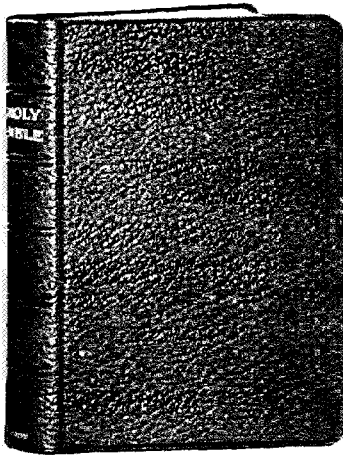
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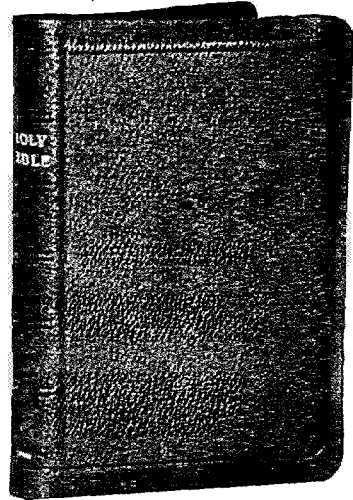
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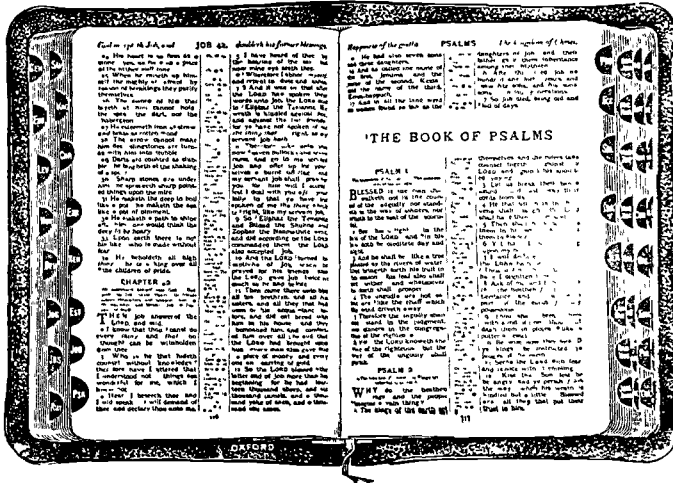
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