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*"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings . . . that publisheth salvation." Isaiah 52: 7.*

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## If Christ Had Not Resurrected?

Joseph Hoffman

Only Jesus could say, "I am the resurrection and the life". Until he came, death held its iron sceptre over the multitudes. Fear, hopelessness encamped around the dying person. But Christ has come! Glory! Death has lost its power and fear. The tomb is not the end of our existence. Christ liveth! Because He lives, we shall live also.

Had Christ not resurrected the following tragedy would be ours today.

### THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH HAD NEVER SURVIVED

Christianity began with the ushering in of the coming of Christ into the world. He called men from every walk of life. Fishermen, tax collectors, publicans, all constituted the visible church on earth. They left all and followed Him. On the day of Pentecost, the church elect was inaugurated with the incoming of the Spirit of God. Those early Christians recognized Christ to be more than a man, they recognized Deity in Him. But suppose after they had forsaken all to follow Him, and then on the third day after His death, they had visited the tomb, only to find their Savior, still cold in death. Right there, the church would have disintegrated and ceased to be. But when they came to the tomb, He was gone. Resurrected and alive. The Angel said, "Tell Peter and His followers that He is risen". This is the backbone of the Christian church. Christ liveth! Take the resurrection from our gospel, and we are powerless. Because He is alive, the church exists today, and will exist until He comes again for us.

### CHRIST WOULD BE CALLED THE WORLD'S GREATEST IMPOSTER

If He had not arisen from the dead, His teachings would have been discarded centuries ago. His sayings would have become obsolete. The Bible would have been destroyed. Christ would have been branded the world's greatest imposter. The islands of the sea's would never have heard the glad message, He lives!



The funeral dirge would have carried the dead to their last resting place, while heads were bowed in weeping and silence prevailed over the mourners. The minister could not have uttered those beautiful words from John's gospel, "let not your hearts be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions, if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go, I will come again, and receive you unto myself".

Poetry and songs would not contain such beautiful stanza's as:

"I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today, I know that He is living, whatever man may say".

We would not have the beautiful song; "Up from the grave He

arose, with a mighty triumph o'er His foes; He arose a victor from the dark domain, and He lives forever with His saints to reign. He arose! He arose! Hallelujah, Christ arose!

### THERE WOULD BE NO DELIVERANCE FROM SIN

The human race that is being driven by the steeds of passion, lust, greed, pride, would have no one to deliver them. The man who is bound by evil habits, could only hope that through human efforts he could somehow lift himself and be delivered. The alcoholic, the dope addict, the narcotic user, could only hope for an imposed prison sentence, a reformatory etc. No hope! But Christ liveth, and because He lives, there is deliverance from every known sin, except one, the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost.

Mel Trotter was hopelessly bound by the habit of drink. He had gone so deep and far until nothing seemingly could help him. When his son died, he took the shoes from his tiny feet, palmed them off for a glass of drink, thinking nothing of it. Later he was marvelously converted and started preaching the glorious gospel of Christ. When this great redeemed sinner died, he had started sixty missions across America in the slum districts to help fallen men like himself, find the path of right again. What lifted this awful sinner? Only Jesus Christ!

The poet asked the question, "Is there any one can help us? one who understands the heart". Hear his answer, "Yea there's one, only one, the blessed, blessed Jesus is the one". Oh my sinner friend there is one can lift you. There is one who can deliver

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## EDITORIAL

### Awake, Church of God!

IT IS NEAR TWELVE!

By Dr. Peter Wiseman

St. Paul, in his letter to the church in Rome, said, "And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep" (Rom. 13:11).

The slowness of Christian people to realize the time is, in itself, startling and distressing. The scientific world appears to be more concerned over the situation than the religious world is. Outstanding scientists, with their knowledge of the danger of atomic destruction, said some time ago that it was eight minutes of twelve. Since the Korean conflict, some of them have moved up the hands a bit, but the Church still sleeps!

The sweeping advance of atheistic communism is alarming. It has spread so rapidly that one cannot help but wonder if the way is not being readied for the Antichrist to come. But the Church still sleeps!

The creeping paralysis of this Laodicean Age is having its deadening effect on spiritual people. Instead of the Church realizing this, and guarding against it by doing something vital about it, she still sleeps!

The trouble with the church of the Laodiceans was her complacency. She said: "I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing." God said: "Knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see." The church was neither cold nor hot; and that was to God a sickening thing (Rev. 3:14-18).

We listened to a radio broadcast recently, a broadcast contacting the great centers of population in America, seeking to know what preparations are being made

to cope with probable atomic bomb attacks. The revelation as to what has been done and what is being done is heartening indeed; but the conclusion as to the probable loss of life during such attacks was most distressing: around fifty per cent, provided a warning had been given. In the case of sneak attacks the percentage of loss would greatly increase. I could not help but wonder what the churches in such centers are doing about a greater loss, that eternal loss of the soul. Who is concerned about this? But for a few earnest Christian people here and there, the Church still sleeps!

Beloved, if you have not a deep concern over present conditions in the world and in the church, will you not ask God to put such concern on your heart? People who are truly baptized with the Holy Spirit have this concern! Will you not ask God to give you a new vision of the need and the possibility? Then act!

What is the time? and what are we going to do about it?

God's visitations here and there among us reveal His willingness to pour out His Holy Spirit in mighty revival power when we meet the conditions. But will the Church really awake to this fact? Will she awake to this opportunity that presently may pass, never to return? Will she? It is true "that in the last days perilous times shall come" (2 Tim. 3:1-5), and it seems clear that "the last days" are upon us; but it is equally clear that "in the last days, saith God, I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh" (Acts 2:17). We are still living in one of the "days" "the last days" of which the day of Pentecost was the first, and during which days God has promised to pour out His Spirit!

Read the challenge of the Almighty: "If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people; if my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" (2 Chron. 7:13, 14).

"And being let go, they went to their own company, . . . And when they had prayed, the place

was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness. And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul; neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all" (Acts 4:23-33).

The impossible becomes possible when the believing Church gets down to God's order, down to business for God!

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### Camp Calendar

#### MOUNT OF BLESSINGS CAMP

Midway between Loganton and Rachtown, Pa.

Workers — Rev. Glenn Griffith  
Evangelist

Rev. A. L. Vess — Bible Teacher

Singers — Christiansaires

Date—June 30-July 10

Information—Write to Henry Embich, Loganton, Pa.

Cottages for sale—Double size—  
Price \$325.00

#### PENNS CREEK CAMP—Penns Creek, Pa.

Date July 19-31

Workers—Rev. Robb French—Evan.  
Rev. Edwin Newby—Bible Teacher

Singers—Buntings

Information—Write Rev. G. I. Straub, Penns Creek, Pa.

#### CLINTON CAMP—Located on Rt. 30 West of Pittsburg, Pa.

Date—July 21-31

Workers—Rev's. C. I. Matherly, T. M. Anderson, Earl Starnes, Joseph Hoffman.

Singer—Walter Shultz

Information—Write A. L. Cain, Clinton, Pa.

### Evangelist's Directory

Rev. Tommy Holshouser— Rt. 1  
Kannapolis, N. C.  
Evangelist

April 5-17, North Vernon, Ind.

April 19-May 1, Delphos, Ohio.

Rev. and Mrs. Wm. McFarlan—

Gen. Del. West Terre Haute, Ind.

Evangelist, Singers, Childrens Workers

April 3-17, Greensburg, Ind.

April 19-May 1, Lafollett, Tenn.

May 8-22, New Albany, Ind.

Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Passmore—  
Snydertown, Pa.

Evangelist, Singers, Musicians

April 1-10, Hopewell, Pa. (Naz)

April 17-May 1, Allentown, Pa.

(Hol. Ch)

Rev. Spencer Johnson— Vivian, La.  
Evangelist

Mar. 31-April 10, Farmington, Iowa.

April 13-24, Jackson, Georgia.

Rev. Joan Houch— Box 761

State College, Pa. (Evangelist)

Rev. George Daugherty—

R. 3, Muncy, Pa. (Evangelist)

C. Jewarren Bunting and wife—

1428 Salisbury Ave., Albemarle, N. C.

Singers, Musicians with house trailer

March 21-April 3, Lebanon, Pa.

(Open date—April 4-14, if anyone could use these good singers, write them at once.)

April 16-24, New Castle, Pa.

Rev. Robert Kiblinger—

2612 N. 14th St., Terre Haute, Ind.

Evangelist

Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Hoffman—  
Watsonstown, Pa.

March 30-April 10, Robeline, La.  
(Naz)

April 13-24, Crowley, La. (Naz)

April 27-May 8, Effie, La. (Naz)

May 12-22, Jellico, Tenn. (Pil. Ch)

Rev. C. J. May— 953 Walnut St.

Madison, Ind. (Evangelist)

(Open date—April 10-24)

April 25-May 8, Lima, Ohio.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Pumpelly—

608 Prien Lake Rd., Lake Charles, La.

Evangelist-Singers

March 22-April 3, Bedford, Ind.

(Faith Mission)

April 6-17, Kurtz, Ind. (Naz)

April 21-May 1, Bryan, Texas.

Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Huff—Box 288

Zylks, La.

Evangelist, Singers

April 21-May 1, Baton Rouge, La.

Naz. (Tri.)

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### Recommendation

This is to certify that I have known Rev. Sheddie Medlock for about fifteen years and have also labored with him in meetings. I am glad to say that he is a fearless and effective preacher of the Word and God highly honors his ministry. He believes in the old fashioned standards of Holiness.

Give him a call to your church.

Rev. J. S. Wallace—Miss. retired.

Write him— Gen. Del. Wildwood, Fla.

### Why Faint When We Can Pray?

Rev. Marlin Moore

St. Luke 18:1. MEN OUGHT ALWAYS TO PRAY, AND NOT TO FAINT.

We are living in an age when very few of our exhortations concern prayer. How easy it is for us, as with the Pharisees of Christ's day, "to strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel". Jesus taught not only "Prayer", but said, "Fast and Pray". In other words, "Stop eating, and Pray", or get so busy praying, that we forget about eating, but this indeed is not the order of the day, for it is even as Jesus said it would be in the last days, "Eating and Drinking".

IS GOD'S WORD TRUE? It is very much so. Sometime ago this verse of Scripture came to us with great force. We realized it to mean, "Pray or Faint". We can choose which ever we desire. We know that to go without food for the physical body, sooner or

later brings us to a weakened condition, where disease easily grips us, and brings us to a helpless, and pitiful state. The individual who does not spend time with God in prayer, is soon reduced to a state of Spiritual Inactivity. This is the very reason for our lack of Bible study, Family Devotions, Regular and Loyal church attendance, as well as being a real blessing to the church when present. It also spells lack of concern regarding financing the church projects, Missions — Home and Foreign. In short, there is a complete "FAINTING", or "BACKSLIDING" in heart, and the one concerned soon becomes so weak and faint that he is unaware of his serious condition, and unless he can be awakened to his real need, will soon drift beyond reach of aid.

### SOME THINGS CONCERNING REAL PRAYER.

Rom. 8:26. Here we are informed that we "Know not what we should pray for as we ought", but continues that the Spirit will aid us in our praying, IF, we make an effort to pray, but WE will have to make the effort, before the Spirit will come to our aid. I Thess. 5:17 — PRAY WITHOUT CEASING.

Again we are exhorted to pray in Faith. Truly it can be said that much which we call "Prayer" today, could not be termed "Scriptural Praying" at all. To really PRAY means much more than to bow the head, or drop on one knee, and say a few words, and then rush off in an attitude that we have met all the conditions. James Montgomery has given us such a beautiful thought concerning this in his poem, "What is Prayer":

*Prayer is the Soul's sincere desire,  
Uttered or Unexpressed;*

*The motion of a hidden fire  
That trembles in the breast.*

*Prayer is the Christian's vital  
breath,*

*The Christian's native air,  
His watchword at the gates of  
death;*

*He enters Heaven with prayer.*

Yes, my dear Brother and Sister; we do enter Heaven with and by prayer, and without prayer, we FAINT as Jesus said, and will never enter Heaven. LET US PRAY THAT WE FAINT NOT.



## EVANGELISTIC PAGE

### A Defense Of Womanhood

Rev. Spencer Johnson

(Continued from last month)

(Verses 11-12) The man and the woman both owe their existence and obedience to God. Though the man is the head of the woman neither of them are to seek to be lord over the other. They are to be partners in the companionship of life and be in subjection to God.

(Verses 13-15) Long hair is to serve as the covering that the woman is to have in taking part in the public worship. Her long hair is a glory to her. There are many who seem to think long hair is everything but glory, but the Bible says, "It is a glory to her." Adam Clarke wrote, "The Author of their being has given a larger proportion of hair to the head of woman than to that of man; and to them it is an especial ornament. And may in various cases serve as a veil. It is a certain fact that a man's long hair renders him contemptible, and a woman's long hair renders her more amiable. Nature and the apostle speak the same language; we may account for it as we please." (Clarke's Commentary, Volume 6, page 253.)

(Verse 16) "But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God." Many good people have entirely missed the meaning of this verse. They have believed that the woman could cut her hair or leave it long according to her taste and that no one was to be contentious about it. They are completely mistaken. The true meaning is exactly the opposite. The subject in this chapter all the way from verse three has been, "Long haired men and short haired women." The apostle states, in conclusion, that it is not the custom among the churches of God for women to cut their hair or for men to have long hair and that there is no other recognized mode of worship. If it

really did not matter whether or not a woman cut her hair, why would an intelligent man write fifteen verses teaching not to cut it and then in the sixteenth verse say that it did not matter and thereby bring confusion? Or why would the Holy Ghost, the blessed third person of the Trinity, inspire fifteen verses teaching one thing and then cancel all His teachings on the subject in the sixteenth? To claim such would be a reflection upon the intelligence of the Holy Ghost.

The leading scholars are agreed in their commentaries on the interpretation of this verse. "Should there not be a distinction kept up between the sexes in wearing their hair, since nature has made one? The woman's hair is a natural covering: to wear it long is a glory to her; he does not silence the contentious by mere authority, but lets them know that they would appear to the world as very odd and singular in their humor if they would quarrel for a custom to which all the churches of Christ at that time were utter strangers, or against a custom to which they all concurred and that upon the ground of natural decency. Those must be very contentious who would quarrel with this or lay it aside." (Matthew Henry's Commentary, Volume 6, page 562.)

"We have no such custom as that of women praying uncovered." (Commentary by Jamieson, Fausset and Brown, Volume 6, page 315) "We have no such custom. The emphatic 'we' means the apostles and the leaders of the Church at Jerusalem and Antioch. 'Such Custom' Not referring to 'contentiousness,' but to the women appearing with uncovered heads. If you Corinthians prefer these abnormal practices in spite of reason, common sense, and my arguments, you must stand alone in your innovations upon universal Christian practice. But Catholic custom is against your 'self-opinionated particularism.'" (The Pulpit Commentary, Volume 19, page 363.) "If any person sets himself up as a wrangler—puts

himself forward as a defender of such points, that a woman may pray or teach with her head uncovered, and that a man may, without reproach, have long hair, let him know that we have no such custom as either, nor are they sanctioned by any of the churches of God, whether among the Jews or the Gentiles." (Clarke's Commentary, Volume 6, page 253.)

"But use your own judgment, do you think it right and proper for a woman to pray to God bare-headed? Isn't there a natural principle here, that makes us feel that long hair is disgraceful to a man, but of glorious beauty to a woman? We feel this because the long hair is the cover provided by nature for the woman's head. But if anyone wants to be argumentative about it, I can only say that we and the churches of God generally hold this ruling on the matter." (J. B. Phillips, Letters To Young Churches, page 56. Copyright 1947. Used by permission of the Macmillan Company, New York.) Moffat and Goodspeed in their translations of the Bible also agree that this is the meaning of the text.

James B. Chapman in commenting on this sixteenth verse wrote: "I think the meaning of the passage in question might be the better seen if we remember that Paul has just contended that a short haired woman (a recent convert whose hair had not yet had time to grow) should perform her public Christian duties of prayer and testimony with a veil over her head, that none might be offended by the evidence of her former ungraceful life. If she had long hair, then her hair answered for the covering. And as to long haired men, Paul said, Let such be sheared, for long hair was the sign of abandonment to ungraceful living on the part of the man. And now as a parting word, after the argument was finished, Paul said, (paraphrasing his words), 'But if any man be contentious in arguing that it is all right for a man to wear long hair and for a shorn woman to appear in the public services without a veil, let him know that neither we, the apostles, nor the churches of God have any such practices or customs, for with us and them, the short haired women veil and the long haired

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## The Spiritual Birth

Rev. A. L. Vess



"Marvel not that I say unto thee, Ye *must be born again*." John 3:7. "Do not wonder that I said unto thee, it is *necessary* that ye be born again", born anew, born from above, born of the Spirit, born of love.

Nicodemus was surprised, shocked and confused when Jesus told him that he needed to be born again in order to enter the kingdom of God. Like multiplied millions who now belong to the Church, doubtless he thought that he was all right. "Art thou a master of Israel and knowest not these things"?—that you need to be born again. Once when I was a student in a formal, religious school, I spoke to a young, ministerial student about being born again. He looked at me amazed and replied, "I never heard of such a thing before." Let us not only proclaim this necessity in the pulpits, but tell it in the homes, streets and wherever we chance to be. Many times when you ask them if they have been born again, they will give confused answers.

One of the most common replies we get, when we ask others if they have been born again, is this: "I hope that I have been born again; I hope that I am a Christian." Not long since we asked a man at a filling station if he were a Christian, had been born again. His confused reply was, "I hope I am a Christian." I replied, "Do you tell your wife that 'I *hope* that I love you'?" Embarrassed and more confused, he did not know what to say.

Some years ago, that great Prince of preachers, Rev. H. C. Morrison said to us ministerial students at Asbury, "Young ministers, when you go out to preach the gospel, remember two things: First that the average persons know little or nothing about salvation,—make it simple. Second, that the average person is a much greater sinner than you realize. Preach against sin; uncover sin." Complimentary, entertaining diagnosis of the leper will not arouse him nor cure his disease.

This suggests to us the necessity of the New Birth—the second birth. All were born wrong; born

in sin the *first time*, and therefore must be born *again* with a new nature before we can enter the kingdom of heaven. "Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Sin is rebellion against God. That rebellion must be reversed to contrition, sorrow, confession and the forsaking of sin. None realize the awful nature, corruption and penalty of sin until God reveals it to them by His Holy Spirit. Only holiness reveals sin, whether it be in the Bible, in God's own personal presence, or in the lives of His saints. When we get a revelation of God, we get a revelation of our awful nature and life of sin. We must realize the awful nature of our first birth, before we see and feel the need of the new and second birth.

Nicodemus came to Jesus to inquire and try to reason out His great power and teachings, but Jesus said to him, "Verily, verily I say unto you, except a man be born again (from above), he can not see the kingdom of God." Amazed, Nicodemus asked how could a man be born the second time from his mother's womb? Then Jesus replied, "Verily, verily I say unto thee, except a man be born of the water (flesh) and the spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of heaven: That which is born of the *flesh* is *flesh*, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." We get the fleshly nature when we are born of the flesh, and the Spiritual nature when we are born of the Spirit. The fleshly nature is in rebellion against the spiritual nature. "For they that are after the flesh, do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit, the things of the Spirit." Many of us tried to live the spiritual life without the spiritual nature, but only to defeat and despair. But when the spiritual nature, the nature of God, becomes a part of us, we long for and run after the things of the Spirit. How wonderful!

The Birth of the Spirit not only gives us a new and divine nature, but thus we become children of God and heirs of God, and escape the pollution, power and condemnation of sin.

There are three great transactions included in the Birth of the Spirit: First, Justification, which happens in heaven, before God when and where all our sins are

forgiven and wiped off of our record.

"Therefore being justified by *faith*, we have *peace* with God *through* our Lord Jesus Christ." Faith is the means of contact; peace with God is the result; and the Lord Jesus Christ is the medium through which it takes place. But, Justification and forgiveness is not enough. Our *natures* have to be changed or regenerated if we are to leave off the life of sin, and live the new life in Jesus Christ. "If any man be in Christ, he is a *new* creature (creation): *old things* have passed away, and, behold, all things have become *new*." Then just as Justification comes before and prepares the way for regeneration; just so regeneration preceeds and prepares the way for the climax, or adoption into the family of God. "For ye have not received the spirit of *bondage* again to *fear*; but ye have received the *Spirit of adoption*, whereby ye cry Abba Father," or Father, Father, my Father. There and then you recognize God as your own, precious Father, and you love and adore Him. Praise GOD! Then the New Birth is made up of three great transactions and transitions, namely: Justification, Regeneration and Adoption, which come in spiritual, scientific order. But they all take place so quickly until you hardly realize their separate nature and character. It is like a great electric sign of three letters, when and where the current passes from the first to the last so quickly until you cannot discern the order.

There are so many substitutes for this New Birth, but none of them work or satisfy God or man. Church membership is the one most used and deceiving. You may belong to a church without belonging to *The Church*; but you are not fit to belong to a church until you join *The Church*. "And the *Lord* (not the preacher) added to the Church daily such as *were saved*." Water Baptism is another substitute for the New Birth, but it takes more than material water to change the spiritual nature. Water Baptism is an open witness or testimony to the New Birth, but if the New

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## MISSIONARY MESSAGE

*"Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15.*

### Stir Our Hearts, Lord

By A. J. Smith

Is it not pathetic that after approximately nineteen hundred years since Jesus said "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," that there should be more heathen in the world today than when our Lord uttered these words. More heathen are born in a day than are converted to Christ in a year. Oh Church of the living God awake, "Put on thy strength O Zion". We sing, "The blood has never lost its power" and then act just the opposite. The way some Christians pray, give, and act, one would think there wasn't a heathen in the world to be converted. Millions are reaching out for light that never comes. Why, Oh why," they say, "did you not come sooner" after they hear the Gospel and realize how wonderful it is to be saved from sin and heathen darkness. I am reminded of an incident while in China, one of our missionaries went out into the country to visit a village where the feet of a foreign missionary had never trod. The village women gathered around her and listened very attentively for a long time while the missionary lady told them the story of Jesus and His love. One old woman especially, who had been listening with rapt attention, asked the question, "How long ago is it since this Jesus you have been telling us about, came from heaven to save people from sin?" "Oh, long long ago, about 1900 years have passed since He came." "And how long," interrogated the poor sin-burdened benighted yellow-faced heathen further, "Have you known the story of this Jesus." "Oh, I've known from childhood up; my parents knew it and told me about it. My grandfather was a preacher and he knew it and all my ancestors from way back all knew about it." Then, while still looking into the missionaries eyes

with a hungry look and a voice that expressed her desperate spiritual need, she asked, "If you have known the story so long, your parents and grandparents all knowing about it, then why did you wait so long in coming to us with the good news. Why did we have to wait so long and all our ancestors, parents, grandparents and many of our relatives have died without hearing of this Jesus." The missionary's face dropped and there was a look of perplexity, as she tried to think of an answer, but failed. The question still remains unanswered. Friend, would you have an answer to give? And what if such a question will be asked us on that last great day? Can't we do a little more for those who have never heard?

### The Peril Of Scanty Sowing

By Rev. Geo. I. Straub

II Corinthians 9:6—But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

All through the scripture man is cautioned against shallowness, lukewarmness, and scanty sowing. The law, "Be not deceived God is not mocked, Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap", has never been altered.

It is foolish for one to think he can reap a great harvest from scanty sowing.

The Apostle was very pointed when stating, "He that soweth sparingly shall also reap sparingly." This is not only true with the covetous sower who withholds a part of that which should have been placed into the earth in order that a normal harvest might be reaped.

The same holds true in the religious world. For one to expect great blessings from God while

negligent, careless, and indifferent to God's statutes and commandments is just as foolish as the sower expecting a great harvest from seed that has been withheld.

A cry is gone forth, "What's wrong with the old line churches?" This question can be answered in a few words. Folks are at ease in Zion. They have taken the way of least resistance. Their religious zeal has been smothered with worldliness, modernism, styles, and fashions until God has been grieved clear out of their religious activities.

The seed of prayer, fasting, and tithing have been brushed aside and the churches have been converted into supper houses, banquet halls, and religious fun houses.

Jesus said, "It is written my house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves."

The seed of prayer when planted by living faith will always bud and blossom into fruit.

The secret to the great harvest of souls reaped by the early church is plainly revealed in Acts 6:4, They gave themselves continually to prayer.

There is nothing so dynamic and forceful in tearing down the strong holds of Satan and sin as the prayers of a righteous man.

The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.

The reason we are not seeing great revivals, with our unsaved sons and daughters gathered into His fold and kingdom, is largely due to the unconcerned spirit now prevailing among those who claim Sonship to God.

Prayers have been shallow and sown far too thin to effect the great heart of God. Both Christ and the Apostles are set before us as models of prayer. Time and again we find Christ at the close of His daily ministry resorting to yonder mountain where entire nights were spent in prayer. His prayers were not scanty and shallow as offered by the masses to-



day. On one occasion after He had ended His prayer, the disciples petitioned Him to teach them to pray. They saw the true value of fervent praying, and felt there were greater heights and depths to be enjoyed in the spiritual world.

Rom. 1:9, 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. Jesus said, "Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples. Jno. 15:8.

The Apostle Jude encouraged four things in his Epistle to the early church.

But ye, beloved building up yourselves on your most Holy faith praying in the Holy Ghost,

Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

This command cannot be carried out by spending a few hurried moments in prayer. We need to tarry before God in prayer and supplications until a place is reached where worshipping God in the beauty of Holiness will become a part of our life.

Too many times folks pray and read the Bible feeling it to be a duty. This kind of worship places one in the category of a scanty sower. A life such as this will not produce spiritual fruit nor will it promote Holy Living.

Once it becomes a burden for one to attend the prayer meetings, Sunday School, and Church services, it is an indication spiritual decay has set in.

A picture of one who sowed bountifully is set before us in the Psalms. As the heart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee.

My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God. David further stated, The law of thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver.

Christ in His sermon on the Mt. quoted these words—Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Shallowness and scanty sowing is an indication of weakness and decay. Where this spirit exists there will be weak prayers, weak testimonies, and weak giving.

This accounts for the many churches resorting to suppers, cake walks, and rummage sales to meet their financial obligations.

Note the promise to the liberal and cheerful giver. He that soweth bountifully shall also reap bountifully.

Christ hath given us an example of giving. His motto all through His life and ministry was "others".

He lived for others. He died for others. God's giving was not sparingly, For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

## The Spiritual Birth

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Birth has not already taken place, the testimony is false.

But this New Birth, resulting in a new nature and life, is the most real wonderful thing in the world, and none need be deceived. When you meet the divine conditions of repentance and faith in God, the great and complete change in your moral nature takes place. We may forget friends and loved ones, and all other precious things, but we can never forget this marvelous change from death to life, from condemnation to salvation.

But to make it complete and lasting, we must go on to the *Baptism of the Spirit*. We must not only have the second Birth, but the "second Blessing", or work of grace. The Baptism makes the Birth complete, more real and lasting. "Without holiness, no man shall see God", but "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." We get the new nature in the Birth of the Spirit, and get rid of the old nature by the Baptism of the Spirit. Matt. 3:11. The first work makes the second work possible, and the second work makes the first work complete.

But, O my brethren and sisters, to keep this witness bright and clear, we must live a holy life from day to day, in every way. So many get mixed up with the "cares of this life and deceitfulness of riches" and leave off the life of the Spirit until it grows dim, and then disappears. God

gives the holy nature and purges us from the unholy nature, but we must build the holy character by "adding to our faith virtue, and to virtue knowledge, and to knowledge patience," etc. "If these things be in you and abound, they make you that ye be *neither barren nor unfruitful*, but always abound in the work of the Lord. BUT if ye lack these things, ye are blind and cannot see afar off, and have forgotten that ye are purged from your old sins." Many who do not believe in "Eternal Security" in their heads, practice it in their hearts and lives.

Let us all experience and live this Spiritual life until we ride out over the storms and battles of life, and land and live in that wonderful "Better Country" forever.

## A Sermon Sketch

Rev. Thomas E. Frantz \*

*Subject* — Stephen, A Crowned Saint

*Text* — Acts 6:5, "And they chose Stephen..."

*Intro.* — Stephen's name means "Crowned", and we want to observe the several crowns he wore. Just as David of Old Testament fame wore the many crowns of the kings he conquered, and Jesus Christ is spoken of being "*crowned with many crowns*," Stephen likewise was thus blessed.

I. *Crowned By Human Position* — *Expressions Of Confidence*

— Chosen as a deacon, a servant of Jesus Christ to minister to the needy. Acts 6:5.

II. *Crowned By Holy Power* — *Expression Of Consecration*

— "...*Did great wonders and miracles...*" Acts 6:8.

This was only possible because of a consecrated life.

III. *Crowned By Heaven's Prize* — *Expressions Of Confirmation*

— Jesus Christ leaned o'er the balcony of heaven to welcome home this great warrior, who gave his life for the Gospel, dying with the look of an angel on his battered face, and went to wear the martyr's crown.

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## Youth In Action

*"Remember now thy creator in the days of thy youth." Eccl. 12:1.*

### Death versus Sin

By Rev. R. B. Grubbs

Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? (Rom. 6:16)

In dealing with the sin question, I have felt impressed to introduce it to you through the light of three direct questions.

1. Is God pleased with sin?

God loves the sinner, but He hates sin. Jesus was revealing God through His love when He stood with His arms outstretched inviting men to God. He was also revealing His hatred for sin when, with the whip in His hand, He drove the money changers out of the temple.

Many people try to evade this teaching, and say it is a reflection on God and His love to man to let a soul suffer the torments of eternal damnation. The whole trouble of the thing is that men have tried to substitute their own ideas in the place of the clear honest and true teaching of Christ.

People have taken their own opinions, and picked out certain scripture to suit their own fancy and started following some self appointed person, now they say we have learned better. No that is not true, they have forgotten, God is a God of judgment. They are taking what Dr. So and So said rather than what the scripture says in its entirety. Sad to say they will both fall into the ditch for they both are blind.

God is not pleased with sin, for He sent His only Son into the world to purchase every soul from sin. We have a free will to choose whom we will serve.

(2) Does God send a sinner to Hell?

If a soul goes to hell, he goes as an intruder. He goes against the will of God. God does not take pleasure in the death of the wicked. He is not willing that any

should perish, but that all should come to repentance. The Bible teaches that whosoever will may be saved.

The plan of redemption has been made complete for the redemption of every soul.

(A) God planned redemption.

(B) Jesus Christ purchased redemption.

(C) The Holy Spirit applies it to our heart.

If a person is eternally lost it is in spite of God's love, in spite of the fact Jesus has died to save every soul, in spite of the tender pleading of the Holy Spirit, in spite of the efforts of the church and the preachers to win them to God.

The consciousness of that lost soul in Hell will be the reality of knowing they are there in spite of all efforts to save them. They could have been saved, they should have been saved, and they will wish they were saved.

(3) Does the sinner go to Hell because of sins committed?

Man is lost in hell, mainly because of his rebellion to God. Man is not lost altogether because of his sins, but man sins because he is lost. Sin comes from the attitude of the heart. The heart is rebellious against God so his acts are rebellious to God's favor. Man sins because he loves sin. This truth is found in John 3:19.

The person that rebels against God is saying: You won't let me go to hell you are too good and too loving to do such a thing. The Holy Spirit is trying to give them Salvation which will keep them from hell but they won't yield.

Some say God doesn't send a soul to hell because of a few small sins. A good many kind hearted, good moral people do not sin outwardly, but it is the rebellion of the heart that will cause that good person to spend eternity in hell. There is no respect of persons, and all must come to the knowledge of repentance.

The person that stole a small coin does not spend life in prison

because of stealing the coin, but because he broke the law of the nation. The prisons are made for the law breakers, and hell is made for the Truth breakers.

### The Last Goodbye

Rev. Wm. Tidwell

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In the sixth place, it will be *Good-by, music*. Thank God for music. Who does not love music? So we would suggest, careless soul, as you are taking your departure from this earth, that you have the friends come and stand around your bed and sing some beautiful hymns. Your favorites. Have some instrumental music, if you like that. Have the choir sing. Have some special numbers and then as you depart, say "Good-by Music." Remember that is the last. Heaven is a place of music. I like the old song, "There is singing up in Heaven, such as we have never known, where the angels sing the praises to the Lamb upon the throne. Their sweet harps are ever tuneful and their voices always clear. O that we might be more like them while we serve the Master here." The chorus is "Holy, holy, holy is what the angels sing, and I expect to help them make the courts of Heaven ring. But when I sing redemption's story they will fold their wings, for the angels never felt the joy which this salvation brings." Yes, the redeemed can sing a song which the angels can not sing. They can sing about having been redeemed by the blood. The angels will have to remain silent while redeemed saints sing this song. But, while Heaven is a place of music, there will be no music in Hell. Hell is a place of discord. There has never been a song in Hell. Never a note in that dismal Land of the Lost. So don't forget, sinner, to have some music at the end for this will be the last you will ever hear.

In the next place, we would state that it will be *Good-by, rest*. Have you ever been real tired? We believe we have been. We were reared on the farm where we just about observed the eight hour system. That is eight hours before noon and eight after! As a boy, working on the farm, we have



been so tired it seemed we would never make it. However, we knew the time would come to rest. Then, since we have been seeking to do the Lord's work we have been tired. We are the most unworthy of all, but we have visited and prayed in fifty homes many a day. We have driven tent stakes and preached in tents till our throat would bleed and then drive more stakes and preach again. But it encouraged us to know the time for rest would come. We like to think of Heaven as a place of rest. Job said, "There the wicked cease from troubling and there the weary are at rest." Charles Wesley sang, "There I shall bathe my weary soul in seas of heavenly rest, and not a wave of trouble roll across my peaceful breast." Think of taking a bath in a sea of heavenly rest. But in Hell there is no rest. In Rev. 14:11 we read, "And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up forever and ever; and they have no rest."

We can imagine some lost soul inquiring, "Where can I find some rest?" To this plaintive wail we may hear a hopeless response, from the damned, who have been there longer, "This is Hell." "There is no rest in Hell." So, unsaved friend, don't forget to seek a little rest as the end of the journey comes, for this will be the last.

Then we would have you remember it will be *Good-by, little children*. Be sure and have some little children stand around your dying bed. Put your hands upon their heads. Listen to their prattle. Enjoy them for this is the last little child you will ever see.

Jesus tasted death for all. "The Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." Every little child who dies before the age of accountability, through the atoning blood is cleansed, sanctified, and goes to be with Jesus. There is not a little child in Hell. So do not forget this as you leave this world. Have them come and then bid them a final farewell, for you will never see another. It will be Good-bye, little children.

Then last of all it will be *Good-by, love and Christian loved ones*. Heaven is a place of love. Everybody there loves everybody else. You say, "But I can't love everybody." Yes, Jesus can expel every

form of ill will and fill the heart with perfect love. We can't get to Heaven unless we do. Don't forget unsaved friend, as you leave this world to have your good Christian friends to stand around your dying couch and extend to you their love and friendship, for this is the last you will ever experience. In Hell everybody hates everybody else. Your friends here will be your enemies there. No, a friend can't be found in all that dark domain of the damned. So don't forget to have them come and then say to them, "Good-by, love and Christian loved ones." It will be "Good-by, Mother, Good-by minister, Good-by friends. Good-by forever."

But now in closing, we would say that we need not say "Good-by." We can have it all fixed and be prepared for the good world. And instead of this, we can go to the world where flows the River of Life, and where grows the Tree of Life; where the streets are pure gold. Not just paved with gold as we so often sing. We can go where the angels sing and where all our saved loved ones have gone and where we shall be at home forever. It is the Christian's home in Glory. A city not made with hands, nor hoary with time. A city whose resources have never been appraised. A city that has love for its law, perfection for its standard, and Jehovah for its God. A city without grief or graves. Without sins or sorrows. A city that God built that shall never pass away. *My eternal home!* A good man was dying. His Christian wife and son and daughter stood by his bedside. After some words of council he said to them, "Good night." His unsaved son also came and after some sad words, he said, "Good-by, my son, Good-by." It touched the young man and he said, "Pa-pa, you said 'Good night' to the others, but you said Good-by to me. Why the difference?" The dying man said, "My son, your mother, brother, and sister are Christians. To them I said 'Good night', for I will soon meet them again, but to you I must say 'Good-by', for I can never see you again." It touched the heart of the young man, and he fell upon his knees by the bedside of his dying father, confessed his sins and prayed through. Then arose,

while penitential tears flowed down his cheeks, and he said, "Father, I am a Christian too." Then the dying father put his arms around his son, and with fast declining strength he said, "Good night, my son, Good night." If the end should come to you or to me just now would it be 'Good night' or 'Good-by'? May the Lord grant that we may be fully saved from sin and when this brief pilgrimage is over go to a world where Good-bys are never spoken.

*"On the happy golden shore,  
where the faithful part no  
more,  
When the storms of life are o'er,  
meet me there,  
Where the night dissolves away,  
into pure and perfect day,  
I am going home to stay, meet me  
there."*

## If Christ Had Not Resurrected?

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you. There is one who can help you. Why not look to Christ today. He lives, and is able to deliver thee.

### THERE WOULD BE NO SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

Civilization is facing its darkest hour since the dawn of creation. Atomic powers! Hydrogen Powers! Kobalt powers! The hearts of thousands are failing for fear. The world trembles and despairs, there's no hope for them. But for the church, the hope is getting brighter. Christ cometh! "When ye see these things come to pass, then lift up your eyes, for your redemption draweth nigh."

If Christ had not resurrected, we could not anticipate His return, but because He lives, He said, "I will come again".

His resurrection is our salvation, our hope, our assurance, our comfort. He is not a dead Saviour, but a risen Christ. He now is seated at the right hand of the throne of God, interceding for us. This Easter season we should pray with John the beloved, "Even so come quickly, Lord Jesus". But till He come, let us occupy and remain busy winning souls for His kingdom.



## STANDARD PULPIT

### A Thorn In The Flesh

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Some time ago, an old fashioned preacher, who stands for the straight and narrow way; was referred to, as "A thorn in the flesh," by a church leader. I am sure this church leader was thinking of the denomination as a body, or as being the flesh. And this preacher as being one who pestered, or troubled the Church. No doubt, like Paul they have besought the Lord, "That it, (the thorn) might depart from me" 2 Cor. 12:8. I heard a Church leader say, "The sooner they get out the better off the church will be." All of this has grieved me greatly for I have been classified also, as one who troubleth Israel.

Why not? The Book we preach is full of men who were "trouble makers." Moses was a thorn in the flesh to Pharaoh and all Egypt. He made such an uproar that all those who caused so much human slavery were distracted. It would have been a big relief to Pharaoh's crowd, for Moses to get out. How they hated that old boy!

Old Elijah was asked, by Ahab, "Art thou he that troubleth Israel?" He sure made trouble for old Ahab, and Jezebel until I'm sure they turned prematurely gray. And then as if that were not enough, he made trouble for the hundreds of Baal's Prophets and brought about a situation that made history for every succeeding generation. Elijah was a thorn in the flesh!

And there was Nathan. Why did he have to create so much trouble? He even stood up and exposed the sin of the King. Could not he have been more ethical? Why didn't he palaver over the old boy and keep from bringing up such shame? No doubt the old king lost sleep, over the boldness of Nathan. And we could identify many more. David with his sling and pebbles. Daniel told such truth as to make the kings, lords and ladies tremble. Shadrack, Me-

shach and Abednego certainly did interfere with the program of Babylon.

The New Testament is full of men who were thorns in the flesh. You say, If we would obey God we will be peace-makers. But, I remind you we will have to denounce the things that destroy the peace with God. John the Baptist like a lot of Southern Baptist I know, refused to white-wash old Herod and his fair mistress. He wasn't the last preacher to lose his head for preaching the truth.

Jesus Himself made plenty of trouble for the Scribes and Pharisees, the hypocrites. Why didn't He palaver over them and create a peace among them? Because it would have been a false peace. Christ sure "showed a bad spirit" when He broke into their graveyard, and drove the racketeers out of the temple. One of the modernist, recently said, "I could have more respect for Jesus had He never drove the money changers out so harshly!"

Jesus gave Pontius Pilate his most troubled hours. He troubled Herod within three hours of His birth. His life was disruptive, explosive, divisive! He stirred the Jews to fury. "What a thorn in the flesh!"

And then old Peter came, coward that he had been, and, standing on the steps of the house in which was the sacred upper chamber, he hurled forth such words of condemnation as ring like alarms to this day. He was filled with the Holy Ghost but he caused an uproar in Jerusalem. Paul was arrested and carried to Rome because he was a thorn in the flesh, and his trouble-making was beginning to shake the Roman Empire.

The men down through the Church history, who have been used of God in revivals, have been classified as trouble makers and have been a thorn in the flesh to every backslidden crowd.

In conclusion, let me remind you the thorn was not moved from Paul's body. It was this thorn that gave God an opportunity to re-

veal His strength. Paul was in no wise backslidden in heart and Spirit, but his physical body was weakening fast under the adverse conditions.

"And he said unto me, my grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the Power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore, I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches in necessities, in persecutions, in distress for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then I am strong." 2 Cor. 12:9-10.



### A Defense Of Womanhood

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men have their hair cut off." (The Herald of Holiness, April 20, 1942, page 11.)

There are many good women who, not having a religious background, have never realized the teachings of the Bible on this question. Therefore, patience and gentleness should be exercised. However, it is not unreasonable to believe that every regenerated woman will honestly seek to measure up to the standard when she reads it in God's Word. It is also well to remember that it takes time to grow hair. One can pull off rings, remove paint, and put on modest clothing immediately upon conversion but she cannot grow hair over night. The question arises, "What then is long hair?" The candid answer is: "Long hair is hair that is not cut or trimmed." According to the sixth verse of this chapter the woman who cuts or trims her hair is in the same class with the one who would shave hers. To wilfully do either is indicative of rebellion in the heart. God sees the motive of the heart. There are some who conform outwardly but in their hearts they carry, as it were, a pair of scissors awaiting only the day when certain restraints shall be removed. These in God's sight are as bad as open transgressors. The condoning of sin also makes one a partaker of sin. The mother who cuts her little girl's hair will not be guiltless before God.

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## "The Gospel Of God"

Romans 1:1-6

Second in a Series  
by James W. Tharp

### *The Gospel in Person*

Last month we studied the Gospel in Prophecy as revealed in Romans 1:2. Today, let us note The Gospel in Person (Rom. 1:3) "*Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh.*"

If the Gospel was the designed plan of the ages, and thus no afterthought with God, then surely we must conclude that His only Begotten Son was and is the very Personification of it! This is exactly what Saint Paul is telling the Roman Church. It is compelling that we keep in mind that this was the Person prefigured, pre-typed, provisioned and predicted in the Old Testament. Christ is the central figure of the Bible, of both the Old and New Testaments.

Dr. N. C. Brooks in his "Christ in Prophecy, History and Typology" reveals some beautiful truth concerning the types of Christ in the Old Testament. We are partially indebted to Dr. Brooks and his work for many of the following thoughts on some of the characters who typify Christ in the Old Testament:

1. *Adam* was a type of Christ. When God constituted him lord of the new creation, and placed him in Paradise, each beast of the field and fowl of the air had its mate; but for Adam there was not found a help meet for him. Then the Lord caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and took one of his ribs, of which he made a woman and presented her to Adam for a companion. He did not take a bone from his head to make a superior to him, nor from his foot to form an inferior; but from his side to be equal with him, from under his arm to be protected by him, and near his heart to be loved by him.

As a bride for Adam was taken from his side while he was in a deep sleep, so from the pierced side of Christ, the Second Adam, as He hung upon the cross in the deep sleep of death, came blood and water, the blood to purchase the Bride, the Church, and the water to purify. So that after the

sleep of death there could be a glorious resurrection, and then after a period of labor, there could be a presentation of the Bride to the Son, not having spot or wrinkle.

2. *Abel* was a type of Christ. Hated by a brother whose deeds were evil while his were good, Abel, the gentle shepherd became the first-fruits of death, the first martyr for righteousness' sake, and was a lovely type of Him who was holy, harmless and undefiled, the Good Shepherd who laid down His life for the sheep and suffered on Calvary for the saints of the whole world; while Cain serves as a fitting type of those that slew him. The voice of Abel's blood cried from the ground for vengeance; but the blood of Christ, speaking better things than the blood of Abel, cries with pardon to the sinner.

3. *Noah* was a type of Christ. In the history of Noah the first thing that presents itself as typical of Christ is his name, Noah, which signifies *rest* or *comfort*. In this, he was a type of Christ who invited, "*Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.*"

4. *Isaac* was a type of Christ. The Sons of Abraham, Ishmael and Isaac, were allegorical of the Law and the Gospel. Ishmael, the elder, the son of the bond woman, according to the flesh, was an allegory of the servitude of the Law with its oppressive ordinances, while Isaac, the son of the free woman, the woman of promise, allegorized the freedom and privileges of the Gospel.

5. *Joseph* was a type of Christ. He was endowed with great wisdom at an early age. He was despised by his brethren. He was sold into slavery for twenty pieces of silver. Though guilty of no crime, he was falsely accused and imprisoned. But God intervened, and in his thirtieth year — the same years of age in which Christ entered on His ministry — he stood before Pharaoh, who made him ruler over all his house, and second in the kingdom. Thus, God called Joseph from the prison to the palace, and made him ruler, not only of Egypt, but also of the whole world.

These events in Joseph's life are almost perfect in typifying the life of Christ.

6. *Moses* was a type of Christ. There are several similar incidents in the history of Moses and Christ. Both were threatened by death at birth by an edict of a wicked king. Both had to flee from their home for a season. Both received supernatural commissions, accompanied by unusual signs. Both were divinely equipped to perform their unusual missions. Both were distributors of Divine Orders — Moses giving the Law, but grace and truth coming by Jesus Christ. Both, having led their people to their limits, departed, leaving a final message and a future promise.

7. *Joshua* was a type of Christ. Having conquered all opposition, establishing Israel in peaceful possession, Joshua led the people into the promised land. Our Heavenly Joshua, the Lord Jesus, is our leader to the heavenly Canaan. As we wrestle against principalities and powers and the rulers of darkness and spiritual wickedness in high places, we are to put on the whole armour of God, and contend for the faith until we have overcome every enemy to the full possession of our inheritance.

Yes, these men were only types and shadows of that Man Who was to come, the Man Christ Jesus. "*In the fullness of time, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the Law, to redeem them that were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.*"

Here, at long last, was the Gospel in Person!

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## Arrows Of Truth

Rev. Thomas E. Frantz \*

### "He Was In A Hurry"

I had retired that night at about 1:15 a.m., after a hard day of work in the pastorate, praying God to bless our humble efforts in the salvation of souls in our community. Had I known what was transpiring a few minutes drive away from the parsonage early that Winter's morning, I had been more earnest in my devotions.

The truck driver had stopped at an all-night lunch shop a few miles West of our town, and was engaged in conversation with residents on various subjects.

Some townspeople left the diner before he did and were proceeding cautiously along the highway because of a light snow that had fallen very quickly.

Presently, the truck driver passed them at an excessive rate of speed considering the slippery road conditions, and they expressed the thought, "He's In A Hurry".

The big van skidded at a sharp bend, jackknifed, rolled into a ditch and caught fire. Observers said they heard him knocking on the cab, but before firemen could arrive the tanks of gasoline caught fire, and the poor driver was burned to death.

Investigation showed the driver was on a regular route, had made the dangerous curve many times, and knew the roads were dangerous that night. He was in a hurry!

He went into eternity without a moment's notice. There are multiplied thousands on the broad way this moment, hurrying into the same great unknown without Christ.

Reader, as you retire THIS evening, someone near you will be entering eternity, perhaps unprepared. "...Others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire."

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## A Defense Of Womanhood

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Certainly, patience and kindness should be the rule in dealing with new converts about these matters. But when a teacher or preacher teaches that it is all right for a woman to cut her hair either he has not bothered to inform himself on the subject or he is deliberately seeking to tear down the standards that have been held by the Christian Church from its beginning.

"From the attention that the apostle has paid to the subject of veils and hair, it is evident that it must have occasioned considerable disturbance in the Church of Corinth. They have produced evil effects in much later times." (Clarke's Commentary, Volume 6, page 254.)

May God raise up thousands of holy, modest women throughout the land who will command the respect and honor of mankind everywhere. They would be the greatest boon that could come to a sin-blighted humanity. May God grant that those who read these lines will seek earnestly to do His will and thus fulfill their queenly calling in their homes and in the Kingdom of God until many souls rise up and call them blessed. We say with Joaquin Miller:

*"O spotless woman in a world of shame,  
With splendid and silent scorn,  
Go back to God as white as you came—  
The kingliest warrior born!"*

### CHRISTIAN TRIUMPH OVER COMMUNISM

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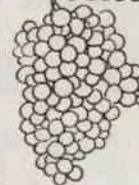
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