

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

“Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.”—Jude iii

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Jesus Is Coming Soon

“Therefore be ye also ready; for in such an hour
as ye think not the Son of Man cometh.”

Matt. 24:44.

New Zealand. —Richmond, Oct. 25th. —Pentecost has fallen in New Zealand, a dear sister writes, “Praise the Lord, for He has answered your prayers and baptized me with the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah.”

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Assiout, Egypt.—“Victory in Egypt! God is pouring out His Spirit in Assiout. One man has been saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire, speaks in tongues. The Italians have translated his language, and say he speaks of a great Pentecost and about overcomers.”

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Amsterdam, Holland. —**15 Domselaerstraat**—There is a Spirit baptized company here that have a free Pentecostal paper called “Spade Regen,” the Latter Rain. They write: “When you send addresses from Dutch reading folks in America, we will gladly send to them our paper freely. We will pay back if possible to America, because the blessings of the Latter Rain came to us through your paper first.”

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Syria. —Many souls have been saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. Our dear brother Zarub, who was over to Jerusalem and received the baptism of the Holy Ghost went back to Syria and lost his position with the denomination he was working with. He found some Pentecostal missionaries that had received their baptism, and were sent out from Denmark, and told them what he had received, and the Spirit fell on them and they began to speak as the Spirit gave utterance. One Syrian girl preached for six hours, speaking in tongues. —Lucy M. Leatherman, address, Jerusalem, Palestine, American Consulate.

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South Africa. —Pretoria, Transvaal. Nov. 14th. A brother writes, “Over 40 people have been baptized with the Holy Ghost in Pretoria, and many more in Johannesburg. Many have been healed, black and white. Praise God, we are one in God’s sight, and the native comes along

and believes God, and so gets the blessing so much sooner than the whites. The blind see, the deaf hear, the dumb speak, the lame leap and shout for joy, and, above all, the sinners are being saved. He saved me and filled me too. Sometimes going along the streets I cry out, Glory to God! Praise God! I can't help it."

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Shanghai, China. —Good news comes that one there has received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, a Norwegian. Others are seeking. As rent is high there, the dear missionaries have been preaching the gospel from a little boat on the water a few feet from the shore that joins a park. Here all classes of people come and can hear the whole Gospel preached without compromise. Our Savior taught the people from a boat. One of the sisters speaks in tongues in the Chinese, and they understand. They hold street meetings in Chinatown and distribute Gospels. Rotten eggs and stones have been thrown at them and hard words, but they are filled with love and trusting God alone. Address Bro. Roy Hess, Shanghai, China.

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Gottenberg, Sweden. —Bro. Andrew Johnson writes, "I have been in Sweden nearly two years now, most of the time working in the city of Gottenberg, where a mission was opened the first of last year, and is still going on. It has been a blessing to hundreds of people coming and seeking God from many parts of the land. God gave me grace to rent a big hall in the center of this city. The rent was over 2,000 crowns a year, which we trust God to send. The Lord has been good to supply all my needs. Hallelujah to His name. We have been holding a conference. Workers were present from America, Norway and Sweden. Jesus was lifted up in every meeting. Sinners came to God, and many of God's children were set free and many filled with the Spirit. It was a wonderful time indeed, and all of us were much blest in the Word of God." Address Backevik 3, Hisingstad, Sweden.

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Scotland, England and Ireland. The Lord has visited many souls with the Pentecost. We receive precious letters and testimonies of those who have been baptized with the Holy Ghost. The power falls in homes and in cottage meetings. From Kilsyth, Scotland, a dear brother wrote that some of the worst characters in the place were being saved. He says: "It would do your heart good to see nearly one hundred young men and maidens in the upper room on Sabbath night, all praying, sometimes nearly all in tongues." This is the result of Pentecost.

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Germany. In Hamburg, a Pentecostal Conference has just closed. A German minister who was present writes: "It was truly a blessed gathering. Our King was there. Though I do not yet speak in tongues myself, I became fully convinced that this movement is from God. But also the solemn responsibility that has come to us through these merciful visitations from on high."

Bro. Andrew Johnson, who was present from Sweden, also wrote, "I am now on the train from the Hamburg conference. It has been a blessed time for many. God was working mightily. We had blessed unity. Glory to God. This means much for the whole of Europe. Greetings to all the saints. Bro. Barratt from Norway salutes you. We are singing now on the train."

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India. —A missionary writes, "Oh, how glorious to think of the many missionaries and native Christians living transformed lives through the blessed outpouring of the Spirit during

these past months! As to 'light afflictions,' my mission has 'cast me out' because I believe God wants me to continue in this blessed ministry. So I am alone with Jesus in India. How precious that it is with Him, though without the camp bearing His reproach.

"There is a little band of Pentecostal workers scattered over India, despised, indeed, by our beloved brethren, suffering many things, yet always rejoicing. Not for all the comfort and fellowship we once enjoyed would we for a moment step out of this blessed baptism which has brought our Father and our Savior so near."

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Hong Kong, China.—The band of Chinese saints who have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost write how that when a letter was read to them from over the ocean, the little assembly clapped their hands and shouted for joy. They are thanking God for the little paper which the Lord commanded them to publish to hasten the King's coming. An old man who is recognized as Chang Mi Chu (Praise the Lord), who is a carpenter in an engineering shop, brought four young men from the shop, fresh from the altar of idols. They were saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost with signs following. A dear Chinese brother, who has his baptism, is helping to publish tracts and papers in the Chinese language. Address Bro. Mok Lai Chi, 5 Ladder Street, Hong Kong, for free Chinese papers.

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Cheng Ting Fu, North China.—Brother Berntsen writes: "I went to Shanghai, and on the way down had the company of a missionary family of the Free Methodist. They were not sure whether this Pentecost was of God. We had a prayer meeting every day, and the last day God's power came over me and I spoke in an unknown tongue. It was something extraordinary, so sweet and loving, and they broke out in pleading prayer for themselves. After the meeting he told me it was the first time he had heard anybody speak in an unknown tongue, and a holy fear came upon him like when struck with lightning. (He said he was struck with lightning about two weeks ago on the mountain.) He said he was convinced it was of God. Thank God, He knows how to bring things out to His glory.

"Last night the power came down on one of the Chinese Christians here, the man that had been a teacher and was brought down to a beggar by gambling. Oh, it was blessed to see the power of God on a Chinaman. He was drunk on the Spirit. All the Chinese were praying at once. We do not have to make people believe. It is God that is making Himself manifest."

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San Francisco, Cal.—At the Apostolic Faith Mission, at 1945 Post St., many are getting saved. The Mission is crowded.

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Minneapolis, Minn.—At the Apostolic Faith Mission, corner Fifteenth avenue South and Franklin, the Lord is blessing and has been baptizing souls right along.

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Oakland, Cal.—904 Harrison St. The Lord is blessing at the Apostolic Faith Mission here, and several have lately received their baptism.

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Indianapolis, Ind.—At the Apostolic Faith Mission the Lord is working, pouring out His Spirit and healing power among the people. Last report: “The fire is still falling among us. Two more were baptized last night and sinners saved.” Recently the saints went down before God in a fast of three days, and the result was that many were healed. There was a general time of heart-searching and giving up of the self life and pride, and wonderful manifestations of the Spirit were seen in the meetings.

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Chicago. —Many of the Swedish people in Chicago have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. One writes: “God has opened up a little Swedish mission here, and he wonderfully blesses His little ones. And how hard it is to part from each other, when we are gathered around our dear Lord Jesus. God talks and sings in tongues and prophecies, and all is about our dear Bridegroom’s soon coming, and that we must all get ready. Glory to God. Hallelujah. There are so many seeking ones here now.”

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New York City. —The Apostolic Faith Mission, 227 W. 61st St.—A brother writes: “On the 10th of last May four of us that had received our baptism saw the need of opening a mission at the above address. And since then the Lord has been with us mightily. Some have been wonderfully saved, others sanctified and reclaimed, and a few baptized with the Holy Ghost. Eleven have followed the Lord in baptism by immersion. We are working in the slums of New York City called San Juan Hill, where sin seems to pour down the streets in mighty torrents. The Lord has healed my baby of what the doctors called spinal meningitis. It is now perfectly well, and that has been the means of the mother surrendering herself to God and getting entirely sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, and it lifts one up now to hear her praise God, who has done so much for her.” September 26.

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In the South. —A brother in North Carolina writes: “I received the Apostolic Faith paper you sent me a few days ago. I have been watching my mailbox every day for some time expecting it. Glory to God, it’s come at last, the blessedest, holiest, sweetest paper I ever read. Oh, I just get a blessing every time I read one of them. It seems that I can feel the power of the Holy Ghost in it when I take hold of it. The people here want the paper. Please send me as many as you can to give out. I read my paper, then lend it to someone else, and keep it going and coming. We have Pentecost here in North Carolina. There went a man from here to Los Angeles to Pentecostal meetings. Bless God, he caught the fire and came home in a flame and fired this country. It is spreading from place to place. Glory to God.”

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San Jose, Cal.—A Finnish-Swede brother was wonderfully baptized recently. He got under the power as he sat in a chair at the Mission. He went to his room across the street. The next day the landlady and others in the house became much exercised about him because he was under the power of God. His face and head were bathed in water, which could not stop God working. Finally they called the health officer, who treated him with morphine and used a stomach-pump. At last they sent over to the Mission for help, and several of the brothers went over and explained to the doctor and others that the Holy Ghost was having His way with the

young man, and he was receiving his baptism. The dear brother has been gloriously filled with the Spirit ever since, and the Lord is using him.

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Superior, Wis. —A brother wrote in October, “God is pouring out His Spirit here in Superior, and five have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and spoke in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. During a cottage prayer meeting, a sister surrendered herself to God, and was cleansed by the Blood, and saw Jesus in a vision just inside heaven’s gate, with her little son standing by His side, who had passed away over seven years go. Jesus told her He was coming soon, and the way was narrow, but wide enough for all who walk uprightly. About midnight, the Spirit was poured out on her and she spoke in German. She is Norwegian and does not understand German. A brother who understands German interpreted what she said. As she gave the first message, he said: ‘Amen, Jesus loves His children.’ Second, ‘Jesus is coming soon, soon.’ Third, ‘Only God’s children can enter heaven.’”

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GOD’S BLESSING ON THE PAPER.

The last paper, which was the first to be published in Portland, was wonderfully blessed of God. There were 80,000 papers of the two issues printed at one time.

After they were folded, wrapped and stamped ready for mailing, the workers would gather around the piles or sacks of papers and lay their hands on them and pray. We prayed that Jesus would accompany every paper and enter every home in every land, and that the Holy Ghost would come upon the readers as they received and read the papers. How truly, the prayers were answered is witnessed by the letters we have received.

Many times we were melted as we prayed, and the papers were watered with tears. One sister fell under the power while she was praying over them. The power of God would fall on us and the Spirit would take control and sing and pray in the unknown tongue.

The Lord led us to have only those who were in the Spirit to fold and mail the papers. At first He provided a large tent on the Campground in which to do the work. It was a very sacred place. The Spirit would not suffer any one to fold papers if they were not right with God, and every one felt it a privilege to work for the Lord on the papers. It was the same in the prayer room of the mission, where we continued the work after the campmeeting closed.

Some of the readers, at least, were made to feel the heavenly atmosphere and the touch of God, as they read the papers. It would be an inspiration to all the readers if they could see how the paper is prepared from start to finish. It is the result of sacrifice, faith, and many prayers.

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SUBSCRIPTION FREE.

The Lord is enabling us to send out 80,000 papers again at this time. We are sending them to every country over the world. Friends sending papers should take note that foreign and domestic postage is the same on papers. One cent will carry four of these papers anywhere in the world.

In sending offerings to the Lord's work it is not necessary to register them, as we never hear of such being lost. We have had them to even come through a train wreck and fire and have the edges of the letters burned off and yet came through safely. A good way to send money is in two-cent stamps or bills. We trust the Lord and never lose any money.

You will never see in this paper any advertisements, any subscription price, any money-raising schemes, any puffing up of men or leaders, any compromise, anything for show. Why? Because the paper could not exist without God back of it. We must obey the pattern He gave us on the start.

We got on our knees and asked the Lord to give us the heading for one of the last papers, and He spoke those words, "Jesus is visiting His people." And He has been visiting us, bless His dear name.

On Christmas day the Lord gave us a typewriter in answer to prayer, also money to finish paying for the papers to be printed, and also sent a consecrated young sister to help in the office, for which we do thank and praise God.

PREPARING FOR HIMSELF A BRIDE.

Jesus has always had a messenger to send before Him. Before His first coming, it was prophesied, "Behold, I send My messenger before Thy face, which shall prepare Thy way before Thee."—Matt. xi:10. He sent John the Baptist, as a voice crying in the wilderness, "'Prepare ye the way of the Lord; make His paths straight.'" John prepared the way for the first advent of Jesus. Now, before His second advent, He has sent the Holy Ghost to prepare for Himself a bride. He promised before He went away, "If I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you," and "He will guide you into all truth." The Comforter has come and is preparing the way for the coming of Jesus back to earth.

The steward of Abraham's household was sent to a far-off land to find a bride for Isaac. So the Holy Spirit is sent from heaven to this old world to search out a bride for Jesus. He is seeking those that will go all the way, that will follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth.

He did not search for a bride out of the host of angelic beings, but He is searching among the redeemed ones of this earth. Adam was put in a deep sleep that God might take out of his body a

rib to make for him a bride. This was a type of Jesus lying down in the sleep of death, giving His own life Blood that He might purchase for Himself a spotless bride. And out of His body, which is the church, shall be taken a company of full overcomers to become the bride, the Lamb's wife. He is sealing His bride with the Holy Spirit of promise.

Oh, He is coming suddenly to His temple. He will have a bride to meet Him when He comes. He will draw up from the earth those that have been refined and tried as gold, those that have been willing to stand the tests, those that have been willing to be counted as the off-scouring of the earth and to suffer reproach for His name's sake and keep clean their eyes, their lips, their hands.

“But who may abide the day of His coming, and who shall stand when He appeareth?” Are you wondering what denomination is right, and who is going to be able to stand? The Word tells you: “He that hath clean hands and a pure heart.” He that has been washed in the water of the Word. It means to have the Word of God wrought out in your heart and life. If you have that, you will be able to stand when He appears. Learn to live in the Word. Stand in the Word alone. It is not what your pastor says, or what your neighbor says, but it is what God's Word says. You will be judged out of that Book. He gives you power to live the Word. You can live it in your own homes and closets. How we should thank God today for the printing press that enables us all to have a Bible of our own and know the will of God.

Some day (and it is not far off) Jesus is coming for His holy people. Before He departed He took His disciples out on the Mount. He had taught them for three and a half years. He had said, “Except a man forsake all that he hath, he cannot be My disciple.” They had left all and followed Him. He took them out on that little Mount of Olives and said, “Tarry ye in the City of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high.” He also commanded them to go and teach all nations, “Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always.” He will be with us if we do and teach all that He commanded us.

They stood gazing up into heaven. The Christ had departed and their hearts were heavy. Two angels appeared and said, “This same Jesus that is taken up from you into heaven shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven.” Now over 1900 years have passed and He has not come. But he is coming in such an hour as ye think not He is coming in the clouds of heaven one of these days, and somebody is going up with Him. Are you willing to take the narrow way and weather the storm? How many are going to stand the test and go all the way?

Pray, pray, dear ones. Jesus said, “Ye are they that have continued with Me in My temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom.” If you suffer with Him, you shall also reign with Him. He has a chosen people. He has a few that are willing to lap water like a dog, a Gideon's band.

Our God is going to stand by you if you stand by Him. He will save you from the great tribulation. He is not only going to take you up with Him, but let you come back with Him. The ones that have been despised and set at naught and are walking in humility He is going to spare as His own son that serveth Him. When He comes to earth again, He is coming in His glory, and all the saints and holy angels with Him. If you are set at naught down here, think nothing of it, count it all joy. You are going to come back with Him in the clouds. Oh, if you are faithful, Jesus will Honor you—He will exalt you in due time.

JESUS IS COMING.

The Lord gave to a little saint a vision of a winged wheel that suddenly came from the skies, dispelling everything before it. And the words were spoken, "Behold, I come quickly. Amen." She said the amen sounded so loud and clear, and asked her mother if it came in the Bible that way. Yes, read Rev. xxii:20.

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Just across the street from where one of our correspondents lives in Oblong, Illinois, a little girl lay very sick. One night they thought she was dying, and she told her parents that Jesus was coming soon and the earth would be burned up, and they would be burned up, too. They thought she was out of her mind. But we believe it was a warning sent from God to bring them to Jesus.

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A brother on the camp-ground last Summer had a vision, when there was a great outpouring of Pentecostal power on the meeting. He did not have the power of God on his own soul that night, and instead of waiting before God until it came, he retired. While lying there awake, he heard what seemed to be the rushing of chariots and shouting of saints. It was so real to him that he immediately dressed and went out to see if Jesus had come and caught the saints away. But he heard the voice of prayer in the prayer-tent, and saw some still praying over the seekers in the big tent, so he said, "I guess Jesus has not come," and experienced a great sense of relief. He has since received the mighty power of God in his life, and is ready for His coming.

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A worker in this Gospel dreamed that Jesus was coming. She saw the clouds roll back in the most indescribable beauty of white and rainbow colors, and the glorified Jesus appeared. The saints seemed to be climbing a hill, their clothes changing to white as they went up. Jesus would simply look at them and they would be caught up in the air. The most entrancing music was coming from heaven. One of the saints was trying to get her husband to go up the hill, and finally went on without him, and she was caught up. Then the husband came and asked, "Have you seen my wife?" The sister said, "I saw her go up." He fell on his face. She recognized some of the saints as they went up and some of the children. She had stayed behind trying to bring her husband, and she did bring him with her, but seemed to be the last one, and the horror that she might be left behind made such an impression on her that it clung to her for days. She awoke and found herself sitting up, and she still heard the strains of heavenly music.

COMING FOR HIS JEWELS.

Jesus is coming secretly when He next appears. He says, "Behold, I come as a thief."—Rev. xvi:15. What does a thief come for? He comes to steal our jewels. Jesus is coming for His jewels, those that are ready, those that have given themselves to Him and gone through the furnace of affliction and come out pure gold. They have overcome by the Blood of the Lamb. "They shall be Mine, saith the Lord of Hosts, in that day when I make up My jewels; and I will spare them as a man spareth his own son that serveth him."—Mal. iii:17.

Oh, Jesus is coming soon to make up His jewels. "One shall be taken and another left."—Matt. xxiv:40-41. They will miss a humble, despised servant of God here and there and look for them, but they will not find them. They walked with God, and were not for God took them. We are just about to witness this mighty miracle, the miracle of the First Resurrection. "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."—Thess. iv:16-17. And the call is upon every child of God to watch and pray. "For in such an hour as ye think not the Son of Man cometh."

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH MISSION

Stands for the restoration of the faith once delivered unto the saints—the old-time religion, of camp-meetings, revivals, missions, street and prison work and Christian Unity everywhere.

Repentance—Mark i:14-15.

Godly Sorrow for Sin, Example—Matt. ix:13; 2 Cor. vii: 9-11; Acts iii:19; Acts xvii: 30-31.

Confession of Sin—Luke xv:21 and Luke xviii:13.

Forsaking Sinful Ways—Isa. 55:7; Jonah iii: 6; Prov. xxviii:13.

Restitution—Ezek. xxxiii:15; Luke xix:8.

And Faith in Jesus Christ.

First Work—Justification is that act of God’s free grace by which we receive remission of sins. —Acts x:42-43; Rom. iii:25.

Second Work—Sanctification is the second work of grace and the last work of grace. Sanctification is the act of God’s free grace by which He makes us holy—John xvii:15-17:

“Sanctify them through Thy Truth; Thy word is Truth.”—I Thess. iv:3; I Thess. v:23; Heb. xiii:12; Heb. ii:11; Heb. xii:14.

Sanctification is cleansing to make holy. The disciples were sanctified before the Day of Pentecost. By careful study of Scripture, you will find it so now: “Ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.” (John xv:3) And Jesus had breathed on them the Holy Ghost (John xx:21-22). You know that they could not receive the Spirit if they were not clean. Jesus cleansed and got all doubt out of His church before He went back to glory.

The Baptism with the Holy Ghost is a gift of power upon the sanctified life; so when we get it we have the same evidence as the Disciples received on the Day of Pentecost (Acts ii:3-4), in speaking in new tongues. See also Acts x:45-46; Acts xix:6; I Cor. xiv:21, “For I will work a work in your days which ye will not believe though it be told you.”—Heb. i:5.

Healing—We must believe that God is able to heal—Ex. xv:26: “I am the Lord that healeth thee.” James v:14; Psa. 103:3; II Kings xx:5; Matt. viii:16-17; Mark xvi:16-17-18.

“Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh; is there anything too hard for Me?”—Jer. xxii:27.

Too many have confused the grace of sanctification with the enduement of Power, or the baptism with the Holy Ghost; others have taken “the anointing that abideth” for the Baptism, and failed to reach the glory and power of a true Pentecost.

The Blood of Jesus will never blot out any sin between man and man they can make right; but if we can’t make wrongs right, the Blood graciously covers. (Matt. v:23-24.)

We are not fighting men or churches, but seeking to displace dead forms and creeds and wild fanaticism with living, practical Christianity. “Love, Faith, Unity,” are our watchwords, and “Victory through the Atoning Blood” our battle cry. God’s promises are true. He said: “Be thou faithful over a few things, and I will make thee ruler over many.” From the little handful of Christians who stood by the cross when the testings and discouragements came, God has raised a mighty host.

“Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in.”—Luke xiv:13

The baptism of the Holy Ghost will fall on a clean heart wherever the Lord can find one: in the kitchen, in the business, or wherever your post of duty may be. And when the power falls, He makes us witnesses to go out and tell of Jesus. “When the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, He

shall testify of Me.” The world today is suffering to hear of Jesus, and this power of the Holy Ghost is given that they might hear and know of the Blood that can save and cleanse, baptize the soul and heal the body. Jesus is coming soon. We have no time to do anything else but witness for Jesus. While many conventions are in session, souls on the streets are without this Gospel. We should be going out into the highways and byways compelling them to come in.

The Lord keeps His people “as the apple of His eye.” As the tears flow continually to wash the sight of the eye, so the Blood of Jesus continues to flow over our souls as we look up to Him.

It is wonderful to see the mighty power of God in saving souls in Portland, both young and old. One night there were three men, all over 60 years old, that were saved.

A publisher in Los Angeles heard how the Lord was saving souls in the Mission and on the streets in Portland, and it gave him confidence in the work, and he sent 3,000 copies of the Gospel of St. John and also many tracts to help win souls.

A brother who was saved from drink testified in the Mission how he used to make his little child drink liquor till she staggered from wall to wall, and his children trembled for fear when they heard their father’s step. Now all is changed, and God has his way with that family.

When Jesus comes into your heart, the first thing you want to do is to get someone else to Jesus. Since the Pentecost fell, it has put a greater love and power in people to tell about Jesus, and they have been going out into the streets, into jails, into highways and byways, out on the rock piles, and into all the world preaching this Gospel to all people.

O, dear ones, “Tarry until ye be endued with power from on high.” I thank God I ever heard those sweet words. When I heard two years ago of the mighty power of God being poured out on all flesh, my soul that had been reaching out for years for something to give me power and courage to tell what God had done for me, cried out to Him, and He poured out this power to witness upon me.

It was God’s eternal purpose that Jesus should be born in a manger. The angel said, “This shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.” That sign was not only to the shepherds, but it is to us today. For Jesus is always born into humble hearts, as humble as a manger, and He only abides where we keep humble. It is a sign that Jesus is in this “latter rain,” because you will always find Him baptizing humble people and you will find them worshipping in humble places.

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THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST.

It is every believer's birthright to be baptized with the Holy Ghost. Everyone that has the cleansing Blood in their heart is entitled to the great power of the Holy Ghost.

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The baptism of the Holy Ghost is the glory of God flooding your soul and the Spirit taking possession. You will never know what it means to be clay in the hands of the Potter until you receive your personal Pentecost.

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Every sanctified person has the abiding anointing in their soul, and they know His Blood cleanses every moment; but you need the baptism of the Holy Ghost, which is the enduement of power, that will make you a witness to the uttermost parts of the earth.

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The Holy Ghost is a real living Person that comes down upon you in great and mighty power. Dear loved ones, when He comes in, you will know it. When He comes in, He comes talking. He will take your vocal organs and begin to sing or speak for Himself.

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This outpouring of the Spirit is a melting power. The people are all melted together by the power of the Blood and the Holy Ghost. They are made one lump, one bread, one body in Christ Jesus. All barriers are melted away between high and low, rich and poor, Jew and Greek, bond and free.

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The Bible becomes a new book to those baptized with the Holy Ghost. You absolutely lose your own judgment in regard to the Word of God. You eat it down without trimming or cutting right from the mouth of God. You live by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

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The God of Pentecost has never lost any power. He stands to baptize men and women with the Holy Ghost today, just as he did 1900 years ago. Every worker for Christ ought to get the baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire. It is for you as soon as you get the light on it.

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Keep your eyes on Jesus and not on the manifestations. Not seeking to get some great thing more than somebody else. The Lord wants you just as humble as a baby, looking for Him to fill you with more of God. If you get your eyes on manifestations and signs, you are liable to get a counterfeit. What you want to seek is more holiness, more of God.

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There is no difference in quality between the baptism of the Holy Ghost and sanctification. They are both holiness. Sanctification is the Lord Jesus Christ crowned in your heart and the baptism of the Holy Ghost is His power on you. It is all holiness. It makes you more like Jesus. It is Jesus in justification, Jesus in sanctification and Jesus in the baptism of the Holy Ghost. If we follow Jesus, we will never have any other spirit than the Spirit of holiness.

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The Lord Jesus said when He had one foot in the clouds, going back to heaven, "Tarry ye in the City of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high." They did not go out to

preach until they had received the enduement of power. And on the day of Pentecost, they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and spoke with new tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. God taught the church a lesson on that day what the baptism of the Holy Ghost is and what would prepare them to be witnesses to the uttermost parts of the earth.

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It is wonderfully blessed to receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire. He sings through you His own songs. It is so sweet when you gather around the family altar or around the table or in your own room at night, to have the blessed Spirit drop a song right down from Paradise into your soul and put the music of heaven in your heart. He prays and praises God through you. It is not you that speak, but the Holy Ghost that speaks in you.

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As Jesus was about to be caught up into heaven, He said, “Tarry ye in the City of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high.” He did not want them to go out and preach until they had received the Third Person of the Trinity. Neither does He want men and women to go out these days until they have received the mighty dynamite of heaven in their souls. He wants you to have power to tell what Jesus has wrought out in your life. When the power came, it filled all the room where they were sitting, and cloven tongues like as of fire sat upon them, and they were made witnesses to the ends of the earth. They could tell not only of the mighty healing power and saving and sanctifying power, but they were witnesses that the Holy Ghost is a real Person that comes down from heaven and took up His abode in their innermost being.

“CONTEND EARNESTLY FOR THE FAITH.”

God wants to resurrect all the truth and the faith that the devil robbed the church of, and He is going to do it. He wants today to give His Church that same power that the apostles had.

We are right in the latter rain when the Lord is baptizing with the Holy Ghost and fire. It is the Holy Ghost in spite of old ecclesiasticism. And He will give back into His church the ancient faith and apostolic power. Bless His name. Hallelujah. It is going to be done with a holy warfare and contention.

We must have a holy contention for the whole Word of God. Some who have let down are saying that they believe it, but they are not contending for it. When the war comes, they are looking around for some nice place. But God wants to keep our souls in a holy contention. If not, we will cool down and become one of the most pitiable objects on the face of the earth. Lord help us to go in with all our hearts.

SUFFERING SHAME FOR HIS NAME.

As some of our dear missionaries were on their way across the ocean, going to their field of labor, they write of their experiences in preaching the Gospel to the people on the ship:

“They are playing cards and drinking. Yesterday we sang and the power of God came on me, and I felt led of God to stand up and hold up the blessed Word of God as the Spirit testified. And when I could speak, I told them that Jesus was coming soon. They were playing cards and drinking and damning their souls. I told them I was sorry for them and wanted them to stop it and repent and let Jesus wash them clean in His Blood and make them ready to meet Him when He comes.

“One of the passengers came up to me and told me I had said enough—to stop. But the blessed Holy Ghost did all the talking, and the man turned and left me. Then the captain came and had a man to snatch me downstairs. I told him the men were on their way to hell and I had

to warn them. Sister Winn stood up and told them it was the Holy Ghost talking, and they snatched her down too. And Sister Mable shouted and followed us. Oh, our hearts were made to rejoice to think God would let us suffer shame for His name, and oh how it did fill our hearts with praises to think the old-time persecution was coming back. Then we know it won't be long till the gifts are restored, and praise God, then we know Jesus will soon come."

HER MIND RESTORED THROUGH PRAYER IN THE SPIRIT.

A sister in Princeton, Ills., writes: "God has healed my sister and given her back her right mind. Last Saturday afternoon, I was sitting in my rocking chair and tending to my little baby, when the Holy Ghost came on me and the Lord got hold of me in earnest. The first thing I knew, I was praying in tongues and God giving me the interpretation. Oh, the prayer that was prayed through me was too wonderful to try to tell it all. It seemed that the Spirit had all the control of me and was telling God what he had promised His children, and asking Him to heal my sister and take away all doubts and fears and give her her right mind. It seemed that I could not stop. But I do praise the Lord that when I stopped praying, she was down on her knees praying and soon arose saying that God had made her all right. She stayed on till Wednesday with me and was happy and well and could take care of her children and help me do the work. She has gone to her old home."

TRIBES IN INDIA THAT HAVE RECEIVED PENTECOST

The editor of the "Cloud of Witnesses," in Bombay, India, writes that there are baptized witnesses of the Holy Ghost amongst the races, tribes or tongues represented by the following languages: Badaga, Bhil, Thibetan, Tamil, Telugu, Marathi, Bengali, Gugerathi, Kanarese, Hindi, and probably others. God is moving swiftly through the earth. Our Bro. Moorhead is desirous of translating Pentecostal literature into the different languages of India and thus carrying the full Gospel to many thousands more. His address is M. W. Moorhead, Bombay, India.

In a little while, He that shall come will come and will not tarry. This gospel must first be preached for a witness to all nations, and then shall the end come. Let us write and print this Gospel into every language we can. In these days, when we can send a paper anywhere in the world for one cent, it is a wonderful opportunity to send the Gospel swiftly over the world.

A sister in California was to have a cottage prayer meeting in her house, and she said aloud one day to the Lord that she wished she could have sent and got some papers to hand out at the door; then the power of God came on her and she spoke in tongues. A few days after that, she says, "I found a package in my mail box. The words I first read were, JESUS IS COMING SOON, and when I got the wrapper off, I found just about fifty copies of that paper. Well, I screamed with joy and completely collapsed under the power of God, for I knew no human being, but God alone, had put it into your hearts to send them. I gave them all away and mailed some to other states. I kept a few copies here and loan out and get them back and loan them out again. I just let them visit around a little to see how many friends they can make."

It is easy for those who have pure hearts to see that this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel (Acts, 2:16-21). We are living in the last days when He is pouring out His Spirit upon all flesh.

A brother in Oblong, Illinois, writes: "I can testify to the healing power in the name of Jesus. Glory to His name. Our baby was sick, not long ago, and we could not quiet him at all. We prayed that God would touch him, but it seemed as if God had forsaken us. We still kept holding on to God, however, and at last the power of the Holy Ghost fell upon me and I rebuked the enemy in tongues. And almost immediately the baby got better and soon went to sleep. Praise God, if we only trust Him, all things are possible unto us."

We have hundreds of testimonies and reports of the work which we are unable to publish. They show that God is sending this blessed baptism of the Holy Ghost to people all over the land and to the remote corners of the globe. You cannot stop this salvation, for it falls from heaven and bursts out in new places all the time. While some preachers are fighting it, their people are getting it; and they cannot preach or argue the Holy Ghost out of them or take it out of the Word of God.

It is a blessed place at the feet of Jesus, looking up into His face and learning of Him. Mary was content with a place at His feet, and it pleased Jesus. O, may we spend this year at His feet, learning of Him. Our highest place is low at His feet.

In the last two years and a half, hundreds of people all over the world have received the gift of the Holy Ghost and the Bible evidence of speaking in new tongues the languages of the nations. Many have been saved and sanctified. Many missions have been opened and hundreds of thousands of people have heard the full Gospel without compromise. Thousands of people have been healed of all manner of diseases. How do we know this is of God? Because the devil is not in such business.

Many people claim to be saved from hell, but not from sin. A good many are preaching that kind of salvation. They have preached the fire all out of hell, but God says it is still there. We preach that there is a lake burning with fire and brimstone. "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." The only salvation is through the Blood of Jesus that will save you throughout eternity.

Jesus was too large for the synagogues. He preached outside, because there was not room for Him inside. This Pentecostal movement is too large to be confined in any denomination or sect. It works outside, drawing all together in one bond of love, one church, one body in Christ.

Many who once were true to God have fallen out of the way, and God is putting in their places drunkards and harlots and they are going to be ready to meet Jesus.

Freeloveism and everything of that kind is from hell. It is a dragon to devour those that get out of the Word, but, praise God, He has given His children to know these spirits. They are not allowed any more than magicians, soothsayers and sorcerers were allowed to be among God's children in early days.

Dear loved ones, there is an awful hell. God teaches us in Psalms 9:7, "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." We find the punishment of the wicked

taught from the closed gates of Eden all the way down. He sent fire and brimstone upon wicked Sodom and Gomorrah, which are “set forth as an example of suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.”—Jude 7. May God help men everywhere to repent of their sins and accept the precious Blood of Jesus Christ that cleanses from all sin and unrighteousness, that we may enter into heaven where the Lord Jesus has prepared for us a home.

Beloved, let us get down deep into the Word this year and let the Holy Ghost sanctify it in our hearts, that we might live the highest consecration before God. We do not want to live on dry shavings and theological chips and husks, but on the treasures of the blessed Holy Spirit in the Word of God. Let us in this year 1909 never read our Bibles carelessly, but prayerfully. Let us sing and pray and preach and live under the anointing of the Spirit, and God will pour out His Spirit on us as never before.

The Lord wants everything that is done in a meeting to be done in the anointing of the Holy Ghost. He anoints His ministers afresh for every service. Every song and every testimony should be given under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. We should not speak because we have learned to preach, but preach with the anointing, and as He speaks in us. Ask the Lord to put the anointing on you, if He wants to give you a message for the people. You will feel His power going all over you. All you need to do is to yield to the will of God. In Pentecostal meetings it is out of place to announce who will preach. The Holy Ghost chooses His own speakers.

It means so much to keep the anointing upon our souls so that we do not wither away, after we get this baptism. The enemy will tell you that you are giving way too much to this or that demonstration. But God wants us to let the Holy Ghost have right of way with us. When we received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, the power came down in such a mighty way, but after a time people began to reason and got us to taking thought. But what are we that we would put straps or bands on the Holy Ghost? Just because it is in our power, shall we quench the Spirit? Let us be free in the Holy Ghost and let Him have right of way.

There will be two appearances of Jesus under one coming. The first appearance is called the Rapture, when He comes as a thief in the night and catches away His bride. The second is called the Revelation, when He shall come with ten thousand of His saints and destroy the wicked with the brightness of His coming, and when His feet shall touch the same mount from which He ascended. We must be ready for His first appearance in order to be caught up with Him and come back with Him to reign on the earth.

Two years ago last April, the Lord sent this mighty outpouring of the Spirit on a few humble people in Los Angeles, California, waiting before Him in a cottage meeting. They began to speak with tongues and magnify God. Crowds came. Many made restitution, humbled themselves before God and received the Holy Ghost, went out and published it. Since then it has stirred the world.

Jesus came to seek and save all nations, Bless God. Phillip went down and told the Ethiopian about Jesus, and Peter went down and told the Italians about Jesus, and Paul went and told the Greeks and Romans about Jesus. We must have the love of God shed abroad in our hearts, so

that there will be no Jew nor Greek with us, but we will be all one in Christ Jesus. It takes the Blood to eradicate the color line, but the Blood can take out all manner of sin. Jas. 2:9.

People wonder where this is going to end. It is going to end in the rapture. We do not know how long this latter rain is going to fall or when it is going to stop; but when it does there will be an awful time in this old world. Jesus has been holding up His bleeding hands to the Father and keeping back the wrath of God from falling on this old world; but when He leaves His place of intercession at the throne to receive His bride in the air, God will smite this earth with judgment.

The only thing that will stand and overcome the world, the flesh and the devil is a real experience with God. He will witness to your soul that you are born again. Then go right on into the fountain for cleansing. You will know the work is done. When people trample on you, you will know that the Blood cleanseth. Oh, bless His name forever. He will save you, sanctify you and baptize you with the Holy Ghost and fire. This is God's armor. Put it all on and stand.

In Houston, Texas, an old man came five miles to a cottage meeting. He was an old soldier that had been in the Mexican war and was 117 years old. They explained the Gospel to him and read the Bible to him and prayed with him as the Spirit led; and while in prayer, he was sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and went home praising God and speaking in tongues. His name is Tom Blue. Also the night before an old sister of 93 years was sanctified and anointed with the Spirit.

Oh, this power of the Holy Ghost is so valuable. It cost so much and means so much. If you have gone through justification, paid the price and had your sins forgiven, and then gone on and consecrated your life to God and received the cleansing, and then tarried at the altar and received the mighty power of God upon your soul—oh, dear ones, you cannot afford to lose it. God wants us to keep the mighty anointing from heaven. Then when Jesus comes, He is going to find you waiting and ready to go, walking in all the light that is shed on your pathway.

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

HEAVEN-SENT REVIVAL AT CLEVELAND, TENN.

Hundreds have been saved, many delivered from demons of appetite, and over one hundred baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire in a recent revival in Cleveland, Tenn.

The Power of Conviction Felt Miles Away.

For ten weeks the very atmosphere seemed to have a peculiar power in it all over the town and for miles in the country. People came to the meeting from ten and fifteen miles in the country and told what queer feeling they had had for days. A number came from other cities and towns seeking Pentecost.

The Slaying Power Of God.

One night at the tent, after one or two had been baptized with the Holy Ghost, and were still under the power and talking in tongues, the power of intercession fell upon all the saints and a number of people were swept down and great fear fell upon every soul in the tent. Some started to run and fell as they ran and were brought back to the altar. Another time the altar was full and a man outside the tent who could not get in for the crowd fell where he was and cried to God until he was saved. A strong man fell off his seat one night as if he had been shot. Another man fell under the power back in the congregation and was carried to the altar. He soon received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and was up talking and preaching in tongues. The same night quite a number were stretched out under the power at the same time. Conversations were carried on in tongues, and the heavenly chorus was the sweetest they had heard up to that time.

Holy Ghost Conviction.

One morning a gentleman came early and said he felt awful bad and wanted religion. They prayed for him until he definitely accepted salvation, then, after he had rejoiced a few minutes, they suggested to him to get down and go all the way through. They prayed right on until he was definitely sanctified, and he rejoiced again a little while, then they told him there was more yet, and asked him to get down and seek the Holy Ghost. He did, and soon had the baptism and talking in tongues. This was done in about 35 or 40 minutes. He was a great tobacco fiend and drank some. He has never wanted tobacco nor liquor since, but says he can hardly bear the smell of tobacco nor liquor since that day.

Some were so convicted and so determined to get relief that they stayed at the tent all night.

A Drunkard Fell, Crying for Mercy on the Street.

One man who had been at the tent and had got to feeling badly left with a companion for a stroll in town. As they walked along, all of a sudden, he stopped and took His bottle out of his pocket and held it up and looked at it for a moment, then threw it away and immediately fell right in the street and cried outright for mercy until God saved him right there. The other one, his companion, soon repented and got salvation, too.

Two drunkards who had been converted persuaded a mate to go with them out of town to the woods where they got him down before God and prayed for him until he gave his heart to Jesus.

Visions of Fire From Heaven.

One night above the tent a cloud was seen and streaks of fire above the cloud. At another time a streak of fire was seen descending from the heavens and disappeared just over the top of the tent.

The Cloud of God's Presence.

A special spell of weeping fell on some of the saints during the testimony services, and they broke out in intercessory prayer, which lasted for several minutes, and a little later a kind of blue vapor or mist seemed to settle down on the congregation, and many turned pale. A rush was made for the altar, and numbers fell prostrated under the power.

The Spirit Witnessed to Ordinances.

At one meeting they honored the Lord by taking the bread and wine and washing the saints' feet. The Lord greatly honored with His presence, which was unspeakably precious.

At the baptismal services the water and air seemed to be electrified with the presence, power and glory of God. The glory and manifestations were almost indescribable. Thousands of people present and everything in such beautiful order that many were convinced of the truth. Modes of baptism are almost a thing of the past. "Much water" is the cry, taking the place of a few drops, and no power nor glory in the dead forms.

Many Saved From Drink.

Many were delivered from drunkenness and the tobacco habit. A large number of men, strong men and old men, were reached by the power of the Spirit.

The last night in the tent about fifteen men and two women stood before the audience giving testimony that they had been delivered from the liquor habit and saved by the power of God.

NOTHING BUT LOVE.

The Lord gave a brother in Portland a vision one night to teach him to keep his eyes on Jesus and not on the faults or failings of his brothers and sisters.

He saw the Mission congregation of saints, sinners and hypocrites, and it seemed that they were on the edge of the ocean. As he stood watching the waves, the Lord spoke to him and told him to come through the crowd and out into the deep, for He had something to show him. The ground was sandy and slippery and the waves were washing over the heads of some, while others were up on a platform singing and speaking in the Spirit. The Lord led him through the crowd and away out where the waves were quiet and the ground solid, and it grew so still that he could not hear a sound. Then he was told to open his eyes and look.

He opened his eyes, the tears running down his face, and looked, and there were great letters like an electric light sign on the sky, LOVE. Then he looked another way, and there was LOVE. Every way he looked was LOVE. Then the voice said, "What do you see?" He said: "I see nothing but love." And Jesus said, "There is where I want you to be; I want you to see nothing but love." Then he looked down to see where he was standing, and he was standing right on Jesus. He was filled with the glory of God, and said, "Jesus, I am going to get to the place where I can see nothing but You and love."

WAFTE AWAY IN THE HEAVENLY SONG.

Just before a precious brother went to be with Jesus a number of the saints knelt around his bed and the Spirit began to sing in the unknown tongue with melting and heavenly sweetness. His dear wife also joined in the song. His spirit seemed to be wafted away in the heavenly song. While they were singing, he laughed. Then the Spirit spoke through one of the saints, saying, "It is finished": and he was gone—just sung into the portals of glory.

He was praising God up until almost the hour of his death. When they would read and pray with him he would say he was glad to suffer for Jesus. He would lie with a smile on his face and say, "Amen." Some months ago, as we went into his room, we saw the sign on the wall. TALK ABOUT NOTHING BUT JESUS IN THIS ROOM. (God wants that motto on our hearts.) He

cared for nothing but Jesus. He had ceased to see anything but Jesus. His last message was, "Work for Jesus."

It is sweet to live for Jesus and sweet to die for Him. If nothing else would prove this mighty Gospel that is to close up the times of the Gentiles, it would be enough for us that precious saints who have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost can shout their way to glory and praise Him up to the dying hour. O, this wonderful salvation, this mighty Gospel that robs death of its sting!

After the Holy Ghost comes and you are sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, then it is you must walk softly before Him. You must be so careful that the Holy Spirit may not take His flight and be grieved like the gentle dove that lights on your shoulder and is easily driven away. When He comes in, you would rather do anything than to grieve Jesus Christ. He that is most miserable is the one that has once had the Comforter, and He has taken His flight. It takes a holy heart and life to receive the Comforter and a constant walk with Jesus to keep His abiding presence.

DIVINE HEALING.

We can say that, as a people, for over two years Christ has been our Physician. Drugs have never passed our lips. God has healed us and healed our children. He has healed them of scarlet fever, whooping cough, croup, burns, fevers and spinal meningitis.

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A little child was lying, burning up with fever, and they sent for the elders, and the fever was rebuked and went down instantly. The child was healed.

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A little boy in Vancouver fell on something that tore the palate of his mouth so that the palate was hanging down in his mouth. The mother prayed for him, and when he got up in the morning it was perfectly healed.

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A woman that had been sick two years came to the Mission in Portland to be healed. She had tuberculosis, and the doctor said her spine was rotting away. She had been operated on twice, suffering greatly, and it did her no good. She was instantly healed. She said she felt that Jesus was right there and touched her body. Soon after she went to the altar and was saved. Before she was healed she had a knot growing on her back, and as she was telling a lady how much better she was and about this knot, she went to show it to her and found it was gone, too. The Lord had removed it.

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A brother of over 70 years, very deaf and with a running of the ear had tried treatment and doctors without avail. He came to Vancouver to be doctored, and the Lord led him to the Mission. He came to the altar one afternoon and they prayed for him, and the Lord healed him, and now he can hear as well as anyone, and no discharge from the ear. The Lord healed many others, and some that wore glasses left them off, and the Lord restored their eyes.

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One night at the Mission in Portland the healing power of God was so manifest that several were healed, one after another, before even a prayer was offered or hands could be laid on them. "The power of the Lord was present to heal."

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A sister who had been an officer in the Salvation Army and matron in a home was healed in the Mission in Vancouver. She was lame, with what is called fallen insteps, and came to the altar to be healed of lameness, but did not say anything about having cancer and cataracts on her eyes. But the Lord healed her completely, and she afterwards testified that the cancer and cataracts were healed at the same time. Then she got sanctified, and is seeking for the baptism of the Holy Ghost. A number of the Salvation Army officers and people are also seeking their baptism.

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Healed of Consumption.

A year ago last June, I was dying with consumption. I was sick and suffering from the crown of my head to the soles of my feet. The doctor said one lung was gone, and the other was almost gone. I went to California for my health, and it did not help me a bit. But I praise God there is healing in the Blood of Christ.

I went to the Portland camp-meeting two years ago. It was Jesus that led me there. When I heard the Word I was so hungry for Jesus. I wanted Him to rule and reign in my heart. I was tired of the old church profession. It did not keep me from getting out of patience during the week.

When the altar call was given, some sister offered to hold my baby, and I just shoved him into her arms without stopping to say a word and went to the altar; and my Christ met me there: He knew my heart was hungry and I wanted the world taken out of my life, and He did sanctify my soul. He let the precious Blood flow over my heart.

And not only that, but He healed this body racked with pain and going to the grave. And not only that, but baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire. The Comforter came into my heart to abide. I have been so free since then. Jesus has meant everything to me.

A few days after that my little girl took seriously sick. Soon she broke out with scarlet fever and her throat was a solid canker. She was dying, but the saints rebuked the devil and laid their hands on her, and the child was healed. The fever was instantly broken, and there was not a scale on her flesh. She was also deaf, so that I would have to get down and scream in her ear, and the Lord healed her of that.

My husband was almost blind, and he was instantly healed. This is the old-time religion. We have learned that our Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.

—Sister Nora Walker, Apostolic Faith Mission, Portland, Ore.

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The Lord has been healing many at a distance, as in Acts xix:12. Demons have been cast out and the sick healed through handkerchiefs. The Lord gets all the glory. The Holy Spirit is leading the same today as He did then, and there is the same power in the name of Jesus to heal.

SAVED THROUGH THE EARTHQUAKE.

I was down in California through the terrible earthquake in San Francisco, when God shook me up and showed me my awful condition, that I was on my way to hell. How miserable I did feel all the next day, and how the Lord spoke to my soul. My wife was so good and patient, and I had been mean to her. But Jesus changed me right around and made a new man out of me. She used to go to the little street meetings, and I would talk terribly to her; but when God came into my soul, He put something within me that wanted to go out on the street, too.

I was working on a building that day after the earthquake, and every time the building would shake a little I would think it was another earthquake and that I would go to hell. I thank God it was not the Judgment Day. That night we had family prayers, and my wife said: "Let's pray." I praise God He set me free that night. The old tobacco habit and the cigarette habit and the old jealousy were all taken out. I just took my tobacco and put it right into the fire, and have been free from that time.

Oh, it makes me shudder to think what God saved me from. A few years ago I could not stand up and look any man in the face. I know what it is to serve sin. I was full of hatred, malice and jealousy. My home was like hell. But God has changed it all around. It is like heaven. Oh, I bless Him for saving my soul and for healing me so many times, and for what He has done for our little home. Bro. Archie Walker. Apostolic Faith Mission, Portland, Or.

THE ORDINANCES.

We have no creeds but what are in this Book. We have no bishops to please or salaries to lose. We are free to live this old Book from cover to cover. Free to go down into the water and come up out of the water. (Acts 8:38, 39.) Free to wash the disciples' feet. Jesus said, "If I, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet, ye ought also to wash one another's feet." Our precious sister, Mary Magdalene, washed the Savior's feet. We cannot wash His feet but we can wash the feet of the saints here. And He says, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me." We must follow the example of Jesus Christ and teach all that He taught. We are also free to take the Lord's supper, for the Word says, "As often as ye eat this bread and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till He come." Are you willing to follow the steps of Jesus and weather the storm?

The saints in Portland had a marvelous baptismal service lately when nearly forty went down into the water in baptism. The power of God fell. Many of them had already been baptized with the Holy Ghost and were singing and speaking in tongues. A whole family of six were baptized. A good number were young men lately saved. Then followed a testimony meeting in which the Spirit of God had full right of way. As the Mission had been invited to use the Baptist church on Seventh and Everett streets, the service was held there, and it was a revelation to those brethren. The preacher got up and said that it had warmed up his church, and it seemed like Pentecost, and he was coming over to the Mission to see what we had more than they.

That evening after a wonderful meeting, the Lord's Supper and foot-washing were observed. The saints were called to their knees to search their hearts before partaking of the emblems, and heaven filled the room and they began singing. Some could hardly partake of the bread and wine on account of the melting power of God, when we remembered the broken body of our Lord and His precious shed Blood.

The foot-washing was a service never to be forgotten. It was arranged very orderly, with the sisters in one end of the hall and the brothers in the other. There was a large company. Many young men who had a few weeks ago been reveling in sin and drunkenness were rejoicing in the Holy Ghost. There was nothing formal about this service. It was one of singing in the Spirit, shouting the praises of God, precious humility and love for each other. It was too heavenly to be described and the love of God that filled our hearts afresh is still burning.

If we keep that sweet anointing, that heavenly dew on our souls, we will always have a testimony because we have lived an overcoming life that day. If you have gotten into an

argument and come to the meeting, the dew is not there. But if you have lived sweet, you will always have a testimony in your soul.

We are looking for the gifts of the Spirit, and the Lord is going to give them back to His Church. But He is not going to give to a people like Dowie to be eaten with worms and lost in hell. He is getting us down in the dust, where He can trust us not to get puffed up and claim the glory ourselves.

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