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“Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.”—Jude 3

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“LOOKING FOR THAT BLESSED HOPE”

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.”---Acts 1:11

“This Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.”--- Matt. 24:14

PROPHECY OF HIS COMING.

There is an old soldier in South Africa, a Dutch brother, who says that about ten years before the Boer and English War, a supernatural being appeared to him and said, “In 1899 there will be a war with the English, and you will be wounded but you will not die. After the war there will be a united South Africa. After that there will be the greatest revival the world has ever known, and the spiritual climax of that revival will be in South Africa. After that there will be the first resurrection.”

The South African war between the Boers and English came to pass in 1899. This brother was in the Boer army and was shot through the upper part of the head, and lay supposedly dead in the trenches. That night the men that were gathering up the wounded passed by and examined him, and one remarked, “That fellow is shot through the head; no use of fooling with him.” So they left him, and he lay on the ground all night. Three times during the night the same angelic being appeared to him and repeated the same words as at the first, that in the war with the English he would be wounded and not die; that there would be afterwards a united South Africa; then there would be the greatest revival the world had ever seen, which would reach its climax in South Africa; and after that would be the first resurrection.

He lay on the ground till morning, and the same men came by and looked at him, and one said, “I declare, that fellow is not dead yet; let’s take him into camp.” So he was brought to the hospital, and in time his head healed up; but a roaring remained in his head, similar, he said, to a train of cars. During the great revival in South Africa, he came to Johannesburg to be prayed for, and the roaring instantly stopped. He is a Christian brother and believes that this is the last great revival preceding the first resurrection.

Now, four of these events have come to pass: First, the war of 1899; second, the soldier being shot and recovering; third, a united South Africa (which was formerly four independent states); fourth, the present world-wide revival which has been so powerful in South Africa. And now the people of God all over the world are looking for THE FIRST RESURRECTION; which will take place at Jesus’ coming for his bride. The greatest miracle the world has ever seen is liable to occur at any time, according to the promise in I Thess. 4:16,17.

This brings to mind a very similar prophecy given by Hudson Taylor, who has since gone to his reward. He foretold the war between Japan and Russia and its outcome, and said that it would be closely followed by a world-wide revival that would break out in Western Europe. This prophecy had its fulfillment in the Wales revival of 1904-5, followed by the outpouring of the Spirit in Los Angeles in 1906, and its spread over the world. Brother Taylor also said at the same time, "It is my conviction that after this the Lord will soon come." Our hearts echo, "Amen, even so come, Lord Jesus." Praise God, we look for His appearing.

AN INDIAN WOMAN'S MESSAGE.

At Port Angeles, Washington, on Jan. 13, at the Mission, a little Indian woman with her young baby in her arms, came rushing in at about nine o'clock, before the altar call. She came speaking in tongues under the mighty power of God, and God gave a part of the interpretation to two of the workers.

The Spirit was saying through her, "God is not mocked. You must get right with God. Jesus is coming very soon. Oh, get right." Nearly everybody dropped on their knees, as pale as death. They thought Jesus was coming right then. They heard a great rushing over head as a mighty ocean. The power of God shook the place, and some that had been coming and not seeming to have much interest, cried out with all their hearts.

The Indian woman had been at home alone. Her husband was at the mission. She did not intend coming, but suddenly the power came on her, and she asked God what He wanted her to do. He said, "Go to the Mission; tell them that Jesus is coming soon." She picked up her baby and started. She said it seemed only a step, and it was almost a mile. She says she seemed to fly.

When she passed a church on the way the Spirit cried out, "No power, no God."

A man that had been coming to the mission almost a year said the message was for him. He has been going over town since and making wrongs right, and writing letters to the old country. He went to a merchant in Port Angeles and told him he stole an ax from him 15 years ago. The merchant could hardly believe it. He looked at the poor, trembling man and said, "Well, you must have the right thing."

In Moose Jaw, Canada, in a service in an Indian wigwam, one of our brothers began to speak in a language entirely unknown to him. The Indians bowed to the ground, the Indian women putting their shawls over their heads. They said he was speaking of the crucifixion, and the Great Spirit had spoken to them.

In Long Beach, California, in a cottage meeting recently, while the saints were tarrying before God in silent prayer, all at once they heard a sound like thunder and out of it a voice saying, "BELIEVE IN ME." They all heard it. A brother wrote that a hush fell on his spirit that has been with him ever since.

In Shanghai, China, a Chinese brother, a teacher in one of the government colleges, went to his home 500 miles to make restitution. And just after coming back he got a mighty baptism. He is filled with the power and glory of God. Six of the Chinese have been baptized at Shanghai.

Use every means you can to spread this Gospel. A good way is to send for a roll of papers to give and send to those you can reach. Hundreds are doing this. We have some printed in French, Swedish, Norwegian and German also. All papers free. State about how many you can use. Write your address very plainly. Address The Apostolic Faith, Portland, Ore.

SOULS SAVED EVERY NIGHT.

At the Apostolic Faith Mission, Corner Front and Burnside Streets, Portland.

In the Portland Mission, when the saints pray, they pray as one. A great volume of prayer goes up and is heard away out on the streets. Many are convicted by the praying and the singing in the spirit. Several men have been on their way to Burnside Bridge to commit suicide, and heard the singing and praying and came up and gave their hearts to God.

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A man was saved in Portland recently who was contemplating suicide the next day. His folks had turned him off because he drank. He had had a dream the night before that he saw a bright light and angels, and on the other side he saw darkness. The next day he was on Burnside Bridge and heard the singing from the Mission, and the Spirit of God brought him up and he got saved.

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One night in Portland Mission they were laid out under the power all along the front of the altars across the hall. One young man was saved, sanctified and baptized, all in about half an hour, and we heard him speaking in tongues that sounded like Chinese. And there lay his tobacco on a chair that he had taken out of his pocket when God saved him.

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One night at the Mission, just as some requests for prayers were being read, a man back in the audience cried out, "Pray for a man that is a Catholic and a miserable drunkard." They said to him, "We will pray for you right now, come right up to the altar. The man came and was saved, and arose and testified, and another man was saved at the same time.

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God gave us a blessed Missionary Convention in Portland, workers from other missions being present. The power fell day and night. The whole front of the hall was an altar. Many were saved, sanctified and baptized, and believers built up in faith in the Word and went out in the work, and the power has since been falling in the places where they have gone. Our beloved brethren from Africa have returned to their field.

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A Catholic young man was sent up to the Mission one day to repair the gas lights, and a saved Catholic brother got him to kneel down and give his heart to God. A French Catholic was saved one night, and handed over his French prayer book the first thing. And through hearing about it, another Catholic was saved the next night.

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One night during the Portland Missionary Convention, three drunkards came and knelt at the altar during the opening prayer, and every one of them was saved in the first fifteen minutes of the meeting. Sometimes a man comes in drunk, and some brother will take him by the shoulder,

and take him into the prayer room; and in a moment you will hear them say, "In the name of Jesus Christ, come out of him." And the man comes back and quietly takes his place in the audience, and the work goes on, and a soul has been born into the Kingdom.

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A drunkard was saved. He says the night before, he had a dream that he saw God and his Christian father and mother, and his little child that had passed away. All that day he was drinking, and when he came to this place he heard the singing and tried to go away, but could not. It was about 11 o'clock, and the workers brought him up, so drunk that he hardly knew what he was doing. They rebuked the devil off from him. He got up from the altar and started away yelling to God with his hands up. A brother that had been saved from drink threw his arms around him and brought him back, and they rebuked the devil again, and God sobered him. He cried to God for mercy and was saved through the blood of Jesus. He looked up and said, "I see angels all around." He said, "Write to my mother. She'll shout the rest of her life when she hears I'm saved." Nine others knelt at the altar that night and found Christ.

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A young man was saved from the Mormon religion and sanctified. He received his baptism in the Portland Mission one night and went all over the hall praising God, his face shining, and speaking in the French language as the Spirit gave utterance. (He had no knowledge of French.) One that was educated in French understood and interpreted. He said, "Le Redempteur est mort. (The Redeemer has died.) Il y a grace pour tout. (There is grace for all.) La porte est toujours ouverte. (The door is always open.) Nous pouvons tous marcher dans la lumiere. (We can all walk in the light.)" The Lord was speaking to the sister that understood it, and she was at the altar crying to God for herself.

Street Meetings.

There are the most wonderful street meetings in Portland, souls kneeling on the cobblestones and crying to God for salvation. One man was kneeling on the street, and the Spirit spoke to a sister and told her to get down off the Gospel Wagon and rebuke the devil off him. She wedged her way through the seekers and got to him and rebuked the devil. And immediately the man cried out to God and was saved and shouted.

Sometimes the people stand in the rain and hear the Gospel, some with umbrellas up. There is a great deal of rain in Portland, but it cannot stop the Gospel.

There is an afternoon street meeting every day, and souls are being saved and thousands of the Gospels of John and tracts are being given away in hospital, jail, poor farm, foundry and on the streets.

JESUS COMING SOON.

In a cottage meeting in South Africa, soon after the missionaries arrived there, the power of God fell in a cottage meeting. The house was filled with sinners, and a drunken Portuguese man, the worst drunkard in the locality, was sitting on the end of a bench and God struck conviction to his soul. One of the brothers laid his hands on his head and cast the devil out of him, while the others continued to pray.

Presently he fell over the seat on the floor, and lay motionless for about twenty minutes. Then he arose on his hands and knees, under the power of God, not being able to stand up; and on his hands and knees, he went from one to another, saying, "I tell you this thing is all right. Jesus is coming soon. While I lay on the floor, He came and told me so."

A number was saved right on the spot, and some baptized with the Holy Ghost.

Lips, Ky.—“We have had a blessed Pentecostal meeting here. About 20 received the baptism. Glory to God.”

Thayer, Mo.—Report comes that “over 250 have been saved, 150 sanctified and over 100 baptized with the Holy Ghost. Praise God.”

The power falls as these papers are prayed over and God heals the sick through them.

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PRAYER OVER THIS PAPER.

We want you to know when you receive this paper that the saints have prayed for you individually. We take the papers into the mission before mailing, usually laying them on the altar, and the saints kneel and lay their hands on them and ask God to heal the sick, cast out devils, save the sinner, sanctify the believer, and pour out His Spirit on every clean soul that reads them. God answers prayer. We pray God that Heaven will come down in your soul, and that Jesus will enter every door where these go; and if there is anything in your heart that would shut you out of heaven, He may show it to you.

The Spirit will witness to you that this work is of God. The words in this paper were mostly spoken in the mission in the power of the Spirit and taken down in shorthand.

The Lord heals through the paper. A sister in Portland had been poisoned and could not reach any of the saints to pray for her, and something had to be done at once. The children wanted to call a physician, but the mother said no, she would take the paper. They took the Apostolic Faith paper and folded it and laid it on her stomach and she was healed instantly.

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Chicago, Ill., 4737 Armour Avenue—"I was healed of lumbago in my back from reading No. 10 of the paper."

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Orlando, Fla. A sister gave me two of the last numbers of your papers. Oh, how the power of God surged through my being as I read, the Holy Spirit thus testifying to the truths and testimonies."

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Stillwater, Okla.—"I was handed one of your papers, and when I read it, I got such a blessing and was healed of the pains in my back and side. I want to distribute the papers."

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Los Angeles, Cal., 721 Ceres Avenue.—"I received two copies of the paper, and on opening them, the mighty anointing of God came on me and I could scarcely read for a long time but only sing in the Spirit."

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Los Angeles, Cal.—“One night not long ago, I had an attack of tonsillitis, and remembered reading in one of the papers that they had been prayed over. I folded the two sent me and put them on my throat. I went to sleep quickly and wakened in the morning, healed, thank God. This morning I am sending them to a woman greatly afflicted with neuralgia.”

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A brother wrote from Salt Lake City, Utah: “I was on the O. R. & N. train reading the Apostolic Faith when the power of the Holy Ghost fell upon me. It seemed to me as if the paper was electrified, and I had to go out into the vestibule and began to pray from the depths of my soul for a clean heart. Jesus heard my prayer, hallelujah, and gave me the witness. I then looked into His face and asked him to baptize me with the blessed Spirit, and the power fell. Glory to God, the Most High came into His temple and his praise burst forth from my unworthy lips in words I did not know. Praise His name. Oh, such a trip! The angels have been around me all the way, and the sweet presence of Jesus.”

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Los Angeles, Cal.—“I opened the papers and sat down to read, and the power of God fell all over me, thrilling me from head to foot. I cried, laughed, shouted and praised God for all His power and the way He is working among the saints and unsaved. He is the very same Jesus. He is working in our cottage meetings. An Italian woman got her baptism here a few weeks ago. God started the meetings over two years ago and He is the leader. The Italian woman was in the meeting yesterday with much power on her, praising God and telling what God had done for her, had healed her eyes and given her victory in her home. Souls are saved, sanctified and baptized at our mission on Spring Street and in the home.”

God is the head of this paper and not man. The name of “Jesus alone” shall be exalted in the earth through this paper. Through His name, these works have been done. To any that doubt, we would say: If you cannot detect the Spirit on this paper and cannot believe these things that Jesus promised should follow them that believe, get down before God and ask Him to show you, and He will do it. We shall gladly give names and addresses if you ask for them. We do not publish them, because the secret of power is humility, and we want the power of God on our lives. Many humble souls are rejoicing that Jesus alone is known in this paper.

Through their prayers and offerings the dear readers of this paper are girdling the globe with salvation. And the Lord says you shall not fail of your reward in Heaven. One cent will publish five papers, and often one paper is used to save a soul. All papers free.

In Sweden, our dear brother who had a Swedish Apostolic Faith Mission at Gottenburg has been translating this paper. He did not have money to get his last paper printed, so he sold his fur overcoat, and with the money printed and scattered 10,000 Swedish papers. The Lord will reward his sacrifice. The Lord gave him another overcoat.

At Princeton, Mo., in a Pentecostal meeting there was about 600 conversions and about half of the number received the baptism with the Holy Spirit. At Mercer the Apostolic Faith people have built and own their house of worship without having to be incorporated. Glory to God. The newspapers at Princeton report a baptismal service on Grand River and that many came up

out of the water shouting praises and singing hymns it was a very impressive service that will long be remembered by those who saw it. The papers also report how that many are speaking in strange tongues and fall under the power as in early days.

A sign of Jesus coming has just come to pass in the last few days. The Jews have purchased a part of Jerusalem and are about to build the temple on Mt. Moriah. As soon as it is built, the daily sacrifice will be restored that is to be taken away by antichrist during the tribulation. Now we know that "the man of sin" will soon be revealed. But before that, our Christ is coming. The latter rain, so long withheld, is now falling from the skies in Palestine and also the latter rain Pentecostal showers on our souls both fulfilling God's promises before His coming.

The baptism of the Holy Ghost is the incoming of the power of God into your life, to give you power over all the powers of the devil. This power is for service and God is gradually teaching us how to use it. The Spirit of God comes on you that you may be used for what God wants right then. It is God that casts out the devil and heals and saves people, but He uses you, brother, sister; God operates through you. A poor drunkard comes and bows at the altar. He cannot even pray because the powers of darkness are around him, and his very soul is frozen up. And you come and begin to pray for him, and the power of God smites that devil, and the man can pray. Presently he gets through to God. The power of the devil over a life is broken.

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"BE YE HOLY."

There is not an excuse for sin. There was no sin in Jesus Christ, and as He was, so are we in this world. He was human, with God in His humanity, and was kept by the God in Him. You and I are redeemed, that means brought back into His image. We have been willing for God to come in and take possession of His own. No man can realize what redemption is unless he is willing absolutely that God should redeem him. We are free moral agents, and that is the basis of God's dealings with man.

God always was. He never had a beginning. He always will be. He will never have an end. God said, "Let us make man in our own likeness." Now Adam and Eve were made in the likeness of God. They were created in His image, never to have an end. God is a Spirit. He plants in your soul when you are born of the Spirit, that you are a Son of God, as much as Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

When God created Adam in His image and His likeness, Adam and Eve were duplicates of God, as a child is the duplicate of the parent. So Adam was bone of His bone, flesh of his flesh and life of His life, in spirit of course. God could not have created Adam and Eve without their being Godlike in spirit. No other nature could have been imparted to them than absolute Godlikeness and God's nature.

Then, you say, How could they fall? Because they were free moral agents. They were created and had a beginning, and God had made provision for redemption from the foundation of the world.

When God created Adam and Eve, they were perfect from the hand of God, pure and holy. They fell from the holy state, and took upon them a corrupt nature by a definite act of their will.

What is redemption? It means that God bought us back to His image and nature. Redemption means to bring us back into that purity of body, soul and spirit. It means He takes out the consequences of sin, to take out the consequences of sin through our free will being submitted to God. In order to restore you into that original likeness, everything must be taken out that is not like God, not only in the outer man but in the very nature that possesses the inner man.

God cannot inhabit an unholy thing or receive an unholy thing. All the types and shadows of Christ had to be perfect. The lamb had to be perfect. It could not be diseased or lame. It was to typify a perfect sacrifice of the Son of God. God made a body for Jesus that was coming as well as He made a body for Adam. He prepared a wholly sanctified virgin to be the mother of a perfect Christ. He could not dwell in an unholy place, but Jesus was formed by the Holy Ghost in the womb of a holy maid.

We see that there is not a shadow of possibility of retaining one bit of sin in our hearts. There is no place in the Word of God that allows one bit of sin. It is a perfect salvation unto the uttermost.

It is just as necessary in our case to be pure as it was for God to make a pure Adam for Him to come in and live; as it was for God to make a pure body in which Jesus was to be conceived in. We have had the standard away down low. The salvation of God means the purity of God in body and soul and spirit. God will move into that house by the Holy Ghost just as naturally as God came and lived in Jesus, or just as naturally as God breathed into Adam the breath of life, and he became a living soul impregnated with the life of God. The atonement of Jesus Christ is the most marvelous thing this world ever knew about.

Beloved, as the Holy Ghost begins to reveal to our hearts the depth and power of atonement of Jesus Christ, and that it is possible for us to be as pure as Adam was, and that God requires us to be as holy in this life as Jesus Christ was, an awe comes over our hearts and lives. The words, "Be ye holy as I am holy," have taken on a real meaning. Beloved there is not a place in our life, character and nature where there is one single excuse for a particle of sin remaining in our life. "The Blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin." not alone the outward transgressions which are only the manifestation of the inner life, but eradicating the very nature of sin.

UNITY

In this land at the present time, the strong, aggressive spiritual forces are moving out and lining up together in one great body of love and the power of God, and the dead formal ones are freezing themselves together into some kind of an organization. Praise God, there is a bond in Jesus Christ in the Holy Ghost that is indestructible and eternal and that is linked up with Heaven, and the Holy God is in it.

The secret of the power in Africa was the oneness. When one stood up to preach, all the saints were instant in prayer that the power of God should come down and smite sin. That is the Holy Ghost organization that God is bringing to pass, a link in the soul that unites everybody unto Jesus Christ in a chain that cannot be broken. It is just as strong when we are on one side of the world as on the other. We are one because God, the Holy Ghost, has united our souls.

You will one day have to give an account of whether you were following Jesus Christ or following a man. It is absolutely impossible for us to become one by being bound together by an organization. God has delivered us from that bondage, and we will never be in it again. When

you find men and women trying to organize this Holy Ghost movement, you will know they are not in line with God's Word.

Suppose we sign a contract that from this time on we will be one. That is only a bond in words, but that which links us together so that we are one in heart though we may be on opposite sides of the globe, is the Divine unity. That is Holy Ghost organization down here, and it has the eternal link of God in Heaven, it makes us all one. It is one thing to have your name on a church book here, and another thing to have it recorded in Glory.

Brothers, sisters, there is a bond of perfection in the Son of God that makes us one in Jesus Christ and we love one another with a pure heart fervently and the sorrows of one will be the sorrows of another, and the joys of one will be the joys of the other. Without that bond, there is no Holy Ghost unity at all. It is the bond of living sympathy in Jesus Christ that makes us one, and that alone. It is God that makes our souls one, one with God and one with our brother. There is no organization that will make people one as God, the Holy Ghost, can make them one. This oneness is not manufactured. It is the work of God.

In Portland, the saints pray for God to cover the altar with the Blood of Jesus in every service, so that when sinners come and kneel at the feet of Jesus the power of God will deliver them, and they will get saved. That prayer is answered every day, praise God. You can cover the altar in your mission with the Blood of Jesus Christ, and souls will find God. The faith of God will possess their souls. Let us ask God to cover the altars and keep our souls under the Blood. Let the ushers be under the Blood, and when they touch your hand and look up into your face, faith will spring up within them.

Hundreds of teachers down the ages have taught imitation of Christ and holy living. There is where many stop and fail to receive a full deliverance. Doing what you believe Jesus would do and saying what you believe Jesus would say is not sanctification. Sanctification is the taking of the old nature out of the soul and establishing in us the nature of Jesus Christ.

After Jesus was anointed with the Holy Ghost, they said He was beside Himself. They said the disciples were drunk. They said of Paul, "Much learning doth make thee mad." If you have not enough religion to be talked about, you have not the Bible kind.

A German pastor reports that in one of their meetings they were greatly rejoiced to hear a sister speaking in tongues in English, of which she did not know a word. She said, "The blessings of the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ."

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SHALL WE PAY TITHES?

One-tenth of all our increase belongs to God. Some say that was under the law, but tithing was given before the law came, for we read that Abraham paid tithes when Melchisedec met him. Jacob made a covenant with God that he would give Him a tenth of all. He was not making a new agreement but an old agreement. When the law was established, God selected the tribe of Levi for the ministry of the temple, and all the other tribes were asked to pay tithes to the tribe of Levi. They had no inheritance. God provided a tenth of what the other people owned. He never dropped anything out of the Bible anywhere. He just filled it out and unfolded it. We talk about revelation as if it were only in the back of the Book. Why, revelation begins with Adam, and will go on till we are absorbed in eternity. God's plan is that His ministers should not hold property and be entangled with business affairs, but should live on the tithes and offerings. And that is why Apostolic ministers cannot hold property.

Now, for just a moment, we will read from the 3rd of Malachi. That is the last of the law. "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed Me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings." How do we rob God when we use His tithes? Because the tithe never was yours to keep. If you keep it, then you are a robber. That is strong, but it is the Word of God. Will a man rob God? Get that third chapter of Malachi down, and pray over it. If the tithe does not belong to you, and you take it, then you rob God, don't you?

Here is the promise of God, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me not herewith, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes." Mal. 3:10, 11. That plague that is coming around your house and making your children sick, when you take His Word and keep His law you will have the right to rebuke the devourer.

IN BUSINESS WITH GOD

The 25th of April, 1898, was the day of the first covenant I ever made with God. My wife had been an invalid for eight years. We had spent all we had for doctor's fees and drugs, and I was covered with debt. I said, "Lord God, if You will heal my wife, I will absolutely serve You from this day, and I will keep every word You show me." God met me immediately, and He always will. I stayed up all night. I got down old books, and made a list of all creditors, and covenanted with God to write to the individuals and say that just as soon as God gives me the money, I will pay your bill, and there is such a number of creditors before you. Next morning I knelt at my dying wife's bedside and prayed, and before I got off from my knees on one side, she was climbing out of bed on the other side, and went out with us to eat breakfast.

I was thousands and thousands in debt, and I met God on that covenant, and people said, "Are you going to pay tithes with all that debt?" –I said, "Yes, I am in debt, but I am not going to steal any more." I paid tithes all along, and I pay tithes yet. Let me tell you there never was a month passed that I did not have my tithes in excess of the profits of the former month. My increase commenced from about \$5000 a year at the time, till before I went to Africa I refused a contract for \$50,000 a year. God met me fair and square. I did not know much about God. I had had a justified experience and lived it mighty lame. I was not working at it very hard. But, praise God, the Lord never took my name from the Book of Life. I was just breathing. That was

a condition of being only justified, it was not very satisfactory. Under these conditions, with a limited knowledge of God in my soul, I believed that if I paid my tithes to God, He would stand with me.

One thing I settled with God that he should have a tenth of everything if I went “broke.” God met me, and the business grew to such an extent that I took in a partner. In six months, we went out and called in a third party. We opened an account with God on the first page of our ledger. I said, “You fellows, if you come into this business, have got to pay tithes.” One said he believed in it, and the other squirmed; but we said, “There is one thing, if you come into this business, you have got to pay tithes.” And when other men in the same line of business were just dragging along, the Lord was pouring the money into our business.

I look upon tithing as a mighty good business investment; this going into business with God is an honest business. I got to paying one-fourth. We kept the Lord’s account separate, and it was the first fruits. We did not let it drag to the end of the year and cheat the Lord out of the interest. I went out among hundreds of my friends and said, “You have been beating the Lord out of His tithe, and you are foolish.” They said, “I am not a Christian.” But I said, “I don’t care if you are not, you pay tithes and the Lord will bless you.”

People do not believe in paying tithes under the Gospel. They say it all belongs to God, and they leave it for their son or daughter and the Lord never gets it at all. If it really belongs to the Lord, He is surely entitled to one-tenth as it goes along. We do not pay tithes after the order of Levi, because the priesthood is changed, as we read in the 7th of Hebrews. But praise God, the law and patriarchs bind us to pay tithes to Him who is after the order of Melchisedec, Jesus the Son of God, who is a High Priest forever.

He Will Rebuke the Devourer.

When we were over in Africa, there was a Christian man who owns a farm at Calkoonskrantz, Orange River Colony, who had been paying tithes faithfully for several years.

In Africa the locusts come in clouds so that they darken the sun and settle down on the grain fields, and in the morning there will not be a green leaf seen, not a thing but bare ground. One day the locusts came in a cloud and settled down on our brother’s grain fields. They were there for about fifteen minutes when he discovered it. Another Christian brother was visiting there with him, and he said to this man, “Brother, I have been paying tithes for several years, and the Lord said that he would rebuke the devourer for our sake. I am going out in that grain field to rebuke those locusts off.” They went down, and prayed with their eyes closed for about twenty minutes; and when they opened their eyes, the locusts were going like a cloud. They ate every green thing on the adjoining fields in their train, but they never came back on the brother’s farm any more. The other farmers in the region took notice of the thing, and asked him why the grasshoppers did not eat up his crops. He read to them the third chapter of Malachi, and some of them began paying tithes, praying the protection of God.

The Lord is a covenant-keeping God. He taught me the value of keeping a covenant with Him. Beloved, you make a covenant with God, and you will find He will meet you. He will bless you in basket and store. He will rebuke the devourer for your sake, when you cease to steal from the Lord. The covenant of healing is the eternal covenant of Jehovah. It will stand when the heavens and earth pass away. Keep this in your heart, that God will meet His people. The covenants of God are undying.

The daughter of an Esquimaux chief was saved and received the baptism of the Holy Spirit in St. Paul. She began praying for her father and grandfather. They were Catholics, and the father was angry when he heard that his daughter had left the church. Now God has saved him. The grandfather wrote, "A wonderful change has come over your father. It's taken all the temper out of him. If your Jesus can do this for him, I wish He would do it for us all."

In San Jose, California, a young German was seeking his Pentecostal baptism, and a worker prayed him through in pure German, although she had never spoken German in her life. Several German people present said she was speaking the most perfect German, better than they could speak themselves.

HEALING IN THE WORD.

When God had led His people through the Red Sea, the first covenant He made with them was the covenant of healing at the waters of Marah. Read Exodus 15: 26. The pillar of cloud had moved over and stopped at Marah, and they could not drink the waters for they were bitter. The people murmured against Moses, and cried unto the Lord. And the Lord showed him a tree which, when he had cast it into the waters, the waters were made sweet.

It was the type of Jesus as healer. Moses obeyed the voice of God, and the waters were healed. You obey God, and He will keep His covenant, "I am the Lord that healeth thee."

We find God meets the needs of all that are sick, whether out on a desert or in an assembly. First, through a direct answer to prayer. The leper came to Jesus and said, "Lord if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean." And Jesus put forth His hand and touched him, and said, "I will, be thou clean." (Matt. 8.) Then, there is the agreement of two or more in prayer. "If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven." (Matt. 18:10) You and your friend agree to pray for another's healing, and they are healed. Then, there is the anointing with oil and the prayer of faith, as in James 5:14. If you cannot get victory for yourself, you call for the elders and they pray the prayer of faith, and the Lord raises you up. Then, in Mark 16:18, Jesus said, "These signs shall follow them that believe: They shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover. And in Acts 19:12, we read how they brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out.

There are more people being healed today and feeling the touch of God throughout the world, than ever before.

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Testimonies.

Vandorf, Ont., Canada.—"One of my old schoolmates was healed by your prayers. He was about to have his leg amputated, but the night before, it returned as new flesh, and he was healed there and then."

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Manchester, N. H.—"I wrote to you for prayer and sent a handkerchief for anointing. Oh, how the Lord did bless it to me. Truly He answered prayer, and I am healed of that awful disease, asthma. Glory to His name."

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Mt. Olive, N. C.—"The Lord healed our baby just about the time you prayed. But we laid the handkerchief on her just the same, and gave God the praise and thanks. People said she had the pneumonia, and she was given up to die. But the Lord gave us faith in Him, and the work was done. We trust Him as never before."

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Airlie, Ore.—"I received the handkerchief. I was sick, and had such a sore throat and mouth that I could not eat, and fever. I took the handkerchief and laid it on my neck and prayed, and I got well. Then my grandchild was taken with a fever, and I used it on him in the evening, and the next day he felt better than he had in three days. Then one of my girls came home sick, and I used in on her and she got better. She had been to the doctor and he did not help her. She said, "Mamma, how nice it is to be healed like that." All I can do is to pray all the time to Jesus to thank Him for His mercy to me. (This sister was healed of cancers.)

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Some strangers heard of how God was healing the sick at the Portland Mission, and sent for workers to come and pray for their little girl who was sick with St. Vitas dance. The father said, "She would lie on the bed tossing the blankets. Her hands and feet were continually trashing the bed, and her tongue rolling in her mouth so we could not understand her. I had taken her to the doctor and to a specialist, and it did no good. I asked God for help. They prayed, and we noticed she was better right away. Now she is stronger than ever before, her cheeks are red, and she is going to school." The father has since been saved and sanctified, and the mother sanctified and healed of sever throat trouble.

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The mother of one of the Apostolic Faith workers lives in London, and was very sick with cancer on her liver, causing her so much misery that she could not sleep. And there were lumps swollen on her shoulder and breast. She sent a handkerchief to Los Angeles to be anointed for her healing. And a sister there took it out into a cornfield to pray over it, because her husband persecuted her so that she was not allowed to pray in the house. She and another sister prayed, and the power fell in a wonderful way in the cornfield, and God witnessed that prayer was heard. When the sister received the handkerchief in England, she was instantly healed.

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A mother in Vancouver, B. C., was dying. The doctor said there was no possible hopes of her recovery. She was suffering with a lump on her side. Her children had been sent for to see their mother before she died. They sent a handkerchief, and wrote, "Ask the saints to pray. Don't forget. Don't forget." The handkerchief was sent right back and was received in the morning, and they laid it right on the lump. She had not been able to sleep, and the daughter said that as soon as the handkerchief was laid on, she fell asleep and slept until three in the afternoon, and woke up talking in tongues. When they looked at her side, the lump was completely gone. Glory to Jesus for what He has done for her.

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A brother of the Portland Mission, who is a carpenter by trade, was working during the snow storm and fell and cracked a rib. He was prayed for and healed. Then a few days afterwards, he fell in his work and broke the same rib. He was suffering intensely, could hardly get his breath, and was unable to sleep that night for suffering. But he got up in the morning determined to go to work in Jesus' name. His wife mentioned that a handkerchief had been prayed over a few

weeks before for herself, and she was instantly healed; and she advised him to lay the handkerchief over that rib, which he did, and went to work. And while climbing over the roof of a house he was working on, the power struck him and he was healed and worked all day, and came to the mission at night and gave this testimony.

JESUS WIPED OUT DIVORCE.

In the Portland convention, one of the questions in which there was perfect harmony among the preachers and workers was the subject of divorce.

The Word of God teaches that Moses permitted a writing of divorcement, but Jesus absolutely canceled the right of divorce for every cause. He gave one cause for separation, but no severing of the marriage tie." (Matt. 5:31, 32.)

He said, "Moses, on account of the hardness of your hearts, suffered you to put away your wives; but from the beginning it was not so." Matt.19:3-9. Moses permitted it only because people committed adultery. But in the beginning it was not so: God created them male and female and said, "What therefore God hath joined together let not man put asunder." That is the Word, and that is the ground this movement stands on.

Debating the question of divorce is simply debating the law of Moses. But Jesus wiped it all away. His Word superceded the law in many cases. The law said, "Thou shalt not kill," but Jesus said, "I say unto you that he that hateth his brother is a murderer."

He said again, "It is written, Thou shalt not commit adultery; but I say unto you that whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart."

Now do you not see what all these things mean? Jesus Christ was wiping out the law of Moses and bringing us back to the standard God established in the beginning. If we are going back to the original standard, we must come up to the original purity. Redemption means that Jesus Christ purchased for us everything that man ever possessed, bought back for us what we lost in the fall, and He will give us every inch of it that we contend for.

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

PENTECOST AMONG THE WASHINGTON STATE INDIANS.

Nine years ago, the Indian leader at Jamestown, Washington, prophesied in the Spirit among the Indians that in about nine years a new religion would spring up, and they were going to do away with their crosses and candles, and also said that they would simply kneel down and ask God, and He would heal the sick. And when they heard the full Gospel preached to them for the first time, one of the Indians arose and called to the Indians' memory this prophesy, and said that it was now fulfilled.

God showed one Indian brother in a dream that he must be baptized. In the dream, the Spirit told him to go to the river and go under the water. He walked out on the ice, and was told to dig down through the ice and go down into the water. As he went down under the water, he said his body got so cold that he hardly knew whether he had a body or not. But when he came out of the water, he felt as though he were on fire. The missionaries told him God wanted him baptized in water.

When they came away, they left some of the Apostolic Faith papers, and some of the Indians read them. One said, "I think I am up against it when I read your doctrine, because I saw that people could not marry when they are divorced, and I have done that thing." When asked what he was going to do, he said, "I am going to obey God." He had read the references in the Word, and he said he was going to walk in the light.

One morning, the two Indian leaders came over from Jamestown to the Mission at Port Angeles to talk about this religion. As they stepped into the mission and on the carpet back of the altar, one fell under the power and the other one on his knees, calling on God. They said, "Lord, I will do what You want me to do."

The next morning, when the workers had prayer with them in the kitchen, both of the Indians received the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues. Such a time of rejoicing. The news spread, and at night nearly every Indian about the place had heard of it and came to the Mission. And when they heard them praying in tongues, all the Indians knew that they had received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The next morning they were baptized, and went under the water, so the dream came true. Nine of the Indians have now been baptized, and four have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. They went back to Jamestown full of power and the Holy Ghost, two happy Indians.

About this time, the workers were called to pray for an Indian that was very sick with heart trouble. His cabin filled with Indians. The workers prayed for him and God healed him, and he was up the next morning at 4 o'clock and out fishing as usual.

A few days later, two of the Indians came to the Mission, a man and wife, with their three-months-old baby. The father said, "We have heard that you have a power here that will heal the sick. Our baby is sick." It had lain all day in a stupor and had taken no nourishment. They anointed and prayed for it, and God instantly healed it.

A short time afterwards, the father and mother were both gloriously saved the same night. They had been Catholics. The second night, the wife received her baptism. This sister was very bashful and retiring, but when she came to the altar, she lifted her head and prayed in the Indian tongue as hard as she could pray, and her husband the same in English. He said, "O God, you

know how I have gambled, and smoked that dirty old pipe, and O God, I want you to forgive me for all this.” Suddenly the light broke on his face, and it was radiant as he praised God for saving him, and promised to go all the way.

He afterwards testified how he had thrown away his pipe, and now his Bible was in the place on his table where the tobacco box used to be.

In one of the Indian meetings, one of the Indian girls fell under the power, and kept saying in the Indian tongue, “Massey, Massey” (Praise Him, Praise Him) for hours, and the glory of God shone in her face.

It is wonderful how God talks to these people who cannot read the Bible. Two Indians confessed their sins in this meeting and were saved, and one of them went to the table and got the Bible, opened it, and went to a brother from Portland who was present, led him in front, and told him to read. He did so, and the Indian turned to the people and said, “Now will you believe?” Then the head man came out from the crowd and embraced and kissed the brother before them all. It was new to them to have the Bible read in their meeting, and thus they accepted it.

They believe in Divine healing and a clean life, not having anything against anyone. They say if you have anything against anyone you cannot come to God. One of the Indians started to sing, “Joy, joy in my soul,” and went to speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance.

THE NAME OF JESUS.

A brother who received the Pentecostal baptism soon after it fell in Los Angeles in 1906, was preaching in an Eastern city on one occasion. He wanted to illustrate the power of a name, and said that there was a certain man whose name had come to be known almost around the world. As he was going to speak the name, out of his mouth there rolled a sentence in tongues, and when the interpretation was given it was this, “THE NAME OF MY SON JESUS CHRIST IS ABOVE EVERY NAME.”

Presently, without realizing what the Lord had done or for what purpose, he went on again, and, drawing an illustration, was just going to name our President, when again the Lord cut off his speech and spoke in tongues, saying, “THE NAME OF MY SON JESUS CHRIST SHALL BE ABOVE EVERY NAME, FOR HE IS KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.”

Praise God, there is power in the name of Jesus Christ. Under his banner we stand today. By faith in His name, which is above every name, the apostles declared, “This man doth stand before you whole.” This is the name before whom angels bow. This is the name before whom every knee shall bend and every tongue confess. Glory to His name. Brother, the Son of God has all you need. You can have it, brother, sister, in your soul and in your body. He is the Son of God.

A sister who was obliged to leave a Pentecostal meeting in Germany before its close, received the baptism in the street and praised God with uplifted hands. Another dear young sister received her baptism at the Station of Eppinghoven after the Sunday afternoon meeting, as many people were arriving. She stood there with uplifted hands, and spoke suddenly in tongues and had also the interpretation. She so prophesied in the name of Jesus that it made a strong and powerful impression on the bystanders.

A woman in San Francisco lay sick in bed. She was insane and also had a severe stomach disease. She had become as thin as it was possible, apparently, for a human being to be. Had

been absolutely confined to her bed for weeks. As the saints prayed for her, the Lord cast the devil out, and she immediately arose and walked about the house. Word came lately that she is well and going to her own home.

A little baby in Portland a year and a half old, was taken with spasms and lay limp and deathlike in its mother's lap. The saints prayed and rebuked the devil and it revived, but soon had another awful spasm. They fasted and prayed, but it was still lying limp and apparently lifeless. At supper time, they began to sing, "Blessed are the poor in Spirit," and she raised right up on her mother's lap and began to clap her little hands and sing in her baby way. The power fell like rain. The next day she was playing all over the house.

PENTECOST AMONG THE FINNISH PEOPLE.

In Astoria, Oregon, the Lord is working among the Finnish people. They have built a mission, and it will hardly hold the crowds at times. The altar is filled with seekers, and souls are saved and sanctified. There are 4000 Finns in Astoria.

Some four years ago, they say that their minister before he died prophesied that they would soon hear people speaking in tongues as in Bible days. So the Finnish people believed this Gospel as soon as it was preached to them. They are seeking the Holy Ghost and praise God, some of them are receiving the baptism.

The Lord is healing the sick. There was a woman wonderfully healed in their mission one night. She was suffering greatly from gall stones, and the doctors had said that an operation was hopeless and she was liable to die at any time. She came to be prayed for, and they had to go back across the river and walk seven miles. And she waked so fast that her husband could hardly keep up with her, and she is working now and perfectly healed.

PENTECOST ON AN INDIAN RESERVATION.

A number of Indians journeyed five days with ox teams and rode 22 miles on the railroad to get to the Winnipeg Convention. They came from the Fish River Indian reservation, Manitoba, Canada, 170 miles north of Winnipeg. The Indian preacher that came was filled with the Holy Ghost, praising God in English and Indian and other tongues as the spirit gave utterance.

He said that since the Apostolic doctrine had been preached on the Indian Reservation, and 24 had received the baptism. And that the Indian chief was converted and preaching and seeking the Holy Ghost, and the chief's wife had received her baptism. He said that all the 50 converted Indians were standing true to God. They had been taught the Catholic catechism and other church religion, but they would go right back to heathenism, to beating of drums, pow wows and dancing. But the power of God is saving and sanctifying and baptizing the heathen Indians. The Indian preacher is well educated.

The Winnipeg Convention from Nov. 26 to Dec. 6 was a blessed meeting. God was there in power. Many souls were saved and cleansed, and many received their baptism with signs following. The Lord gave many genuine interpretations.

CHRIST IS COMING

Christ is coming, brother sister, See the signs that now appear,

For the figtree sure is budding And the marriage draweth near.

Matt. 24:32, 33

He hath said He will not tarry, His beloved is so fair;
He will come with shouts of angels; She will meet him in the air.

I. Thess. 4:16, 17.

He is coming, coming quickly— Is your lamp all burning bright?
Would you hasten out to meet Him If the Lord should come tonight?

Matt. 25:1-6.

Can you say, “So come, Lord Jesus,” Or in sorrow turn away?
Have you on the wedding garment, Waiting for the marriage day?

Matt. 22:11-13

What if you should not be ready, Sad would be your awful fate;
If no oil were in your vessel, And you heard it said, “Too late.”

Matt. 25:8-13

Then be ready, brother sister, Ever watching unto prayer,
For the Lord is coming quickly To receive his bride so fair.

Rev. 22:30

Then her mourning will be over, She His soul will satisfy,
Clothed in garments pure and spotless, She will crown him in the sky.

Rev. 19:18

Jesus Manifest in the Flesh

A man that denounced this work when it started has now a little mission in Oakland, California. The Lord sent a sister there who testified that she had received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. She told him, “Brother, it is Jesus manifest in the flesh, when we get our baptism.” From that on, he went to seeking with all his heart, and a few weeks ago he received his Pentecost.

It is marvelous how the lord anointed him. He had had a broken ankle and it had never got into the right position. And the Lord one night just put his own hand down on it, and he says the bones slipped into place, and he heard them as they moved. The Spirit was manifested in the flesh and healed his body. God proved that the sister’s testimony was true. The Lord has baptized several of late in that mission.

A Jewess Healed.

In Chicago, one night recently, a Jewess came into a mission, and as she heard the Gospel, she came to the platform and asked for prayer. She said she had suffered many years with an awful pain in her eyes, so that it made her eyes bulge out. One of our missionaries from South Africa said to her, “I am going to pray for you right now, and Jesus will heal you.” She looked at him a little strangely when he said “Jesus.” He prayed for her right then and the Lord healed her. After that she came again and said, “When you prayed for me, every bit of that pain went away, but my eyes are a little weak; will you pray for my eyes again?” Then he put his hand on her head, and told her all about Jesus how He loved her and had healed her and the tears ran down, and she said, “Brother, I love that Jesus, too.” Truly He is the Son of God.

At the Upper Room Mission, 327 ½ S. Spring Street, Los Angeles, some time ago, the Lord instantly delivered a morphine fiend. He came into the mission intoxicated. At the close of the meeting, one of the brothers called for the leader to come and cast the devil out of him. The brother says, "As I approached him, I felt the fire of God descend upon me and as I laid my hands upon him, the Spirit of God went through that man like fire, casting out every devil. He fell to the floor foaming and as limp as a wet cloth." From that instant, the man had no further use for the drug in any form, nor for tobacco, whiskey, or anything else that was vile. He was a new man in Christ Jesus. He had been a drug fiend for 15 years, and was using 23 ½ grains of morphine a day.

At the Upper Room Mission, Los Angeles, they were called to pray for a man that was dying. He had sciatic rheumatism, and had been in bed and suffered terribly for three months. The doctors could do nothing but keep him under the influence of morphine. He was drugged to insensibility much of the time. When the saints first prayed, they could get no victory. Finally they said to him, "If you will leave this drug alone and take it no more, tomorrow morning we will come down and pray for you and Jesus will heal you." The Lord revealed to them the man must give up the drug first. He was so full of morphine that the power of God would not enter into him. All that day and night he did not take any, and suffered the tortures of hell. When they came to pray for him in the morning, the Spirit of God came upon one of them and said to the sick man, "Brother, the Lord says you will be healed in the next second." He rose immediately, and put on his clothes and walked.

Never permit a thing to be in your soul against any individual on earth. You cannot do it and be like Jesus, and be one with Him. There is nothing in His soul that is mean like that, and there cannot be in your soul either. The oneness in your heart with Jesus Christ is what makes it possible for God to baptize you with the Holy Ghost. Everything between you and your fellowman should be settled up before you approach God for your Baptism.