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"Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." --Jude 3.

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Signs of His Coming Multiply.

"And as He sat upon the Mount of Olives, the disciples came unto Him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world?" Matt. 24:3.

Jesus' Coming Imminent.

The coming of the Lord draweth nigh. The signs of the coming of the Son of man have all been fulfilled, as far as we know. Not one more event need to take place before He could come, according to the word of the holy prophets. Have you studied your Bible about the coming of the Lord? Do you know that the signs are fulfilled? The Word of God says that at the time when these signs are upon the earth, then look up and lift up your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh.

Three Marked signs.

Jesus gave three signs of His coming that have been greatly increased of late, "famines, pestilences and earthquakes." Matt. 24:7. The strides of pestilence, the grip of famine and the earth quaking – we read of these things in the daily papers, fulfilling the signs of the coming of the Lord.

Famine, pestilence and death lay waste much of the vast inland empire of Europe. Hunger districts are stricken with disease. The Red peril adds a menace. In spite of the relief of the American Red Cross, Far and Near East Relief, there is great suffering that cannot be cured in many regions: Northern Chzeko-Slavakia, Silesia, Ruthenia and the areas of typhus infection in Carpathian Russia. In some places it is described as being more horrible than can be imagined.

Many starved to death during the war; many more are still starving. People gather nettles and grasses for food. Men have starved into filling themselves with grass and have foundered like horses. Poor forlorn women and starving children are seen, pale and weak, babies skeleton-like with not a drop of milk.

In parts of Russia, the situation is frightful, no food to be had. In Petrograd the people suffer unspeakable misery. The city is starving, the markets closed, the streets filled with filth and ruin. People die in the barracks, in tenements and on the streets. They can scarcely bury the dead. Also in China there is terrible famine in the Yellow River valley. Thousands upon thousands are dying, going into eternity, because there is no food to be had. Surely there was never known such times of terrible suffering as the past five years, up to the present hour.

Reports say that over ninety million are starving in China alone, in the northern province, thousands dying daily. The number that must die exceeds one-fourth or one-third of the entire population of the United States. Cholera has also appeared among them. They are almost without clothing, having sold their clothing, what they had, to buy food. The trees have been stripped of their leaves, and every blade of grass that appears in the fields is pounced upon for human food. The people are trying to subsist on bark and roots. The girls have been sold into worse than slavery. The Missionaries that came back from China have told how the rivers were full of the bodies of those that had committed suicide, to escape suffering. At every railroad station, the natives would crowd up to the trains to get any slop or leavings that might be thrown out of the dining cars, and mothers would hold out their little babies and offer to sell them for a dollar or even ten cents, to buy food. They are without fuel, and the suffering is untold. It is the greatest need the world has ever known.

Inventions Fulfilling Prophecy.

Daniels prophecy is surely fulfilled (Dan. 12:4), people running to and fro and knowledge increased. They are belting the globe in less time than ever by rapid transit and rapid flight. Nah. 2:3, 4. Flying ships have made a record of over one hundred and ninety miles an hour (while the velocity of a hurricane is ninety and of a storm seventy-five). A wireless has been perfected that has caught a message from England. A submersible ship has been built that can submerge in thirty seconds and fire under water. A daily paper states that the nations should put their chemical industries in order as the next war is likely to be such as even the world sated with horrors will shudder to contemplate. This we know to be true according to the Word.

Many new inventions marked the war, powerful guns, explosives, and undersea and air craft. The nations are now preparing for war on a much larger scale, with larger armies, navies and more powerful munitions. We know the Battle of Armageddon is yet to come, and wars are determined to the end of this dispensation: but there are those that will be accounted worthy to escape all these things, and to stand before the Son of man.

The last six and a half years have been the most perilous that the world has ever known. The last war was the most destructive of life, of the mutilation of human bodies and devastation of property, on a scale never before imagined. The world has witnessed the fall of four great empires, and the grasp of Russia by the hand of tyrants, exercising the power of life and death without process of the law, determined to destroy the right of property, seeking to spread its influence over the world and break down the present order of society. It is a flood tide rising steadily and invading every walk in life.

The Coming of Antichrist.

The Reign of the Antichrist is not far distant. The League of Nations, being favored by the great majority of the nations today, is leading up to that event. The Bible foretells a league with Antichrist, the greatest deceiver the world has ever known. Dan. 9:27; 11:23. There will be a league formed, according to the Word, and Antichrist will yet appear at the head, and the nations will be gathered together to battle at the great day of God Almighty. Rev. 16:14.

The Bible also teaches, through the holy prophets and through Jesus Christ Himself, that wars will continue to the end of this age and will grow more bloody and terrible. God has signally blessed our nation because of its open Bible and religious liberty and freedom to publish the true Gospel. We love our country and are loath to see it entangled with nations over whose head the sword of Divine justice is impending. God grant that it be not partaker of their sins.

Religious liberty and the privilege of spreading the full Gospel are most precious to God's people. The League of Nations would be dangerous to such freedom. Federation means persecution either of churches or nations. The hatred of the true religion of Christ would no longer be restrained. We know that under the Antichrist, the worshipers of God will be martyred, as the sacred Word tells us in Rev. 12th and 13th chapters and Dan. 8:24. All that will not worship the image of the beast will be slain.

Combinations of powers are now the universal passion of the world, federations, unions and trusts; in commerce, industry and labor, and more of late in religion – all of which are drifting toward the federation of the world with the Antichrist at its head, against which the Word has warned us, almost from the beginning.

The "Interchurch World Movement" has planned a great ecclesiastical world power more dangerous than the world has ever known, namely Catholic and Protestant and Mohammedans and Buddhists, all joining hands, that they might have power to influence the world. The federal "Council of Churches in America" is on the same line. The tendency is away from the old paths of the Bible and from all that is precious to the child of God. The ones that have their ears to the ground, and their eyes toward Heaven know what this all means. The spirit of iniquity doth already work. This federation already includes many denominations and millions of church members.

The Word tells us that a religious monster is to appear before long, but when it comes it will be drunk with the blood of the saints and the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. Rev. 17:6. What a terrible thing it would be if some of the denominational churches would awake to the fact that they had become a part of this terrible monster that is to become the Antichrist, by having a part in this federation, or the "Interchurch World Movement" that is forbidden by the Word of God.

These are tremendous days; the power of the enemy is working in greater power than ever before. There is apparently peace and safety, but underneath is one of the greatest convulsions and turmoils that is about to burst over the earth. God is truly going to cause a great awakening one of these days.

A reign of terror has been secretly planned for years, to work through trusts and combines, and through secret orders, especially one prominent, leading secret order of the day, and through great combinations of wealth, capturing the press, so as to deceive the people, and in the place of existing governments, to place a monster system called "the administration of super-government" which will subdue all lands. The most subtle and diabolical plans have been laid and are actually working out; the late war, strikes, corporations and anarchy being all a part of the scheme, and the Antichrist will at last be crowned. When that time comes, blood will flow in the streets and the Great Tribulation will be upon this world. It is said the Kaiser caused the death of from ten to

twenty millions, but the Antichrist will usher in a reign of blood such as never was nor ever shall be. The faith of the Gospel will then be destroyed. Dan. 11:36; Rev. 13:1-10. This world-wide conspiracy of ominous signs of the end, and that it is actually working there can be no doubt.

The apostasy of these days is terrible – Spiritualism, the communing with evil spirits, Christian Science, the most subtle deception and shadow of the Antichrist, shameless immodesty of the women on the streets everywhere. Because iniquity abounds, the love of many is waxing cold, just as God said it would in the last days.

Outrages, lawlessness, divorces, suicides, are increasing. In the last year suicides numbered one thousand more in the United States than the year before, including every walk in life, souls hurling themselves into a lost eternity. We see the disobedience to parents, the loss of natural affection between children and parents, the decay of conscience in public men, the anarchy, threats of dynamite, wicked men waxing worse and worse. These things are foretold in the Word of God.

The churches have lost their power. Many people have said that they looked everywhere for the old time religion and thought it had left the earth. They have come into our meetings and said, "This is the old time power that I used to see among the old Methodists." Where are the old Methodist revivals today? God wants us to get back to the old paths. He will honor simple faith in Him. The old time faith will bring old time results.

The Rapture of the Saints.

The Rapture may occur at any moment. Matt. 24:42. The living saints, like Enoch, will be taken out of this world to be "forever with the Lord." I Thess. 4:16, 17. At the Rapture Christ comes as the Bridegroom to take unto Himself His bride Matt. 25:10.

Take the brightest, happiest moment you ever have known of the love of Jesus, and multiply it by eternity, and you can form some comparison to the rapture of the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. It is impossible to express the glory and delight when the angelic host will herald the "Marriage of the Lamb," the union of the Son of God with His spotless bride whom He loved and for whom He gave Himself, and who has kept herself pure and true and faithful through all the suffering, trials and sorrows and humiliations of earth. John said, "I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Let us be glad and rejoice and give honor to Him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife hath made herself ready.

"And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints." Rev. 19:6-8.

Wonderful will it be to meet Him in the skies, to attain unto the first resurrection and be an overcomer! Then come back and rule with Christ! This is the hope that is in our hearts today, as we are faithful to God, and true to the call wherewith Christ hath called us, that we might be instrumental in God's hands in winning souls and doing all in our power to help them to walk before Him and be perfect, that they, too, might be overcomers, and attain unto the first resurrection, and have part in that wonderful meeting in the air, when Jesus calls away His

waiting bride, as the trump sounds and the dead in Christ rise first, and we that remain shall be caught up to meet the Lord in the air.

Christ will reward His people at the Marriage Supper. They will stand at the judgment seat of Christ, and be judged, and everything we have done in the Spirit will stand the test. Rev. 11:18, 19. Our works will be tried as by fire, and only the pure gold, silver and precious stones will remain, that only which was done for the glory of God. I Cor. 3:13. We must be faithful unto God if we would be the "first fruits" unto Jesus Christ, and be ready to meet Him in the air, justified by faith, sanctified wholly, having the witness in the heart of the mighty sanctifying power, and have gone on to receive the "Latter Rain Gospel," the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, the outpouring of the Spirit upon the clean, sanctified life, and have lived an overcoming life. When Jesus descends from Heaven with a shout and the trump of God, His chosen bride, the Church of the Firstborn, will rise to meet Him, if we are living at that time. If we are dead, it makes no difference, for He said, "The dead in Christ shall rise first."

When will this glorious event take place? The Scriptures clearly show that it will occur before the Great Tribulation. "And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." Luke 21:28. "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man." Luke 21:36.

It will be in the "twinkling of an eye," (I Cor. 15:52) unknown to the world. "I tell you in that night there shall be two men in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left." Luke 17:34-36. Jesus will descend in the azure above, in mid air, and call His people into the air to meet Him, and His call will be heard by all His saints, sleeping or waking, and they will immediately be translated, glorified and go sweeping up Glory, "to meet the Lord in the air"

The world's midnight is yet to come. There is an awful time coming upon this world. "And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time." Dan. 12:1. "For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be" Matt. 24:21. "For, behold, the Lord cometh out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity." Isa.26:21.

Armageddon is the battle of the great Day of God Almighty, a day of slaughter. All the armies of the Antichrist will be slain in the great winepress of the wrath of God. A river of human blood sixteen hundred furlongs (two hundred miles) in length, and the blood up to the horses' bridles! This is one of the scenes of the awful Tribulation that awaits this world, and the certain end of the Antichrist and those that receive his mark.

Truly prophecies have been unfolded. The signs have been manifested before our eyes. The Jews are going back to the Holy Land, according to prophecy, right in line with what God said should take place in the last days. When we see them becoming a nation, we know the time is near.

The Jews will be gathered from every land, and will then suffer as never before, in the time of "Jacob's Trouble." Jer. 30:7. The Jews have truly suffered on account of their awful rejection of their Messiah and disobedience to the God of their fathers. It took seventy years of captivity to cure them of idolatry; and when Christ came, the One they looked forward to as the hope of Israel, they rejected and crucified Him, and God scattered them broadcast again for nineteen centuries. And the time is coming when they will be deceived by the Antichrist, and suffer as they never did, till at last they will fall on their faces, seek and cry out for the Messiah. Zech. 13:9.

When God turned from the Jews, He turned to the Gentiles, and has been, all down the ages, preparing a bride out of the Gentiles that would accept Him. God will give to those who have heeded His call a place in the bridehood, when the First Resurrection takes place. And Israel, when their time of awful trouble is accomplished, will cry out for the Lion of the tribe of Judah, and the King of Israel will come back in glory to this world. His feet shall stand upon the Mount of Olives. Zech 14:4. And He shall set up His Kingdom on earth, and His saints shall reign with Him a thousand years. Rev. 20:6.

In that day the curse will be lifted from this world when the Son of God comes back to earth in power and great glory, to set up His Kingdom, followed by the armies of Heaven on white horses. He says. "I will make the place of My feet glorious." Isa. 60:13. The earth will shine with His glory. In that day the light of the sun will be sevenfold brighter Isa. 30:26. The desert will blossom as the rose. Isa. 35:1 and 55:12, 13.

We see the beautiful parks in the cities, their sunken gardens and the magnificent things that wealth has brought to people on this earth; but that beauty is nothing compared to what this earth will be when the curse is lifted, and the Son of God comes back to set up His reign of a thousand years. And the children of God that have no certain dwelling place are going to come back to reign with Christ, their bodies being raised and glorified in the first resurrection. I Cor. 15:51, 52. "They shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years." Rev. 20:4-6. And this earth will belong to Christ and the children of God, it being transformed as the Garden of Eden. The Lord shall be King over all the earth.

God Is Speaking.

The great crisis of the world is near. Jesus said in Matthew the 24th chapter, "When these things begin to come to pass, know ye that the Kingdom of God is nigh at hand." Ten thousand heralds sound its approach; the return of the Jews, the earth quaking, multiplied storms and floods, the great falling away, the six thousand years nearing their close. We know the great crisis of the world is near.

Never since apostolic days was God so manifested. We are living in the days of the wonderful outpouring of the Spirit, the Latter Rain, so long foretold by Joel the prophet (Joel 2:23) and by James the apostle (James 5:7). Beginning in the year 1906 God gave a wonderful sign to this unbelieving world, in restoring the old time power, the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, evidenced by the speaking in tongues as in the "Early Rain" on the day of Pentecost. The church had almost forgotten that old time power that God has been pouring out in the past years. A widespread preaching of the Gospel by those endued with power from on high has resulted in the salvation

of many souls, the sanctification of believers, the empowering of witnesses, the healing of many from incurable diseases. And almost every soul that God baptizes, when the Spirit speaks through them, they speak of the soon coming of Jesus Christ.

And not only in salvation, but in miracles of healing, never was there a time when God was so fulfilling His Word. We are nearing the close of the Gentile dispensation, when God shall cease to speak to the world through mercy. When mercy ceases, judgment shall be poured out upon the world.

Christ is not coming back as the meek and lowly Nazarene, but as King of kings to render judgment upon this earth for their unrighteousness and iniquity. But thank God, His arm is stretched out still. There is a mercy seat where God may be found. He will come into your heart and life, if you will turn from your sins and accept Him.

The End of the Age is Near. We are living in the closing up of the six thousand years, which means that the seventh thousand is just before us. We are living in the last of the sixth (more than five thousand nine hundred and twenty-one years being past, and we know not but more, as chronology is imperfect) and soon to enter into the seventh, which is the Millennial Reign, the last age of the earth. God created the world in six days and in the seventh He rested. We believe that when the six days of labor of this earth are over, God will usher in the Sabbath day of a thousand years of the reign of Christ. Rev. 20:6. It is high time people were rousing themselves from slumber, and putting on the whole armor of God, and watching unto prayer.

The serpent is after the church to devour her (Rev. 12). The church of Christ, the overcoming, triumphant church is about to be born. It is born first in the heart and life of the individual; but the translation of the overcomers is at hand, the first resurrection. God has given us increasing power in these last days. While the enemy is surging and pressing and crowding the child of God into a corner, as it were, and doing everything to oppress, nevertheless the power of the child of God is greater than the power of the devil.

God has always kept His Word. "And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the self same day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the Lord went out from the land of Egypt" Ex 12:41. In exact fulfillment of the prophetic words, Israel was delivered. And in exact fulfillment of the prophetic words in Old and New Testaments, at the appointed hour, the coming of the Lord will take place, and God's people today, that are found ready, will be delivered from the storm that is coming.

He is coming to claim His chosen bride! Just a little while now till He will burst the clouds, and our hope, the Son of God will come in mid air. Who would want to be left to go through the awful Tribulation? Who would want to find they had failed God in the last hour?

Many will say, "I am not ready to meet Jesus" You can be ready. God will put faith in your heart. Enoch was translated by faith. Faith will cause you to be an overcome and in that day be changed into His likeness.

The church of Christ today is going through her humiliation, her tribulation; but wait a little, and she is coming back, clothed in power and great glory, following Christ. Rev. 19:14. The armies which are in Heaven follow Him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. They are the saints of the first resurrection that are coming back to reign with Christ. They will escape the Tribulation, and will reign on earth a thousand years. Think what it will mean to be true. Those that are not ready will say, "Oh, I would to God I had paid the price, and counted the cost, that I might be ready to go." When the door is shut, there will be no more opportunity, but there will be tribulation sweeping over the earth, many being beheaded for the Gospel's sake. The Tribulation will be a time of slaughter, for those who are left on earth will go through fire and blood, or take the mark of the beast.

"Be patient therefore brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until He receive the early and latter rain.

"Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts; for the COMING OF THE LORD DRAWETH NIGH." James 5:7, 8.

BEARING HIS CROSS.

Thro' the gate or the city they led Him still.
 Bearing His cross,
 Till He came to the summit or Calvary's hill,
 Bearing His cross:
 As a sheep by the shearers is meekly led,
 He endured it for us, and no word He said,
 Bearing His cross.

Cho. – O wonder of wonders, can it be,
 All for me, all for me?
 O wonder of wonders, can It be.
 All for me?

Tho' He knew what it meant, yet He turned not back.
 Bearing His cross;
 And He patiently trod all the weary track,
 Bearing His cross:
 Tho' the tree was so heavy, 'twould not compare
 With the burden or sin which He carried there,
 Bearing His cross.

All the burdens are gone which He took that day,
 Bearing His cross:
 Nevermore will He travel that bloodstained way.
 Bearing His cross:
 When we see Him in Glory, enthroned on high,

How we'll thank Him that thus He went forth to die,
 Bearing His cross.

"COULD SEE NOTHING BUT AN OPEN HELL."

When a small boy I joined the church, and thought everybody that joined the church was a candidate for Heaven. For six years I attended the church regularly. I began to notice some of the older members that drank whiskey and chewed and smoked tobacco, and they told me it was no harm. But down in my heart I knew better.

At last, when in a city about fifty miles from home, one of the old members of my church induced me to take a drink in a saloon, the first in my life. From that on I began to drink with church members, and the habit of sin fastened on me, and I found myself a slave to drink. I went from bad to worse, till there was no sin too vile for me to commit.

I wished myself dead many a time, and began to think of suicide. I said "I will end it all," but something whispered and said, "But that is not the end." I vowed vows, and wrote and signed pledges, but I soon found out it took more than pledges. I was as helpless as a lamb in a lion's paw.

At last, when every star had gone out of my skies, and it seemed I did not have a friend, I had been on a debauch for about three weeks, and every time I closed my eyes I seemed to see nothing but an open hell, I rolled out of my bed, down on my knees, and began to call on God. I said, "God, I am lost! I am lost! Save me now." As I cried, "God, be merciful to me a sinner," I don't know how long I prayed, but God answered. The very light of Heaven came down in that room, and I knew my sins were all forgiven. He sobered me up in a moment of time.

That has been nearly fifteen years ago, and I have never wanted to drink any intoxicating drink since. There is not a man on American soil who hates the stuff any worse than I do. I give God all the praise.

I began to tell the story next morning. I went to the old church of which I was still a member. They seemed to take it fine at first, that I had stopped drinking; but when I told them all God had done for me, they thought it too straight. I told them how awful it was that they had kept such a drunkard in there. I told them how the Word said, "Come out from among them and be ye separate." The more I told them about the Word, the less they seemed to want to hear about it.

I withdrew myself and began to pray more and more for help. I thank God for the day someone sent me one of the Apostolic Faith papers, and later sent some of His workers to old Virginia. I was one of the first to welcome them, and the moment I met them I knew they were my own brothers and sisters because the Spirit speaks louder than words

God sanctified and baptized even me. He healed my wife of heart trouble and hemorrhages, when the prayer of faith was prayed. He saved my family, wife and three children. I am rejoicing in the Spirit today, when once life was not worth living. I give God all the praise. Bowling Green, Va.

"WAS BROKEN-HEARTED AND DOWN IN SIN."

Praise God for this wonderful Gospel. It truly was the love of God that lifted me. I was lost and undone, brokenhearted and down in sin. I was a fallen woman, spent my evenings around the card tables, drinking. Oh, if you only knew what God lifted me out of, what heartaches and sorrow! But oh, God was merciful to me. He convicted me of sin. I did not know anything about the Word, but I would open the Bible and bury my face in the Book, and ask God to have mercy on me.

I had no one to tell me how to get saved, but I wrestled with God for weeks, and all I could say was "God be merciful." For weeks I hardly ate or slept. But as I read the Bible one day, I read how Jesus said, "These things come by fasting and prayer." And I said "God, I will pray till you lift this burden off my heart." After fasting two days and nights, I went to an old barn and hid myself and prayed, and God came down and saved me.

I heard a voice, and thought it was somebody outside. The voice said "Will you believe?" I went to the door and looked out but saw no one. And I said "O God, if that is you, speak again, it is so hard for me to believe." The voice came again. "Will you believe?" I threw my arms to Heaven and said "o God, I believe, help Thou my unbelief." And the burden of sin rolled away. I knew I was saved.

"BETWEEN ME AND THE GRAVE, GOD'S PEOPLE STOOD."

Five years ago I was a poor defeated man. I started out in this world at the age of ten years. My mother died and I was left without a home, left to travel the road myself. I started in spending my nights in pool halls and saloons, was a bar tender at seventeen years of age, used to be bar tender in this very city. I loved to be called a "rounder" until I saw habits and appetites had me bound and I had spent every dollar I had made.

I said, "I will quit the saloon business." I started to make resolutions, said I would get away from the old bunch and start out to see the world; but every year of my life I went deeper down in sin than ever before. I would quit my job and go out on a drunk. You would find me on some railroad track, sometimes under the brakes, beating my way. When my money was gone, I found my friends were all gone. I suffered the sting that sin brought me every time.

At thirty-nine years of age, I saw everything in my life pass a way, saw my home broken up, saw my little girl, only three years old, taken from me, and I had been sued for habitual drunkenness, non-support and cruelty. That was what sin did for me. You would find me, as a result of drink, running wild in western Montana and in the mountains of Idaho, for many days, like a wild beast, delirious as I could be. I tried to forget that home, tried to forget that child I loved. I thought I would lose my mind. The doctors would tell me, "If you don't quit this drinking, some day it will kill you."

I never heard in my life that Jesus Christ cared for a drunkard or cared for a man that was defeated in his life. I had been on a drunk for ten days, afraid of my own shadow. I would walk the streets at night, afraid of getting the delirium tremens, which I had had many times. I knew I could not quit in my own strength. I knew I was doomed for a drunkard's grave, but between me and the grave, God's people stood out on the street corner and told me the Story of Jesus. They told me how He saved them, how He delivered them, how He cleaned up their lives. They told me a way out of trouble, and a hope sprang up within me to put God to a test.

I got down on my knees at the altar. I saw those glowing faces that knelt before me. They laid their hands on me and cast the demons out of me that had me bound thirty-nine years. The sin rolled away from my life; the burden I could not bear rolled off, and the peace came in my heart I never knew a soul could possess. It seemed my feet barely touched the sidewalk, for the glory of God in my soul.

I did not have to take any valerian or hypodermic injections to sober up. God has kept me sober and without a desire for drink from that day to this. I had used tobacco and snuff for thirty-two years, but have had no desire to use it since.

I had to go back and straighten my crooked track. I had beat board bills, doctor bills, grocery bills and saloon bills, all over the country, never intended to pay them; but when God saved me, He put something in my heart that wanted to go back and straighten up with every man, woman and child that I had wronged.

This is a mighty Gospel and I thank God for the change He has wrought in my life.

"FOUND JESUS ON THE COBBLE STONES."

I thank God, I am saved. I was a tramp, ran around the cities of this coast for about ten years. I came to this town down-and-out, a "jungle tramp," a cigarette fiend, bound down by drink, gambling and vice. I thank God, that night, broken-hearted, I got down in front of a saloon, on the cobble stones, and God heard my prayer, and I could tell the people on the sidewalk, I was a Christian.

I promised my father over and over again that I would meet him in heaven, and be a good boy. I joined the army, and thought I could quit drinking, but I got to be a drunkard, bound down in sin. When I left Ireland, I thought I was going to be a man, but I found myself in the slums, defeated.

My own brother, a physician in Belfast, Ireland, couldn't do a thing for me. My brother in Los Angeles spent hundreds and hundreds of dollars on me to reform me, and try to make me a good citizen, but I was nothing but a tramp, living around the saloons, living on free lunches. You would find me sleeping around the saloons and with the bums on the water front. Sometimes I would walk the streets all night, and the next day sleep in some vacant lot behind an old boiler.

Only a drunkard, nobody cared for me. I knew I was on my way to hell. I made all kinds of resolutions, but it all failed. All my friends turned me down. My brother's kindness and my sister's tears all failed. Finally they gave me up as no good.

I was broken-hearted when I came to Portland, but I met the Lord in front of the saloon, where a band of Mission boys were holding a meeting. They told me that Jesus could deliver me from sin. They told me God had come into their life, and they did not want the cigarettes and booze any more. On the cobble stones I prayed the publican's prayer, "O God, be merciful to me a sinner."

God heard that prayer; and I can stand before all the world and tell them I have the victory in my soul. I could pass the old saloons. I didn't want to go into a saloon any more. I work every day, have had a job for ten years in the hospital and ship yards right in this city. Some of my old pals are in the poor-farm and some are dead, but I can tell the world I am a child of God.

I am not a drunkard, a cigarette fiend, riding from place to place on the blind baggage, and lying around the "jungles." I have found a Friend – Jesus Christ – a living, mighty Saviour.

The Gospel Through the Air, On Land and Water.

"Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in that My house may be filled."

The Gospel is being spread by Airplane, Auto and Gospel Boat – through the air, on land and water.

We are surely in the midst of a wonderful revival, and not only here but in the different cities and villages where the Gospel is being spread in the most marvelous way. Every place the workers have gone to carry the Blessed News, a revival has come, refreshings from the presence of the Lord, souls saved, sanctified and baptized and sick bodies healed. Gospel Autos have carried the Good News into villages, little cities and out-of-the-way places, and many souls have been saved as a result.

RURAL REVIVALS.

Wonderful revivals are going on in schoolhouses in the mountains down the coast. Gospel Autos carry the workers to these places. In one place meetings are held in a schoolhouse in the woods, without a farm house in sight. "I wondered where the people were coming from," wrote a minister "but long before the hour, the autos began to string in, and by 7:45 the house was packed to its capacity. The altar had to be used for a bench. The meeting was wonderful. A number of the converts from the revival meetings about five miles distant testified, and all you could do was to sit there and cry, as one after another told how wonderfully God had saved them. The altar and seven chairs were filled with seekers.

"A big, well dressed man, a miner, was wonderfully saved. Tears ran down his face. Many of his friends came and shook hands with him; some cried. He laughed and cried at the same time, as he got up from the altar. His 'getting religion,' as they call it, has stirred up the whole community.

The next night he testified, and turning to his neighbors said, You all know what a wicked man I have been, but the Lord has saved me – ' With that he could say no more. Tuesday night the altar was again filled. Among the sinners was a mother and daughter of about sixteen, who were wonderfully saved. The revival is just beginning, and we believe God is going to work mightily. Tonight there were twelve seekers at the altar. Good attendance at the meetings in Grants Pass. The street meetings are fine. It is a wonderful privilege to see soul saved.

"One man had prayed all day. We can hardly get rid of the crowd at night to go home. Sunday morning at the revival meeting, five miles distant, the power fell till nearly all of us were weeping and I did not attempt to preach, just got up and gave the altar call. Three got sanctified, such bright experiences. About forty have been saved since last Camp Meeting. Eleven of them are families where man and wife started together, nearly all grown people, some very old. I wish I could go the rest of my life through these 'jungles' and just introduce the Gospel to these souls. Oh, the depth that I see in the old Gospel.

"A young man testified recently that he used tobacco and swore so terribly that his father did not want to work around him, but he was so thankful that God had delivered him. He just wept at the altar."

OPEN-AIR REVIVALS.

In the out-of-town revival work, the "Sky Pilot" flies to the distant towns where the meetings are to be held on Saturdays, dropping the literature, the little paper called The Sky Pilot and the invitation. A passenger always accompanies the pilot. One brother was wonderfully sanctified in the Plane between Portland and Newberg, about three thousand feet in the air. He shouted and praised God, said he would have received the Baptism, but he was afraid the shouting would frighten the pilot (however the roar of the motor was all the pilot could hear). As the Sky Pilots were thrown out over the towns, they seemed like balls of fire, falling upon hungry souls.

Gospel Autos, seven-passenger cars, manned with workers and equipped to hold meetings, follow the wake of the Airplane. Seven or more towns are reached within a circuit of about fifty miles. Large crowds stand with eager faces to hear the testimonies and songs and receive papers. God is wonderfully blessing these open-air revival meetings. The very spirit of Heaven accompanies every meeting, souls under deep conviction. Soldiers stand and listen, mothers and fathers with babies in their arms, business men, farmers – many with tears in their eyes, hearing the Story of Jesus, drinking in every word, listening to the wonderful testimonies.

An Army of Witnesses is going out into the Highways. Among them you would find men that once lived among dope fiends and criminals; men that have made restitution for defrauding railroad companies out of hundreds of dollars; the traveling man that once debauched his life with drink and shame: the Sunday School superintendent who once lived under a cloak of religion, and left the Sabbath School for the scenes behind the footlights; men that have passed counterfeit money and served time behind the prison walls; the deacon in the Presbyterian Church, who was using tobacco and reading Russell's doctrine; the redeemed fallen women that once spent their life in sin and debauchery; the I.W.W. organizer that was a criminal and fugitive from justice; as well as young men that never knew the depths of sin. It took the same Gospel to save them, and they stand telling the Story with the power of God resting upon them.

You would also find the miner, the lumber jacks, Roman Catholics that have been saved through miracles that God has performed; the Presbyterian preacher that spent years in college and in preaching, and never knew God till he fell on his knees at the same old altar; the railroad conductor that had run for years between Chicago and Milwaukee, defrauded the railroad company out of sufficient money to buy land in six states; the wealthy farmer, that spent years behind the college walls and came out an infidel, that never found peace until he found it at the old tear-stained altar at the Corner of Front and Burnside; the "Sky Pilot" once a proud young man of the world, full of ambition and life, that traveled with a fast class of people in a southern city. God put such conviction on him that he trembled like an aspen leaf, and fell at the altar and called for mercy. He, too, is telling the Story from Gospel Autos, and spreading the Good News by Airplane – a privilege few have today. These and many more are holding from three to eight open air meetings a day, telling the most wonderful Story the world has ever known.

"THE GOSPEL SCOUT."

A new work has been launched. A machine called the "Scout," equipped for long trips and mountain roads manned by two "wayside evangelists," and carrying thousands of papers that God is so wonderfully using in winning souls, is traversing highways and byways throughout the rural districts of the state, visiting schoolhouses, logging camps, etc., searching out hungry hearts in mountain districts and neglected fields, where the Gospel has never been. Thousands upon thousands of papers have been carried into rural districts, way up into the mountains, and distributed to homes, schools and villages that have never had the paper before, now heard the Gospel.

By means of special road maps, they follow highways and the crossroads that lead back into the woods, reaching nearly every home, and covering a large section with the Gospel in a day's time. The schools have given them a royal welcome, listening to the Gospel songs, accompanied with the banjo, and the wonderful Story of Jesus and His power to save. Some of the schoolhouses are hard to reach, yet they have spoken in seven schools in one day, and reached many homes.

Out in the backwoods, they are hearing the message of eternal life today, many that never have heard it. The meetings are as sweet as Heaven. "It is enough to break your heart," writes one of the brothers, "to see the children look in your face, as they hear you tell how God answers prayer." The impression made on these children, they will never get away from. Teachers often shed tears. The pupils will call for another song, drink in the words spoken and all receive the Young People's Paper, the "Armour Bearer."

The evangelists find the people in their homes reading the papers the children received at school. Many letters are being received from the rural districts, asking prayer and for more of the papers. They are reaching hundreds of children in the schools and hundreds of workingmen. A wide field is opening for the Gospel. God is pouring out the spirit of revival such as we have not seen in many days.

"After a tremendous day's spreading the news," writes one of the workers, "we started out into the hedges where few travelers go. Through the mountainous country little traveled, over gravel and plank roads, tucked away from the outside world, we would find the schoolhouses.

They are a simple people among the mountains. The children stare and gaze, one and all drinking in every word, enjoying every song and grabbing every paper." In communities where no meeting has been held for years, the schoolhouses are opened for meetings. At one such place the third night there were seven at the altar, and a revival has broken out. Souls are being saved.

HARBOR GOSPEL WORK.

The "Morning Star," the Mission Gospel Boat, is visiting the large steamers and vessels that enter the harbor, and the great ocean liners that come from over the world. Among the deep water sailors are many that cannot speak English, and they receive papers in their own languages. Our brothers that man the Boat are converted sailors, and can speak the languages of many of the sailors.

The ships and steamers without exception receive them on board. Men hear the truth and thank them much for the literature. Many hungry hearts are found among this most neglected class, the sailors. Every Sunday afternoon the "Morning Star" goes out into the Gospel Harbor work. Sailors come to the Mission. The Gospel is carried to many foreign countries in this way.

The "Morning Star" visited the fated Japanese ship that burned a few miles off the coast of Oregon just before it went to sea a short time ago, and gave Gospels of John to the men aboard in their own language. When some of the men were rescued, one of the Japanese men was heard singing "Jesus Lover of My Soul" in his own language.

God truly is blessing these visits. In every way He is helping get the Gospel out. He will reward in eternity for faithfulness here. Pray for the "Morning Star."

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REPENTANCE TOWARD GOD—Acts 20:21. Repentance is Godly sorrow for sin. II Cor. 7:10. Mark 1:15.

RESTITUTION—The Blood of Jesus will never blot out any sin that we can make right. We must have a conscience void of offence toward God and man. Restitution includes restoring where you have defrauded or stolen, paying back debts and confession. Luke 19:8, 9. Exe. 33:15.

JUSTIFICATION is that act of God's free grace by which we receive remission of sins. Acts 10:43. Rom. 5:1. Rom. 3:25, 26. Acts 13:38, 39. John 1:12. John 3:3.

SANCTIFICATION is that act of God's grace by which He makes us holy. It is a second, definite work wrought by the Blood of Jesus through faith. John 17:15, 17. I Thess. 4:3. Heb 13:12. Heb. 2:11. Heb 12:14. I John 1:7.

THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST is the gift of power upon the sanctified life. Luke 24:49. Matt 3:11. John 7:38, 39. John 14:16, 17, 26. Acts 1:5, 8.

And when we receive it, we have the same sign or Bible evidence as the disciples had on the Day of Pentecost, speaking with tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. Mark 16:17. I Cor. 14: 21, 22. Examples—Acts 2:4. Acts 10:45. Acts 19:6

HEALING OF THE BODY—Sickness and disease are destroyed through the precious atonement of Jesus. Isa. 53:4, 5. Matt, 8:17. Mark 16:18. Jas. 5:14-16. All sickness is the work of the devil, which Jesus came to destroy. I John 3:8. Luke 13:16. Acts 10:38. Jesus cast out devils and commissioned His disciples to do the same. Mark 16:17. Luke 10:19. Mark 9:25, 26.

THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS.—The return of Jesus is just as literal as His going away. Acts 1:9-11. John 14:3. There will be two appearances under one coming; first, to catch away His waiting bride (Matt. 24:40-44 and I Thess. 4:16, 17), second to execute judgment upon the ungodly. II Thess. 1:7-10. Jude 14 and 15. Zech. 14:3, 4.

ORDINANCES. 1st. WATER BAPTISM BY IMMERSION, (SINGLE)—Jesus went down into the water and came up out of the water, giving us an example that we should follow. Matt. 3:16. Acts 8:38, 39. Matt 28:19. Rom. 6:4, 5. Col. 2:12.

2nd. THE LORD'S SUPPER—Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper that we might "show His death till He comes." I Cor. 11:23-26. Luke 22:17-20. Matt.26:26-29.

It brings healing to our bodies if we discern the Lord's body. I Cor. 11:29, 30.

3rd. WASHING THE DISCIPLES' FEET—Jesus said: "If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet, ye ought also to wash one another's feet, for I have given you an example that ye should do as I have done unto you." John 13:14, 15.

THE TRIBULATION—Jesus prophesied a great tribulation such as was not from the beginning of the world. Matt. 24:21, 22, 29. Rev. 9. Rev. 16. Isa. 26:20, 21. Mal. 4:1.

CHRIST'S MILLENNIAL REIGN is the 1000 years of the literal reign of Jesus on this earth. It will be ushered in by the coming of Jesus back to earth with ten thousands of His saints. Jude 14, 15. II Thess. 1:7-10. During this time the devil will be bound. Rev. 20:2, 3. It will be a reign of peace and blessing. Isa. 11:6-9. Isa. 65:25. Hos. 2:18. Zech. 14:9-20. Isa. 2:2-4.

THE GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT—God will judge the quick and dead according to their works. Rev. 20:11-14. Dan. 12:2. Acts 10:42.

NEW HEAVENS AND NEW EARTH—The Word teaches that this earth, which has been polluted by sin, shall pass away after the White Throne Judgment, and God will make a new

heaven and new earth in which righteousness shall dwell. Matt. 24:35. II Pet. 3:12, 13. Rev. 21:1-3. Isa. 65:17. Isa 66:22.

ETERNAL HEAVEN AND ETERNAL HELL—The Bible teaches that hell is as eternal as heaven. Matt. 25:41, 46. The wicked shall be cast into a burning hell, a lake of fire burning with brimstone forever and ever. Rev. 14:10, 11. Luke 16:24. Mark 9:43, 44.

NO DIVORCE—The Word teaches that marriage is binding for life. Under the New Testament law, the law of Christ, there is but one cause for separation, fornication, and no right to marry again while the first companion lives. Matt. 5:31, 32. Matt. 19:9. Mark 10:11, 12. Luke 16:18. Rom. 7:2, 3.

Testimonies of the Power of Jesus Christ.

We have witnessed the healing of thousands of people of almost every disease that is known today. From deathbeds, from hospitals, and when given up by doctors, God has made them every whit whole.

Dying with Tuberculosis. "Praise God for His mercy, He healed my boy when he was dying with tuberculosis, when the prayer of faith was prayed by God's people." A man had tuberculosis a year and a half ago. He had gone to Arizona for his health. A friend put in a request at the Mission for him, and his family writes that he is getting well.

When I came back from France, I had contracted that awful disease of syphilis, and was just entering the third stage when I wrote to Portland, and God healed me"

A child was unable to walk, the results of influenza. The grandmother sent for an anointed handkerchief and placed it on the child, and it immediately got up and walked, and has never been sick since.

Our Chinese brother testified: "A few years ago my wife sick in China – consumption – the blood come in her mouth. Everybody thought she would die. I get handkerchief anointed – send to her. Praise God – the people at Front & Burnside prayed – God answered."

A girl had tuberculosis. She heard the Gospel at one of the street meetings. She was discouraged, and had thought of committing suicide to get out of her trouble. She came to the Mission. God wonderfully saved her, and she is gaining in flesh now, is happy and rejoicing, says she sleeps like a baby.

An old man came to the Mission with a paralyzed arm. He says, "It was like dead, and when the people were praying, the power of God came down and made that arm just like the other." He is saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and is 79 years old.

"Way back in Wyoming, we got a paper and afterwards we got an invitation to the Camp Meeting, and we wrote in for these people to pray for us, and God lifted the hindrances and we came. We had to come by wagon two hundred miles. The train was forty-five minutes late that night or we would have had to stay there. We have been sick, but God brought us through. My foot broke down and got something it seemed no doctor could cure, but these people prayed and God healed my foot."

Restored to her right mind. "I want to praise God for what He has done for my sister. I wrote to you a short time ago to send the anointed handkerchief to her. She was then in a hospital in Washington, was very bad. She had a stroke of paralysis. She had to be strapped in bed. One night she got out of bed and it took six nurses to get her back in bed; but through the prayers of God's people, she is home today and has her mind once more. Four of the best doctors said they could do nothing for her."

A man in a sanitarium, who had been given up by the doctors with tuberculosis, got hold of one of the Apostolic Faith papers, and in two weeks he was out of the sanitarium, and is supporting his family today.

A young lady working side by side with one of the Apostolic Faith women, told about how her family had black diphtheria. The father had died with it, and four others in the family were sick, two at the point of death, given up by the doctors. A request was put into the Mission and they were all healed of this terrible disease.

"Our home was almost wrecked by sin. I thank God, all alone in my little kitchen I cried to God, and He rolled the burden of Sin away and set me free. When my sister was insane, God heard prayer for her. We could not do anything with her, but God delivered. We sent for an anointed handkerchief. She was then in the hospital, but through the prayers of God's people, she is at home today, in her right mind. Physicians said they could not help her. Thank God, this mighty Gospel is real."

"When I was broken-hearted, when nine of the best physicians back in Scotland failed to heal my child, I came to this place for her health, not knowing that I was coming among God's own redeemed children. I am glad I found my way into this place and heard the wonderful testimonies, that there was power in the Blood of Jesus to heal all manner of diseases. My little one had tuberculosis in the glands of her body that no physician could heal. I trusted God that night, told Him I would take the way, come what may, and He didn't fail me, He healed my child that night. She is a monument to the power in the Blood of Jesus. Thank God, He is able to save, able to keep and able to heal."

A family saved and healed. "My wife was dying with cancer of the stomach, but thank God, she is healed through the Blood of Jesus Christ. Today my wife and I have the old time religion. One day my wife threw out all the medicine. She said, 'You ask those people to pray, and God will

heal you.' The prayer of faith was prayed. A few days later at the altar God healed me in the twinkling of an eye of gall stone trouble when I was suffering terribly. At my work in the old boiler shop, the old time religion is in my heart. I praise God for the old time Gospel in my life that took every habit and appetite out and gave me peace and joy in my heart."

A new convert. – "My mother had suffered with consumption for six years. The state doctors back in Pennsylvania were going to put her in a sanitarium. She asked me to bring her out here. We landed in Portland, she was ready to die and I was deep down in sin, trying to get away from conviction that had been on my heart for years. I was bound by smoking, chewing, swearing, gambling. Thank God, I ever heard the testimonies of these people. One night I went to the altar and God saved my soul, and put joy and peace in my heart. He healed my mother, something the doctors could not do in six years. Praise God!"

I was a wreck. I was not looking for religion. I was just a sinner in the very depths of sin, a cigarette fiend. I would rather sit at a card table and gamble for money than eat. Many times I would gamble away the last dollar in the house, when my family needed it. I was a wreck both mentally and physically. God spoke to me one morning after a brain specialist here in this city examined me and told my people I should be locked up right away, that I was liable to turn on my wife any moment and kill her. God spoke and told me that all the doctors in the world could not help my condition and He told me to come to this Mission. And God saved my soul and made a Christian of me. Thank God He delivered me from the sanitarium, saved my soul, healed my body, and ten days later I went to work and I have been working ever since. I do thank God for all He has done for me"

A man had blood poison in his hand. The doctor said his two fingers would have to be taken off, to save his life. He was prayed for and God wonderfully healed him.

A brother was hurt at the iron works. Several hundred pounds of steel fell on his foot. He was not able to touch it to the floor. He sent a request to the Mission and at the time they were praying, he got up and walked on his foot, and was perfectly healed.

Two Polish children were given up by the doctor. One, he said would not live until morning; so they sent to the Mission for prayer, and the Lord healed them completely.

A little girl seven years of age was given up to die of leakage of the heart. Her mother sent to the Mission and asked for them to pray. They did and God healed her. She is running around, telling that Jesus healed her.

It is the Power of God. Amid false reports, persecutions and opposition, God's people go on with a steady tread, not defending themselves nor answering false accusers but pressing the battle to the very gates. Today in this city they have a mighty army for God, and the city officials give access to preach the Gospel most anywhere, in the city streets and in the prisons and Jails where many are unable to gain admission.

"HOW TO GET SAVED, I DID NOT KNOW."

Thank God for the old time religion, for this mighty Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is real. It is just the thing I needed in my life. I wanted God; my heart was hungry for God. I knew by the Word of God I was not saved, but how to get saved, I did not know. My body was full of disease; my life was full of fear and forebodings, always thinking that something awful was going to happen. I prayed for years, knelt at my east window, morning after morning, like Daniel did. For several years had family worship every morning. I could measure my life by my Christian friends, but that didn't bring any comfort to me.

But just as soon as this little paper was put in my hands, it showed me the way. It put real faith in my heart to seek God. I was about twenty-five hundred miles from here, but I didn't wait for anything. I just went on my face before God, and He saved me, and I knew I was saved. He sanctified me, as I knelt in my home and consecrated before God.

He healed my body. I was sick for years, had the awful disease of cancer, and tuberculosis with it; used morphine, had the best of physicians skill. The doctor said I must never sleep indoors again, always sleep outdoors. But, thank God, I am healed, tonight, sound and well.

HOW AN INDIAN FAMILY WAS SAVED.

A young Indian recently came to the Mission at Port Angeles, and the Lord wonderfully convicted him. He came to the altar seeking salvation. He was very bashful at first among white people, but the second time he came, the power of God fell on him, and he praised the Lord for a long time aloud, thanking God because He had had mercy on him and saved him.

From that time on, he made himself at home in the Mission Hall, and also testified to the other Indians what great things the Lord had done for him. He was a physical wreck, but God healed him the same time He saved him.

His home was about to be broken up, it was so unhappy. He was about to leave his wife and family, had gone to Seattle to get his divorce; but in a room in a hotel, he says God spoke to him and said, "You go back to your wife, and she shall be your wife as long as you live." And today they are all serving God.

His four little children all get down on their knees and pray before they go to bed at night, and will not go to bed before they pray. One night the family was alone at home, and one of the children took very sick. They took the Apostolic Faith paper and laid it on him, and the power of God fell on all the family and healed the child. The little boy, four years old, has now received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost and lives the life of a real Christian every day. Before these children were saved, they were swearing and running the streets.

The children's changed lives so convicted the mother that she, too, repented and came to the altar and was saved. Before she was saved, she neglected her home, but now they have a happy home, through the power of the old time Gospel.

The Power Of The Blood Of Jesus Christ.

It meant much for Jesus to purchase our salvation. He had to offer His body on the Cross. He first fulfilled His office as prophet here on earth. He taught His disciples what it meant to take up the Cross and follow Him. He taught them the experiences of the new birth, and of sanctification and the wonderful baptism of the Holy Ghost. He was planting in their lives the new building, the Kingdom of God within. He told them of the Comforter, the Holy Ghost (John 16:7), that was to come unto them, when He was taken away.

He prophesied to them all through His ministry; healing the sick, cleansing the leper, raising the dead, feeding the hungry. He was doing His work as a prophet on earth, but the time came that He was to fulfill the offering that was to make Him the High Priest, and finish the work in our hearts.

He purchased full redemption for us. That not only mean justification, but it means all the graces or experiences wrought out in the heart and life. It means from Justification to the coming of the Son of God, when Jesus catches away His waiting bride. Our salvation will only be complete when Jesus comes.

Jesus had much to do, in order to give His life for us, the sinless for the sinful, the perfect for the imperfect, the just for the unjust. He had to offer Himself on the Cross, a willing offering unto the Lord, in order to obey the will of the Father.

When He was in the garden, and the cup stood before Him, and the angel handed it to Him, He said, "Let this cup pass from Me, nevertheless, not My will but Thine be done." That was the supreme test in the life of the Son of God, when He sweat, as it were, great drops of Blood.

The sins of the whole world were weighted upon Him. He knew all that lay before Him, the judgment hall, the Cross, the shame. He knew He was to stand alone with that mocking throng, and the disciples would depart. The fear and the awful conditions would drive them from Him: and in that awful hour, for a moment He said, "Let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not My will but Thine be done." Oh, when we stop to think what it means, the life of the Son of God in our hearts, purchased at such an awful price! Such a tremendous cost for us to have salvation!

How could we ever, after God paid that price, giving His Son to bear the shame and agony of the Cross – how could we come into the presence of the Lord with our spirit in any wise set against the Spirit of God? I pray this may not be the case, but that we have purposed to follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth.

"Without shedding of Blood is no remission" Heb. 9:22. We clearly see the great necessity of the Blood of Jesus Christ in our hearts. Under the law, God gave them the sprinkling of the blood of atonement, which was but a type, a shadow of what was to come, which was Jesus Christ. All their services had to be sprinkled with blood.

When Moses received the law from the hand of God, written on tables of stone in the holy mount, the fire and thunder and lightning and the awful presence of God was so terrible to the children of Israel, that they drew back from the mount and were afraid. And God could not write the law upon their hearts, but He wrote it upon stone, because the law, of necessity, must come into effect until the time God had set for His Son to come. And Moses took the blood of bulls and of goats and sprinkled both the book and the people, saying, "This is the blood of the testament which God hath enjoined unto you."

And Jesus said before He suffered, "This cup is the new testament in My Blood, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." We cannot receive the remission of sins, except through the Blood of Jesus Christ. We are sanctified through the Blood of Jesus, and we can only grow strong, and grow in the likeness of Christ, as we keep the power of the Blood upon our lives.

At the very mention of the Blood of Jesus, devils will take their flight. Too many have lost sight of the old time power of the Blood. When fear and sickness and affliction come into the home, it is our privilege to call upon the Blood of Jesus.

We need to know and value its power, for it is to our souls just what our blood is to our body. You sever an artery, and instantly your life blood will begin to ebb away. The life of the body is the blood, and the spiritual life of a child of God is the Blood of Jesus Christ. If you lessen your prayer and faith in the Blood of Jesus, and fail in pleading the Blood and trusting in the Blood, you will begin to leak out in the life of your soul, because it is only the Blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, that is your salvation. It keeps you above sin; it cleanses away inbred sin, it removes all doubt out of your mind; it clears and strengthens your faith, and heals your body. You can meditate upon the Blood, and you will find the life of Christ will begin to flow afresh through your very being. Many have been praying and seeking at the altar, and have had visions of the precious Blood dripping from His nail – pierced hands. They have seen the Blood flowing, a holy stream, from the foot of the Cross.

This is a wonderful and powerful Gospel, and yet so simple that the wayfaring man, though a fool, need not err therein. Many fail in time of hard pressure to just flee to the Blood, that cleansing stream that flows from Calvary's Hill, because we fail to keep in our minds and hearts the value of that precious Stream. It is the Blood of Jesus Christ that saves the soul, that sanctifies and heals, and keeps the life of Christ ebbing and flowing through our life.

There is nothing but the Blood of the Lamb that can deliver a soul bound in sin. It was the Blood that flowed out of the wounds of Jesus Christ, after they nailed Him to the Cross, that redeemed a lost world back to God.

Before these papers are sent out, they are always prayed over for the healing of the sick and the salvation of souls.

Results – From the Old Time Religion.

The presence and power of God continues to rest within the four walls of the sacred spot at Front & Burnside where hundreds upon hundreds of souls have found God, and where the papers and tracts are printed that go out over the whole earth to bless and comfort, heal, and deliver souls from the power of darkness, and bring them in touch with Jesus, the Light of the world.

There has been a most wonderful revival for the past fifteen years; and the past year, especially, thousands and thousands have heard the Gospel and there have been constant ingatherings of souls, a wonderful revival spirit sweeping over the people, men and women of all classes, both young and old. Many whole families have been brought into the Gospel, homes united, divorce cases halted; and today they are rejoicing in the power of God to save from sin, and telling the world what great things the Lord has done for them.

The Spirit of Revival is on the people as we have not seen in many days. One Sunday afternoon as a special song was being sung, "The Old Rugged Cross," the power of God fell on the whole congregation. The minister, with many of the saints, stood with uplifted hands, tears streaming down their faces, the power of God falling like rain upon the earth. A number of souls were saved sitting in their seats, and they, too, joined in the chorus of praising the Lord, as the power continued to fall upon the people.

The song was –

"The Old Rugged Cross."

"On a hill far away Stood an old rugged cross,

The emblem of suffering and shame,

And I love that old cross Where the Dearest and Best

For a world of lost sinners was slain."

"So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down;

I will cling to the old rugged cross,

And exchange it some day for a crown."

It was a wonderful and powerful day, souls being saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and Fire, so that the Word could hardly be given.

The Glory of God filled the place day and night, during the Midwinter Meetings. The hall was filled with hungry hearts as they sat and listened to the teaching of the Word. Saints and ministers from outside Missions and nearby states were present, a time of great power and blessing to all. At the first meeting, the power so fell upon the congregation that the preacher's voice could not be heard. Nearly everyone was weeping and praising God. Hundreds pressed to the altar or as near as they could get.

The Children's Bible School is the name that has been given the Saturday afternoon Children's Meeting. There are a number of classes according to the grades, and they are studying the New Testament, beginning at Matthew. No quarterlies are used but the Bible alone. Two hundred and eight are enrolled. The Bohemian children of the Mission have their Bible School, in their neighborhood, and twenty-nine were enrolled at the first meeting, and three of them saved at their altar service. The children have a regular altar service at the close of each meeting, in which many of the little ones seek and obtain real Bible experiences, salvation, sanctification and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Speeding the Gospel out. Our Lord's command is, "Go ye into all the world." We are trying in every way to get the Gospel out quickly. A quarter of a million or more of tracts and papers have been printed in the past year in the Mission Printing Plant, all done by consecrated workers. Thousands of papers and tracts in foreign languages have been sent across the water to the foreign Missions, for distribution by workers, and into foreign prisons. The Airplane is dropping the little paper, "The Sky Pilot," from the skies. God is giving wonderful results from the printed message.

Letters pour into the office, 1375 in one week. Hungry hearts are pleading for prayer and help, and a large office force is kept busy in handling the mail. Hundreds are praying as the requests are read in the Mission and God is working everywhere over the world, in answer to the prayers of His people.

God's Spirit being outpoured. Signs and wonders are following the preaching of this wonderful Gospel. All manner of diseases are being healed and many being saved, old time Bible holiness planted in the hearts of believers, and the mighty Baptism of the Holy Ghost and Fire falling upon clean, sanctified lives and making them witnesses for Christ. Deep conviction is resting upon the unsaved.

As workers from Portland visited the work in the east, the power and presence of God mightily rested on the meetings, as the people listened to the Bible teaching and preaching, of the Word. Souls were saved, sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost, and the sick healed. Letters of invitation had been sent to readers of the paper living near Kansas City and St. Louis, to attend the special meetings, and over fifty came to the Missions, from a distance, some for healing, some for salvation, some for more of God, and went back rejoicing.

Healed of Tumor – A woman came with a very large tumor and was prayed for. She writes; "What a wonderful miracle God has wrought in my body! It seemed I could not live much longer, I would almost smother for breath. The tumor was enlarging all the time. Three doctors said there was but one chance for me – an operation. I said that if God did not undertake, I would die. The night the saints prayed for me, I have been rejoicing and praising God ever since. I am doing my work with victory in my soul – saved, sanctified, praising God with all my heart."

Another sick woman came for healing, and you would hardly have known her when she came back a few nights later, she was so changed. Others were healed of their infirmities, sciatica, inflammatory rheumatism, etc. Others came and told how they had been healed through receiving anointed handkerchiefs from Portland.

One was paralyzed in her arms for years; they hung helpless at her sides.

She would have to stand at her window and nod to her neighbors to come and shut the door or turn off the gas for her – God healed her through an anointed handkerchief. Now she is doing her work. She came to the meetings, and tears of joy streamed down her face in gratitude to God for what He had done for her.

An invalid who had been crippled for five years, unable to walk, sent to Portland for an anointed handkerchief and for prayer. She placed the handkerchief on her crippled limb, and God healed her. She walked two miles that night to tell her mother.

Another had tuberculosis, weighed only eighty-five pounds, given up by the doctors. Now she has gained twenty-two pounds and is doing her own work. Her husband, an Infidel, was also wonderfully saved

God is Honoring the Work in San Francisco, and other coast cities. Gospel Autos are going into the streets, lanes and highways, carrying the blessed News of salvation, holding open – air meetings in surrounding towns, among the poor, sick and aged, people being wonderfully saved and healed in the alms house and hospital tubercular wards. Hundreds of papers, in many different languages are distributed. Three jail meetings are going on at the same time on Sunday morning in San Francisco.

A Polish Jew was Saved, sanctified and healed in the Los Angeles Mission. The Gospel is carried out into hospitals and among the aged and poor. Open air meetings are held in Albany and near-by towns, by Gospel Auto, with great results, getting the Gospel Story out to hungry hearts.

Indians are Saved in Port Angeles. A young Indian convert goes to the mill meetings with the workers and testifies to the men he works with during the week. An Indian brother has been recently saved that plays a cornet, expects to play in the Orchestra at the Camp Meeting. A young Indian girl was saved, and her face just shone.

From Dallas, Albany, Chehalis, Grants Pass, Medford and Bowling Green, Virginia, the Gospel is being carried out to other towns and cities by Gospel Autos. God is saving souls and healing the sick. We truly praise God for this old time religion.

Workers have recently gone to Kellerton, Iowa, and God has wonderfully worked. An Apostolic Faith Mission is now established there. Souls are being saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost.

Workers write from Fargo, North Dakota, that they are preparing to launch out in their summer campaign for souls, have been holding street meetings from the Gospel Car and doing all they can to spread this mighty Gospel. Demons have been cast out of an insane man there, after which he was one whole day in deep repentance before God, later sanctified and baptized, and is now working on a farm, walks three miles to meeting.

One of our brothers recently went to Newfoundland and God has been wonderfully blessing his efforts. Many souls have been saved and healed and hundreds of papers and tracts have been distributed to many hungry souls in that part of the world. He was instrumental in getting hundreds of papers to the seal fishing boats that went out for their summer's fishing.

Our missionary from West Africa writes: "We are still praising our God for saving and sanctifying precious souls here. We had a wonderful meeting in the month of February. Precious souls were baptized by immersion. Many here at our altar since that time, and God is working mightily and healing the bodies. This is the place to be tried and see if God be God. I truly find Him to be my all in all in this dark land."

One Sunday evening a returned missionary, as she sat in the Mission Hall said suddenly the ceiling seemed to reach up to the vaulted dome of Heaven and a troop of angels passed by, leaving a blessing in their wake. But they seemed hurrying on to carry blessings and comfort to those in distress.

The Coming Camp Meeting.

Wonderful Camp Meetings are held every year, beginning the latter part of June and continuing seven weeks. We are expecting a wonderful outpouring of the Spirit this year. Many will remember the beautiful grounds that God gave us for permanent Camp Grounds, the dearest spot to us outside of the Mission.

Last Christmas day, hundreds of the saints repaired to the grounds, carrying climbing roses and flowers rooted and ready to transplant, and set them just inside the beautiful white fence that surrounds the ten acres, and all through the grounds. The new converts came bringing their roses. Some had dug them from their yard and brought the most beautiful climbers. The place will be a bower of beauty this year.

For months the saints have been building a permanent Tabernacle that will be used till Jesus comes. The contractor was once a drunkard, an infidel, down in the depths of sin, but now a large contractor in the City of Portland, and a child of the King. Sometimes as many as thirty or forty of the Mission men have been at work, for months, through rain or shine. The Tabernacle is a massive structure, one hundred by one hundred and twenty-five feet, and will seat from seventeen hundred to two thousand. It is fifty feet in height; the trusses that arch the Tabernacle, supported by large pillars along the side, are set in concrete, each one of them weighing from ten to fifteen tons. It will be a protection from the heat as well as a place for special services, if necessary, the year around.

On the front of the building is a large star and the words. "JESUS, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD," and over the archway of the door, "ENTER INTO HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING, AND INTO HIS COURTS WITH PRAISE." The hallowed presence and power of God rests on the building, and can be felt in the place in a wonderful way, as you walk through the place where so many have been saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and miracles of healing witnessed.

We are looking forward to the greatest time we have ever had, if Jesus tarries. Revivals are going on both here and in every place where the workers are going. We have never seen such a revival of prayer as in the work today among the saints. The great chorus of prayer is going on as you enter the Mission Hall, and before the street meetings, and during the altar services, bringing greater results than ever before; and that is the groundwork of the great things we are expecting from the Lord.

We are bending every effort to get the Gospel out to a perishing world, by prayer and by sacrifice that a free Gospel may be preached and published, and that the power of God may be revealed to the world, the power of Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever.

"Ring out the blessed news again!
 Oh! bear aloft the strain;
 The mighty Lord is ris'n in pow'r,
 He died, but not in vain."

A Perfect Consecration.

"I delight to do Thy will, O my God: yea, Thy law is within my heart," Psalm 40:8.

There is nothing so honored of God as a Holy consecrated life; nothing as essential to the growth in Christian experience, and will bring the power for service, as consecration; and seemingly nothing so scarce in the world today as perfect consecration, keeping the life constantly on the altar and at the bidding of God's great will.

Consecration of years back will not suffice, but continually, daily and hourly, your life must be yielded up to God, as you grow in grace and retain the simplicity of faith in Him, who made such a sacrifice for you, in giving His own Son to die on the Cross.

A great lesson may be learned through the perfect consecration Jesus made in obedience to the Father's will. The most difficult thing to be conquered is the will of man, but the will is surrendered and brought into subjection when a soul is born again, and when the heart and life is sanctified wholly, the will is wholly swallowed up in the will of God, and to retain this wonderful experience, constant walking before Him in consecration, with the fear of the Lord ever upon the heart, will bring obedience in every part to the whole will of the Father.

The most sacred place on earth, to every soul, should be in the bosom of the will of God. Many covet and long to know His will, but they do not live in close touch and constant communion with Him, with a consecrated heart and life open to God, where He might continually reveal His will to them. The joy of Heaven on earth is to know God's will and to do it.

The mission on earth and whole delight of the Son of God was to do the Father's will. He said at many different times, "Not My will, but Thine be done"; "Lo, I come to do Thy will, O God." This was His greatest joy. He, for the joy that was set before Him, endured the Cross. He knew the Cross lay before Him, and He must give His life's Blood for the salvation of the world, but

the joy that was ever before Him was to do His Father's will. It was the love and loyalty in His great heart, to the Father, that caused Him to go through the awful torture on the Cross.

He might have looked forward to the joy of lost souls that were to be saved, both through His life and His death; or He might have looked to the glory of sitting at the right hand of the Father, or serving the ones that were prepared to be with Him at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. He could have looked to the joy of the Millennial Reign on earth, when those that He had purchased with His own Blood, through the humiliation He suffered here, would reign with Him, King of kings and Lord of lords; but not so. His whole soul's delight, above all, seemed to be in doing His Father's will. He was our perfect example in all things.

The stepping stone to the deep things in God is a deep experience of consecration. Many believe themselves to be living consecrated lives, while they are not wholly following the Lord, rejecting some part of His Word, many times desiring healing for their afflictions, others seeking sanctification and power for service, without making a perfect consecration to Him; but positively no heights or depths in Christian experience can be obtained without perfect obedience to His will.

There is nothing that God has for one of His children, but that He will give to another, but they must meet every condition of His Word, consecrate to the depths with a perfect heart, and then, and only then, will the desire of the heart be found. God is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

When the outward consecration is complete, you then go down before God for that deeper inner consecration so needful and priceless. Your very innermost soul and life is borne by the Spirit unto God, to obey His sacred will to live or die, go or stay, be or not to be anything only a broken vessel at His holy feet; like Hannah of old, when she went before the Lord, and her lips could not utter the desires of her heart but only her lips moved. She had gone far past words. She had made the outward consecration; she had sacrificed to God and done all that the law required. She said, "O God, if you give me a son. I will lend him to you all the days of his life." God gave her the desire of her heart. You make the inward consecration and you will keep it. The most wonderful thing about the inward consecration is that it can hardly be expressed in words, but understood by those who are pressing into God for His very best. Those that make these deep consecrations as a rule keep them unto life eternal.

Suffering with Christ is easily borne by the consecrated life. Many rejoice when God is pouring out His blessings upon them, but when He calls to suffer a little for Jesus' sake, so many fail. Often His hand of affliction is laid heavily upon the life, and the soul is caused to go through suffering and humiliation for Him. Many times it is permitted to test the faith and the consecration that has been made to Him. If it is let rest in His hands, God will clear it in time. When misjudged and many times things said of the child of God that are untrue, if it is accepted in the spirit, as Christ said, with all lowliness and meekness and long suffering, it will work out the peaceable fruits of righteousness to them that are exercised thereby.

If you desire real fragrance from a rose, crush the petals and the fragrance will flow out. The same with the child of God. Crush them with trial, affliction, suffering, and you will see, out of

that crushed life will come forth perfume and beauty that will bless those that come in contact with them, as well as make them a blessing to a lost world. Every Blood-washed saint that weathers the storm and makes the port, will thank God through all eternity for the moulding of His mighty hand, and will say then, if not now, "His ways are best," and not one would draw back from the guiding of His hand if they knew the glory that is to be revealed on that day. Many, through test and trial, have blossomed out into the most useful, unselfish and consecrated lives for God. The sweetness and beauty of the Holy Ghost has been manifest in such a way that you would scarcely recognize them as the same person.

Every honest heart is earnestly desiring to know the deeper things of God and to walk in deep consecration and obedience, willing, at any cost, for God to reveal the truth to them, in any way He sees fit. They are willing to have the Word of God and the Spirit reveal to them the true condition of their souls. It is a wonderful thing to have the whole heart open to God, that He may talk to you, show you your heart's condition before it is too late. Do you long for God to speak to you? If you fall before Him with a broken and contrite spirit, He will do the work. Open your heart to God and His holy Word; consecrate your all, and God will do the rest and make use of the consecrated vessel.

He will use anyone that is wholly consecrated to Him. Throw your life upon God, every avenue of your soul; have no ambition to be something great, but prostrate yourself at His feet; lay your life before Him; consecrate your all, and how quickly He will pick it up and make it a blessing.

There are heights and depths in God yet to be attained, and we are pressing into the holy place with Him, that we might draw the divine life of the Son of God into our lives daily, as the Spirit of God is drawing His children deeper and deeper, as the day approaches, as His coming draws near.

We cannot afford, in the last hour, to let the Word of God slip. We cannot afford, for one moment, to let the simplicity of the pure Gospel, the holy power of God, leave our lives, but we must press on, through every test, trial and opposing power of the enemy, to shed, if necessary, every drop of blood in our bodies for this great and glorious Gospel and God's eternal Word. Oh, for a million lives to give! Oh, for a million voices to proclaim! The true child of God can say everything is as nothing, compared to one moment in the service of God.

A DRUNKARD AND A MORPHINE FIEND.

A few years ago, I was down in the depths of sin, heart broken and miserable because of the awful life I was living. I left my home when only a girl of seventeen, had no intention of doing wrong at that time, but I came to this wicked city, and it was only a few months until I had gone to the bottom in sin. I very soon became a drunkard and a morphine fiend.

I tried many times in my own strength to quit the morphine but utterly failed. I also tried doctors and cures but they did me no good. One time when trying to give it up, I lost my mind, did not know anything for about three months. They took me home to mother. I seemed to get better after a few weeks, but that craving for morphine was still in my heart I had to have it, and I knew it wouldn't be long till I would be in my grave.

I believed there was a Heaven and a Hell, and I knew I was lost. One evening when out in sin, an officer arrested me and put me in jail. It seemed that was more than I could bear. I promised God, when I got out, I would live a different life. That very evening I heard some people out on the street singing and testifying. Right there God began talking to my heart. I followed them to a tent meeting, and as the Word of God was preached, tears of repentance ran down my face. I was glad to know there was a way out of sin. In a short time I was wonderfully converted. Old things passed away and all things became new. God took out those old habits and desires, and gave me peace and joy and rest that I never knew one could have in this life. The Lord sanctified me wholly and gave me the mighty baptism of the Holy Ghost and Fire. I love Jesus with all my heart and magnify the Blood that redeemed me – Kansas City, Mo.

A SAVED CHINAMAN.

Chinese Brother – "Glory to God, Jesus Christ is my Savior. Victory in my soul. Oh, how many years I was in the Chinese Mission. I could not get salvation. On my knees I prayed to God, and He said, 'Go to Burnside Mission.' I came to this hall, on my two knees prayed to God. God saved my soul. Victory in my heart. Every day I would go to the show, Saturday night go to the big theater. Sunday I would preach to the people. God said, 'You hypocrite.' I did not know how to get the victory – born again. I could not find a people to pray for me. Came to Burnside Mission, God spoke to me, washed all my sins away. Jesus Christ is my Savior. God is my God. I am so glad I found Him."

The name of Jesus is above every name. It is the only name published in these papers.

Foreign Apostolic Faith papers in Swedish, Norwegian, Finnish, Bohemian, Chinese, Armenian and German are published free at the Apostolic Faith Mission, Front and Burnside Streets, Portland, Oregon; also Portuguese, Dutch, French and Spanish tracts.

The Sanctifying Power Of the Shed Blood.

Entire sanctification is the utter destruction of the old nature. It is a perfect deliverance from inbred sin. It is the renewal of the whole soul in the image of Christ.

How the whole human race should rejoice to know that God, through the offering on the Cross of His Son Jesus Christ, comes into the heart and life and takes away the inbred nature, the depravity, the inbred sin, that came upon the whole human race through the fall, and that it can be eradicated and taken out, that we can live in this world with all tendency to Sin destroyed

through the Blood of Jesus who suffered without the gate to sanctify His people with His own Blood (Heb. 13:12), that the body of sin might be destroyed. The Bible here refers to the inbred nature, the inherited tendency to Sin, that is born in the whole human race.

The Sin in the Garden of Eden passed upon all men, for by one man's disobedience many were made sinners. We are sinners by birth, as well as sinners by choice (Psalms 51:5). Justification does not destroy the inbred sin, but sanctification, the second work of grace, does eradicate the Adamic nature. The roots of sin, all warrings within, traits that you have suppressed from a child, the Blood of Jesus destroys

The very Principle of the Salvation of Jesus Christ is the power of His shed Blood. This is the thing that people are denying. Higher criticism has crept into many of the churches today, and robbed them of their power with God. It has stolen away the purity, the virtue of the bride of Christ, the Church of the Firstborn.

There is no remission of sins without the Blood of Jesus Christ, and the Blood is not only for the cleansing away of actual committed Sins, but for the sanctifying from inbred and inherited sin. The Blood of Jesus is still flowing for the cleansing away of the old carnal nature.

Picture Jesus Christ hanging on the Cross, after He had bared His back to the scourgers and stripes, after He had received the crown of thorns and wore the purple robe of shame, then outside the gate, to Calvary's brow, on the cruel tree He shed His Blood, that He might save His people from their sins; that He might sanctify them and take out of the heart the inbred nature.

From the fall, sin passed upon the whole race. We are not responsible for the Adamic sin. We did not commit that sin. It was handed down to us from our forefathers. A little child that has never committed sin, if it passes away, is taken into the presence of God, through the righteousness of Christ. Jesus said "Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." But He expects those that have come to years of accountability to accept His plan and the remedy for sin He has provided

You are not responsible for inbred sin, but you are responsible if you do not get rid of it. God provided a remedy, and man must accept it or be lost.

The "works of the flesh" mentioned in Galatians 5:19-21, are in the unregenerate heart. Many do not go into out-broken sin; the sin may not necessarily be lived out, yet the sin is there. You may never have stolen, and yet have covetousness in the heart. If you covet something belonging to another, and wish you could take it, you are a thief in your heart as much as if you took it. If you have hatred in your heart against a person, though you have never spoken a word against them, Jesus says you are a murderer. That is the tree of the unregenerate heart that is bearing fruit in the life of a sinner.

Others do go into out-broken sin, and have not power to refrain. This is the reason that thousands are behind the bars today; while many more have stolen or committed crimes and are not there. Their sins have not been discovered; thus they go free until the Judgment. This is the awful condition of the unregenerate heart. Though you keep these things covered up, or restrained in

the heart, that does not make the unregenerate heart any less corrupt. "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked."

Sin, hatred and anger are inherited. Many murderers inherit that sin from their fathers or forefathers, and in an unguarded moment they might commit murder or some atrocious crime, as one poor boy said of late just before he was hanged, "I hope you believe I did not mean to do it." In anger or self-defense he did the deed, and had to pay the penalty of the law for the same.

It was a wonderful thing when Jesus Christ hung on the Cross and provided the great remedy that would free the human soul from all inherited crime. The first man Adam brought the curse of sin upon the whole race. The second man Adam came with power to redeem. The new birth sets the heart free from sin. Christ was made a curse for us, to redeem us back and restore us to the place in God He purchased for us in His awful death. The important thing is whether we are going to yield our lives to Him, the great Redeemer, the Emancipator that God gave to this sin-cursed world – are we going to let Him have control?

"Be thou Perfect." We have in the life of Abraham a wonderful type of sanctification. Gen. 17:1-2. God had called him to go out into a land that He would show him, and he obeyed and went, not knowing whither he went. He was justified before God, and was afterward sanctified and received God's witness and covenant. He was ninety-nine years old when the Lord appeared to him and said. "I am the Almighty God; walk before Me, and be thou **perfect**."

Abraham had been true to God; now God was calling him to a more perfect walk with Him. He was calling him into the deep and wonderful experience of sanctification, "holiness unto the Lord." He was to be perfect in life, in heart, in thought. God was going to do a perfect work in his heart; and he received the witness or sign, the outward covenant of circumcision; and he also received the inward, which was greater, for "circumcision is that of the heart."

Circumcision is a perfect type of sanctification. When the Hebrew child was eight days old, it received the rite of circumcision. First, born an Israelite, then circumcised. Under grace we are born again, and then sanctified as a subsequent work. We cannot be sanctified till we receive the new birth.

It Is Always a Second Work. Many have taught that one can be born again and sanctified at the same time. This is contrary to the Word of God. He could indeed have done it at once. He has the power; but He never does anything contrary to His Word. He could have made the world in one day. He had the power; but He did it in six days. That was His plan in creation, and He had a reason for it. And it is His plan of salvation that one work of grace should follow another. It takes two works of grace for fallen humanity to be delivered from the bruise of the fall.

The Inheritance of Canaan. God gave unto Abraham all the land of Canaan for an everlasting possession, and to His seed after him. And not only to Israel but to us today; God has promised to lead us into the "promised land" of our inheritance. We have the fruits of Canaan, the joy and rest and victory in our souls, and the time is coming when we shall "inherit the earth," and come back to this earth, those that are full overcomers, to reign with Christ in His literal reign of a thousand years. Rev. 20:6. Today we are pilgrims and strangers, and have no certain dwelling

place and receive the "reproach of the Cross"; but those that attain unto the First Resurrection will come back with Christ, when He comes to reign during the great Millennium.

Isaiah's Vision. The prophet Isaiah was clearly sanctified when he had that marvelous vision, and saw "The Lord Sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and His train filled the temple." Isa. 6:1-7. Isaiah was a prophet of the Lord at that time, and no one could doubt that he was a justified soul, yet at the sight of the opened Heavens, the seraphims and the wonderful voice that caused the posts of the door to move, he cried out, "Woe is me! for I am undone." And what soul would not see their need of holiness in the presence of such a vision.

God was calling this prophet to a closer walk with Him, that he might have the power of God in his life. Then flew one of the seraphims, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar, and he laid it upon his mouth, and said, "Lo, this hath touched thy lips, and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged." God took out of his heart the inbred sin and he went on to be the greatest prophet of the Lord.

The moment any soul will make complete consecration, God will cleanse the heart. That moment faith brings the Blood, and the Spirit witnesses to your heart that the work is done. The root of sin is destroyed through the perfect offering of Jesus Christ, the very nature of sin is eradicated, destroyed by the Blood.

God Wants You to Have the Experience. If you have not faith, you can get the faith. Take the Word of God for your foundation. Start this very hour. If you have inborn traits of character that you cannot fully overcome, God will take them out, and give you the overcoming power. It is the Word of God. There is no inherited depravity for which the death on the Cross did not provide power to eradicate.

Every soul born again hungers for sanctification; every soul sanctified hungers for the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. God has provided the mighty Baptism of the Holy Ghost in these last days. He has sent the Comforter, the Third Person of the Trinity, down in to this earth, that we might be anointed from Heaven to do the work God has called upon us to do. It is the promise of the Father, the Baptism of the Holy Ghost and Fire, the same that fell upon the disciples in the beginning.

"He Shall Baptize You with the Holy Ghost, and with Fire." Matt. 3:11. On the day of Pentecost, that promise was fulfilled; tongues of fire rested upon them. Acts 2:3, 4. God said, "On My servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of My Spirit; and they shall prophesy" Acts 2:18. He was speaking of the early and latter rain. The fire is falling in these last days. It is not visible in the outward flame, but it is the inward power of the Holy Ghost that is manifest in the life. The inmost being is kindled and aflame with holy love and power for service.

For the past fifteen years, there has been a mighty outpouring of the Holy Ghost. Many sanctified souls have been endued with power from on high. The miracle of speaking in tongues, the Bible evidence of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, has been witnessed by thousands, and many have been anointed to witness and preach the Gospel, and lay hands on the sick, the Lord working

with them and confirming His Word with signs following.

Anyone who wants salvation and needs a friend, may write to the Mission at Front and Burnside Sts. We will be glad to pray for you and help you find the peace and joy you read about in this paper.

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The Light of the World is Jesus

The whole world was lost in the darkness of sin.

The Light of the World is Jesus!

Like sunshine at noonday, His glory shone in;

The Light of the World is Jesus!"

"And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me."

The old Tear Stained Altar at Front and Burnside Mission has been sprinkled with many penitent tears, rolling down the cheeks of hardened men and fallen women, church members and fashionable women. They all come the same way, people of all classes, by repentance and Godly sorrow for sin.

Souls are being saved every night. The altar bench is often wet with tears, as men pour out their hearts to God in prayer in real repentance. It is a wonderful sight to see the light of salvation break over the faces, as they rise from their knees, praising God.

When sinners come to the altar, they are not asked to join or give their names, or profess anything. They fall on their knees and the workers pray with them. They pray till they know for themselves that they are saved. They get a witness from Heaven. Their life is changed, and the first thing, they want to tell their friends and make their past right.

Many times we have seen those that were hardened in sin, had not shed a tear for years, and we have seen them melt down before the wonderful, supernatural power of God, come to the altar and weep tears of a broken and contrite, heart, saying, "God be merciful to me, a sinner."

Many sinners are coming to the altar at every service, for salvation. At one Sunday morning meeting a whole family came to the altar and was saved. One of the daughters, after she was saved, put her arms around her sister and prayed for her. They wept together, the father and brother kneeling by their side. Five in one family all rejoiced together for what God had done for them. The young man has been making restitution that would have put him behind the prison bars, but God went before him and softened the hearts of the officials and they know that God has done something real in his life.

A fallen woman came to the Mission five years ago, that was a drunkard, had lung trouble and used morphine. She was prayed for and delivered from the drink and morphine, and healed, but

failed to give her heart to God, even after He had done so much for her, but after five years, in an eastern city, when in trouble, she told God if He would deliver her out of it and get her back to Portland, she would come to the Mission where God had delivered her from so much, and give her heart and life to Him. She came into the Mission Hall soon afterwards, and was wonderfully saved, is praising God for what He has done for her.

A Chinese boy was saved, that was a professor in the schools in China. He came to this country with his father. His father died and he shipped the body back to China, and came to the Mission. God wonderfully saved him and he stood with his face beaming and said that he was going back to China and tell his mother and sisters about this great salvation that he had found. He said they were worshipping idols. We hold street meetings in Chinatown and our returned Chinese missionaries and our Chinese brother tell the Story in the Chinese language. The sick have been healed among the Chinese, and they come to the Mission, and several have been saved.

God is working among the Syrians and Greek Catholics. It is wonderful to hear them tell in the Mission how God delivered them from the powers of darkness, Catholicism and sin. A Syrian contractor tells how God saved him, how he had been a gambler and used tobacco for years, and how he had gone from church to church, seeking for reality. He said he would go in and come out the same, but the first night he came to the Mission God seemed to pour the water in his heart, and it opened up the Fountain of Life and brought him to the altar and he was wonderfully saved. The workers were called to the home of a little Syrian boy that has been very sick with leakage of the heart. He was converted and saw a vision of Jesus and the disciples, and Jesus told him that he was one of His disciples. He kept his Bible in his bed, close to him, and is a real little Christian. A Syrian mother testified with tears and praise to God how God has brought her daughter from the old country to the Mission. It is almost impossible for foreigners to come here since the war, but God answered prayer and brought her in a wonderful way, that she, too, might find this salvation that her people have found.

A Belgian man and wife came to the All Nations Meeting and went to the altar for salvation. The husband had been watching the life of a converted Polish Catholic brother in the car shops where they were working together. He marveled at the patience of this brother as he was persecuted by his Catholic companions about him. He would bow his head at noon and ask God to bless his food. This all brought great conviction upon this Belgian man, which eventually brought them to the "Old Homestead" and to the altar, where so many have been so wonderfully saved in the great revival that is going on.

An Advent woman was wonderfully saved and as the Blood of Jesus flowed over her soul, she felt a warm wave and began to praise God that she was saved by the Blood of Jesus. She said she had never known what it was to be born again though she had been seeking for years. Her mother is also saved and sanctified. A woman came to the Mission and fell at the altar weeping, and was wonderfully saved, that had been walking all day on the banks of the "Willamette, trying to find a place to throw herself in and commit suicide.

A Bohemian Brother – "I thank God for what He has done for me. I praise God for victory. I was like a dog, in box cars from place to place. I praise God, He took the devil out. Oh, I praise

the Son of God! Full of the devil, full of sin, whiskey and beer, I heard a testimony on the street. He cast the devil out, keeps me from sin. I praise the Son of God."

A New Convert – "I am starting in to make my past right with God at any cost. God saved me last night at the Mission. I will never be able to tell in words how thankful I am. I feel saved completely for the first time in my life. Thank God, He had mercy on me. I thought I was a real good man, but when I got down at the altar, and opened my heart to God and asked Him to take out the sins, I found I had more than I ever thought of before."

A Man from Helena, Montana, heard the Gospel at one of the street meetings and went to his hotel and made a complete surrender of his life to God, and came to the Mission. He writes, "I know that I have been saved by God's grace and the Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I am now seeking sanctification, and after that the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and to that end I make full and complete consecration of my life to God."

A Spanish man has been saved. He came here from Spokane. A man had offered him five hundred dollars to go into the "moonshine" business. As he came to this city, on the train, he saw the electric sign, JESUS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD, and God spoke to him that he would be with these people some day. He went to gambling worse than ever, but he heard the Gospel on the street and came and God saved him. He is starting to translate the tracts into Spanish, also understands Italian and Portuguese.

"I am redeemed from an awful life. I treat my family right these days. My wife used to come in the dark hours of the night to bring me home from the card tables to my family. It took the power of God to get me out of that life. I was bound with tobacco for twenty years. It sapped me of my strength. I could hardly support my family. I thank God, I am free tonight. I thank God for the little paper that came into my home way back in Wyoming. God spoke down in my soul and said, 'Here is your people.' I thank God, these are my people and my God is their God."

"I praise God, I ever heard that Christians live without sin. So many years I struggled to be a Christian, but always condemnation on my heart. I feared death and the judgment, and my life was just one round of misery. After I waded through all kinds of doctrines, God led me among the people that preach the simple Word of God, and the first meeting that I was in I felt as if I had come home at last. Oh, I thank God for the rest He gave me. He gave me grace to confess my sins and make my wrongs right. I found victory in that wonderful Christ of Calvary."

A County Commissioner writes: "I used to spend my time in pool halls and picture shows. Traveled all over the country, trying to satisfy my soul, but I never found it. Glory to God, He brought me to the Camp Meeting last summer.

"One night as I was sitting in the big tent, the preacher was telling about the parting of the ways, and it seemed he was pointing right down at me. Then I went to praying, and prayed and prayed; and on the 5th of September, at about seven o'clock in the morning, I got rid of my burden. Glory to God for the old time religion. I have something in my heart these days that is better than a thousand worlds."

"I used to be bound by sin, habits and appetites. I started out in life to make my way in the world, but once away from the old homestead, I was in sin. I was behind the bars and went down deeper than ever. I rode on the rods and knocked at the back doors. I thought if I could get a home of my own, I could live a different life, but it all failed. But God called me to serve Him. I asked God to have mercy on me a sinner. I was wrecked financially, physically and every other way. That night the appetites were broken, and God changed my life. He planted a purpose down in my heart that night to serve Him. Never one of those habits and appetites came back into my life."

I was dying and going into hell, lying in the hospital, bleeding from my lungs. I had the doctors, six of them, look in my face and tell me there was no hope for me. And I will never forget a vision Jesus gave me. I saw myself hung on a long rope, and I was hanging by one hand and just ready to let go, and beneath me was the bottomless pit. Right in the midst, I saw Heaven opened and a great arm and hand reached down and a hand touched me. At that moment, my whole body and soul was illuminated. The nurses took away the screens, and I lay there with the tears streaming down my face, singing, "Where He leads me, I will follow." And I am glad He led me to the place where I am tonight, the place where they prayed for me. I have been here six years, praising Jesus for this wonderful Gospel."

An Infidel came into the Mission hall. He had been reading the Bible but only to try to prove it untrue; and as he entered, the minister was saying: – "All things were made by Him. People forget that God made everything. He stretched out the heavens in their place, and numbered the stars. And after all, how little is man. Just worms of the dust, walking upon God's footstool that was created for man. If people only knew that the God that created them has all power to destroy sin and disease – "And right there God spoke to that infidel and said, "Let God be true and every man a liar." And he was saved before he reached his seat and knelt there. He came up to the altar at the close, rejoicing and telling what God had done for him.

"I thought I was a Christian at one time, but nobody told me to quit chewing tobacco and pay my honest debts. I would sit in the church in the South, and spit out of the window. They would call on the brothers to get up and testify. Sometimes I would get up and put up a long "speel" and say I felt so unworthy. They would say, 'O brother, we all feel that same way, none of us are good,' and I reckon that was so. But I have got a different story these days. I had chewed tobacco for thirty-five years, but the night I throwed it in the river out here, the filthy old habit lift me. I thank and praise God for the religion that can take a rogue and make an honest man out of him. Thank God He gives you victory over sin and gives you good health. There was an old cancer in my side, been there seventeen years, caused by a fall. We sent a little handkerchief here, and before the handkerchief came back, I was sound and well. That sore was made new flesh. Not a scar left. It is real."

"I rolled out of an old box car, when I landed in this town. I knew I was lost and on my way to hell, but I heard these testimonies, and God Almighty convicted me of my sins, and I offered up one honest prayer to God, and He saved me. I made a good many efforts trying to make a man of myself, but one day I was arrested and marched up the street, handcuffed, with about twelve other boys, sentenced to the rock pile to spend my Christmas. I had left a good home. I had all a young man could have, money and good resolutions. I saw it all fail. I needed something real in

my life. I prayed many prayers when I was in trouble, but when I confessed my sins, God Almighty saved me, and that is why I am here with the victory in my soul."

"Lying in solitary confinement in an old reformatory, I never knew the Blood of Jesus could take sin out. I tried and tried with everything in me to give up the haunts of sin. I went home to my dear old mother, and when I saw the tears trickling down her face, I said, 'I will try to do better for mother's sake.' But even as I sat at the table with my brothers and sisters, those haunts of shame would come up before me, and I would go away and drink and drink. One night I went into a little Mission so discouraged. I had the diamonds and fine clothes that I had sold my virtue for, but that night my heart communed with the great God of Heaven, and the moment my prayer reached God on His throne, the Spirit came into my heart, and that moment I became a new creature. There was not a desire for those haunts of shame. The next day I did not want the whiskey, the cigarettes, I didn't care for anything but Jesus. I was a keeper of those houses of shame, and I went back and made the past straight. I praise the great God of Heaven tonight!"

Vancouver, B. C. – "I never had opportunity to give my testimony in Portland. I suppose you have never known I was born again in the Mission there at the ordinance service. The story of my three months' seeking and of how I came in that ordinance meeting a sinner, is too long to detail here. But I thank God I was there with an honest heart.

"A brother read from the Word, and truly the Word of God went home to my heart as I sat in the back of the hall, sharper than any two-edged sword, and as he spoke, the Holy Spirit revealed to me what a terrible sinner I was, and I was afraid.

"As the saints went to prayer I dropped on my knees, weeping in true repentance, and in agony of soul. I cried out, 'O God make me worthy.' As I knelt my heart was breaking, and it seemed my throat was bound. Those were the only words I could utter, and I believe I only spoke them once, but the Spirit of God was upon me, and the answer came back.

"God gave me a vision: I saw the Blood of Jesus wash away my sins; I saw Him on the Cross. All in a moment of time, these scenes passed before my spiritual sight; and then He appeared glorified in the clouds. O beloved in the Lord, He is coming again, He is coming soon!

"I always feel, in trying to relate this experience, I have failed. I cannot make you feel the agony of soul, or make you see the vision God gave, so wonderful! and so beautiful! and I cannot describe the thrill of joy or the deep, sweet sense of peace and rest that seemed to settle down over my soul, but this I know in that hour I was born of God. I thank God He keeps me. Pray that God will sanctify me."

"I WAS A RADICAL IN POLITICS."

Three years ago, in the heat of this great war, I turned to God. It was nothing but the sorrow of the war, and the hatred I saw in people's hearts, that turned me to God. I was a Radical in politics. I was for peace, not for destructive methods. I knew there were people that their whole life was a desperate struggle against poverty. I believe in the brotherhood of man. I believed one

day we would take our battle ships out in the ocean and sink them, and there would be a great peace on earth.

The brotherhood of man became a religion with me. I was trying to live it out, but could not do it. When God saved my soul, I knew that was all vanity and vexation of spirit. I know there will be great peace on earth, but it will be through Jesus Christ. I saw it all fail. I tried to live down all race prejudice, but a man cannot do that without God.

When the war broke out, the anti-war people turned and wanted war, and our own boys started out to the great slaughter, and I saw hatred in the hearts of the people, and I looked in my own heart and saw hatred and murder there, and this brotherhood of man was all a myth. I saw that only God could make a man love his brother as himself. In the midst of it all, I sought God and found God. I was sin-sick and tired of the world. I never got five minutes peace in my life. I wanted the love of God in my heart.

I would say, "Some day I will be a Christian," but condemnation came on me I could not shake off, and I could not sleep night after night.

I looked at the great war, and in desperation I turned to the Word of God. I saw in Christ the great Teacher, the things I contended for. I saw more than that, I saw His pure spirit, I saw His mercy extended to me. I got on my knees and told God I loved His ways and I wanted Him to come into my life and save my soul.

Out in Wyoming I was staying in a home where they read the Bible and prayed, and all I could do was to cry like a baby. And before I left those old hills, I had the glory of God in my life. I knew then that a man could not love his brother as himself unless he had the love of God in his heart.

I went home to my family, told my boys, told them all, what God had done for me, and we went to praying. God saved them; He sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost. I work in one of the largest stores down town. They think I am peculiar. I know it is a peculiar thing for a barber to have salvation in his soul. They say to me, "Don't you ever go to shows, races, ball games? Don't you ever smoke cigarettes?" I tell them I used to have all those habits. I used to gamble and smoke cigarettes for almost thirty years, but I have no desire for those things. I only have a desire to serve God. I praise Him for this wonderful salvation.

"I WENT TO THE HOLY MASS."

At one time I was a Roman Catholic. I went to the holy mass, confessed my sins to the priest for years, kept the fast days, but all that never brought peace in my soul. I always had the same condemnation of sins unforgiven in my heart. For years I was hungry to know God and to serve Him, but I didn't know how. I had no one to tell me the way out of sin. I longed to have something real in my life, something that would make me happy and give me peace and victory every day. I had never seen the inside of a Bible in my life, but I praise God for His faithfulness to my unworthy soul. He didn't leave me in that awful darkness, but one day He opened my

blinded eyes and brought me into the light of this wonderful Gospel. God is faithful to every soul in these last days. All He wants is an honest heart.

I had a neighbor, a young man of nineteen years, that had walked on crutches for fifteen years. He was given up by the doctors as a hopeless case; but the mother of this boy heard about this people, and she had them come out and pray for her boy. The people of God came and prayed according to the Word of God (James 5:14, 15), and God instantly healed him.

"When I saw that case, I knew then that God was still alive and hears prayers. I went to the Mission, and there, for the first time in my life, I heard this people testify to what God had done for them. I heard them from all walks of life, and all had the same Story, a Story of victory and peace. Right there God convicted me of my sins, and my heart just longed to have what this people had. I told God that night that if He would give me what this people had, I would give Him my life.

Four days after that I went back to the Mission and made my way to the altar. I looked to Jesus, and just like a little child, with simple faith, I asked Him to be merciful to me, a sinner, and in that moment, the Blood of Jesus came down and washed all my sins away. It was so wonderful – such a sweet peace came in my soul. I knew right there that I was a child of God; I was born again, born of the Spirit of God. That was ten years ago, and these have been the ten happiest years of my life. God took all the sorrow and dissatisfaction out of my heart. He gave me new desires. I have a happy home today. God saved my husband and we are praising God for the Old Time Religion that comes down from Heaven and makes soul and body happy.

He heals our bodies when we are sick. For the last ten years I have trusted Him for my healing, and for my children, and I have never seen Him fail. We have had all kinds of sickness in our home, but the Lord has always healed us. I can recommend this wonderful Gospel to everyone. I count it the greatest privilege in the world to tell what God has done for me.

A HOME ALMOST BROKEN UP.

Misery prevailed in our home beyond description. We quarreled bitterly. I had about completed plans to leave my husband. I made up my mind if I could not get peace in new surroundings, I would abandon myself entirely and for all time to the evil that had grown in my heart. Those nearest and dearest to me knew nothing of the awful corruptness of my life for three years. I had it covered with lies and other manners of deception.

But one Sunday afternoon one of these papers was handed to my husband and son, from an automobile. They had just left a picture show, and I and my little girls were visiting in another part of the city. In that awful condition of mind and heart I hungrily read the testimonies contained in that paper. Oh, could it be possible that there was peace and pardon for one who had so outrageously sinned against God and man!

One Sunday night shortly after found me drinking in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and His power to save. Monday morning following found me on my knees in my attic, agonizing with God to

pardon me for Jesus' sake. Two years have rolled by, and oh, He grows dearer each step. How He has kept me by Divine power from committing sin – all desire for it is gone. Pardon met my every confession, for which my heart praises God. – St. Louis, Mo.

"A Great Gulf Fixed."

"There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores." Luke 16:19-31.

The rich man passed the beggar at his gate. He was desiring to be fed with the crumbs that fell from the rich man's table. He was covered with sores; there was no one to bind up his wounds, and the dogs came and licked his sores. And he died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom. The rich man died also and went to hell. There he lifted up his eyes, being in torments, and saw Lazarus afar off, and recognized him as being the beggar that sat at his gate. There will be many in hell that will recognize the children of God afar off, in Abraham's bosom, that would not recognize them here.

God said, "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." One thing you cannot escape is death. Death is on the track of every man. You may say, "I am young, I am in my prime." You don't know what moment God will sound the death knell and call you into eternity. God says, Prepare to meet your God. If you are prepared to Die, you will be prepared to live.

The rich man had his good things here. He was respected by his friends; he was clothed in royal apparel and fared sumptuously every day – but he died. There is one thing certain, you will die. People are straining every effort to live. But with God's blessing on your life, it will not matter to you whether you live or die. The reason people are making such a desperate effort to live is that they are not ready to die. They have a fear of judgment in their hearts. These are the kind of people that do not want to believe in hell. It disturbs their peace. If there is any truth contained in the Bible that interferes with your peace, you better know it here, and now, than to wake up in the same condition as the rich man.

"In hell he lifted up his eyes." There is a place called hell. The Word of God says it is a place of torment, and there is a way of avoiding it. "Repent and believe the Gospel." "Christ died for us." No sinner will ever go to hell but that God has proven faithful in convincing his soul of sin. The Holy Ghost has striven times without number to save that heart before it plunges into eternal destruction. No man will have an excuse when he faces the judgment bar of God.

Where are the dead? The Bible declares that the saved dead are with Christ in Paradise, and the wicked dead enter upon a state of punishment and suffering, at death. The statement of Russellism or anybody else cannot alter the fact of eternal judgment of the wicked, as stated in Matt. 25:46 – "Everlasting punishment."

Death fixes the destiny of the human soul. You will face the God of Heaven in the very condition in which you left the world. "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still." Rev. 22:11. No purgatory, no place where you can be freed from the sins of your life. They have gone on record against you. Nothing but the mercy of the Lamb of Calvary can erase that record that is against you on the books of Heaven. God's eternal Word plainly declared that "After death the judgment." He did not say, After death another chance; He did not say, After death purgatory. There is no possibility of gaining the favor of the God of Heaven after the door is closed. As the tree falleth so shall it lie.

The rich man prayed but he prayed too late. Would to God that people would pray when alive, right down here in this world. He did not get his petitions through in hell. It shows it is the wrong place to pray and plead with God, from the flames of torment. He cried and said, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame." The fact was that he was not a child of Abraham, for if he had been he would have been in Abraham's bosom when he died. He was a sinner in the sight of God, and he met the reward of a sinner after he passed from this earth. There is a host of people that are going to call for mercy after they are dead, but it will be too late.

Abraham said, "Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things." Hell will be a place of remembrance. You will remember your sins, the times you spurned the love of God, and trampled under your feet your own conscience that would have led you in the way of righteousness and to Jesus Christ. You will remember all these things if you reject the mercy of God, and lose your soul in hell.

"And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed." God has fixed a gulf. The moment you pass out of time into eternity, that gulf is fixed between you and God. There is a time when the good and bad of earth will be separated; and those that are righteous in the sight of God will reap their reward, to enter into the joy of the Lord and be "forever with the Lord." And the wicked will be banished from the presence of the Lord, and punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord. To an immortal soul, created to enjoy the presence of God forever, that is the most awful loss that can be imagined or come to an immortal soul.

Eternity begins when you pass out of this world. Your destiny is sealed for Heaven or hell. The wicked will hear the sentence, "Depart from Me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels." Matt. 25:41. What an unspeakable curse! And that is not all. Jesus spoke those emphatic words, "Where their worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched." A guilty conscience, condemnation, shame, sorrow, loss, a sense of the wrath of God, an awakened conscience to realize the enormity of sin against Almighty God; having spurned His mercy and done despite unto the Spirit of grace, and all the unholy passions within the soul – all these things will eat the soul like a canker. "And the fire is not quenched."

Then what did the rich man say? "Send Lazarus to my father's house: for I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment." Meditate on this, you who are not so anxious for your friends to hear this Gospel. We have heard people say, "If I go to hell, I will have plenty of company." That will only add to your misery. There will be those

there that your influence has dragged down with you. There will be no friendship in hell. The company of the lost and damned will bring no enjoyment, but added misery.

Do the dead return to earth? No. The Bible clearly teaches that the dead do not and cannot return. No one ever came back from that unknown country but the Lord Himself, and He came with a message of salvation, and told about the rich man that opened his eyes in hell, and the poor beggar that went to Heaven. The angels are ministering spirits sent to minister to them that shall be heirs of salvation, but the spirits of the dead never return. God never does anything contrary to His Word.

Spiritualism is satan's delusion, the work of demons. Thousands of these evil spirits are deceiving the people, demons feigning themselves to be the spirits of the departed dead. People are going to the hired mediums and darkened closets and to the ouija boards, many of them going insane and being filled with fear. They tell them that their friends are here, and that all the wicked are happy, that there is no hell. Spiritualism is "an abomination unto the Lord."

God did not send Lazarus back. It is true God could have bodily raised him from the dead and sent him, but God never does anything that is unnecessary. Abraham said, "If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead." If those brothers of the rich man had been honest at heart, they would have taken heed to the words of Moses and the prophets, and that would have led them to Jesus Christ.

Men that reject the truth of the Word of God would not believe though one came out of the grave and proclaimed that there was a place of torment. If they reject the words of Jesus in this parable, or any part of it, they seal their own damnation.

Those in hell have proved the Word of God true, to their sorrow. In hell they lifted up their eyes, being in torment. Whether they were rich or whether they were beggared; if they rejected the way of salvation, the offer of mercy, they did it to their own destruction and damnation. You can be one that, at the last, will be convinced of hell, by actually going there and seeing for yourself. Many an infidel and scoffer has, on his death bed, had an earnest of hell in his own breast. Why not believe because God said so? It will be too late when you get on the other side of the gulf that is fixed.

These modern religions, these concoctions that have been spewed out of the pit in these last days, denying hell and decoying souls, leading them astray by the thousands, accept a doctrine that is delightful to the carnal heart, a delusion, believing that God will open the gates of Heaven and let the unbelievers and blasphemers in.

Foolish generation, believing there is no hell, when God said there was! The enemy deceiving, catching the truth out of the hearts that have heard the Word, that he might take men down to a literal, burning hell! It is time the world was being stirred to realize the fearfulness of falling into the hands of the living God, unrepentant and unprepared. Thousands are slipping over the awful precipice. Read Matt. 13:49, 50; Rev. 20:15; Mark 9:43-48.

Do not think that God would cast our first parents out of the Garden of Eden and close the gates against them, and cast the angels out of Heaven when they sinned, and bind them in chains of everlasting darkness; and let man go into Heaven with all their sin. None will ever enter the pearly gates with sin in the heart.

The choice is made here. It is impossible for any creature to be lost but by their own act and deed. God says, "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve." The day is coming when every soul that has made their choice of a miserable eternity, through a misspent life unrepented of, will acknowledge in the presence of men and angels that their sentence is just.

No doubt they in hell would cross that great gulf if they could; but the Redeemed in Heaven do not desire to. In this world they made their choice forever, to walk with Christ the Lord, the One that was despised and rejected of men. As a child of God, you go through your pilgrim journey here below, praising God for the sun shine and rain and all that God allows to cross your path, but when you wake in eternity, what a glorious morning for the weary pilgrim, that has fought the good fight of faith and laid hold on eternal life. "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing." II Tim. 4:8.

We have stood at the bedside of saints that have passed into eternity, and it seemed we were going right to the gates of Heaven with them. Oh, the wonderful power of God's saving grace! But what a difference when you witness the death of a sinner, one who has rejected God and lived in sin. There is no peace there, no angels, no glory, no smile on the face as they pass out into eternity. Alas, it was too late to repent.

"Now is the day of salvation," while you are in health, while you have the power of choice. A deathbed is a poor place to get right with God. The place of repentance is now, when life is coursing through your veins. Then you will have the eternal God of Heaven dwelling in your mortal body, living out the life of Christ, a living testimony to yourself and a lost world.

Will you settle it that you will never make your bed in hell? You have everything to gain by being a Christian, and everything to lose by serving the devil. Make the Lord your final choice and start for Heaven tonight.

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