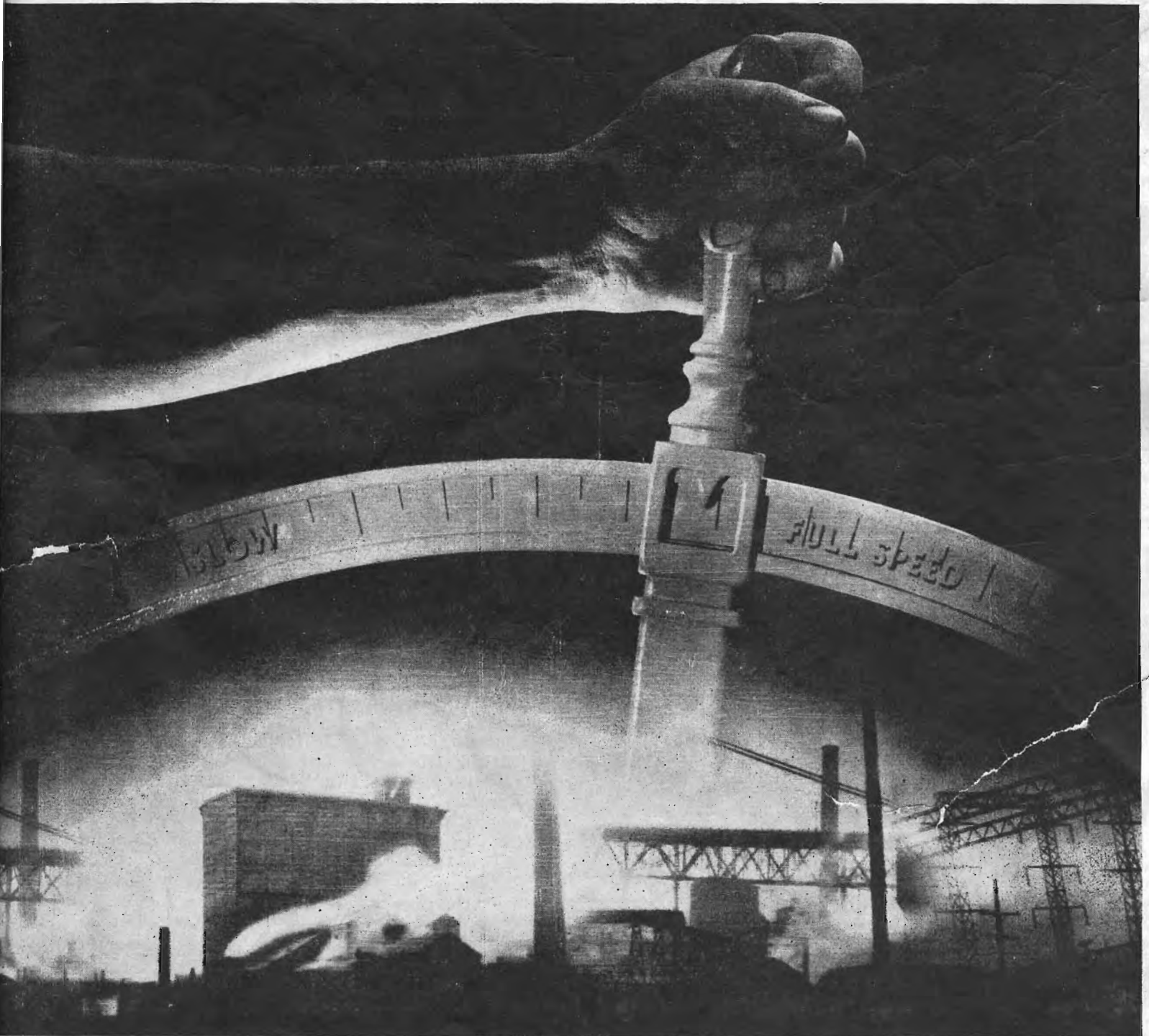


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# Outlook

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*Full Speed Ahead for God!*

# WHEN GOD BECAME MAN

By Sam Officer

## Mystery of Mysteries

One day a little Babe was born in a very rude and obscure place in a small and humble city. His expected arrival was not announced to the world. His mother was not widely known. Finding no room in the crowded inn, the lonely couple retreated to a stable, and, there in the dark hours of the night, while the city was sleeping, the little stranger arrived. No one suspected anything out of the ordinary, but the birth of that little Babe set all the bells of Heaven to ringing.

A bright new star appeared in the heavens, and an angel hastened to a group of shepherds to announce the "glad tidings of great joy," while the illuminating light of Heaven encircled the astonished shepherds. Dispelling the darkness of the night, suddenly the lone angel was joined by a whole multitude of the heavenly host, chanting the joyful refrain, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth, peace, good will toward men."

When the angel had gone, the shepherds sped to Bethlehem, to see the new-born Babe. From the distant East came three Wise Men with costly gifts to present to Him, and soon, Jerusalem was stirred. Even the king was troubled. The birth of that humble Child had moved Heaven and earth. Who could He be? Why all the commotion about His birth? It was a mystery of great mysteries, but that new-born Babe was none other than the Mighty God, the Lord, the Creator of Heaven and earth Who was born of a virgin, and came into the world in the likeness of man, to dwell among us. "They shall call His Name Emmanuel, which, being interpreted, is, God with us." Matthew 1:23.

The angel unmistakably announced Who He was. The angel said: "Unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, Which is Christ, the Lord."

Many times in the Old Testament God is spoken of as the Lord God, the Lord Jehovah, the Lord thy God, etc., and now the angel announces that the Babe of Bethlehem is Christ, the Lord. Since the Old and New Testaments emphatically declare that there is only one Lord, then it is very evident that the Lord Jesus of the New Testament and the Lord God of the Old Testament is the same Lord. Paul tells us in Romans, chapter ten, that the same Lord is rich over both Jew and Gentile. The following Scriptures taken from the Old and New Testaments will prove conclusively that the Lord God of the Old Testament is the Lord Jesus of the New Testament.

The Lord God is the only Saviour, Isa. 43:10,11.  
The Lord Jesus is the only Saviour, Titus 1:4.

The Lord God is the First and the Last, Isaiah 44:6.  
The Lord Jesus is the First and the Last, Revelation 2:8.

The Lord God will reign forever, Psalms 140:10.  
The Lord Jesus will reign forever, Luke 1:33.

The Lord God said, "I am He," Isaiah 43:10.  
The Lord Jesus said, "I am He," John 8:24.

The Lord God is King of Israel, Isaiah 43:15.  
The Lord Jesus is King of Israel, Matthew 27:37.

The Lord God is Lord alone, Nehemiah 9:6,7.  
Jesus is Lord, Acts 9:5.

The Lord God is Almighty, Genesis 17:1.  
The Lord Jesus is Almighty, Revelation 1:3.

Other Scriptures that prove beyond a shadow of a doubt that the Babe of Bethlehem was the Lord God Almighty: The Child, a Son "shall be called the Mighty God and the Everlasting Father. . . ." Isaiah 9:6.

He Who was born in Bethlehem was from everlasting. Micah 5:2.

The Lord Jesus lived before Abraham. John 8:56-58.

Thomas acknowledged Jesus to be God, John 20:28.

Now that it has been established by the Scriptures that the Lord Jesus is God, the next step is to see when He became the Son.

## When did the Sonship Begin?

Was Jesus a Son in eternity with God before His birth in Bethlehem? If so, when did He become a Son? Was He as old as the Father? Who was His mother, then? What became of His body when He was born in Bethlehem? Was He born twice—once in eternity, and again in Bethlehem? Did He have two fathers and two mothers? Oh, no! That is not the right understanding of God and the Son. In eternity was an invisible Spirit without flesh and bones, Who alone created the heavens and the earth, Isaiah 37:16; 44:24; Job 9:8. He Himself declared that there was no one else with Him, and that He created the earth by Himself, Isaiah 45:5. There is no Saviour, He said, but Himself, Isaiah 43:11. It was He, the only Lord God and only Saviour, Who came into

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# A study of the Minor Prophets- *Hosea*

By S. G. Norris

## An Unusual Demand

There are, in reality, two sections in the Book of Hosea. The first is covered in the first three chapters and the second from chapter four to the end. The Word of the Lord evidently came to this Minor Prophet over a period of many years according to the very first verse. However, the period of his prophecy was one of the most broken in all the history of Israel. We shall be content to focus our thoughts upon that time which seems most clear, namely, from the death of Jeroboam the second, 743 B. C., to approximately 734 B. C., i.e., over a space of ten years.

At the very beginning, we find a most unusual demand of the Lord upon this prophet. He was told to take an unfaithful woman by the name of Gomer to be his wife. This does not mean necessarily that she was untrue to her marriage vows in the first years of their family life, but it is certainly very clear that soon afterwards she played the harlot and broke the heart of her prophet-husband. Evidently all went well with Hosea and Gomer until after their first son was born. His name was Jezreel, meaning, "God will avenge the blood of Jezreel upon the house of Jehu." This literally took place at the death of Jeroboam II, for it was then that the dynasty of Jehu passed away.

When the second child was born, God told Hosea to call her name Loruhamah, which means, "I will no more have mercy upon the house of Israel." When the third child was born, a son, God again named him, this time, Loammu, which means, "For ye are not my people, and I will not be your God or father." After these children were born, Gomer played the harlot to such an extent of unfaithfulness that she sold herself into slavery. (Sin always leads to slavery.) Then in chapter three we find a startling request of the Lord to this broken-hearted prophet (as far as his domestic affairs were concerned), and that was that he should yet love his backslidden wife. This he did, and he redeemed her from her slavery for fifteen pieces of silver, a homer of barley and a half-homer of barley. It appears that from this time on, Gomer had thoroughly repented of her sin and foolishness and, having learned her bitter lesson, remained faithful to her husband, Hosea.

Before progressing any further with our story of this minor prophet, let us not assume that Hosea's domestic affairs are to be necessarily patterned after today. We shall see what God's plan was in this unusual dealing with his prophet.

### God's Plan for Israel

The story of Hosea's unhappy marriage is not a vision or a myth. It actually happened. Hosea, by his grief and disappointments in his home life, was made to feel just like God's heart felt toward Israel. As a minister, he reflected the mind and heart of God at that time. First of all, the Lord had called Israel as a "slave boy" out of Egypt,

and made of them a great nation. He betrothed them to Himself. God's relationship with Israel was a very happy one for a while. He "washed" them in the Red Sea; He cleansed them by His presence and power of the glory cloud, through the leadership of Moses; He made water spring from the Rock; He caused the heavens to gently drop down manna, or angel's food, for their sustenance; He gave them the Tabernacle Plan, the Law and the Priesthood at Sinai; but for all this, they played the part of the harlot and turned to the idols of other nations. Because of this, God had to look down upon generation after generation and say, "Ye are not My people, and I will not be your God." Their bitter lesson learned during the captivity in Babylon was soon forgotten. At the time of Christ they blindly sold themselves into the bondage and slavery of the Gentiles, by rejecting their true Messiah. But, even as God told Hosea to again love his backslidden wife, so He, too, will turn again to Israel during the tribulation period, and again woo her and save her from the clutches of despair imposed by the Anti-Christ. When she returns to her God (even as Gomer returned), the Millennial reign will begin. It will be a glorious time because God has promised to Israel that He would "extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream: as one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you, and ye shall be comforted in Jerusalem." (Isaiah 66:12,13.)

Israel is God's earthly people. Through their playing the harlot, and turning their back on God, it caused Him to reach out into the Gentile nations, to "...take out of them a people, for His Name." (Acts 15:4) The church which is baptized in Jesus' Name and filled with the Holy Ghost (Acts 2:4,38), will be Christ's heavenly Bride, and our home and hope is a heavenly one, even New Jerusalem, which is above. If Gentiles only knew the nuggets of truth contained in the first three chapters of Hosea, how quickly they would grasp the opportunity to seek Him while He may be found, and call upon this wonderful Christ while He is near. His coming is near, and the door, which is now open for the Gentiles, will soon be closed. Aren't you glad you are in the sheepfold?

So you can easily see that the first section of Hosea's book is written as a parallel of his own unhappy experience in his home life. It exactly fitted the picture of Israel's condition towards her God. Some may question this unique request that the Lord made of Hosea, but this was not the only time God required rather strange obediences from his prophets. There were many homes in Israel similar to Hosea's. God's people had turned to other gods, and in turn, their wives and daughters had become corrupt. Hosea connects the wrong and impure rites to the heathen gods and idols with the wrong done to the love of God. Whenever a people turn from the true love of God, it is certain that impurity will abound. This wonderful man of God was made to suffer these awful pangs of infidelity in his own home, in order that

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# The Worker Among Backsliders

By Oswald Chambers

"And on some have mercy with fear; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh." Jude 23 (R.V.)

The best example of a backslider in the New Testament (the word "backslider" is never used in the New Testament, it is an Old Testament word) is in 2 Tim. 4. 10. "For Demas forsook me, having loved this present world"—he has gone back to where he prefers. Couple with that Jeremiah ii. 13, and you will have a good indication of what a backslider is: "For My people have committed two evils; they have forsaken Me the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water." Backsliding is twofold, and the term can only be applied to people in this condition. We use the word very loosely, we apply it to people who are degenerating, to people who have committed sin; but a backslider is neither one nor the other, a backslider is worse than both. He is worse than a person who is degenerating, and worse than a person who has committed sin; he has forsaken God and taken up with something else.

It is customary to talk of Peter as being a backslider when he denied his Lord; what happened to Peter was that he got a revelation of what he was capable of, viz., of denying his Lord with oaths and curses. What were the conditions that led to Peter's fall? He had followed Jesus out of genuine devotion, and in true loyalty of heart to Jesus he had pictured a great many things that might happen, but never in his wildest moment did he imagine that Jesus Christ was tamely going to give Himself up to the powers of the world, and when Peter saw Jesus Christ quietly give Himself right over to the rabble and let them take Him, all Peter's thoughts were turned into confusion, his heart was in despair, and in that condition, he "followed afar off." Then when he was tormented by stinging questions, he suddenly found in himself this awful condition he was totally ignorant of, a condition that made him deny with oaths and curses that he ever knew Jesus. Remember, Peter belonged to a dispensation we cannot begin to imagine, a dispensation before Jesus Christ died and rose again; but if we do not live in the dispensation Peter lived in, we can understand the people he represents. Peter was loyal-hearted and devoted to Jesus, but grossly ignorant of what he was capable of—quite loyal, but quite ignorant, and in the trying crisis suddenly to his amazement he finds that he is capable of evil that horrifies him.

The way God deals with a backslider, and teaches us to deal with a backslider, is clear enough for us to talk about it now.

Let us first of all examine for ourselves and find out whether in using the word "backslider" we are applying it to the right condition of a man. The backslidden condition is twofold: it is forsaking God and taking up with something else; it is not the condition of a man awakening to the presence

of the disposition sin in himself. A backslider is a man who does know what God's grace is, who does know what sin is, and who does know what deliverance is, but who has deliberately forsaken God and gone back because he loved something else better.

The question is often asked, "Can a Christian sin?" He certainly can, but the sin must be confessed immediately and forgiven, for if a Christian allows an open act of sin to go on it will lead him steadily on until he will pervert all the ways of God and hew out a way for himself.

The statement is frequently made that in dealing with a backslider, the worker has to bring him to being born again of the Spirit. A backslider has not to be born again, he is in a much worse condition than a man not born again: he has to have his backslidings healed and be restored. The statements in the Bible about backsliding are very solemn. Backsliding is the most awful crime spiritually; it is forsaking God and hewing out for one's self "broken cisterns, that can hold no water." With a backslider it is not the question of a soul needing to be born again, but a much harder case than a man who has never been born again. Do not get confused, because when you have to face backsliders you find you cannot deal with them as you deal with any ordinary sinner. Their hearts are frozen, they are not convicted of sin, they are absolutely dull and dead towards all God's wants. They will tell you quite mechanically, "Oh, yes, I once knew God, I did experience this and that, but I deliberately stepped aside." The process may be gradual, but the backsliding condition is reached by forsaking God and taking up with something else.

In 2 Peter 2:15 you will find a luminous word for workers—"...forsaking the right way, they went astray, having followed the way of Balaam the son of Boer, who loved the hire of wrongdoing." Who was Balaam? A prophet. What was his way? Making a market of his gift. The New Testament speaks in three different ways about Balaam: "the way of Balaam," "the error of Balaam" (Jude 11) and "the teaching of Balaam" (Revelation 2:14). The 'way' of Balaam is to make a market of one's gift, presuming on it, putting yourself in God's show-room. "I am here as a specimen of what God can do." Immediately a Christian begins to put himself in the 'show' business, that is the way towards backsliding. The 'error' of Balaam is seeing only the standard of natural morality and never discerning God's ways behind. Immediately a Christian gets into the way of following his own wise common-sense morality, rather than the dictates of the Spirit of God backing the Word of God, he is on the high road to backsliding. Beware how you guide your Christian life and your Christian experience. Are you simply taking the ordinary high standards of the world in your business? Beware, that is an error

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# THE SKY PILOT

*By Irvin Bradley*

In these days when the cost of living is on the increase each passing day, we read a lot about the white-collar worker, whose income is about the same as in pre-war days. Congress has appointed a committee to investigate several groups of various small business men and public servants whose incomes are fixed, and who have not reaped any benefit from the high wages caused by the war. Some congressmen contend that unless some relief comes soon to these folks, many of them will not be able to carry on very long.

I am thinking just now of a group of men scattered throughout the length and breadth of our land, who for years before and after the war began, have labored day and night, year in and year out, on a very meager pay. These men, in my estimation, are in the greatest and most important business under heaven. I'm writing of the Sky Pilots, the men who are in the business of rescuing the lost and dying from the clutches of sin. Whether Congress or anyone else realizes it or not, these men are very important. In fact, they are indispensable. There are many commodities that folks make a living selling that we could get along without, but sometime, every man, woman and child will need the services of the community minister and the help of the church. God realized the need of these men long before you or I ever trod the sands of this world. As soon as man sinned, God set in motion a redemptive plan whereby man, if obedient to it, would be restored back in favor with Him, and this plan calls for the ministry. Without the minister, it is doomed to failure. For Paul, the great apostle sent to the Gentile world declared, "How can they hear without a preacher?" (Romans 10:14) We notice again in Jeremiah 15:19, that God told this great prophet several hundred years before the Christian era, "Thou shalt be as My (God's) mouth." The minister, called and sent of God, IS God's mouth to a lost world.

God cannot use any other agency to save men in this dispensation. He cannot use the angels, as we find in the case of the conversion of Cornelius' household recorded in the 10th chapter of the Acts of the apostles. The angel was sent to Cornelius to instruct him to send for the apostle Peter, who, when he came, would tell them words whereby they might be saved. (Acts 11:14) Here we notice even though Cornelius was a just man and one that feared God with all his house, yet he needed the services of the man of God (minister) to enlighten him in the ways of the Lord. Since God realized the need of the minister in His great redemption plan, He also realized that he must be supplied with the necessary material things for the sustaining of his natural life. The minister should not earn his living with his hands as others do, for Paul declared in 2 Timothy 2:4, "No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life: that he may please Him Who hath chosen him to be a soldier." Any minister who has been sent of God today can find plenty to do

without going to the shop or factory, and if the people who are called by His Name would carry out God's purpose in their lives, regarding the paying of the tithes, there would be ample finance for the carrying on of the work of God, for He never created anything that He did not provide a way for its existence.

In many of our churches today, there is enough money coming in the for adequate support of the minister, but a few selfish people get the reins in their hands, and they think that in order to keep the minister humble, they must keep him poor. God's Word is contrary to this. Paul said in 1 Corinthians 9:7-11, "Who goeth a warfare any time at his own charges? Who planteth a vineyard and eateth not of the fruit thereof? Or who feedeth a flock and eateth not of the milk of the flock? Say I these things as a man? Or sayeth not the law also? For it is written in the law of Moses Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn. Doth God take care for the oxen? Or saith He it altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, this is written: that he that ploweth should plow in hope; and he that thresheth in hope should be partaker of his hope. If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great thing if we shall reap your carnal things?" Here we notice the apostle who was sent of God to set the churches in order, condemns the limiting of a minister or pastor to a set amount each week or month, as is the custom in many churches today. For, reasoned the apostle, it was written in the law not to put a muzzle on the ox's mouth who was treading out the corn, but to let him eat whatever he wanted, leaving it to the ox to decide when he had enough. Nowhere in God's Holy Word did God authorize the laity (or congregation) to regulate that which is holy and belongeth to God. This was left to the priest; and the tithes are holy. (Lev.27:30-32) and the minister is sent of God, and not by the people. (Rom.10:14--Acts20:28) The farmer that has a herd of cattle, drinks of the milk to his own satisfaction, and never consults the cows as to how he should use the milk. That is exactly what Paul is referring to here.

The system of a church board to collect the tithes and offerings, and to give the minister what they think he is worth, is without any Scriptural foundation, and the only time this should be practiced is when the minister has given his consent to the same. For God authorized the tithes for his support. A lot of Pentecostal people are going modern as Israel did when they wanted a king, trying to copy after the denominational church world instead of staying on the Bible lines. God has ways of humbling His ministers who get out of line financially, as well as in other things, but nowhere did He permit the people to do it.

My advice to you who want your work to stand in the day of God's wrath, is to build on a sure foundation, GOD'S WORD. All other will fail.

# GIVE GOD A CHANCE

By David Bailey

"Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because they are many; but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the Lord.

Yet he also is wise, and will bring evil, and will not call back his words, but will arise against the house of evil doers, and against the help of them that work iniquity." Isaiah 31:1,2.

In this day and age many seek after the arm of flesh to help them, and are forgetting the only true Helper, Which is God.

Read Joshua 6:1-17, of how God gave Joshua the city of Jericho, just by the obedience of His Word.

Read Jonah 3:10, of how God even spared the city of Nineveh which He would have destroyed, when the king and all the people (even the beasts) fasted and went before the Lord in sackcloth and ashes. He is the same today: why not give Him a chance?

There is much sorrow in the land, but, give God a chance! "Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in Me." John 14.

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee:" Isaiah 26:3.

When you are worried, read Matthew 6:19-34. When in danger, read Psalms 91. When you become discouraged, read Isaiah 40. When you want courage, Joshua 1. When you want healing, read Malachi 4:2. When doubt comes upon you, read John 7:17. When your faith needs strengthening, read Hebrews 11. When you feel down and out, read Romans 8:31-39. **Then, give God a chance!**

"Yet, ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O House of Israel: Is not My way equal? Are not your ways unequal? When a righteous man turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity which he hath done shall he die."

O, brother, will you turn from your sins, and give God a chance to save your soul? There is no hope for those who put their trust in flesh. Isaiah 40:6-8. "The voice said, Cry, And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the godliness thereof is as the flower of the field:

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: Surely the people is grass.

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: But the Word of our God shall stand for ever." Oh why not repent of your sins and give God a chance in your life.

There was a woman had a son, and he died, and on the way to bury the young man, Jesus met them and said, "Rest the bier upon the ground and they obeyed." (Why don't you hear the voice of God calling you?)

Jesus said, "Young man, I say unto you arise," and Jesus took him by the hand and assisting him lifted him up on his feet. Will you not give God a chance to help you in eternal life?

Jesus said, "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit he cannot enter the kingdom of God." So give Him a chance and be baptized in His name according to Acts 2:38 and receive the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4.

Remember the words in Jude 14. "And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints; to execute judgment upon all, and convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him." Oh, why not today be saved, and acknowledge your sin and submit yourself therefore to God. "Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye double-minded; humble yourselves in the sight of God, and He shall lift you up." James 4:7,8,10.

"Jesus said, I am the Light of the world. He that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." We are living in a day of darkness and of gloom and clouds, a day of thick darkness and trouble, a day of sorrow. Let us ever look to the Lord in these days of trouble.

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter, "...fear God, and keep His commandment; for this is the whole duty of man, for God shall bring every work into judgment with every secret thing whether it be good or whether it be evil. Will You Give God A Chance???"

## NEW PASTOR AT BATON ROUGE, LA.

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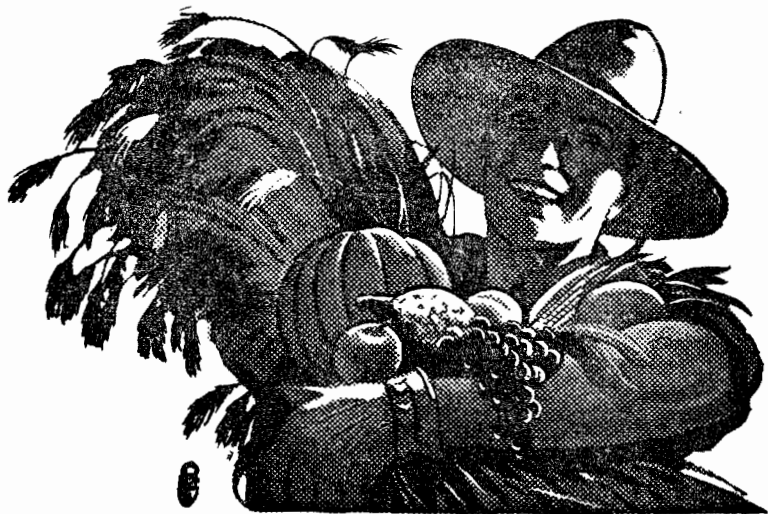
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# Grains from the *Harvest Field*

## SABRATON, WEST VIRGINIA

During the year of 1943, there were two revivals held at the church in Sabraton. The first campaign began on March 21, and ended on April 11. Evangelist Nathan Urshan and his wife were the special workers. We feel that this meeting was a great success, as three were baptized in Jesus' Name, seven received the Holy Ghost and five were renewed. We shall not forget the ministry of these fine young people. May God ever bless them.

The second meeting was held during the closing month of the year, from December 5 to 19. We had with us our tried and true friends, Elder J. C. Cole and wife of Harrisville, W. Va. We had the shout of a King in our midst, for there were four baptized in the Name of Jesus, and three received the blessed Holy Ghost. We recommend Elder Cole and wife to all who are looking for help in special meetings. We ask the prayers of all saints that we may continue in God's favor.

Pastor H. I. Goodin

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## WASHINGTON, PENNSYLVANIA

Greetings in Jesus' sweet Name to all of the OUTLOOK readers. We have just recently closed revival services here with Evangelist Lloyd A. Romine of Indianapolis, Indiana, as the evangelist, assisted by James Caldwell, also of Indianapolis. The meetings were in progress almost five weeks, with good interest being shown every night. We felt that the prophetic teaching of Elder Romine was very timely, and the special singing and play of James Caldwell, radio singer, was a real spiritual treat. Besides the increase of two persons in the church, we believe that the revival was very profitable along other lines, for it was by the help of Elder Romine that we were enabled to begin our regular radio broadcast over WJPA, at 10:15 A.M., each Thursday. We will long remember the fellowship of these workers, and are looking forward to the time when they will be with us again. We covet the prayers of all the OUTLOOK readers for our radio broadcast, and the growth of our church. We welcome all visitors of good standing to the Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ, located at 47 Woodland Ave., Washington, Pa.

Pastor Robert D. Britton

## KINGSTON, JAMAICA

Hearty greetings in Jesus' Name to the saints and readers of the OUTLOOK from the churches in Jamaica. The OUTLOOK has been a source of great spiritual blessing to us in its highly inspired messages, and we sincerely thank you for your cooperation and expressions of encouragement from time to time. We can assure you that we treasure them very highly as you have encouraged us to go on. Your liberal offerings to the churches have been the means of furthering the good cause in assisting with the building of two new churches and remodeling of others. The continued baptisms in our churches plainly show that in these perilous days the Lord's hand is still stretched out to save to the uttermost all who come to Him. We are praying for a worldwide revival so that the sorrowful bleeding nations of the earth may look to Him and live—"His Name shall be called Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins."

May 1944 usher in the great victory that we so desire, when right shall completely overthrow wrong to the glory and honour of our Lord Jesus Christ.

J. C. Russell

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## CLINTONVILLE, WISCONSIN

We praise the Lord for showers of blessings bestowed upon us in many spiritual services conducted by our pastor, Elder F. J. Ellis, making hearts hungry for the blessed experience of Holy Ghost baptism.

Recently there has been added to our church family four new saints, two of whom received the Holy Ghost while Elder J. B. Marsh was conducting a ten-day series of meetings at this church. The constant efforts of our pastor and his wife have proven successful in the upbuilding of our church and Sunday School. We covet your prayers that this work will continue to grow for the glory of God.

Reporter Lois Edelman

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**NOTICE:** Soldiers at Camp Barkley are welcome to attend the Pentecostal Church located at 741 So. 11th St., Abilene, Texas. Pastor T. W. Burk.

# QUARTERLY MISSIONARY REPORT

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Cascade, Ida., A. Kantola . . . . .	20.00
Carlisle, Pa., Sadie Thomas . . . . .	56.00
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Hazelton, Ind., Hazelton Apostolic Church . . . . .	4.06
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Columbus, Ind., Christian Tab., P. Bayne . . . . .	20.00
Columbus, O., Apostolic Gospel Church . . . . .	71.77
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Dayton, O., L. L. Riber . . . . .	10.00
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Gladewater, Tex., Mrs. Ora Wisinger . . . . .	2.82
Goose Creek, Tex., Peace Tabernacle . . . . .	5.00
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Leesville, La., J. Z. Spears . . . . .	18.00
Lynn, Ind., Mrs. Lester Mc Farland . . . . .	24.06
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## IS YOUTH PREPARED TO FACE THE CHALLENGE OF A POST WAR WORLD?

Plans for the post war world are already in abundance. We are promised many wonderful adventures in modern science, such as television, advanced radio, flying, and many other things which sound marvelous. Political leaders are already battling, endeavoring to win the leadership of the post war world. In spite of all our hopes, ambitions, and desires, there is a very serious doubt in my mind that the world a few years hence will be what we are hoping that it will be. There seems very little promise in a world that is filled with sin, and a nation that is swiftly turning away from the true and living God. Now, my question is this, "Is youth prepared to face the challenge of a post war world?" For years, the youth of the nation has been in the limelight. Incredible things have been done by those who were yet very young and tender. In fact, the death that is being forced upon humanity, is to a great extent being carried by youth throughout the universe. So, it also remains a fact that young people will have a great part in the years to come (if God spares the world). But youth who have not experienced the power and presence of God in their lives, and who have not learned of the real important things in life, will be at a great disadvantage. Those who will be able to present a life of purity, and a life of

righteousness will have the limelight. When righteousness shall again prevail on the earth, we shall realize that those who have kept themselves spotless and pure, are the only ones who have made life worth while.

Evil comrades, endeavor to turn the minds of you away from God. Indeed, the power of darkness and spiritual wickedness in the land is enough to almost sidetrack anyone. But remember, there is a tomorrow coming. Will you be able to face that tomorrow unafraid? Will you be able to face the supreme challenge? Yes, you can, if you will lead a life of purity, and I am convinced that no one will be able to be a spiritual leader in the post-war tomorrow, unless they maintain the heights of Christian living now. We shall face the challenge unafraid. We shall walk out upon the unknown tomorrow, dauntless, and without doubt, because we have for our Leader, the One Who created those tomorrows, and with this Leader, what shall we fear? Again, I say, youth will meet the challenge of tomorrow, and come out victorious.

Young friend, keep yourself pure. Purity is worth more than gold. If you have God, you have purity of life. If you have purity of life, you have God.

E. E. Lewis

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Words fitly spoken are like apples of gold in pitchers of silver.

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## PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

"What could we do when given a special night for Young People's meetings?" is the question that we hear many times, as we visit young people's groups in this State. There are many things that you can do to have an interesting P.Y.P.A. night, and below, are a few suggestions.

For the preliminary part: Song service, prayer by all, testimonies, or Scripture quotation. For your program, prepare a subject, such as Faith, Prayer, the Apostles, etc. You can have seekers, or an open discussion on the subject. After that, special songs, readings and poems are good. A contest is always good. We suggest a few. Sword drill, "Who am I?" Bible quiz, Books of the Bible, regular Bible questions. Bible discussions (debates) are always good if conducted properly. Chose sides, and select some good Bible subject, or Bible character.

Let us never say that there is nothing we can do. There is always plenty to do. Let us be up and about the Master's business.

Frances Parker  
Mississippi P.Y.P.A. Sec'y.

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A divided church can never win against a united world. Kirby Tiller.

# P. Y. P. A. Department

## OUR FIGHT

Did you ever think about the fight that is going on within yourself? Yes, there is a constant fight, even within yourself. Paul said, 2 Cor. 10:3,4. "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds."

Paul definitely tells us that we, the saints of God, are in constant fighting against the carnal things which are round about us. We can look at the present war in which our country is now fighting and liken the procedure to our war in which saint is taking part. In the fight for freedom every one is helping. The young are fighting and the old are warking hard to secure the necessary needs for the men on the battle front.

The young men are actually doing the fighting. The older men that possibly went through somewhat the same type of fighting in other wars, are doing a lot in giving advice to the young men as they have to meet the enemy. In our spiritual warfare we, the young, must really fight our best to win souls for Christ. The old are handicapped in many ways. Of course, they are bringing many souls to Christ but they do not have the opportunities that we young have. They have to be more taken up with the problems of life that they must face each day. The young are more or less on the front lines now. The enemy is doing everything he can to get the Young People of our Pentecostal ranks to be lost and lose the fight in which we are now involved. We must constantly take advice from our older ministers and leaders who have passed through the same kind of battles we, the young, are now going through. If we are to win for Christ, we must take their advise with the Spirit of the Lord and march on.

There was an article printed some time ago in the newspaper just before the young eighteen year old boys were drafted. It was, "We need reckless youth to win this war." Our Government is using the recklessness of youth. We see that youth has more than this. They can be used in the great war against sin if we can only get them to receive this glorious Gospel. We must see the great need of using youth in our churches. Some day the young people will be the "Old Warriors", should the Lord tarry.

The only weapon we have to fight with, is the Word of God. This Word must be in our hearts continually. We must be trained by learning the Word in order to fight a winning battle against sin and the devil.

There is no better way to do this than for the young people to get together and as a united band work for the winning of souls. In the wonderful conversation at St. Louis, we learned that we can work together as workers for Christ in the Pentecostal Young People's Association.

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## DOES A CHRISTIAN MAKE A BETTER SOLDIER?

(A Medical Corpsman gives his idea of what it takes to make a good soldier, regardless of whether you are.)

A man who has proven himself to be a good soldier of Christ will prove to be a good soldier for his country. One who has been schooled in the discipline of Christian living will adapt himself to the rigors of military service with considerably more ease than he who has allowed himself to fall into the dangers of loose conduct and selfish quenching of every lustful thirst.

A good soldier is one who promptly, cheerfully obeys orders; performs hazardous duties without shirking; maintains a constant sense of responsibility; exerts a helpful influence on those around him. Who could do these things better than a Christian?

It has often been proved that on the bomb-shattered battle field, the Christian soldier is the bravest and most daring of all, and is not afraid of man. On numerous occasions, when the ship was sinking, or the airplane's motor was failing, the man who had always been reading his Testament was asked to say a prayer for his comrades.

Warriors of old trusted in God, then went forth into battle, winning victories over fleshly opponents, just as they had won previous victories over spiritual enemies. Did not God help them win, and yet did He not protect them from harm? His power is just as great today. His promise that "though a thousand shall fall at thy right hand, and ten thousand at thy left, yet shall it not come nigh thee" is just as strong for us today as it was in the days of old.

The non-Christian soldier spends his spare time in idle chatter and foolish reveling in the beer halls, while the Christian spends his time in the company of Christians friends; attending inspiring services, and praying for guidance while in the service of his country.

When the happy day of peace arrives, the sinful soldier will be thrown into a world that to him will offer no promise of spiritual comfort, no aid in readjustment to new conditions. But with the man who has "kept the faith" will rest a deep assurance—no hectic world can alter the strength of Him who leads through darkness; no new beginning can halt the helping hand that reaches out to new beginnings and molds them to its will.

What do you think? Does a Christian make a better soldier? He really does!

PFC Garland C. Raines

**NOTE:** Before entering the Army, Brother Raines was Editor of The Gospelite, the monthly paper of the Apostolic Gospel Church, Akron, Ohio.

# P. Y. P. A. Department

## SPECIAL NOTICE

Do you have some good ideas that you use in your local young people's class? If so, how about passing them on to some one else? If you have good ideas, don't keep them, pass them on. Send all material to: Box 1187, Gladewater, Texas.

Certain thoughts are prayers. There are moments when, whatever be the attitude of the body, the soul is on its knees.

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## YOUTH'S PART IN CHURCH OF THE FUTURE

We read in Proverbs 20:11, "Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right." We notice in this Scripture that every child of God, regardless of age, must do something. He has a work to perform.

Our saved youth should be given a chance to do something, to develop the talent, that might otherwise be forever hidden, and of no value either to God nor man.

Paul, when instructing Timothy how to carry on the church affairs, gave them advice. "Intreat the younger men as brethren, and the younger women as sisters," or in other words, give them something to do that will make them realize that they are a part of the church. The prophet Jeremiah, who began to preach while only a young man, said, "It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth." Lam. 3:27. If everyone were yoked in his youth, it would not be so hard to stay in the fight, when greater responsibilities fall upon us.

Again Solomon instructs us. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." If in our future churches, we see a lot of adults sitting back and not taking an active part, we will know that it was because we failed to keep them busy in their youth. We can bend and cause a bush to grow in any shape; we can prune it to spread out, but when it becomes a tree, we can't do anything to it, for fear of breaking or splitting it. Remember, if we will only give our young people a chance to work for God in the churches, they will render a great service in return.

Our Government says, "If you want a job well done, just turn it over to the youth of the land." In a scrap metal drive, when no one else would respond, two days were given over to school children to gather up the things required. It worked. Like magic, the school yards were filled. Who did it? The youth!

I wish to thank the officials of our great Organization, for giving the young people a chance to prove their leadership, by letting us have the P.Y.P.A. I also, say thanks to the OUTLOOK for space to publish this department, and also to our local assemblies for co-operation.

Mike L. Newsom

Mississippi P.Y.P.A. President

## FOOD THOUGHTS

I don't think much of the man who is not wiser today than he was yesterday.

The ladder of life is full of splinters, but they always prick the hardest when we are sliding down.

The less people speak of their greatness; the more we think of it.

It is the cause and not the death that makes the martyr.

Every man is a volume, if you know how to read him.

He is not only idle who does nothing, but he is idle who might be better employed.

Pauline Mason

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## THE CHRISTIAN RIGHTS

"Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city. Rev. 22:14. How do we receive our right to the tree of life, and the Holy City?

### I. By keeping His commandments:

- a. Love for the brethren; "This is my commandment, that ye love one another as I have loved you." John 15:12.
- b. Love for the sinner: "And others save with fear; pulling them out of the fire; . . . . ." Jude 23.
- c. Holiness: "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12:14.
- d. An upward look: "But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city." Heb. 11:16.
- e. Finish the course: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth, there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge shall give me at that day: and to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing." 2 Tim. 4:7,8.

### II. RIGHTS GIVEN:

- a. Joy: "Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation." Isa. 12:3.
- b. Eternal life with Christ: "And they shall see His face; . . . ." Rev. 22:4. Are you standing outside? Within is everything your heart might desire, and it is but a step. Make your wise step while the door is still open and all these rights of the Christian may be your own, forever.

Nola Douglas

# P. Y. P. A. Department

## SOUTHERN BIBLE AND VOCATIONAL COLLEGE NEWS

Last Thursday, December 3, was red letter day for the school. Elder Powell, pastor of the Pentecostal Church at Ennis, Texas, and a number of his saints came over to the mid-week prayer service. After the song and praise service, Elder Powell brought a message. At the close of the message, an altar call was given and about fifteen came to the altar. Four students received the Holy Ghost.

Sunday School, under the management of Elder L. Buller, is progressing nicely. About sixty pupils have been enrolled in Sunday School.

The school children are blessed with the privilege of being in a religious service each day in the week. Each Sunday morning, we have Sunday School and preaching service. Each Sunday evening we have an evangelistic message. Monday through Friday we have a forty-five minute devotional period. Saturday evenings we have a Young People's program.

We ask our friends everywhere to pray for us. About six have received the Holy Ghost since school began and many are seeking.

Sylvia Bee Kelly, Reporter

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### A. B. T. S.

The Lord is blessing here in A.B.T.S. as never before. Our student body is large, and many young men and women are being better equipped to carry this glorious Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We have a fine large library for which we are very thankful. This proves to be a great blessing to the students in their studies.

A Christmas Pageant was presented by students and Young People of the church just before Christmas. The program was given in the large convention hall in Tulsa. There were about 1200 who attended this program.

We have many graduates who are on the field working for God. Our desire is to endeavor to better equip young men and women to be christian soldiers.

Mrs. C. P. Williams

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### SOLDIER'S OBITUARY

Pvt. Emory Odis Douglas, twenty-six years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas, Grayson, La., was killed in a truck accident in Oregon. He had been in the service of the United States since Nov. 1941. He leaves to mourn his departure, his father, mother, six sisters, three brothers and a host of relatives and friends.

## NEW YEAR'S SERVICE AT LYNN, IND.

We are glad to report victory in Jesus' Name from Indiana! The Lord wonderfully blessed in our special services here at Lynn. We started these services, December 31 to January 1, by having a watch night service which was conducted by the Young People. There were several of the to use their talents by singing and witnessing for A.B.I. students present and were quickly chosen the Lord. There were fourteen young people here which were now students or had been students of the A.B.I.

As the old year went out and the New Year came in we gathered around the microphone and sang, "There is a Great Day Coming." This song was broadcasted over the town. All of us went out of the service with a greater desire of service for the Lord in 1944 than we had during the past years of our Christian service.

Two services were conducted January 1, which marked the fifth anniversary here at Lynn. Two wonderful sermons were given to us by older ministers.

When these services came to a close, we were made to look forward to the time when every Saint of God can be in one place praising God for the ages to come.

An offering was sent to P.Y.P.A. headquarters from these services.

Robert McFarland

Vice President, P.Y.P.A.

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### SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL!

Each Young People's class is supposed to send a special offering to the P. Y. P. A. headquarters once each year. Many have neglected to do this. We are urging each reader of this department, to lift or send a special offering at once. The P. Y. P. A. is on the upward trend, but we are handicapped because of the lack of sufficient funds. Send all offerings to the secretary.

Oleta Show, Sec'y-Treas. P.Y.P.A.

Box 404, W. Tulsa, Okla.

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### OUR FIGHT—CONTD.

We can do this by praying one for another, attending the Young People's conventions and reading the OUTLOOK in order to keep up with all the news.

Let us march on in this fight, knowing there is a glorious crown for each of us whether we be young or old.

Robert McFarland

Vice President P.Y.P.A.

*Pray for our Young People Everywhere!*



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Cleveland, Ohio, Bedford Branch .....	12.00
Columbus, O., Apostolic Gospel Church ...	122.19
Columbus, Ind., Paul W. Bayne .....	20.00
Cadiz, Ohio, Mrs. Alpha Mazingo .....	5.63
Dayton, Ohio, L. L. Riber .....	12.00
Decatur, Ill., Bethel Temple, H. E. White ..	56.00
Dublin, Tex., D. L. Welch .....	16.40
Dumas, Tex., F. D. Martin .....	7.62
Elwood, Ind., Gospel Tab., C. G. Bryan, ...	10.30
Emmett, Idaho, H. L. Androes .....	12.00
Fairmont, W. Va., C. B. Gillespie .....	2.42
Franklinton, La., Mae Rushing .....	5.00
Fremont, Neb., Garland Hoffman, .....	2.56
Ft. Worth, Texas, Mrs. Lewis Moore, ....	10.00
Gladewater, Texas, Mrs. Oral Wisinger ..	6.56
Goose Creek, Texas, Peace Tabernacle, ....	10.00
Greensburg, Ind., Mrs. Edward Bayles, ....	8.50
Haynesville, La., L. J. McDaniels .....	22.00
Hazelton, Pa., Edward Lester .....	18.70
Hodge, La., S. L. Wise .....	40.50
Houston, Tex., Bethel Temple, O. F. Fauss..	11.50
Indiana Harbor, Ind., George Christoff .....	2.00
Ironton, Ohio, Fred Breece Jr. ....	7.00
Jackson, Mich., Apostolic Gospel Church ..	20.00

Jamestown, La., Mrs. Viola Melton .....	2.00
Kilgore, Tex., First Pentecostal Church ..	11.00
Lancaster, Ohio, Stanley R. Hanby .....	12.99
Leesville, La., J. Z. Spears .....	18.00
Lynchburg, Va., Bethany Sanctuary Church	2.00
Llano, Tex., Mrs. L. Dee Neyland .....	2.00
Los Angeles, Calif., S. E. Langford .....	3.00
Los Angeles, Cal., Pent. Jesus Name Church	5.00
Louann, Ark., Mrs. M. E. Butcher .....	2.00
Los Angeles, Calif., S. E. Langford .....	3.00
Louisville, Ky., T. B. Lindsey .....	2.60
Louisville, Colo., M. Morrison .....	5.00
Lynn, Ind., Mrs. McFarland .....	25.00
McAlester, Okla., Aseline Mantooth .....	9.00
McLeod, Texas, L. J. Hosch .....	4.22
Mena, Ark., F. L. Hairglover .....	1.68
Monaca, Pa., Mrs. Bethel Shaffer .....	5.00
Morgantown, W. Va., W. T. Poling .....	15.00
Morgantown, W. Va., D. L. Knotts .....	13.25
Mt. Vernon, Ill., Ace Summers .....	7.62
Newark, N. J., John Ruben .....	7.00
New York, N. Y., Anton Huba .....	32.00
Norphlet, Ark., C. P. Kilgore .....	11.17
North Braddock, Pa., Mrs. M. Sitko .....	17.60
Oakland, Ill., Florence Swinford .....	5.00
Oberlin, Ohio, Mrs. H. C. Champe .....	2.00
Odessa, Texas, U. A. Massey .....	14.50
Oklahoma City, Okla., R. C. Wise .....	20.00
Palm Beach, Fla., Mrs. F. R. House .....	20.00
Pensacola, Fla., D. L. Welch .....	10.16
Port Arthur, Tex., Jimmy Davis .....	4.00
Prospect, Va., David Bailey .....	1.30
Provencal, La., Mrs. Ruth Orsborn .....	2.00
Puyallup, Wash., Edmund Werner .....	15.57
San Jose, Calif., A. J. Sandberg .....	8.00
Seattle, Wash., Mrs. K. L. Buller .....	33.25
Mishawaka, Ind., G. B. Rowe .....	44.63
St. Louis, Mo., W. S. Guinn .....	10.00
Sullivan, Ill., Sullivan Church, N. Baker ...	10.00
Tampa, Fla., V. Knouse .....	15.00
Trees, La., Mrs. C. E. Riddel .....	5.00
Twin Falls, Ida., Children, Bethel Temple ..	25.00
Vale, Ore., Peggy Dowers .....	5.00
W. Tulsa, Okla., S. Kraus .....	50.00
Withee, Wis., H. W. Gereau .....	4.15
Hollsopple, Pa., H. H. Stahl .....	2.83
Wooster, O., R. Seifert .....	15.00
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Total Receipts for November, 1943 .....	\$ 1,307.15

## DISBURSEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER, 1943

Elmer Ball, South America .....	125.00
(8.25 des. by D. L. Knotts, 6.00 des. by M. Owens)	
Mrs. D. L. McCarty, India .....	120.00
(10.00 des. by J. Rubin, 5.00 des. by V. McGee)	
J. C. Russell, Jamaica .....	75.00
E. E. Henry, Jamaica .....	20.00
H. Powell, Jamaica .....	20.00
C. Harris, Jamaica .....	20.00
C. H. Keane, Jamaica .....	15.00
C. D. Stiles, Hawaii .....	50.00
John Huba, Slovakia .....	40.00
Pearl Cooper, South America .....	45.00
Peter Isaac, Syria .....	30.00
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Howell Youkhanan, Iraq	40.00
North Syrian Workers	70.00
Porter Davis, Africa	90.00
(20.00 des. by A. Durst,	
10.00 des. by J. Rubin,	
5.00 des. by R. J. Seifert)	
A. J. Holmes, Africa	45.00
R. D. Bullock, China (Impounded)	30.00
Mrs. Mae Iry, China (Impounded)	55.00
Elizabeth Stiegletz, China (Impounded)	45.00
Mrs. Clara Berchtold, South America	10.00
Draft Charges	1.00
Columbus Headquarters, Clerk Hire	10.00
Salary, G. E. Dunn, Half month,	15.00
(Authorized by W. T. Witherspoon)	
Office Supplies	7.55
Salary, Sec'y	30.00
For Jamaica Outlooks	7.00
A.W.Witherspoon, Trip, Columbus-Tulsa	61.00

Total Disbursements, September, 1943 \$ 1,076.55

**DISBURSEMENTS FOR OCTOBER, 1943**

Mrs. D. L. McCarty, India	145.00
(10.00 des. by R. C. Wise,	
10.00 des. by J. Rubin,	
(7.25 des. by J. Kinsfather)	
Elmer Ball, South America	150.00
(7.25 des. by H. I. Goodin's assembly)	
J. C. Russell, Jamaica	95.00
E. E. Henry, Jamaica	25.00
H. Powell, Jamaica	25.00
C. Harris, Jamaica	25.00
C. H. Keane, Jamaica	20.00
C. D. Stiles, Hawaii	70.00
John Huba, Slovakia	45.00
Pearl Cooper, South America	50.00
(30.00 des. by G. R. Potter,	
10.00 des. by C. P. Kilgore,	
5.00 des. by R. C. Wise)	
Peter Isaac, Syria	35.00
Howell Youkhanan, Iraq	60.00
North Syrian Workers	80.00
Porter Davis, Africa	100.00
(25.00 des. by D. Lynn,	
10.00 des. by J. Rubin,	
5.00 des. by R. C. Wise)	
A. J. Holmes, Africa	55.00
R. D. Bullock, China (Impounded)	50.00
Mrs. Mae Iry, North China (Impounded)	60.00
Elizabeth Stieglitz, China (Impounded)	50.00
Anton Huba, Check made good	30.00
Draft Charges	.80
Adding machine rent	5.00
Columbus office, Clerk hire	15.00
Stationery	35.65
Postage	10.00
Salary, Sec'y	30.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	9.35
Printing expense, to Outlook	37.00
Double refund on unpaid draft, paid from	
Travel fund	114.14

Total Disbursements, October, 1943 \$ 1,426.94

**DISBURSEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER, 1943**

Elmer Ball, South America	150.00
(20.00 des. by H. Harlow,	
13.25 des. by D. L. Knotts,	

7.00 des. by Mabel Owens,	
6.56 des. by Mrs. Oral Wisinger,	
5.00 des. by Bethel Shaffer)	
D. L. McCarty, India	145.00
(25.00 des. by Children, Bethel Temple,	
10.00 des. by J. Rubin,	
6.00 des. by S. E. Langford,	
5.00 des. by R. C. Wise,	
5.00 des. by Peggy Dowers)	
Pearl Cooper, South America	50.00
(10.00 des. by R. C. Wise)	
Porter Davis, Africa	140.00
(50.00 des. by Sibyl Kraus,	
22.00 des. by L. J. McDaniels,	
10.00 des. by John Rubin,	
5.00 des. by R. C. Wise,	
4.00 des. by Jimmy Davis,)	
J. C. Russell, Jamaica	85.00
E. E. Henry, Jamaica	20.00
H. Powell, Jamaica	20.00
C. Harris, Jamaica	20.00
C. H. Keane, Jamaica	15.00
C. D. Stiles, Hawaii	65.00
John Huba, Slovakia	40.00
Peter Isaac, Syria	30.00
Howell Youkhanan, Iraq	55.00
North Syrian Workers,	75.00
A. J. Holmes, Africa	50.00
Sis. A. J. Holmes, Africa	29.21
(des. by Apostolic Gospel Church,	
Columbus, Ohio)	
R. D. Bullock,	25.00
(des. by E. L. Smith)	
R. D. Bullock, China (Impounded)	40.00
R. D. Bullock, China	100.00
Sis. Mae Iry, North China (Impounded)	50.00
Elizabeth Stieglitz, North China,	
(Impounded)	40.00
Pauline Gruse, Africa	10.00
T. D. Urshan, Jerusalem	33.25
Carl Hensley, China	20.00
Draft Charges,	1.50
Secretary's Salary	30.00
Adding Machine	60.00
Supplies,	1.94

Total Disbursements, November, 1943 \$ 1,400.80

Receipts, Sept. 1, to Dec. 1, 1943	\$ 3,721.01
Disbursements, Sept. 1, to Dec. 1, 1943	3,904.29
Less Travel Fund Expense	205.14

3,699.15

Balance	21.86
Travel Fund, Dec. 1, 1943	560.60
Impounded Fund, Dec. 1, 1943	5,319.40
Total Balance, Dec. 1, 1943	5,901.86

Signed.. Kathryn E. Hendricks  
Sec'y-Treas., F.M.D.

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**CASEY, ILLINOIS**

Delegates from seventeen neighboring cities gathered at Casey, Ill., recently to celebrate the opening of The Bible Church, of which Elder Harry Harvey is the pastor. Four great days, December 7-10, of spiritual feasting and fellowship ensued. Truly God was glorified and showers of blessings refreshed our souls.

Reporter Beulah Harvey

## THE WORKER AMONG BACKSLIDERS (continued from page 4)

that leads to backsliding. "Oh, well, they all do it, I must do the same." That is the ordinary standard; if it conflicts in the tiniest degree with the clear standard of God, beware! It is an error that leads to false doctrine which is the very heart of backsliding, making a judicious mix-up between corrupt worldliness and godliness. That is the way backsliding will begin, it is fixing your eyes on the wrong thing. The 'teaching' of Balaam is the corrupting of God's people. Balaam taught Balak to corrupt the people by enticing them to marry the women of Moab. That is the Old Testament incident, but what does it mean? It means trying to compromise between corrupt worldliness and Christian profession. These are three dangerous characteristics pointed out in the New Testament, and they are fruitful in backsliding.

When you come to deal with backsliders, one of the greatest dangers is that they spread their disease more quickly than any other. The presence of one backslider is a peril to the whole community. His or her influence is tenfold worse than a hundred sinners who have never been saved, and the worker for God who begins to deal with a backslider has to learn, first of all, his unutterable powerlessness to touch him.

Let us face the backslider now. Are you going to begin by asking him to receive the Spirit of God? You will have no answer. He may say, "Yes, Lord, I am sorry, please give me the Holy Spirit," but God won't. You won't find one case anywhere on record in the Old or New Testament in which God deals with a backslider along those lines. Let me take as an illustration the parable in the fifteenth chapter of St. Luke. I know this parable is used in many ways, but I want to use it as a picture of the backslider. It is obvious why it is called 'The Parable of the Prodigal Son,' but it is not called so in the Bible, it is called 'The Parable of the Two Sons.' One son went away and spent his substance in riotous living, the other son stayed at home.

Did the father send any message to the far country after the younger boy? There is no record of any message being sent. What did the younger boy have to do? He had to do exactly what is recorded in Hosea long before that picture was painted by our Lord—he had to return. Drawn by God? It does not say so. Read the fourteenth chapter of Hosea: "I will heal their backsliding;" but the backslider has to get up first, leave the pigs and what pigs eat, and go back to where he came from. Help granted him? None whatever. Messages from the home country? Not one. Tender touches of God's grace on his life? No. Can you picture that prodigal son returning, a degrading, sunken, sin-stained man, going back in all the cruel, bald daylight? Oh, it is a hard way to go back out of a backslider's hell; a hard, hard way! Every step of it is cruel, every moment is torture. But what happened? Before that younger son had got very far, the father saw him "and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him!"

Worker for God among backslidden souls, remember God's way, put the sting, if you can, into

the backslider's soul that he may get up and come back to God, and what has he to do? Take with him words and say, "By mine iniquity have I fallen." Did the prodigal son take with him words? He did, he rehearsed them over and over again where he was amongst the pigs—"I will say to my father this and that," he had it all by heart. Does Hosea say the same? He does. "Take with you words, and return unto the Lord, and say, 'By mine iniquity have I fallen.'" What does iniquity mean? Unequal dealing, turning out of the way.

Is there a backslider listening to this? Then rouse yourself and go back to God. "But I feel no drawing." You won't feel any. I do not find one instance in the Bible of God drawing a backslider in the same way that He draws a sinner. The word to the backslider is: "Return." "Take with you words, and return unto the Lord: say unto Him, Take away all iniquity."

Every Christian worker will bear me out in this next statement, that in dealing with a backslider you are exhausted to the last drop of your energy. When we work with other classes, like those we have been touching on, God seems to supply grace at the very moment; but we need to remember that if in the other cases we need to rely on the Holy Ghost, we need to do so here a thousand-fold more.

Intercessory prayer for a backslider is a most instructive but a most trying work for God, and it will teach the worker that prayer is not only making petitions, but that prayer is breathing an atmosphere. The Christian Church nearly always separates these two; when it emphasizes atmosphere of prayer, it forgets the petition; and when it emphasizes the petition it is apt to forget the atmosphere, but the two must go together, and you need to be freshly bathed moment by moment in the limpid life of God (if I may use the phrase) as you pray for your backslider. If ever the worker needs the wisdom that cometh from above, it is in the moment of dealing with a backslider. How am I going to awaken, how am I going to sting into action, a backslidden soul? How am I going to get that soul to go back?

I said just now that no message was sent to the far country; God sends none, but, worker for God, will you be a message from the Father? Will you so bathe your life in the atmosphere of prayer that when you come in contact with a backslidden soul, it will awaken a remembrance of the Father, awaken a remembrance of what that soul once was? Will you let your life be like a bunch of flowers from the Father's home garden, just a-wakening for one moment a remembrance of what life once was, and then pass on, and pray and watch, and you will be mightily rewarded by God when you see the poor backslidden soul get up and go back to God, taking with him words and saying, "By mine iniquity have I fallen."

If you ever hear a testimony along this line, "I was a backslider, but, thank God, I am healed now," do call a halt in that soul. Backsliding in the Bible is called by words used for the most shocking immorality. Can you imagine anybody who has been guilty of an awful moral crime talk-

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# The Women's Page

By Mrs. G. B. Rowe

## THE NEW YEAR

"Yes, I guess that it was the New Year, for the calendar said so, and everybody was talking about it." People no doubt had made new resolutions, and, of course, had forgotten the old ones before the close of last year.

Now, because of this being the New Year, everyone looks on it with perhaps a greater interest and the hope of seeking a better day. A few people—well, I imagine just about the whole world is talking about better times and greater days. I've heard folks talk like that as if trying to influence me, making me feel the same—that better days are coming.

Well, you know I often say I am so different from anyone else. I still think I am; for all I have heard, it doesn't affect me. I am still just the same. When they say better days are coming, I am not the least bit excited, because all will be as the Bible says, and in order for me to see or enjoy better days I must live closer by the Bible. The Bible doesn't move, and come my way; but I must go the Bible way. There is no choice for me: it is just the Bible way, or else I am out.

You ask me what I think of this New Year. This is just what I think. You have to line up with the Word of God: do as it says, and what it says, or you will have another unhappy year, and one after another, as long as time goes on. Perhaps the New Year has found you throwing your life away. You need to be saved! Do you go to church? Do you study your Bible? Are you interested in making a change in your life? Did you at one time seek God, and tonight finds you running after the things of this world? Maybe you have a home, and you are running around nights. Are you a single girl and do you ever think of what is right? Are you a married woman, with, perhaps, a family of one, two or three babies? This may be true, and you have hired some school girl to stay with them. Of course, your husband has gone into the army. Are you out with another man till the wee hours of the morning? What if Jesus, our Lord, should come? If He would tarry for some time, but death would come your way, where would you be, and where would you go? Now, if we are not right with God, death is on our trail—and in the New Year! The New Year doesn't look any brighter than you make it. To seek God and live for Him makes any year bright, and the more we get of Him makes it brighter still! Every year has been wonderful to me since I sought the Lord when I was ten years old, for I have run after Him since that time. I am still running! You see, I am just half of one hundred years old, so you may know how I have enjoyed the many years that are past, and I expect to worship God this New Year as never before. I love Him more and more. I

never entertain a thought of even looking to the world, but am pushing forward to the mark in Christ Jesus. I will win by His grace, and He said that His "grace was sufficient." Not just for one day, but through the years, on and on—He is the same!

—Sister Rowe

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## WORLDLY PLEASURES

Dear Young People:

My thoughts are on you, so I am writing you a letter. I thought, "What will I write about?" I wanted to write something that would do you good. I know you have many times read articles and even books that never did you a particle of good. In fact, when you read it through, and finally closed the book, you had to admit to yourself that it had been a waste of time. I don't want this article to be like that. When you finish reading this, and lay it aside, I want the thoughts conveyed to you to linger in your memory.

It seems that youth and pleasure walk hand in hand. Young people have a craving for excitement, and naturally Satan isn't behind time. He knows what will satisfy for the moment. He has pleasure. He has enjoyment. He has glamour. If he didn't have, youth would look some other place, because there has to be an outlet for the energy of a young body. So he appeases through the show, dance, drink, smoke, parties and lust of the world. He paints a beautiful frame and you step into the picture. You are caught in the whirl of excitement and think only for the moment. It is at this time, that we, as believers of an eternal life, would like to step into your life and lead you from destruction. We have come out of the darkness you are dwelling in, and can see the end of such a beginning. Satan has an excitement and a pleasure for the moment, that must be paid for with sorrow, disappointment and heartaches, on the morrow. The gilded frame you have stepped into has an opening that leads down a trail to destruction. You pay with bitter tears for the few moments of pleasure you have longed for. You may say, "I have heard all this before, and I am still living and enjoying life." Yes, you may still be living, but sometime in the life of every individual there comes a "let-down," and usually, it's too late then. We wish to warn you before that time comes. We want you to see farther than just the frame. We want you to realize the end of your path. Remember there is a morrow that follows today, and where you are on the morrow means more than fulfilling the desires of today. It isn't all of life to live, but something follows.

"Worldly Pleasures." Do the shows still call you? Does something leap within you when a

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## SAINTS' ACUTE SUFFERING

Godly men and women have many strange and fiery trials like Job of old. However, the most acute and trialsome suffering occurs when one of our own family turns against us and tries to cause us to lose our grip on God. This Job's wife did. —A. D. Urshan

"At this point, when he most needed the sympathy and inspiration which only a loyal helpmate and companion could provide, Job's wife turned against him. This was perhaps the cruelest of all Job's trials.

Just when he was mustering every ounce of courage and spiritual resistance that he could command . . . at a time when he was suffering under ruthless Satanic pressure . . . at a time when strong human attachments would be most helpful—in that hour, the last support which human flesh could offer, was swept away. The one person who should have been willing to stand with him turned away and said sneeringly: "Curse God, and die."

"Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh," replied the patriarch. Job remained true to his Lord even in this calamity. We read: "In all this did not Job sin with his lips."

The arm of flesh gave completely away. No blood relative remained, to whom the sufferer could turn in his hour of sadness and desperation. And so, he placed himself unreservedly in the hands of God. "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him," were his heroic words.

It is a paradoxical fact that some of the world's mightiest spiritual giants have suffered, on the human side, from loss of companionship, due to complexes over which they had no control. One of the great Christian leaders of the last generation, a man who started evangelistic and missionary currents flowing to the ends of the earth, suffered no less than Job, because his wife did everything in her power to hinder and retard the work in which he was engaged.

Finally, this man died. His home life had been one of constant confusion. When the funeral was over, the mourners returned home. The minister who conducted the service described the scene as one of extreme pathos. The bereaved wife kissed the place at the table where her husband had eaten his meals, the chair on which he sat, the desk where he wrote. Convulsed with grief, her sobs were nothing short of wails. Not until his departure from this life, was she able to express her true feelings for the man who might have accomplished so much more in the service of the Master, had she been less like the wife of Job.

Few men have suffered from experiences of this kind as did John Wesley, the founder of Methodism. His diary contains frequent references to the trials that he endured. In his "Beacon Lights of Faith," Rev. C. F. Wimberly says:

"John Wesley had an unfortunate domestic experience. He lived a tragedy in his home; at times, it is believed, suffered physical punishment at the hands of his wife. A great soul is often most helpless and unsophisticated in the game of courtship, or so it often seems, and irreparable blunders are made. John Wesley was a great soul, capable of great enjoyment from the sweeter things of life; but in this regard his life was empty."

—SELECTED

## THE WORKER AMONG BACKSLIDERS

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ing about it in the glib, off-hand way some people talk about backsliding? When a backslider has been reclaimed by God and brought back, when he has returned and has been met by God, the memory of the past is too tremendously humiliating to be mentioned often, and when it is mentioned the atmosphere of the life is one of deep repentance towards God. Never sympathize with a backslider; do all in your power to goad him to return to God. If you cannot do it in words, do it by living in the atmosphere of God and awakening some remembrance of what he once was.

Another illustration of backsliding is in the twenty-third chapter of Matthew. It is not in reference to a person, but to the city of Jerusalem, but it gives a good picture of the way God deals with backslider: "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killeth the prophets, and stoneth them that are sent unto her! how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. For I say unto you, Ye shall not see Me henceforth, till ye shall say Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord." "How often would I . . . and ye would not!"

Oh, if any here should be backsliders, let me counsel you to return to God, and tell Him that you have fallen away from Him by your own unequal doings. Take with you words and tell Him so, let the lash fall, and before you know another thing God will receive you! The prodigal son was all but choked on the bosom of his father before he got half his recital out; but he had to show that he was in earnest, he had to return first, and you must do the same.

Christian worker, if you have someone in your mind who is a backslider, one who did know the grace of God, who did run well but who has compromised, has a name to live but is dead, then God grant you may realize the filling up of "that which is behind the afflictions of Christ" in intercessory prayer. The backsliders are the most dangerous class under Heaven to touch, and no one but a man or a woman who knows how to live bathed moment by moment in the love of God, who knows how to prevail in prayer, ought to touch the case of a backslider. It needs the wisdom that cometh from above, and if you have indeed been led by God to face such a life, do it on God's line. Do not try and bring God around by way of your ignorance; go along the clearly discerned lines that are given in His Word. Get that one to understand, either through his own intelligence or by praying, that he must return of his own accord.

"Take with you words, and return unto the Lord": . . . then God says, "I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely."

**Editor's Note:** This wonderful article, *The Worker Among Backsliders*, is selected from the excellent book entitled "Workmen of God," by Oswald Chambers, Grosset and Dunlap, Publishers. We urge you to purchase a copy at your local book store.

dance is mentioned in your presence? Does the smell of smoke from a stranger's pipe or cigarette create a craving within your mouth for a puff? Does the smell of a tavern as you pass by cause you to desire a drink? Do you just have to look at every woman that passes you on the street? Young people, these things are all vain. They have an end. They leave a bad taste in your mouth. They were the creation of an evil mind. They were created to fulfill lust. They are a part of destruction.

I would like to be personal for a few moments, dealing with my own life. I have been told I was different. Yes, I am different. My life has been transformed. I am a young man, twenty-four years old. I was saved at the age of nine. Although being saved at such an early age, I received a real experience: one that stayed with me. I went through grade school, on through high school and was graduated. I secured employment, and was then thrown into contact in greater measure with the world. The point I wish to give to you is that I was saved. I have never gone to a show, dance, drunk or smoked. Many times I am asked if I don't have the desire to partake of these things. My answer is, "NO!" Indulging in or partaking of amusements of the world the farthest from my thoughts. I find my enjoyment in church, doing what I find to do. I have never craved fame or fortune because I realize how full of folly they are. I seek after that which is lasting. I have a peace, joy and satisfaction that means more to me than the praises of men. A slap on the back, the shake of the hand, and the praise of the lips fade into nothing in comparison with the satisfaction one receives when he or she receives the real experience of Salvation. Worldly pleasures just fade away. Jesus fills your life and you find the things you once loved are turned into things you now scorn. Your life is new. The world longs for a "land of beginning again," a place where they could start over. Salvation does just that for a person. It lifts you up to a plain that is above the common walk of life. It gives you a beginning, the right beginning, for living the way you should live. Man, when he is born into this world, is born full of sin. He is born with the desire to do wrong. You have to teach a child to do good, and how to live right. As the child grows older, he has to call upon his will power continually if he is to be good. When a person is born again, an added power comes into your life and helps you to do that which is right. Where you were bound with the fetters of sin, for the pleasures of the world, there is power to say "NO!" because your life is full. We sing the song, "He's Everything, He's Everything to me." If He is Everything, the world can hold no attraction for you.

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he might fully know just how the heart of God was broken over the backsliding of His people, Israel. Therefore, he warns Israel time and time again, to repent!

That was a difficult cross to bear. Any saint of God that is called upon to walk alone with God,

Dear Outlook Readers:

We are very glad to report that a communication dated last July assures us that Sister Mae Iry is safe and in good health. We believe we will be able to communicate with her shortly through the Red Cross. Her many brothers and sisters in Christ will rejoice over this news concerning this faithful handmaiden of the Lord.

This month we have two special needs presented to us by very worthy missionaries: One is in the field where our Bro. and Sister Ball are laboring in South America. They are undergoing very severe persecution from the Catholics. The priests are stirring up the people to rioting and the destruction of their property, as well as threatening their lives. The lease on their present quarters is up shortly, and we doubt if anyone will dare to rent them a meeting place. They should be in a position to purchase at once. We should meet this emergency quickly. We are writing them to see what kind of a proposition they have for purchasing property. In the meantime, let us earnestly pray about this matter and make a sacrifice. Our brother and sister are giving their all and risking their lives. What are we going to do about it?

Sister Pearle Holmes, who was for many years, a faithful missionary in Africa, desires to join her husband who recently returned to their field of labor. Her two girls should go also, as they would be a help in the work. Sis. Holmes is praying mightily for God to open a way. She and her husband were among our best missionaries to Africa, and are especially fitted by nature and by experience to carry on the work there. May we not have special offerings for this worthy cause?

While our missionary offerings have somewhat increased, they are not at all in keeping with the increase in wages and other things. Time was when our organization headed the list in foreign missions. It is running a way behind now. Any individual or church or movement that fails in foreign missions is bound to deteriorate. The offerings from many of our churches are pitiful. We are depending on the faithful few. If you have been failing in this, will you not repent and ask God to give you a world-wide love and interest in the Kingdom?

W. T. Witherspoon, Gen. Chairman

when the companion in marriage is worldly or sinful, can certainly glean much comfort and inspiration from this little book of Hosea, when they understand how faithfully he carried his cross—and take note that God gives especial grace in such cases. The Lord, too, has had to suffer many heartaches, because of the unfaithfulness of those who should have loved Him dearly, and served Him with all fidelity. Let us wrap up these few thoughts from this minor prophet in our hearts and determine that our lives shall make Him glad. Then, at that Day, we can give account with joy and not with grief.

The second section of Hosea, chapters four through fourteen, will be printed in the March Outlook. Don't miss these studies!

## WHEN GOD BECAME MAN —CONTD.

the world in the form of man, to become man's salvation. His Name was called Jesus, which means "Jehovah has become our Salvation." That is when the Sonship began, or, when God became man.

### The Holy Ghost

The Holy Spirit is not a third separate and distinct person from the Father and Son. The Holy Spirit is God. In John 4:24, we read, "God is a Spirit." There is none Holy but God, therefore, God is the Holy Ghost. No further evidence is needed to prove that the Holy Ghost is God than the Scriptural fact that the Holy Ghost is the Father in the flesh. It must be remembered that God was incarnate in the flesh, or Son.

### Jesus is the Holy Ghost

Jesus called His disciples together one day and told them He was going away, but that He would send another Comforter Who would abide with them forever. Who, then, is this other Comforter? What is His Name? Is He Someone else, other than Jesus? If the Comforter is Someone else, Jesus is not here; He is not in us. But, Jesus said, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." Jesus did not leave His disciples "in the dark." He told them very plainly Who the Comforter is. He said, "I will not leave you comfortless. I will come unto you." John 14:18. And He further said to them that the other Comforter was He Who was dwelling with them, and would be in them when He came again. He was with them in the flesh, and went away to Heaven, but He came back in the Spirit, on the day of Pentecost, to be in them. So we may rightly sing, "Since Jesus Came into my Heart to Stay." Therefore, the Name of the Holy Ghost is Jesus, John 14:26.

### The "Trinity" Theory

Through the confusion of the dark ages and the traditions of men, to the majority, the vision of the Lord Jesus, has become dimmed. He Who said, "I am the first and the last," has been relegated by man to second place. After a raging discussion of centuries, concerning the Godhead, a doctrine was finally agreed upon, known as the doctrine of the trinity, namely: that God consists of three separate and distinct persons, thus placing Jesus, Who is disclaimed to be Lord of all, as second person. But now the mists are becoming cleared away, and the doctrine as taught by the Apostles, is again reinstated, that the Lord Jesus is God, manifest in the not three persons, but one. Moreover, Jesus Himself, is called the Everlasting Father, Isa. 9:6.

If there are three separate and distinct persons, each called God, then there are three separate Gods, or else each of the three is one-third of God. If there are three persons co-equal, then Isaiah had a false version when he said, "To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal," said the Holy One, (not Holy Three,) Isa. 44:25.

If there are three separate distinct persons, there should be three separate distinct names, whereas there is only one name. Father is not a proper name. Holy Ghost is not a proper name. Son is not a proper name. You may be a father, son, or cousin, uncle, or brother, but that is not your name. Peter was not mistaken after all, as many people think, when he inspiringly said on the day of Pentecost, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ." Acts 2:38.

Human intelligence can never fathom the mystery of Jesus. Nothing short of Divine illumination of the Scriptures can reveal Him as God. God is God Who hides Himself, Isa. 45:15. He is hidden in the Scriptures from carnal men, but the illuminating light of the Holy Spirit places a halo of glory around His majestic being, bringing Him to view as the Great "I am", the Everlasting Father," the "Only Wise God," "Our Saviour" and the Creator of Heaven and earth. John 8:58, Isa. 9:6, Tit. 2:3, Tim. 1:17.

Jesus puzzled the world in the days of His flesh, and puzzles them now. The Jews rejected Him because that being a man made Himself God. John 10:33. They were continually asking Him, "Who art thou? What manner of man is this? Whom makest thou thyself? Where has this man this wisdom? Art thou then the Son of God," but that was not all the Scriptures declare Him to be. "Art thou the king of the Jews?" How knowest this man letters having never learned. Who is this that forgives sins also? And still today the world is puzzled. No wonder He is so great and marvelous. He is the true God.

### Anti-Christ

The devil has done his best to conceal the identity of Jesus; to hide Him from the people. So well has he succeeded, until at the end of the age the entire world will reject Jesus and will worship anti-Christ as God. (All except those whose names are written in the book of life) John warned of this when he said every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus is come in the flesh, is not of God, and this is that spirit of anti-Christ. 1 Tim. 3:16 says that God was manifest in the flesh, and 1 John 4:2 says Jesus is come in the flesh. Harmonizing these two Scriptures we find Jesus was God who came in the flesh, and to attempt to place Him on a lower place than the Mighty God and Lord of all, is to forever rank with the anti-Christ forces.

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# The Children's Page

By Cathryn Ruh

Memory Verse: "The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth." Psalm 34:17.

## WOLF! WOLF!

Delbert was taking care of his father's sheep one day near some rocks where wolves and foxes lived. Everyone wanted to be kind to the little boy so they said, "If you see a wolf coming, just call loudly and we will come with our guns and kill it." Now Delbert liked to tease just like some of you do, so he thought he would have some fun with these kind neighbors. After awhile he called out, "Help, help! the wolf is coming. Save my sheep!" The men of the village hurriedly climbed the hill with their guns, but there was no wolf in sight. Then Delbert just laughed and laughed. "I fooled you, didn't I?" he would say.

Delbert's father tried to show his son how wrong that had been, but he thought it was a lot of fun watching those men climb the hill, and then laughing at them. The next day as Delbert was watching the sheep, a great black scary looking wolf ran straight for the flock of sheep. Delbert screamed and screamed with all his might, "The wolf has come! The wolf has come! Help, help!" But not a person came to help. The big, black wolf ran straight for the flock of sheep, as he was hungry. He hurriedly picked up Delbert's little pet lamb, Wooley, in his mouth and ran off with him. All Delbert could do was cry.

Those neighbors, you see, would not listen to Delbert because he was not sincere. He had fooled them once, and they intended not to be fooled again. God will not listen to us either if we aren't sincere, for we cannot fool God.

If God's Word I will obey  
He will hear me when I pray.

Many years ago before the birth of Jesus, in the land of Judah, a young prince was made king. His name was Hezekiah. All the people were happy that he was made king. When they put the beautiful, sparkling crown on his head, all the people shouted, "God save the king!", for they felt he would make a fine and just king.

Now in this country of Judah lived many people who worshipped idols instead of God. This made King Hezekiah feel sad because he loved and worshipped God. At once he began to plan how he could have his whole country turn to God. King Hezekiah sent his men to break up the altars of the idols. They took axes and big hammers. Soon cr-a-a-sh! went the altars. Cre-e-eak! went the nails and boards as these altars were torn down. How very ashamed these people felt to think they had been praying to gods who could not hear or answer prayer. Then the king told the people they must ask God to forgive them. He said there was but one true God, and they must worship Him. Because Hezekiah caused these people to worship God, he was favored of God.

One day in the beautiful palace everyone was very sad. Probably the king's wife was crying, and the servants didn't sing or laugh any more. Can you guess what was wrong? King Hezekiah was very, very sick. His friends did everything they could for him, but he got no better. It really began to look as if King Hezekiah would die.

The Lord had not forgotten the king. He remembered how he had loved and served Him. Now when Hezekiah began to pray "O Lord, remember how I walked before Thee with a perfect heart, and have done right in Thy sight," God heard his prayer. Hezekiah did not have a lot of bad things hidden down in his heart, because all his life he had tried to serve the Lord. It had not always been easy to tell the truth, or to be obedient, or to be kind and sweet, but by asking God's help Hezekiah had been able to do this. Don't you think God will help us to be obedient and kind just as He did for King Hezekiah? Yes, God will help us, too, for He knows that we must have help also to serve Him.

God sent His servant Isaiah to tell Hezekiah He had heard his prayer. "Go to King Hezekiah", God said, "And tell him that I have heard his prayer, I have seen his tears, and I will heal him. Tell him he will live for fifteen more years before the death angel again comes. To make My Word more real to Hezekiah, I shall make the sun go backward in the sky, instead of forward."

Surely enough, God did just as He said. He caused the sun to go backward, just as though our sun should go back, and it would be morning again, after it was lunch time. Oh, how thankful Hezekiah was to think God had heard and answered his prayer for healing. It really paid Hezekiah to serve God, don't you agree?

Here are some blanks to fill in about our story today. How many can you answer?

1. The righteous c——, and the L—— hear-eth.
2. In the land of J—— a young prince became K——.
3. The people cried, "God S—— the king!"
4. The king sent his men to break the a—t——s.
5. Hezekiah said there was O—— true G——.
6. King Hezekiah became very s——.
7. The king prayed for h——l——g.
8. God helped Hezekiah to always —b——.
9. Will God help us to se—— Him?
10. God sent His servant Isaiah to the ——n——.
11. God said, "I will cause the s—— to go b——k——d."
12. Hezekiah was t———f——l to God for hearing his p———r.