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"Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord."
(Heb. 12:14)

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IRELAND, NOT A DREAM BUT A REALITY By Glenn Griffith

On the third day of January, 1958, Rev. Paul W. Finch, Leroy Adams, Jr., and the writer, boarded the beautiful and gracefully built passenger ship, "America," it helping to make up the fleet of "United States Ship Lines." The America is 723 ft. long, 92 ft. high, and 93 ft. wide, and made the average speed of thirty knots per hour. Getting us across the stormy Atlantic Ocean in a little less than six days. The crossing was called a very rough crossing by members of the ship's crew, especially the last two nights, as we skirted a terrific storm that struck England with winds reaching ninety miles an hour, and blowing several smaller ships ashore on England's coast, but we were north far enough to escape the hard storm, and made it in fine shape.

The Lord seemed to smile upon us from the very beginning, as every plan in meeting and boarding the ship worked according to plans, and after boarding we were asked to have charge of the Sunday morning service, and Brother Finch and Brother Adams led the service in song, and sang a beautiful special with guitar accompaniment, and the Lord helped me to make an attempt to preach from James 4th chapter. While out in the middle of the great Atlantic with only what seemed a very small boat by now in comparison to the immense expanse of the churning ocean, I took the subject -- "What is your life? It is but a vapor, that appeareth for awhile and then vanisheth away." Certainly the fact of the uncertainties, and frailties of life, were brought very vividly to mind, as we tossed helplessly on the bosom of a stormy sea of water, but the sea of life is far more stormy and uncertain, and God seemed to help to bring this thought to bear in upon the minds and hearts that Sabbath morning. Praise God forever, for this glorious gospel of holiness.

Then after the services, on the next day a gracious act of courtesy on the part of the Chief Purser happened. We had been separated and in different cabins, but the Chief Purser placed us all together, and transferred us from tourist class cabin on "B" deck to a large and most comfortable cabin on "A" deck, and also furnished this writer with a Dictaphone and writing belts without charge. In fact we were treated graciously all the way across. May God bless the good ship crew.

NO WE DIDN'T GET SEA-SICK, that is, well Leroy Adams lost one meal, but after that he made it like a good sailor. Brother Finch was a blessing in arranging things for the trip, and using his experience of travel, made the trip a very enjoyable one.

We landed January 9th at Cobh, Eire. The southern part of Ireland is about ninety-five per cent Roman Catholic, while the six northern countries are pre-dominantly Protestant, so the south is called Eire, and the North, Ireland. We made our way on a small Tender, called the "BLARNEY," and this little boat landed us safely in the harbor of Cork where we were met by a grand Salvation Army Soldier, by the name of, Sister Russell. She is an old faithful prayer warrior, and was a real help in getting us through the CUSTOMS without a bit of delay, and a fine Canadian brother by the name of Rice, who took us in his little Volkswagen into the great city of Cork, and to the Y. M. C. A. where we stayed while in Cork. We held services in the Y. M. C. A. and the Supt. of the Y. M. C. A., Mr. Bird, proved to be one of our greatest boosters, and this eighty year old veteran of many battles is a great leader in South Ireland of the Protestant Christians. Thank God for such staunch leaders.

We landed in Eire and Ireland in what developed into a cold and stormy beginning; it getting colder than it had been in forty or fifty years, and the roads became very icy, but the crowds came anyhow, and as the storm broke every hall was filled to capacity. The Lord gave us good victory, and some fine young men and women and some young couples were not only reached by the Lord and His grace, but two feel called to special service and are inquiring about our study course for licensed ministers. Then God gave us the hearts of the people of Ireland. We met and conversed and prayed over important things of the kingdom, with some of the finest Christian leaders, and leading preachers and business men, and I left Ireland with the deep consciousness of a profitable itinerary to the Emerald Isle of the Irish. Praise the Lord. I have never met a warmer hearted people than the Irish there, and there is one of the deepest undertone of real sincerity, and depth of spirit seldom found in these last days.

At Omagh, N. Ireland the storm broke on Friday, and the people packed the hall, until children sat on the platform the last service, and chairs were put close together and over three hundred crowded into the hall. At Enniskillen, the crowds were large from the beginning, but grew every night, until the same crowded hall, as at Omagh was again re-enacted, and over three hundred people helped us close a successful week of revival (The Irish call revivals "MISSIONS.") Then we preached the first Monday night at Ballymena, north of Belfast, and a large crowd met us there and boosted as we preached. Brother Finch preached at Lisburn that night, and he and Brother Adams will carry on there this week, and I will go on with Rev. Victor Glenn to Egypt, and Eritrea. We left Ireland a week sooner than at first planned, but felt that the get acquainted visit to Ireland was a success, and should hurry on to other mission fields and on to good old U. S. A. and help with the over ripened harvest there and school organization.

I shall never be the same again, and God led me into a deeper shadow, and another Olive Tree a little deeper in the Garden of Gethsemane. I have never seen the deep need of lost humanity, as plainly as today, and never have I seen my own lack of a deep enough concern as now.

You see, I have been walking where martyrs died for the Faith, once delivered unto the saints. I have walked into old castles where men fought for freedom in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. I saw the dungeons, and crawled into them where men were chained and died. Where 'Oliver Cromwell' with his 'Round heads' liberated England, and where William of Orange liberated Ireland, and formed a place where free worship could be enjoyed. I found the same spirit of martyrdom there today, and men who pray two and three hours per day, for a genuine revival to sweep their country and the world. It seemed I could feel the presence of John Knox, who saved Scotland for Protestantism, against Mary Queen of Scots, and who faced her in her own castle at her own call, and would not yield to her Roman Catholic faith or rule, but died faithful to his convictions. The spirit of the sainted McCheney, who wore grooves in his office, or study floor praying, and molded lives that: kept the faith a living force in Scotland and all England and Ireland, and I no doubt walked and rode on roads, where the little giant of Methodism -- John Wesley, and also Charles Wesley, and just across the narrow channel where the praying Welshman (Evans) and prayer groups shook all of Wales with a mighty revival.

It was in that atmosphere, and kept company (in the Spirit) with such a grand company of our forefathers, and I am frank to say, that nearly every night, though it was cold and no fire in the room: I couldn't sleep, but prayed most of the later part of the night, and though I had to put on heavy wool clothing from the body out -- I wanted to keep company with that wonderful crowd who helped to prepare me such a heritage, and to ask God to let the breath of McCheney, the impassioned intercessor, the faith and courage of Wesley, Knox, and the Covenantors create the atmosphere around me and all of our preachers and people who are called to "Stand in the gap, and make up the hedge" -- -in this LATE dark hour.

My co-laborers at home, those cold gray walls of ancient castles, with the marks still showing in the aged stone of the past, of bloody battles fought to preserve the faith of our fathers -- (Yes my faith), and the echoes of the suffering of the inquisition saints, who kept the light of Christian hope alive, has humbled me to seek a new place of intercession in secret prayer. Pray for me and let us all pray NOW.

Will write again soon on trip to Eritrea, and Egypt. I am well-preaching on average of once a day. Love and confidence to all at home fields. -- Unworthily, Glenn Griffith

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EDITORIAL
Spencer Johnson

THE TENDERNESS OF HOLINESS

True holiness is always characterized by a Christ-like compassion. Holiness does not coddle nor compromise with sin yet there is ever a spirit of love in the heart of the holy toward that unfortunate one who has been taken captive by the wiles of the devil. A system that is all love and no law gives license for sin and evil, while a system that is all law and no love leads to tyranny. The man who really keeps the blessing of holiness is in no danger of either liberalism or legalism for in the truly sanctified heart there is a balance of law and grace. Holiness of heart makes the good life easy to live. This does not mean that it lowers the standard of the Bible or gives one liberty to do evil or to cease from doing good but it does give one power within to meet the demands without. With this power within he can meet the high demands of the scriptures without strain. He does not live below the Bible standard yet he requires nothing beyond it. Praise God!

To try to live the holy life without the experience of holiness is as futile as trying to operate a steam engine without fire in the fire box. In a recent revival service a lady was seeking to be sanctified. Her outward appearance spoke of modesty and meekness but the expression in her face indicated deep agony of soul. After some time of praying and seeking she told us that she had sought for years but had not entered into the experience of holiness. She was the victim of a vicious system. She had been taught that by a long process of penance and self-abnegation she must, herself, mortify all the traits of carnality until she never again felt any movements of carnality in her heart before she could be ready to be sanctified. She had been taught a heartless doctrine which, though passing for holiness, almost amounted to the Roman Catholic teaching of penance in order to merit salvation. Some, following this merciless grind of works without faith, in their earnest seeking after holiness had been lead to believe that they must get under the carpet or crawl down the aisles on all fours or go out and get down on their knees and pray on a public street corner to humble themselves enough to merit the experience of holiness. Such cruel teaching reminds one of the heathen philosopher Diogenes who taught that the highest good could be obtained by self-inflicted punishment and suffering.

While it is certainly true that there is a "Death Route" and a dying out to the world, the flesh and the devil before one obtains the blessing of holiness, it must ever be remembered that it is God's help and grace that enables one to die out. No one can mortify the works of the flesh within his own strength. The carnal mind is not even subject to the law of God. It will not submit to God, much less the will of man. God has to deal with it as an outlaw. The old man must be crucified and the body of sin destroyed. One could strive all his life and never get to the place where he would not feel the movements of carnality within. The depravity of the human heart is too powerful a foe for man to conquer. God must come and bind the strong man and cast him out. It is not our struggling that brings the victory. It is our surrender. When we get to the end of ourselves and turn the case completely over to God then the mighty Holy Ghost will come and do in a moment's time what we could not do in a thousand years. We cannot merit it. If we could have merited it Jesus would never have had to make the atonement on Calvary. Jesus by His shed blood on the cross made holiness possible and the Holy Ghost must apply the cleansing to our waiting and yielded hearts. We cannot empty and cleanse ourselves. All we can do is confess our carnality and by the help of the Spirit consecrate all our ransomed powers to God and then trust Him to fill us with the Holy Ghost. The filling of the Holy Ghost does the cleansing and the killing. "Being sanctified by the Holy Ghost." (Rom. 15:16)

A ray of hope dawned upon that lady's countenance as I explained to her that God must do the sanctifying. That if she would turn it all over to God and begin to exercise her faith, that He would come and satisfy her longing spirit. Two services later she came back to the altar and by the gracious help of God, gave herself and her all to Him. By faith at last she touched Him and in a moment's time she swept into the Canaan experience of perfect love. She wept and shouted and walked the aisles while she praised Him for completing the work in her soul.

It might not be fair to make literal tears a test of holiness of heart but it is certainly true that holiness of heart and a care for souls result in, and then in turn spring from a heart that is full of holy tenderness and compassion. "The broken and contrite heart is despised by neither God nor man." The severest truth preached with tenderness and kindness will have its effect upon the hardest and roughest of sinners. But woe to the preacher who gets up with blood in his eye and goes after their scalps!

When Jesus wept over Lazarus those who looked on said, "Behold how he loved him." We are encouraged to come boldly to the throne of grace because we "have an high priest that can be touched with the feeling of our infirmities." Paul declared that at Ephesus he warned them night and day with tears. "Men admire the eloquent speaker and respect the strong personality, but they yield to the pleadings of the weeping prophet." The need of this poor bleeding, sin-cursed, world is men with compassionate hearts. There is a language and a convincing power in the tears of a godly man that far exceed the soundest logic on earth.

Oh, God, give us more inwrought Holy Ghost tenderness. Help us to give consideration to the culture of our hearts as well as our heads. May all our services be touched with prayer and love and sympathy. Baptize our holy doctrine with tears. In a world of sham and make believe, help us to be as genuine as grace through the power of the Holy Ghost can make us. In this age of harshness and bitterness grant us the compassionate heart of Jesus. Amen!

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SPORTS-MAD SCHOOLS

By Edith R. Tjepkma

As a Christian teacher I am opposed to the sports program in most schools because this program encourages various sins and vices, destroys spiritual and intellectual standards, and tears down the structure of American education.

Pride, one of the worst of sins, caused Lucifer to fall from heaven, and the young athlete is exposed most cruelly to the constant temptation to this sin. Glorifying in their ability to shoot a basket, pass a football, or to trot around the track faster than anyone else, athletes are in danger of becoming proud, vain, conceited, and full of self-love. They swagger about the school, displaying their sweaters with letters earned in sports. "Creeds" and "grinds" who are in school only to study are heartily despised by these idols who receive the adoration of the weaker boys and the prettiest girls.

Some young people who profess holiness play on these varsity teams. How can a truly sanctified soul care for the shallow admiration of the fickle worldly crowd? The plaudits of the pleasure-seekers should ring hollowly in the ears of the regenerated, purified child of the high and lofty One Who inhabiteth eternity. Surely only a proud unholy heart could be tickled by such vanities.

Time-wasting is one of the sins of the age. John Wesley taught the early Methodists to spend their time in Christian ways, but modern professors of holiness perhaps do not have such tender consciences about the way in which their time is spent. Nevertheless, the scriptural exhortations about redeeming the time are still there to be read by those who will. Both athletes and those who watch them are guilty of wrong use of time. The athletes spend hours after school practicing, come home late perhaps to a cold supper, and fall into bed exhausted, night after night, leaving little time for prayer, Bible reading, or prayermeeting attendance.

At nearly all schools, time and energy are expended on frenzied pep meetings in order to stir up more enthusiasm for the games. For two or three days before the big homecoming game at one school, many students stayed out of classes in order to work on floats for the parade. This was right at the end of a marking period when teachers wished to be giving tests.

While the hours pass, spectators stand or else sit on hard backless benches in order to see the games. Hoarsened by screaming, chilled, cramped, weary, they leave the field or the gymnasium, feeling that they have had a wonderful time. They wouldn't dream of attending a religious meeting under such uncomfortable conditions! (Nor of shouting one-tenth as much for the glory of God as they do for the honor of the team.)

Another besetting sin of this age is lust which may seem at first to have nothing to do with sports. But, listen! Don't you know that bare-legged drum majorettes and bare-shouldered homecoming queens are needed to give the Hollywood touch to the football games? And how could any of these games be held without saucy little cheer-leaders with tight-fitting slacks or with skirts flying up above their dimpled knees?

A certain homecoming football game was played on a very cold evening, but that did not prevent the queen and her court and other young girls from riding on floats while wearing backless, strapless, evening dresses. Fully-clad spectators were thoroughly chilled, but the twin gods of lust and sports must be served!

As the shivering watchers huddled under blankets at a November football game, two frail-looking girls dressed in brief blue satin drum majorette uniforms went through their routine of twirling batons. Probably their substantial expanses of bare skin were chilled enough to be as blue as the costumes they wore. The more dell care of the two was ill the next week, no doubt as a result of exposure.

The cult of the homecoming queen has even spread to a certain holiness college with which I am acquainted; there may be other which have adopted this worldly custom. A young lady with a sense of modesty can hardly attend a basketball game at the same college, for the young men on the floor display bare pink arms and legs as they dash about the floor clad in sleeveless shirts and shorts. It is a delusion of Sara that only men can be led astray by the nakedness of the opposite sex. Brothers, God made a coat of skin for Adam's nakedness, too! No wonder girls have a hard time keeping pure these days when so-called Christian boys and young men go half-naked in the name of athletics!

Dishonesty is another result of the sports program. An intelligent and thoughtful editorial in the Detroit Free Press of November, 1957, comments on a well-known example of this sort of thing which occurred recently. A high school boy forged a physician's name to his medical examination card. The forgery was detected, he was declared ineligible to play, and his school's victories in games in which he had played were declared null and void. According to his mother, the boy's life would be ruined. Because a championship was involved some of the fathers of the players took the case to court, it became a political issue, insults and accusations were hurled, letters were written to the paper, and articles were published about it.

The writer of the editorial felt that the big issue in all this fuss and bother was the over-emphasis on athletics. I will come back to this topic later on, but the dishonesty involved should mean something, too. This matter of keeping "eligible" can be a corrupting force in school life. In order to be eligible to play an athlete is supposed to get passing grades in three-fourths of his subjects. Before the games a sheet containing the player's names is circulated among the

teachers so that they may indicate the status of the team members. You can see what a temptation it would be to an athlete to cheat or to copy in order to keep on the eligibility list.

A number of years ago a prize basketball player was in two of my classes. He had failed ninth grade English the previous year, so he was taking ninth and tenth grade English concurrently during his sophomore year. His work was very poor -- I fear he was somewhat lazy. When another teacher and I marked him as failing, making it impossible for him to play, pressure was put on me to reconsider my mark. The principal talked to me about it, and the coach became very eloquent in trying to impress me with what it would mean to the boy to be able to play, as if his life might hardly be worth living otherwise.

Teachers usually have to put up with a certain amount of insolence -- as well as incompetence -- from athletes, but the teacher bold enough to cross one of these stars of team or track is very apt to really get "told-off." Not only the athlete, but his followers, idolaters, and fond parents get in on the act.

Details need not be given of all the evil results of school sports, but some of the others will be briefly touched on. There is the bad sportsmanship shown at the games by name-calling and fights, or even destruction of the "enemy" school's property. Instead of taking as their examples great patriots, noble reformers, or heroic missionaries, young people set up the sports heroes as their ideals in life. Dancing, drugs, and drinking are all related to the sports evil. Some professed Christians buy television sets and sit for hours watching the games. And it is enough to deceive the very elect when Sunday school papers carry sports stories, and "Christian athletes" are played up in a flossy, flippant youth magazine put out by a holiness denomination.

While we bow down before bare-bosomed homecoming queens, conceited block-headed athletes, and prancing drum majorettes, the scientific achievements of godless Russia circle the earth ominously, looking down as if in scorn at the crumbling education systems of our unhappy land. Half-paid teachers struggle along in outmoded, overcrowded classrooms, while the shining steel beams of a new half million dollar gymnasium rise toward the skies in triumphant pride, and the coach zooms past in his glittering '58 Buick.

Although he may actually despise athletics, the classroom teacher is forced to go along with the sports program. As part of his job he is expected to sell or take tickets at games, chaperone spectator buses to out-of-town contests, and attend pep meetings and even give little speeches at them in order to whip up school spirit as they call it.

I have read of two cases of young men who could not receive their college degrees because each lacked about two credits in physical education. One of these was a talented artist, the other a mathematical genius whom the armed forces put into a menial post because he lacked a diploma. Now holiness colleges are falling in line with the sports over-emphasis in order to be accredited.

That we have allowed Communist Russia to outstrip us scientifically has been laid to the fact that we are only playing school in this country. One wonders why institutions supposedly devoted to training the mind should spend colossal sums on sports equipment, gymnasiums, and

coaches' salaries, while teachers of the three R's and science are poorly paid, often despised, and furnished with insufficient books and equipment.

Please understand that I do not advocate burning all the baseball bats and burying the footballs while boys stand around kicking their heels. Boys need exercise and games -- girls too -- and I am sure it is pleasing to our Lord to see a group of happy healthy youngsters enjoying themselves in the fresh air and sunshine with bat and ball. But I do not think that Jesus would ever be found among the screaming devotees of the Friday night contest with all its accompaniment of bare-legged cheerleaders, liquored-up spectators, dishonest, self-loving athletes, and even gamblers connected with the underworld.

Ancient Greece held the original Olympic games where athletes were adored, but she fell in spite of their physical prowess. Rome cheered for her gladiators and for charioteers as they raced around the arena, but fell as Greece had fallen. In more modern times England has been noted for her love of sports, but now she has become a second-rate power. It looks as though it may be our turn next!

Saints, this sports program is degraded in the professional field, dishonest in the colleges, disturbing in the high schools, and a downright spiritual detriment in the Christian colleges. Let us fight to keep our Christian young people free from the trammels of the vicious sports program -- "That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace." Psalms 144:12.

(Editor's Note: Amen!)

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CONSISTENT LIVING

They looked like the world,
And they did like the world.
They went where the world always goes.
They talked like the world,
And they walked like the world.
They dressed like the world in their clothes.

Yet they said they knew Christ in free pardon of sin
And they urged me "accept Jesus too,"
But I said in my heart,
"I cannot make the start
If that's all their religion can do."

Then I met with a crowd
That was not vain nor proud.
They lived Christian lives pure and true.
Then I said in my heart

"With that crowd I'll take part.
What they have makes them live lives anew."

Then I fell on my knees
And I cried "Jesus, please
Save my soul that's so burdened with sin.
Then He spoke to my heart,
Joy and peace did impart,
And He cleansed me without and within.

Now I'm trying to walk
And to act and to talk
Like a Christian should do every day;
So that others may see
Jesus Christ lives in me,
And will want to walk in God's way.

So remember my friend,
If some soul you would win,
You must watch everything that you do;
For there's many today
Who are looking your way.
Will your life prove consistent and true?

-- Mary E. Owen

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JUDGE NOT
By Elbert Dodd

Scripture:

Matthew 7:1-2 -- "Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again."

Again Jesus said, "Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment." --
John 7:24.

Matthew 7:16 -- "Ye shall know them by their fruits." In I Cor. 6:2 Paul says, "Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world?"

The above scriptures are simply stating that we as saints are not to pass judgment, and will not pass judgment on any person until all the evidence is in hand. We as Christians do know what is right and what is wrong, and we will know, and we will take our stand against wrong regardless of who does the wrong, and we have a perfect right to do so.

But this article is to warn us not to pass judgment until we KNOW.

We hear some rumor, or we hear of someone's mistakes or failures and think there is no reason for such a thing or act. Yet if we knew the case in full we might be less severe in our judgment. God knows the motives and sees the heart, and God is a merciful, loving, understanding God, and as Christians we too, must be as God is in our actions toward others. Let us not pass judgment upon any person until we know the particulars. Many hearts have been crushed in this way, and some have gone out to give up because of the harsh judgment of those who should have been merciful and understanding.

This does not mean that sin will be condoned or excused in any, but we should know all the facts before we pass judgment. Jesus said, "With what measure you mete it shall be measured to you again." And we know we will reap what we sow --

If we could see as God sees, and if we knew as God knows there would be more confidence in each other, and there would be no unkind gossip in any way. May God give us wisdom from above, and put such a warm feeling toward each other as brothers and sisters in this great war against sin that there will be no room for prejudging, and unkind statements toward or about each other.

If we knew the efforts, the struggles, and the battles of some we would no doubt be more sympathetic and pray more often for those who are struggling to make it through, and have made mistakes, and blunders.

Instead of speaking unkind and evil about them, we should pray more frequently, and speak more kind words to them.

My prayer is, Lord help me to go as far as mercy goes, to excuse sin in none, and never condone wrong within my own heart, but to love people, carry a burden for them, and to be willing at all times to help all that I can help, and not to ever pass judgment on any until all the evidence is in. This is my daily prayer.

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AN UNBELIEVABLE SITUATION

By W. M. Tidwell

I was just talking with one of the finest men I know who has just attended a Bible conference conducted here in the city in the First Presbyterian Church. The main speaker is one of the leading pastors in the United States. He also publishes a nationally read magazine.

My friend states that when he was at the meeting last week questions were being ask Dr. _____. Among the questions was, "What is the difference in TV and the downtown movie?" His answer was, "There is no difference except TV is some worse than the downtown movie." The downtown movie is censored while TV is censored very little if at all." Then he went on to say,

"The Presbyterian Church has forbidden its ministers from having TV." He commented quite a bit on the danger of TV.

But the thing that was so shocking to my friend who heard this was that an old denomination like this should condemn and forbid its ministers from having TV and at the same time a holiness church should officially legalize T.V. Have it in their manual and many of the leaders should have and boost TV. This is something to seriously consider. And this very church that legalizes TV and boosts it in their periodicals, at the same time condemns or has in the past the downtown movie. God says, "Be not partakers of other men's sins." My good friend feels to support a church financially with ones presence and influence is "To partake of other men's sins." The day of judgment will be a day of revelation. What a day that will be!

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AN "IF" FOR PREACHERS

Spencer Johnson

If you can hate the sin and love the sinner,
If you can preach real close and not be a skinner.
Though you may blunder 'round like a drunk on a bender
If your eyes are tear-filled and your heart is tender,
You can win. a lot of souls to the Lord.

If you can keep sweet and steady and not get mad,
When a fellow rears up and treats you real bad.
If you can go and grin when he kicks you on the shin,
If you keep the victory then you'll begin to win
His hungry heart and soul to the Lord.

If you can preach against sin and stand firm as a tower,
If you can contend for the right and not get sour,
If you can battle the Devil and still keep sweet,
And walk in the path of the nail-scarred Feet,
Then you'll do a lot of good for the Lord.

If you can preach the Bible and not compromise,
If you can point men and women to a home in the skies,
If you can pass through this world and not bow to its toys,
If you can preach profoundly and yet win the boys,
Then they'll believe you're called of the Lord.

When they say things about you that are nothing but lies,
And your heart is crushed 'til it nearly dies,
If you can go on like Jesus with no word of defense,
If you can love your enemies without pretense,
Then you'll keep your soul for the Lord.

If you can come down to your old age
And not backslide and soil the page,
If you can finish your course without disgrace,
If you can run with joy to the end of the race,
Then you'll go home to be with the Lord.

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THE BIBLE DOCTRINE OF SEPARATION

By Paul Pumpelly

What is Apostasy? Apostasy is the church desiring to be at peace with Satan's world. The Bible doctrine of separation was radically practiced and advocated by the prophets of the Old Testament. The same principle of separation is demanded in the New Testament. "Be ye separate, saith the Lord." "So there was a division among the people because of him." These words could have been written at any time during the ministry of Jesus. He divided and even destroyed some elements of religion. In fact Jesus was such a "separatist" and not a modern day compromising receptionist, that it eventually led to His death by those whom He had so pointedly revealed their sin and apostasy. The churchman of this unholy day would rarely do as He did. They would rather seek loyalty to the program and unity for fellowship, even at the cost of precious truth. So many are at the present as Gideon before God let him out. Gideon was threshing wheat behind the winepress for fear of the Midianites. But Jesus stepped right out and began His life and preached publicly His message of separation unto God.

The birth of Jesus divided men. He had just arrived on earth when men started dividing over it. The strangeness of this hate and division is yet evident. This division finally chased Him off the earth. The Scriptures declare Him born of a virgin but the liberal insists it was but a natural human birth in EVERY SENSE. His identity divided men. No one ever sought to be so thoroughly identified as did the Son of God. "What think ye of Christ? ... Whose son is he?" This pressure of identity is still on today. Those who are of the "separatist" group willingly are identified with the old fashioned, second blessing holiness with a standard, radical crowd. But on the other hand those who do not want separation or identification are forced out into the public gaze because of the "separatist" and therefore, prove to be false, sham, artificial. The pressure of identity revealed it. Thank God for the pressure.

Another division was over the character of Jesus. His claims and His teachings also brought sharp division. He claimed to be greater than Moses, greater than David, greater than Solomon, greater than Jonah. He claimed to be the Son of God, equal with God, God made flesh. His teachings were so radical that "from that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him." How unfit the Saviour would be for some denominational program today. He caused men to leave. He upset the program. Denominational headquarters would certainly refuse to recommend Him for pastor or evangelist. He would be accused of being sour, critical, uncooperative, bitter, carnal, selfish, discriminating, and breaking fellowship. In His heart He sought men who would dare to SEPARATE from everything and follow Him. He said, "And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say." If the true follower of the Saviour is to

keep His sayings, then there will have to be a definite separation. The Son of God demanded it. His death, resurrection and promise to return to earth again caused division. The high priest reacted so violently that he rent his clothes. And yet the apostate teaches unity, unity, peace, peace. What they mean is for any who believe the old fashioned way to keep his faith in the back seat and come bow to the compromised views for denominational advancement. Do it at any cost.

John the Baptist taught division when he refused to "take them in" because they could not produce evidence of repentance and separation. Who told John the Baptist these men had not repented? Answer that? He LOOKED. He SAW. His language could hardly be described as cooperative. His attitude certainly was not "loyal" to the modern easy going religion. "If John were to appear in some of the modern assemblies or conferences and stand up in his "uncouth" manner, they would lead him off in the next room and gently suggest he go "join" the radicals. Or would they do it gently?" Any attempt of a modernistic compromising preacher to use the ministry or teachings of Jesus to give sanction to a false unity and denominational loyalty is a flat failure. John lost his head, Jesus was murdered, Peter was imprisoned, Stephen was stoned, and Paul was beheaded. Why? Because they believed, preached, and practiced the Bible doctrine of separation. They were not trying to build great denominations but the KINGDOM. They were not trying to break the Sunday School record or make a big report for personal advancement, but were seeking lost men with melted hearts. The unscriptural receptionist seeks denominational unity because it is the road of least resistance and pays him the bigger dividend. Denominational loyalty is man's cheap substitute for loyalty to the Holy Ghost. When one loses personal holiness, he has nothing left but a denomination and he will fight for that loyalty and unity which secures his pension and personal fan fare.

At Pentecost, Peter preached a "separation" message. All of the Apostles preached it and became cross-wise with the church of their day. The last day apostasy is identified in the Bible for us. False professors as Cain; false prophets as Balaam; false profession or religion as Core. A false prophet is a preacher who says God did not say it when He did say it, and that God did say it when He did not say it. That constitutes a FALSE PROPHET. The warning of the Saviour is to have nothing whatsoever to do with them. Yet some liberal mouthed fellow will smooth it over and take an offering -- from hard working but deceived people to help pay the next TV payment for the Doctor. This makes them all a party to the Doctor's sin. In the apostasy the false prophet will have no trouble as long as he supports the budget.

What does God say to us in this awful conglomeration we find the holiness movement in? Here it is if you can stand it. "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers; for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you. And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord

three words to each. On one side is righteousness, light, Christ, believer, and temple of God. On the other side is unrighteousness, darkness, Belial, infidel, and idols. Now note what yokes them together. Righteousness FELLOWSHIP unrighteousness. The word to be afraid of is "fellowship."

Yet the apostate stands up and in tears says, "please don't break fellowship." Stay in and fellowship. Next is light COMMUNING with darkness. The doctrine of separation forbids it but the poor liberal who is now possessed with a devil and sworn to denominational loyalty, must plead for communion. The word to stand against is "communion." Next is Christ CONCORD Belial. Isn't that a fine one? They say keep your convictions, live by your conscience if you want to, but keep concord, that is, a meeting place together and federate and collaborate. To do so you must degenerate the Word of God out of final and full authority. Next is believer IN PART with infidels. Part means tied together, that is, in partnership, in the same church both supporting the same program. Next is temple of God in AGREEMENT with idols. This last one is so common. They plead, "learn to agree to disagree agreeably." This rebukes the "separatist" for using the Bible for his rule and plan, instead of what was voted over the council table. This subtle demon spirit is rank in every assembly or conference. BEWARE! He has not called us to feebly and quietly speak our little "peace" and then fade out, but to go the Bible way of separation. To do so, you will have to run from that middle ground in those terms, fellowship, communion, concord in part, and agreement. Do it even if it means death -- even if thrown to the lions! Glory'.

Real Bible fellowship comes from walking in the LIGHT. Not in denominational unity. In the LIGHT every tongue is stopped, every knee knows, every opinion fades and there we have FELLOWSHIP. Even if our nick-names are different. The TRUTH UNIFIES. Not co-existence. I'm a come-outer for truth. Not merely by choice but by my CONSCIENCE in the Holy Ghost. A come-outer when ever it is necessary. And in this unholy day it is a necessity. Bible separation to possess a HOLY GOD. What glorious returns. I have Him.

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I WENT TO THE WOODS TO PRAY

By Mrs. Paul King

Some years ago while in the area of the beautiful Pocono mountains of Pennsylvania in a revival meeting, I left the city and its surroundings and walked to a secluded wooded hillside to pray. The meeting was tight, the congregation extremely dead and even more dry, but the preaching was rugged, close and straight. Everyone was urged to pray and fast and wait upon God for a mighty revival, thus, with heavy spirit and burdened heart I found myself in the woods.

Fall was on display in all her glory: every bush was vibrant with scarlets and yellows, and the leaves on the trees above me were prettier than any of grandma's old fashioned patch work quilts for color- greens, yellows, bright orange, and flaming reds were all mixed and splashed with browns and lighter lemon shades. Beneath me lay a small valley -- peaceful and still, except for the whistle of a bird, the caw of the crow, or an errant breeze playing with some of the beautiful leaves and then dropping them abruptly to the ground beneath. At the side of the valley rose a tall mountain whose trees were also aflame with fall. Nestled in among the grandeur and beauty of it all was an old dilapidated, weather beaten and black house. Intently I stood gazing at the contrast, when the Holy Spirit began talking to my heart and the tears suddenly flowed. freely, uncontrolled, and unashamed! Some years before, I too was like the old house -- my heart was black and sinful, my life becoming dilapidated and ugly and the very foundation upon which I was building was crumbling and decaying. Satan promised much, but gave nothing but bitterness of soul

and spirit, with a remorseful conscience and mind. Truly "the way of the transgressor is hard." One day in a tender age He sought me and wooed at my hearts strings in an old fashioned camp meeting, and as a little girl (feeling all my childish sins had wounded Him, yea rather had crucified Him), I repented in humble contrition and He came in to abide with me. He painted beauty where all was blackness and void. My heart was aflame with His presence and glory, for is not He altogether lovely! I found Him to be the sweet Rose of Sharon, the fragrant Lily of the Valley, the Jewel rare and beautiful, the Corner Stone, the Sure Foundation; my Fortress, my High-tower, my Rock of Defense, my Strong Tower and my All in all. Blessed be my Saviour!

Was it not His hands that created the panorama of beauty around the old black house, and hadn't He done as much, yea lots more for my poor soul! He gave (inward) beauty for ashes, flowers for stubble, and grain for chaff! I stood trembling in His presence, sobbing and crying for joy. His hand seemed to rest upon me and I felt smaller and smaller, and as nothing in His presence. Thus I fell to my knees, crying, praying and interceding for His visitation. Was there anything too hard for my Lord! This revival wasn't impossible, for a God who created such a miracle of beauty and splendor, and He who transformed my sinful life, could and would do the same here. As I prayed, how great and unchanged I knew He was and thanks be to God the answer came. He heard, He answered and revival came.

Isaac went to the field to meditate (or pray) Gen. 24:63. Our Lord went into the mountain to pray. St. Luke 6:12 and 9:28, and He also went into a garden where His soul "was exceeding sorrowful, even unto death." There He prayed -- yea agonized with God, and then in humble submission said "Thy will, not mine be done." It was settled there in the garden! He would suffer and die for my sins -- what love, what compassion! Yes, Jesus resorted to the mountains to pray; away from the thronging, pressing multitude. He also went into a desert place to pray, again a place of privacy and seclusion. There in the mountains, the garden and the desert was displayed God's greatness and His goodness, His vastness, might and Dower; there the sham, and the false are not felt or seen: the world is shut out as we are shut in with God in sacred communion and fellowship.

Try praying in the mountains, the hills, gardens, pastures, orchards, or the great outdoors if possible. You, too, will be aware of the nearness of God, the closeness of heaven come down to earth. Let God talk to you as you read from His Word; prepare your soul for Him as the beloved prepareth herself for her lover. Ah, the rest, joy and peace, the solitude and deepening of the Spirit life as we commune with Him and enfold Him to us! How insignificant and faded is everything else beside Him! Yes, my own life has been enriched and enhanced countless times because I went to the woods to pray.

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A LETTER OF ENCOURAGEMENT

By H. B. Huffman

My Dear Brother _____,

I had a good talk with Sister _____ last night and I am much encouraged due to the fact that she said you were a wonderful preacher, a good man, and the people love you. That really helped me and made me believe more fully that God will never forsake his own. The old Book says, "I was young and now I'm old and I have not seen the righteous forsaken nor his seed begging bread."

You are a young preacher Brother _____, starting out in the greatest work God has ever given man. You are in the place now to make it or fail. How well do I remember the time I faced the same situation you are facing now. My salary went from \$15 a week to an average of around \$4 and sometimes as low as \$1.50. I had bills and paying for a new auto, The District was broke and no sign of help from any source, the picture was dark. The knees were patched on my only suit. The church had no credit. I couldn't go down town and buy a dimes worth of nails or anything on credit. I went to a Christian man's coal mine to get work. The Brother turned me down. I went to a big construction company and got so burdened I thought I'd nearly die. I turned around and went home discouraged and thought of resigning a thousand times. I was like the prodigal son, no man gave unto me. My final move, I went to God in desperation and told Him the whole story. The answer came, He said, "I know of all these things before you ask." He showed me so clearly how I had worked and slaved in the business world and had always trusted in my own hands to supply all my needs but now I must trust Him. Then the precious promise came, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (Matt. 6:33) Then He said, "If you were working for an old Jew down town you would trust him to pay you Saturday." "Seek ye first the kingdom." I had to say yes. Then I began to think Lord as far back as my Christian experience I have been trying to do just that. Well He said, "Get on That." And Brother _____, there I have stood all these years. God began helping me immediately. A new suit came that week. I never bought groceries on credit. God took me through the school of economy, one school I had never entered. I refuse to worry now, though I might, as my last meeting was in Indiana. I blew up two brand new tires in one trip. A brother wrote me a check for \$50.00 which paid for the tires and so by God's good help we are still going. I came here on faith, I shall return the same way, God helping me. When I got that promise (Matt. 6:33) I have written my name under that promise in every Bible all these years. When I embraced it and it really became mine, I trusted God to do what He said He would do. Money started coming in. People started coming from every where. We began to have souls at our empty, barren altars. People started handing me ten and twenty dollar bills, not above my needs but all was supplied. Praise His wonderful Name forever and ever and ever!

Look up dear Brother, remember you are working for the Lord. He will pay us all and more than we earn. I love you Brother _____, and would do anything within my power to help you. I feel you are God's man. We are all starting all over again. Don't be afraid to trust God. So many of us have tasted of this splurge of money, much of it blood money. If we ever reach this old hell bound world we will have to have living faith in a living God.

We all went through the school of pumped up programs, promoted through human efforts. We saw so much defeat in God's armies that defeat defeated us all. In the words of dear old Daddy Griffith, we must all go further in the Garden of Gethsemane. We have our beach heads and battle lines established, let's get ready for the surprise attack. We must take new territory for God and His kingdom. Brother _____, I feel there are thousands of wounded soldiers in the holiness

movement lying out there enslaved by compromising ministry, socials and programs. They are calling for help in every direction. I personally am getting letters just about daily which demonstrates this truth. We must get to them. We must not waver in our faith. God has called us all in a time like this. We must not fail. God will help us. Your old wicked city needs God. Once you get a start with altar services it will soon get out. The wicked world is hungry. Once they find we have something genuine to offer them many will come.

I am enclosing a little check for you. I'm helping all I can. My phone calls are high and my car expenses are great but I still go on and live on my promise.

Write me when you can and keep looking up. God doesn't seem to pay off every Saturday evening. Sometimes He really puts us in the Lion's Den or the Furnace to see if we have a little of old Brother Job in us. "Though He slay, yet will I trust Him."

I am faithfully yours for souls, H. B. Huffman

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THE QUESTION DEPARTMENT

By Dr. T. M. Anderson

QUESTION: -- Must the wholly sanctified be as perfect in their finite capacity as God Himself is in His infinity?

ANSWER: -- It is not possible to compare the finite with the infinite without great difficulties being involved. God made man in His own image and after His own likeness which means moral purity. The holiness obtained in the epochal experience of entire sanctification is essentially the same as the holiness of God. We are made partakers of His holiness. Heb. 12:10. We have the capacity for holiness like God's capacity for holiness, not equal but like. One drop of water is like in quality to all the water on earth, but not equal in quantity.

QUESTION: -- Is it a sin for a Christian to eat hog meat?

ANSWER: -- Christians are not under the legalism of the law. They are required to observe the moral law which is included in the ten Commandments. I see nothing in the New Testament that forbids one eating pork. Let each be guided by his own conscience and not put a burden on others by returning to legalism.

QUESTION: -- What fact shows that labor itself is not a curse?

ANSWER: -- I never heard of labor being anything but honorable. "Let him labor, working with his hands the things which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth." Eph. 4:28.

QUESTION: -- Explain, "Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on." Matt. 6:25-31.

ANSWER: -- The context shows that our Lord is teaching us that the more important things in life are contained in the kingdom of God and His righteousness. He shows us how God cares for the fowls and flowers. They have no distressing cares about food, clothing, and shelter. We do well to see how the cares of life can hinder spiritual life. Many people have so many cares they have no time to devote to prayer. This accounts for the spiritual weakness in the church today.

QUESTION: -- Please explain Matt. 6:19. "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth."

ANSWER: -- Jesus shows the value of heavenly treasures in verse 20. This teaches us that we must be rich toward God rather than strive for riches of earth which perish. Our Lord does not discourage our laying up earthly goods or money or property. He only shows the greater riches of spiritual life as compared with earthly wealth which perishes with the earth.

QUESTION: -- When was Paul converted? When was he sanctified?

ANSWER: -- Some affirm Paul was converted on the road to Damascus. Acts 9. Also that he was sanctified when Ananias visited him. Acts 9:17-20. I know of no better view than this concerning Paul's conversion and sanctification.

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"TRUST AND OBEY HIM"

If you will trust and obey Him,
Though the battles strong may be,
You'll see His face through the shadows
By faith, there is victory.

If you will but trust and obey Him,
Though most times all seems but loss,
You look by faith through the shadows,
There you'll still see the cross.

If you will only trust and obey Him,
Though trials dark on every side,
And look through faith past the shadows,
You'll see the Rock, where you can hide.

If you will yet trust and obey Him,
Though hard pressed and tired you may be,
Simple faith, keep hold on the promise,
That crown ahead you will see.

By faith just trust and obey Him,
The bitter may come with the sweet,

But just a few more days of this labour,
And your Saviour, face to face, you'll meet.

He will reward you if you trust and obey Him,
When we're all gathered there 'round the throne.
The burdens, trials, tears gone forever,
You'll be in heaven, forever your home.

-- Robert E. Barker

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FOREIGN MISSIONS

Rev. Paul Finch, Secretary,
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REV. AND MRS. PAUL REIFF SOON TO RETURN TO MISSION FIELD

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Brother and Sister Paul Reiff who have been on furlough will be returning to Guatemala this spring. They will be doing deputation work visiting the churches in the interest of missions. By the time this reaches you they will be busy on their tour. Sister Reiff's health is much improved and she will possibly accompany her husband. Brother and Sister Reiff have spent some years in Guatemala. Your pastor or District Moderator will be announcing when they will be at your church. Don't fail to hear them when they are holding the service in or near your church. There are no better people or better missionaries than Brother and Sister Reiff. Pray with us that God will supply the needs of the Guatemala field. They are especially in need of an International Travel All station wagon. This will be used by all the missionaries on the Guatemala field. Their old station wagon is just about gone and they are in desperate need of the new one. Please pray that God will send in the money for this needed item. The cost of the station wagon including the duty that will have to be paid to get it to Guatemala will be approximately \$3000.00 unless God will put it upon some kind hearted dealer to donate a portion of the cost by discounting the price. Please pray that someone some where will do this. Also another thing that they really need is a piano. The piano would be used in the school at the main station. They have never had a piano on the station there. Can, you imagine what it would be like to operate a Bible school without a piano? A spinet piano of some kind would be preferable since they could haul it to the field, in their trailer and save shipping it. Please pray about this. There may be someone who reads these lines who has a good piano that you seldom use. Why not put it to good use in the service of the Lord? Following is a list of other things that they need to take back to the mission field. God will bless you if you will make a real sacrifice to help these worthy missionaries to carry the glorious gospel to those who sit in darkness. -- Editor.

P. S. Money may be sent to the General Treasurer, Rev. L. P. Roberts, 1915 S. Perry Way, Denver, Colo., and marked for the station wagon, etc., or it may be given directly to the Reiffs.

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LIST OF EQUIPMENT NEEDED FOR THE BIBLE MISSIONARY WORK
in Jalapa, Guatemala, Central America

I. First Aid Supplies:

1. Band Aids (unlimited supply)
2. Wound ointments
3. Merthiolate
4. Adhesive tape
5. Gauze
6. Ace Bandages
7. Anacin or Aspirin
8. Vicks
9. Cold Tablets
10. Surgical rubber gloves -- size 7
11. Hypo syringes (5, 10, & 20 c.c.)
12. Hypo needles (all sizes)
13. Toothache Packs
14. Rubber sheets or Kelly Pad
15. Used blankets and sheets

II. Educational:

1. World Globe
2. 80-base Accordion
3. Wind instruments for band (any type except bass horn & C Saxophones. Must be complete and (Preferably used to avoid custom duty in Guatemala)

4. Steel filing cabinets (card files and letter size files. Do not have to be fireproof nor is it necessary that they have locks)

III. Shop:

(Preferably used to avoid customs duty)

1. Bench vise
2. Electric Drill
3. Table Saw

IV.

1. Used Clothing (Preferably used to avoid customs duty)
2. Bed Mattress (Editor's Note: make it innerspring)
3. Tape Recorder (Preferably Webcor)
4. Record Player
5. Sacred Gospel records (any speed)
6. Electric Hair Clippers

Please send articles to Paul Reiff, 2322 West Platte, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Editor's note: Perhaps it would be wise to write or contact Brother Reiff before shipping; he might be passing near by and could pick up any items that you might have for them to take to the mission field. Please pray about these needs and then mind God.

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HOW FAR HAVE WE COME?

According to latest available statistics the ratio of Protestant Missionaries to population in strategic world areas show:

56 Missionaries per million people in Africa.

30 Missionaries per million people in South America.

20 Missionaries per million people in Korea.

19 Missionaries per million people in Latin America.

15 Missionaries per million people in India.

14 Missionaries per million people in China.

3 Missionaries per million people in French Indo-China.

1,448 Ministers per million people in United States.

The paradox: The Harvest Plenteous -- The Laborers few. Matt. 9:37.

The solution: "Pray ye therefore:." Matt. 9:38.

"Go ye therefore" Matt. 28:19

Nobody should hear the gospel twice until everybody has heard the gospel once! The challenge before us is stupendous. Please think on this: Protestant ministers preach to only 6% of the world's population. -- From Triumph Missionary Tidings.

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REV. AND MRS. LYLE MOYER UNDER APPOINTMENT FOR MISSION FIELD

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At the General Board meeting January 1, Rev. Lyle and Ina Moyer were placed under appointment to go to the mission field. The details of the field etc. are to be worked out with the Department of Foreign Missions. Brother and Sister Moyer will be going to British Guinea as soon as they can make the proper arrangements. The Moyers have been successful pastors for many years. They are at present pastoring our Church at Mr. Pleasant, Iowa. They have done a wonderful work there as pastor. And we predict that they will make wonderful missionaries. Pray for them and for their children as they make their plans to go out to the field. Pray for them that God will help them in working out all the many details, etc. Write to them and don't forget they need your financial support to help them get to the field. There are none better than the Moyers. May God bless them. You may write them at 303 S. Jay St., Mr. Pleasant, Iowa. -- Editor.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of the Bible Missionary Church in Phoenix, Arizona, has been changed. You may write Rev. C. E. Morgan, 4012 N. 16th. That is also the address of the church.

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LOUISIANA-SOUTH TEXAS CAMP MEETING

Some fine people gave the Louisiana-South Texas District Conference ten acres of ground near De Ridder, Louisiana, for a camp site. The Lord willing we will have the camp meeting on our own camp ground. June 6-15. Workers: Glenn Griffith & Elbert Dodd, Evangelists. Singers & Musicians, Troy & Margaret Cook. For further information write: B. M. Loftin, District Moderator, 3717 Louisiana St., Lake Charles, La.

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INTER-MOUNTAIN DISTRICT CAMP AND CONFERENCE

The Inter-Mountain District Camp will be held in the Bible Missionary Church, 2601 N. Federal Blvd., Denver, Colorado, June 1929.

WORKERS: Rev. H. B. Huffman and Rev. Elmer E. Michael, Evangelists. Troy and Margaret Cook, Singers and Musicians. The District Conference will be held preceding the camp. Conference will be June 17-18. Rev. Elbert Dodd will be the presiding General Moderator. Pray for the camp. Plan your vacation and attend the camp in cool colorful Colorado. For further information write: Rev. L. P. Roberts, District Moderator, 1915 S. Perry Way, Denver, Colorado.

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INTERDENOMINATIONAL HOLINESS CONVENTION

April 22 - 24 Cincinnati, Ohio

God's Bible School will be host to the 14th gathering of the I. H. Convention, the opening service at 2:30 P.M., April 22. It is fitting that the Hilltop entertain this Convention, and it is with anticipation that the saints will gather for another feast of good things. From the days of Martin Wells Knapp to this hour, God has seen fit to pour out His blessing upon His people as they have gathered to this "power house" for spiritual convocations. This year will be no exception.

Tentative speakers are: T. M. Anderson, Samuel Doctorian, Robb French, J. R. Mitchell, H. C. VanWormer, E. W. Roy, Glenn Griffith, and many others.

Never has the Convention met when tension and terror were more apparent. The emphasis upon prayer, fasting, revival, and the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit were never more needed than today. Wednesday, April 23, will be a day of fasting and prayer. There will be one night of prayer for a Holy Ghost revival. If you cannot attend, pray with us for a mighty visitation of the Spirit of God.

Lodging will be furnished free to the first 250 requesting reservations, but do not write before April 8, 1958. Address: Miss Alice White, 1810 Young St., Cincinnati 10, Ohio. -- Harold E. Schmul

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RECOMMENDATION

I wish to take this opportunity to recommend to all the readers of "The Missionary Revivalist" Evangelist L. H. Newcomb. Brother Newcomb is among the very best evangelists in the Bible Missionary Church or any other church. It was my happy privilege to work with Brother Newcomb in a camp last summer. He did some wonderful preaching and was a great blessing to the camp. Brother Newcomb will do any church or camp good. Give this good man a call. You may write him: Rev. L. H. Newcomb, 3021 Mills Drive, Corsican, Texas. -- Spencer Johnson, Editor

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CHURCH NEWS

Mrs. Robert Fleming, Editor,
1010 - 9th St., Greeley, Colorado

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CONWAY, MISSOURI

On Sunday, January 5, a new Bible Missionary Church was organized by Rev. W. E. Carlton, who with his wife and daughter, had concluded a five Sunday meeting. God graciously came and honored His Word, and the altar was filled night after night. There were possibly forty individuals who prayed through to victory and seventeen united with the church, with more to follow. Conway has no other holiness church, and our new church is much needed, and has a wonderful opportunity to hold up the standard of holiness in this community. One of the high-lights of the meeting was watch night services with near forty people receiving communion as the Old Year passed and the New Year came m. Rev. Keith Gibson was called as pastor of this new church. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perryman, whose burden for this community, and wonderful spirit of faith and sacrifice, were largely responsible for the gracious victory at Conway. Please pray for these people, as most of them are new converts.

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SCOTTSDLUFF, NEBRASKA

We have a new Bible Missionary Church at Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Rev. Bob Barker has been called as pastor. Brother Barker had been the pastor of our church at Madras, Oregon.

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BURR OAK, KANSAS

Rev. John Pennebaker from Denver, Colorado has been called to be the pastor of our church at Burr Oak, Kansas. They are getting off to a good start and God is blessing the work there.

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PUEBLO, COLORADO

It was a great day for the Bible Missionary Church in Pueblo as a faithful group gathered to pitch the District tent in a nicely located new district of our city on leased lots, Saturday, August 10, 1957. We had long looked for this event, and it marked another day of victory for God and the church. Amen!

Rev. Richard and Dorothea Sharp had arrived and Sunday morning Brother Sharp opened fire with a challenging message taken from Isaiah 43:13, "I will work, who will let it?" Needless to say, the Sharps shelled the woods and the results were several new folks along with some church members at the altar seeking God.

The climaxing service came the last Sunday night when an elderly woman arose to testify that God had awakened her about midnight Saturday and told her to give \$100 to the Bible Missionary Church to be applied on a building then being secured for the Church. She then pledged another \$50.00. This brought about a spirit of giving which resulted in enough offering to pay for the building. Praise God! We are now permanently located on those lots where the tent was pitched. We purchased the lots and now have a building with an auditorium 24x50 and full basement. To God be all the glory. God said, "Go and I will go with thee." However, these achievements haven't come without battle. Satan has protested and contested every forward move, but God is saying to the Bible Missionary Church, "Go forward." "Forward" is our marching order.

We are looking forward to a revival with Brother and Sister Damon of Twin Falls, Idaho, beginning the first of April. God bless all the Bible Missionary family. We are praying for you. --
L. F. Wilcox, Pastor

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PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA

God has seen fit to visit His people another time in old fashioned revival. Brother Spencer Johnson came to us Friday, January 3 and the meeting closed January 12 but the revival continues. Brother Johnson preached under an anointing from night to night and the church was faithful in prayer and fasting. The Holy Ghost was also faithful to the hearts of men and women and young people. Blessed be His name! Good crowds attended the services and the people sang and prayed in the spirit. From Monday night through Sunday night, seekers were at the altar each service. On Sunday afternoon we had a special Missionary Service with a full house. Brother Johnson brought the message and at the close of the service, \$2,025 was pledged for missions. Hallelujah!

We are looking forward to our next meeting with Brother Glenn Griffith which is scheduled to begin March 25 through Easter Sunday. We would appreciate the prayers of the Church in behalf of this meeting. -- Leon Jackson, pastor

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OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA

Rev. Floyd Dean has been called to pastor the church at Oak Grove. It was reported that Brother Billy Hoof was called there but he was not. He is evangelizing and still lives at Jackson, Miss. May God bless Brother and Sister Dean as they assume their duties at Oak Grove.

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HOUSTON, TEXAS

God met with Brother Huff and the people at Houston in a wonderful way during the indoor camp Jan. 5-12. Troy and Margaret Cook and Brother Elbert Dodd were the workers. People drove for many miles to get their souls fed and blessed. God gave a wonderful camp and we praise Him. Things are looking good for the work in Houston.

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HOLINESS RALLY

The young people of the Louisiana-South Texas District had a great holiness rally at Crowley, Louisiana, in the new Bible Missionary Church in Crowley. Brother Elbert Dodd and Brother B. M. Loftin were the speakers. God gave the victory and it closed with a great altar service.

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TITUSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

God has given us three wonderful weeks of revival with Brother and Sister George Harvey in Titusville, Penna. The Harveys are among the most sacrificing people we have ever met on earth. Their load is heavy; their material resources are meager. Hold them much before the throne in prayer. They are among the best you'll find in the world.

We usually had a guest speaker on Sunday afternoons during this meeting. Our beloved District Moderator, Brother H. B. Huffman slipped in one Sunday afternoon and melted our hearts with his message on "Intercessory prayer." Another afternoon Brother Bob Harvey from the Transylvania Bible School, with great anointing on his heart poured a burning missionary message into our hearts and we lifted our eyes upon the vast, whitened harvest fields until we were broken and melted. The final Sunday afternoon, holiness people from all around this area came in to hear

Brother Huey Gillispie, who has recently joined us and who brought a powerful message on second blessing holiness.

Many people came into this revival meeting whom we were not able to help in their religious experience. Some were clinging to the erroneous doctrine of eternal security. They heard a message on second blessing holiness and never came back. Some seeking the gift of tongues dropped in and we preached deliverance from sin and carnality and they dropped out. Some were cruel legalists who make personal and unscriptural demands for everyone. Of course they got under deep conviction and decided to go elsewhere to worship where the fire was not burning so strong.

The greatest work of this meeting was done among the Christians themselves. Several sought the deeper work of grace while others received fresh anointings upon their souls.

Two or three nights the saints wept and shouted; sang and testified; and marched the aisles singing and shouting until preaching would have been out of place. Perhaps the greatest and surely the most precious service was on the last Thursday night. The service was much like the run of services until Sister Harvey sang the special song. Then the glory fell and we stepped at once to the pulpit but sensed that preaching was not in order. For two solid hours the glory rolled in waves over the congregation. Periodically the glory would subside only to break afresh in new power and flow over the people like a tidal wave. This was truly the "anointing of love and tears" that Brother Inskip used to speak about years ago. All we did for two solid hours was to stand behind the pulpit and let the meeting go. One peculiar thing about this service was that nobody felt led to run the aisles as they so often do with their hands uplifted and the glory of God streaming down. They just sat and wept and laughed and shouted, many times like one voice going up to God. The service ended a little after ten o'clock with all the people gathering close together and standing in front of the altar for the closing prayer which was led by Brother Bob Harvey. We were all melted together. There was not a foreign spirit among us. We were all with one accord in one place when suddenly there came a sound from heaven and it filled all the house where we were sitting. The pastor, Brother George Harvey in agreement with several of the older saints who had been in holiness meetings for years said they had never seen a service just like that one with the waves of glory ebbing and flowing in such a melted and weeping atmosphere. God had some special reason for brooding His Holy Spirit over that service as He did.

I suppose one of the most outstanding victories of the entire meeting was a young mother who had sought the Holy Ghost in sanctifying power scores of times for the past several years and at last came through with a clear witness after taking the "death route" and landing at the altar night after night. She went home and made a prayer list, putting the name of her eleven-year-old daughter at the top of the list and that precious child prayed through and found God that same day.

In my few weeks of ministry here I came to deeply appreciate the faithful people of this little struggling church as well as some precious Spirit-filled ladies such as Sister Huey, Sterns and Charlotte of other groups that stood by and carried the burden and shouted the victory night after night.

Brother Huey Gillispie is scheduled for the next revival meeting in this church during the month of March and the people are expecting a harvest of souls. Brother Gillispie is a well-known preacher and ranks high in the hearts of the holiness people throughout this entire eastern section of this country. Pray much for us in this evangelistic work. -- In Christian love, L. S. Boardman.

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WORD FROM BROTHER GRIFFITH IN IRELAND

We have had word from Brother Griffith about the meetings in Ireland. He reports that God is blessing them. The customs of the people are quite different from those of this country. But God has been blessing and Brother Griffith writes that God is helping them to sow some good seed. Pray for Brother Griffith as he goes on to Egypt and Eritrea to visit the mission work there.

Perhaps he will have a detailed report for us when he gets back.

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LOUISIANA-SOUTH TEXAS DISTRICT TOUR

Rev. Elbert Dodd and Rev. B. M. Loftin have been on a tour of the Louisiana-South Texas District in interest of the camp meeting. God gave a wonderful tour and many hearts were blessed. They preached at Bridge City, Texas, Lake Charles, Louisiana, Nachitoches, Shreveport, Alexandria, Crowley, Ponchatoula, Baton Rouge, Monroe, Vidalia, and things are looking good for the camp meeting. Praise God!

"Praise ye the Lord. O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever. Who can utter the mighty acts of the Lord? who can shew forth all his praise?" (Psa. 106:1,2)

"This is to recommend to our people, Rev. G. H. Guisler, Route 1, Smith's Ferry, Penn. He's a member of the Tri-State District, and an elder in the Bible Missionary Church. He has been pastoring one of our churches in Ohio. but feels that he should enter the evangelistic work. Brother Guisler is a good man; a man that loves God, and lost souls. May we keep him busy in the great field of evangelism." -- Rev. Elbert Dodd

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". . . Make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed. Follow peace with all men and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." (Hebrews 12:13,14)

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