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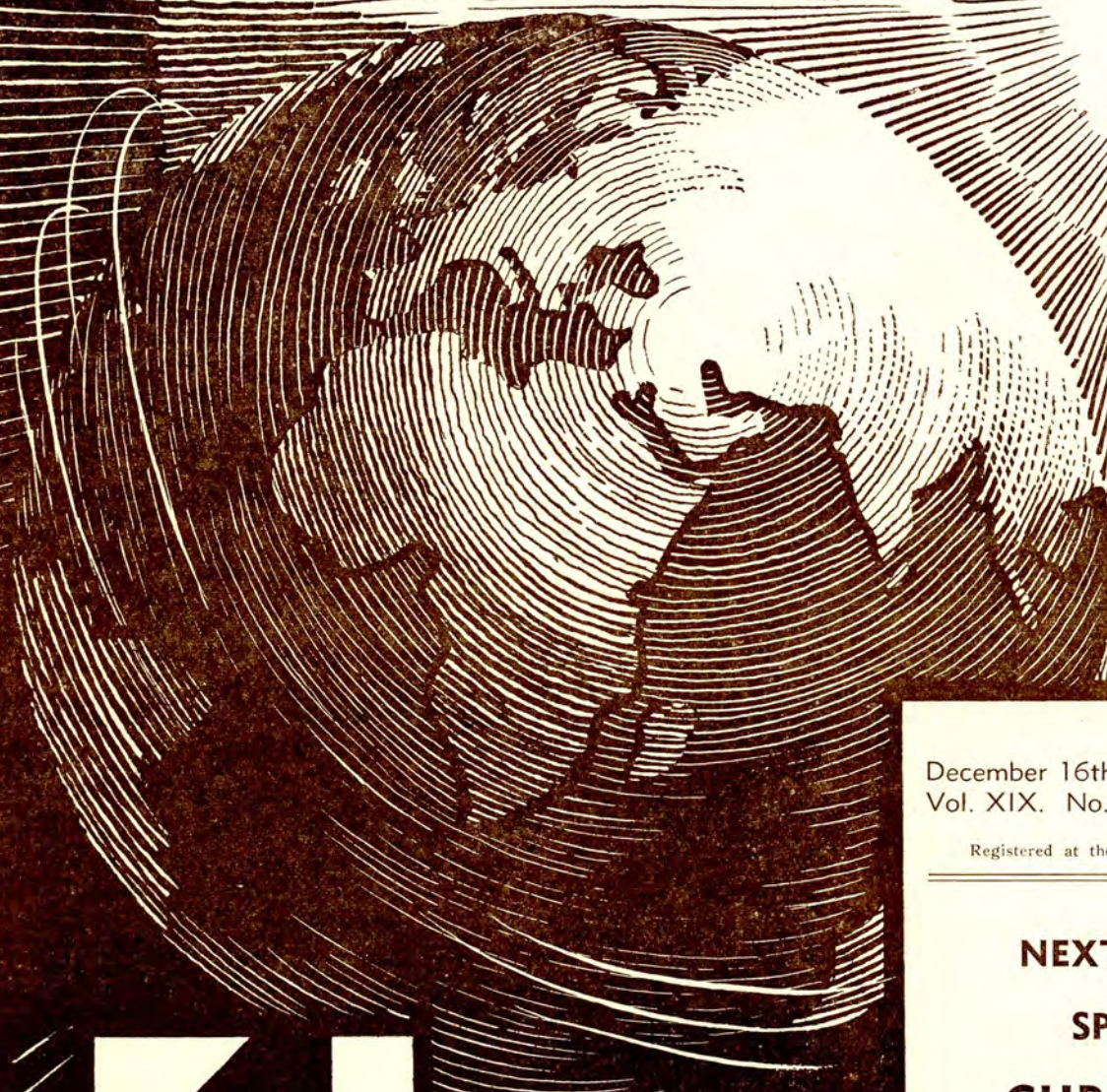
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**HENDON.** December 4—18. Elim Tabernacle, Ravenshurst Avenue. Campaign by Evangelist W. Kirkby.

**ILFORD.** November 24, December 1, 8, and 15. Elim Hall, Scrafton Road. Bible studies by Pastor P. N. Corry.

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**SCUNTHORPE.** Elim Tabernacle, Ferry Road. December 15 at 7.30 p.m. Visit of Pastor and Mrs. G. H. Thomas.

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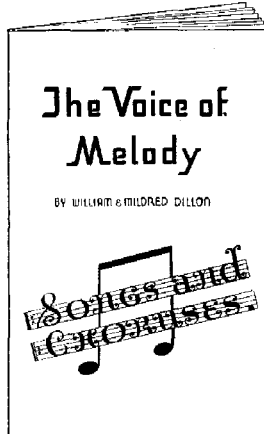
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**BELFAST.** December 25—29. Ulster Temple, Ravenhill Road. December 25, at 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m., December 26 at 11.30 a.m., 3.30 and 7 p.m. (Baptismal Service); December 27 at 11.30 a.m., 3.30 and 7 p.m.; December 28 at 8 p.m., December 29 at 8 p.m. Speakers: Pastors E. J. Phillips and W. G. Hathaway.

**BIRMINGHAM.** December 25—January 1. Elim Tabernacle, Graham Street. December 25 at 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.; December 26 and 27 at 6.30 p.m.; December 28, 29, and 31 at 7.30 p.m. Special speakers. Convener: Pastor S. Gorman.

**BRADFORD.** December 24—29. Southend Hall, Leeds Road. Speakers include: Pastors P. N. Corry, T. E. Francis, R. D. Bradley, and Mr. L. Wigglesworth. Convener: Pastor H. W. Greenway.

**CARLISLE.** Elim Tabernacle, West Walls. Speakers include Pastor J. J. Morgan. Convener: Pastor W. L. Taylor.

**DOWLAIS.** Elim Tabernacle, Ivor Street. Speakers: Pastors J. McInnes, J. Newman and Mr. and Mrs. L. Bell. Convener: Pastor L. W. Green.

**EAST HAM.** December 25—29. Elim Tabernacle, Central Park Road. December 25 at 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.; December 26 at 11 a.m.; December 27, 28 and 29 at 7.30 p.m. Special speakers. Convener: Pastor A. Longley.

**EDINBURGH.** December 31—January 3. Elim Tabernacle, Dean Street. Convener: Pastor J. R. Knight. Further particulars later.

**GREENOCK.** December 31—January 2. Elim Tabernacle, Belville Street. December 31, Watchnight Service. January 1 at 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. (Baptismal Service). January 2 at 7 p.m. Special speakers: Convener: Pastor A. J. K. Magee.

**LURGAN.** December 31—January 8. Elim Tabernacle, Windsor Avenue. Speaker: Mr. Samuel Burke (Grangemouth, Scotland). Convener: Pastor F. A. Farlow.

**MANCHESTER.** December 25—27. Elim Tabernacle, Grosvenor Street. Speaker: Pastor T. H. Stevenson. Convener: Pastor W. Douglas.

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## Palestine Problems

By Pastor W. FIELD

**S**CENES reminiscent of that historic day in December, 1917, when General Allenby marched at the head of the British forces through Jaffa Gate into the old city of Jerusalem were enacted here on the 19th October, when the British forces under Major-General O'Connor once more had to enter the ancient city as a conquering force.

For some time the city had been infested with armed men who were a danger to the peace of the community, sniping and bomb-throwing had been frequent. When the military took control of the country, their first task was to reconquer the sacred city.

As early as 5.30 a.m. troops began moving towards the walled city. Soon the Northumberland Fusiliers were making their way down the well-known David Street. A twenty-four hour curfew was imposed, aeroplanes flew over the scene of operations co-operating with the military. A proclamation was dropped by the planes containing a "Warning to the inhabitants of Jerusalem without the walls," and read: "Whereas certain military operations are taking place within the old city walls to-day the public outside the city walls are hereby warned to keep to their houses throughout the day."

A proclamation such as this is necessary at the present time in the holy city when danger and death lurk in almost every street; the burst of rifle fire and the rattle of machine guns may not be in keeping with our conception of

### THE SACRED PLACE,

but we wait for the words of the prophet to once more sound forth in this land of strife and bloodshed, "Comfort ye, comfort ye, My people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned."

The historic cities of Jaffa and Jericho have also been occupied by the military. The state of the country is such that security is virtually in abeyance. Christian, Moslem, and Jew have all been the victims of the terrorists, the problems of the country become more acute as terrorism increases, and the cry for increased Jewish immigration becomes louder. To those of us who believe in the authority of the Scriptures and

the way of peace set forth therein, the problems of the country are comparatively simple. Yet to those who do not share our faith, to those who have no knowledge of the Prince of Peace, how complicated and involved are the problems of this distressed country? If there is one land which needs to have a "Back to the Bible" campaign it is the land of the Bible.

The Palestine Royal Commission prepared a very lengthy and clever report, and offered to His Majesty's Government recommendations calculated to bring peace to this troubled land. In the event of the Mandate being continued the Royal Commission made a

### NUMBER OF RECOMMENDATIONS,

but they pointed out that they themselves had no faith that these suggestions would solve the problem. Rather did they affirm that the recommendations would not remove the grievances nor prevent their recurrence. They described them as "palliatives" which were the best they could devise for the disease from which Palestine was suffering, but they were only palliatives. They might reduce the temperature, but they cannot cure the trouble. The disease is so deep-rooted that, in our firm conviction, the only hope of a cure lies in a surgical operation."

The "surgical operation" was to take the form of "Partition," which means the operation will divide the land into two parts, making of the two parts two sovereign states. This proposed "surgical operation" was not a popular recommendation. The Arabs saw in it the blasting of their hopes for an all-Arab Palestine (like Egypt or Iraq), the Jews saw their hopes of a Jewish monopoly dwindling.

However another Commission was sent to Palestine to study the various aspects of "Partition." This Commission, to the surprise of many, declared the proposed partition of the country impractical. This decision had also a mixed reception over here.

The next move to bring peace is a conference between the Arabs and Jews under the jurisdiction of the British Government.

There seems no evidence that our

### PROBLEMS WILL BE SOLVED

in the near future. The introduction of virtually martial law has at the time of writing not succeeded

in bringing peace, although we have curfew on all roads and tracts from 6 p.m., also a number of towns and villages are under curfew. Travelling is cut down to a minimum. Every driver must receive a permit to drive from the military court, every male traveller on the roads must also have a permit from the military. Before receiving a permit one must be in possession of an identity card. These and various other regulations make life in Palestine difficult.

The greatest problem which we have to face in the future is that of Jewish immigration. This is considered by many the basic cause of the present revolt. Immigration reached its peak in 1936 when 61,854 Jews were allowed to enter the country. That figure does not include illegal immigrants of which no record is available. Following this peak year we had the revolt of 1936, which has continued with varying degrees of intensity until the present day. The Jews are still coming into their promised land, though not in such great numbers. Less than 10,000 entered in 1937. At the moment they come largely from Germany and Austria; they come bereft of their all with hope springing anew as they face life amongst a hostile people.



Conducted by Pastor DAVID A. VANSTONE

#### FAMILIAR FRIENDS

Let's have a talk about matches this time: not the football or hockey variety, nor the matrimonial kind; but just plain, common or kitchen matches.

How ever many millions of them are used every week? Yet strangely enough we think of them as individuals. "Have you a match?" is the usual question.

So matches are **SELECTED**: one out of a box which probably bears the information "average contents 50 matches."

Don't you think that box is a picture of your Sunday school? You may have more or less than fifty members, but the great thing is that while God thinks of all the "matches in the box," He is particularly interested in **you**. Paul had this thought when he spoke of the Saviour. Said he, "Who loved **me** and gave Himself for **me**." Bishop Taylor-Smith used to say, "God is; God is love; God loves **you**."

Then of course, matches must be **SEEKERS**. Even when picked out they are no good until they seek the side of the box. What a pity it is that although God loves everyone, so few trouble to seek Him. When boys and girls do seek the Lord they soon come into touch with Christ and true life really begins.

So far our match would not be of much help in lighting the gas. It must be **SET ON FIRE**. How? By keeping in touch with the side of the box—really close. See the point? To be "on fire" and bright lights, we must live in touch with our Saviour—as close as possible. As we think of His love and remember His presence our hearts will be aflame with love for Him. As David said, "While I was musing the fire burned."

Let me see, now. Oh yes! Ever tried holding a lighted match head uppermost? Soon goes out and leaves a trail of smoke, doesn't it? Hold its head down and the flame grows larger. It seems to me this shows us we should be humble (not "heady and high-minded"), and that we should daily bow our heads in prayer. So if we are **SUBMISSIVE** to the instructions of our Heavenly Commander, the flame will be kept alive.

Remember trying to light a bonfire or firework on a gusty night? The match ignited with a sudden flare, but before it could be brought to its job the wind extinguished it. You had

The fact that Palestine is in a state of civil war does not daunt them; anything to them is better than the Nazi regime.

What the average Jew will do or suffer to enter Palestine is almost unbelievable. The following is from the *Palestine Post*, and gives some idea of the spirit of these people who will enter this country by fair means or foul: "Thirty-four illegal immigrants, including eleven women and sixteen children, are awaiting trial here. All the immigrants hail from Bukhara and took five months for the journey to Palestine under the most difficult and harrowing conditions."

To the devout Christian the tragedy of the Jews is not so much the fact that they are persecuted and homeless, but the fact that they as a race still bitterly reject Jesus Christ; that they live in a spiritual darkness that can be felt without one glimmer of Christian light. There are individuals among them who have the light of the gospel, others who are searching after the light, but the race officially is as far from Christ as when the cry went forth, "His blood be on us and on our children. "Almost two thousand years have failed to change the heart of this remnant of Israel.

to strike another and shield the flame with your hand—then the draughts were powerless. Although it would not be good for us were we removed from the winds of trial and temptation, "God is faithful who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able." We can be **SHELTERED** in the hollow of His hand.

Then of course, matches have to **SHINE**. Many a signpost has been read at night by the flickering flare of a match. Has your life ever given enough light to a pal to enable him to find the way to heaven?

Finally a match soon burns out but its real job in life is to **SET FIRE** to something else. Very small and valueless? Yes, but a single match that could keep its head has been known to set a forest on fire. Feel you're rather useless? Follow these "seven esses," and your life may set another on fire who may be a splendid, streaking rocket, or a bright, warning, guiding lighthouse, or a warming, glowing fire, bringing comfort to many you could never reach. Whatever you do, be a good match; for "behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth."

#### AN IDEA

No doubt you have some old, but still useful, toys and dolls which you could really do without. There are boys and girls living near to you whose parents are poor and will not be able to give them Christmas presents. How nice it would be to give them some of your toys this Christmas.

Get hold of your Sunday School Superintendent at once and ask him what you can do. Of course, thinking of what you would do if the Lord Jesus were still a boy and living near you, you won't send bent and battered things only, but one or two useful toys in which your unknown friends can take real pride.

#### ANSWERS TO LAST TIME'S PUZZLE

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|--------------|-----------------|
| 1. Hemlock.  | 5. Pomegranate. |
| 2. Mustard.  | 6. Nettle.      |
| 3. Juniper.  | 7. Sycomore.    |
| 4. Cucumber. | 8. Myrtle.      |

How gracious the Father, that He would surrender His Son! How gracious the Son, willing to stoop so low, and to suffer so deeply! But how awful the wrath on those who refuse thus to escape the doom of sin!

# The Third Person of the Godhead

By ELIZABETH BOWMAN

*If ye love Me keep My commandments. And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of Truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but ye know Him; for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.—John xiv. 15-17.*

**E**VERYTHING that has been done in the Gospel dispensation has been done through the power of the Holy Spirit. Jesus was conceived through the power and "overshadowing" of the Holy Spirit; Zacharias, the father of John the Baptist, was filled with the Holy Spirit; Elizabeth, the mother of the Forerunner, was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied. Simeon, led of the Holy Spirit, went into the Temple just as Mary entered with her doves for sacrifice, and her precious Babe in her arms, and he, through the Spirit, recognised the little One as the Messiah.

The work that Jesus did on earth was done through the Holy Spirit, which came upon Him, not as a flame to burn up the dross, for there was nothing that fire could burn in His pure soul, but the Spirit came in the "form of a dove," the emblem of sacrifice for the poor.

The Lord Jesus claimed to be One with the Father: He told Philip, "He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father," and yet He chose to take His place as a Man among men. As Second Person of the Trinity, He could have ordered miracles instead of asking them of the Father; He did not need to spend the night in prayer, or be weary by the roadside; He could have

## MARCHED TRIUMPHANTLY

in face of obstacles, impervious to the unfavourable conditions which surrounded Him, but He did not choose to come to us in that manner. Here is His secret: "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men" (Phil. ii. 5-7).

This is the greatest romance in the universe: God, clothing Himself in human flesh, walking our dusty roads, His sandalled feet treading softly in the rooms of death; God, graciously taking His place at a wedding feast, and smiling His benediction upon the bride and groom! Our human minds are so stultified by sin, and have been rendered so callous through unbelief that we cannot grasp the stupendous truth, that, seated at the feast of the publican were Peter, and James, and John, and God!

Why did He come to us in that humble way?

The answer must be: first of all, as an example of what a true man of God should be. His life from day to day should convict others of their sin and utter worthlessness. His every act and word should show us that we are

## LOST AND UNDONE.

We hear so much these days of "following in His steps," or "imitating the Christ," but it cannot be done. He alone can live the Christ-life, and if He does not live His life in us, through the Spirit, we are failures.

Then He sat down quietly on the mount and gave

forth the ethics of His kingdom, and the Sermon on the Mount condemns every human being, and every government on earth: for He has set a standard so high that it can never be attained, unless He attains it for us by His Spirit within.

And oh, how fair He was to us! He came as a Man, and the only power He used was the power that is available to us! That is why He chose to be weary, and thirsty as He lived among us. He had to ask for everything He had; He had to pray for wisdom to select His disciples; He lived day by day by faith, just as you and I may live. He would have scorned to use any power during His life on earth that His disciples could not have!

Contact with Him personally was not enough to change a sinful, human nature, for we read of the failure of the men who were with Him constantly.

Peter seemed to rise to

## SUBLIME HEIGHTS

when at the foot of Mount Hermon, he said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God," but his misconception of the work of Christ, and his own need of a Saviour, brought forth the denunciation of both Peter, and the Devil who so soon tempted him, in the scathing rebuke of Jesus: "Get thee behind Me, Satan!"

Peter, James and John had the privilege of seeing Jesus transfigured before their eyes, and Peter again showed his misconception of the work of Jesus as Saviour of the world, for Peter placed Jesus on a par with Moses and Elias, and although he heard Moses and Elias talking with Jesus about "His decease which He should accomplish at Jerusalem" (Luke ix. 31) he wished to build three tabernacles and stay up on the mountain! Peter blundered on through all revelations, ever misunderstanding the need of the world that was lost in sin, and the wonderful Saviour that had come to redeem it. All of which shows us that we need the Holy Spirit to show us even that we are sinners.

Jesus said, "It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you. And when He is come, He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: Of sin, because they believe not on Me." This is the greatest sin: unbelief on Jesus Christ, for it shuts the door against all help from God.

"Of righteousness, because I go to My Father, and ye see Me no more." Jesus was the only righteous Man that ever lived, and His perfect life should convict everyone of his unrighteousness, when revealed by the Holy Spirit.

"Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged." And all his followers are judged with him, and the Holy Spirit will show every sinner that he is lost without God.

# Have Faith in God

*Have faith in God!  
 Faith kept the widow's meal supplied,  
 By faith the cruse of oil ne'er dried  
 When most the widow's faith was tried.  
 Have faith in God!*

*Have faith in God!  
 Faith multiplied the fish and bread,  
 Till all the multitudes were fed,  
 With many baskets left—'tis said :  
 Have faith in God!*

*Have faith in God!  
 Do sore afflictions on thee prey  
 And Satan drawing nigh thee say,  
 "Trust in physicians," say him nay!  
 Have faith in God!*

*Have faith in God!  
 In Him who heals just as of yore,  
 Who bids thee trust Him o'er and o'er;  
 And will He fail thee? Nevermore!  
 Have faith in God!*

*Have faith in God!  
 In Him who feeds the little bird,  
 Who by the sinner's cry is stirred,  
 By whom your every prayer is heard.  
 Have faith in God!*

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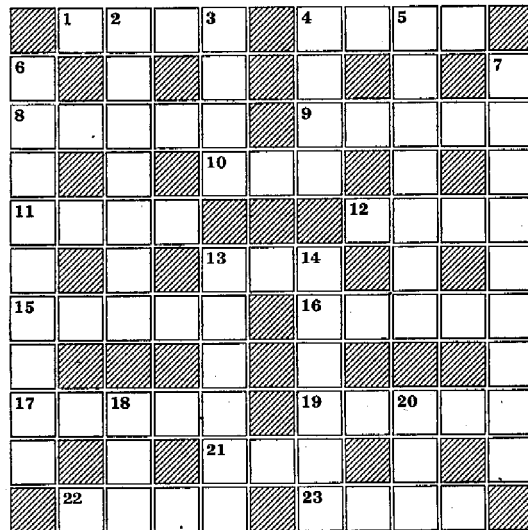
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### CLUES ACROSS:

1. Unemployed.
4. One of the Gospels.
8. Parts of a horse (Gen. 49).
9. Part of the eye.
10. Tarshish traded in this metal.
11. Here Paul was suffered to dwell by himself.
12. This turns upon hinges.
13. Israel's eyes were dim because of this.
15. Cast by mariners into the sea (Jonah).
16. Rich men put these into the treasury.
17. Made by thunder.
19. Th's was later changed to Abraham.
21. Samuel ministered unto the Lord before this man.

### CLUES DOWN:

2. His brethren called Joseph this.
3. Whence wise men came.
4. Signify.
5. All Scripture is profitable for this (2 Tim. 3).
6. The Lord answered Job out of this.
7. Job refers to such nights.
13. Jesus was this, on a pillow.
14. Place mentioned by Isaiah.
18. Used in writing.
20. Not smitten by hail (Ex. 9).
22. To jump (like a calf).
23. These shall inherit the earth.

The Solution will appear next week.

### SOLUTION TO NO. 6 CROSSWORD

**Across:** 1. Asps (Rom. 3: 13). 4. Nest (Deut. 22: 16). 8. Hammoleketh (I. Chron. 7: 18). 9. Ponds (Exod. 7: 19). 11. Years (Gen. 1: 14). 13. Epher (I Chron. 1: 33). 16. Leave (John 14: 27). 18. Delightful (Mal. 3: 12). 19. Esau (Gen. 25: 27). 20. Nose (Prov. 30: 33).

**Down:** 2. Simon (Mark 15: 21). 3. Spots (Jer. 13: 23). 4. Needy (Psa. 9: 18). 5. Sheba (I. Kings 10: 1). 6. Shepherds (Luke 2: 8). 7. Whisperer (Prov. 16: 28). 10. Die (Exod. 20: 19). 12. Eve (1 Tim. 2: 13). 14. Hills (Isa. 40: 12). 15. Ragau (Luke 3: 35). 16. Latin (John 19: 20). 17. Aloes (John 19: 39).

Adopt the Programme of God, and you have a right to the resources of God.

# “Chosen” and “Predestinated”

By Pastor J. NARVER GORTNER

**P**AUL in his Epistle to the Ephesians tells us that God the Father “hath chosen us,” and for a purpose, namely, “that we should be holy and without blame before Him,” or, as Rotherham renders it, “in His presence.”

How blessed indeed to be thus chosen! Are we among the chosen ones?

The question as to whether or not we can number ourselves among the elect of God, the chosen ones, “chosen in Him,” that is, in Christ Jesus, “before the foundation of the world,” has been a subject of much perplexity to many hearts.

But we need not be perplexed. There is a way by which we can know. God does not want us to be in doubt. John and those of John’s day who had been born of the Spirit were not in doubt. John wrote, “We know that we are of God and the whole world lieth in wickedness. And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know Him that is true, and we are in Him that is true, even in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life” (I. John v. 19, 20).

The reason many

## MINDS HAVE BEEN PERPLEXED

and confused is because many have imagined that God arbitrarily chooses some to be saved and just as arbitrarily dooms others to be lost. Such, however, is not the case, as a careful reading of the Word and a careful comparing of scripture with scripture will clearly show.

Not so many are being troubled by the problem today as were troubled by it in the days when Milton wrote his *Paradise Lost*. Then the religious world was being shaken by the controversy. Writing of some of the fallen angels Milton wrote,

Others apart sat on a hill retir’d,  
In thoughts more elevate, and reason’d high  
Of Providence, Fore-knowledge Will and Fate,  
Fixt-fate, Free-will, Fore-knowledge absolute,  
And found no end in wandering mazes lost.

Milton knew that many of the reasoners of his day who thus “reason’d high” concerning some of these deep things of God “found no end in wand’ring mazes lost,” and he evidently took it for granted that what was true of men was true also of the fallen angels. But God would have us stop our “reasoning high” and humbly read what is written in the Word of God, seeking the illumination of the Spirit as we compare

## PASSAGE WITH PASSAGE,

believing that God’s Word is true; not simply a portion of it, a few pages here and there, but the entire Word.

We are told that “many are called, but few are chosen.” Elsewhere it is expressly asserted that “who-soever will” may come.

Who then are the chosen ones? Evidently the ones who respond to the call. The Word teaches us that God is able to read the future as well as the past. He

can see the end from the beginning. He knew before He created the world, and brought man into existence, that man would fall and need a Redeemer, and so He devised the plan of redemption before man fell; it was conceived in the mind of God before man was created.

God knows the end from the beginning, and He plans accordingly. As our Lord knew from the beginning “who they were that believed not, and who should betray Him” (John vi. 64), God knew from the beginning, yea, before the beginning, who would accept His plan of salvation, and who would reject it, or neglect it, and be lost. And in accordance with this foreknowledge, He chose, or elected, the believing ones “to be conformed to

## THE IMAGE OF HIS SON.”

(Rom. viii. 29). In harmony with this thought is the description of those to whom Peter addressed his First Epistle: “Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father” (I. Peter i. 2).

Paul tells us that God the Father who chose us in Christ Jesus “before the foundation of the world” has “predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will” (Eph. i. 5).

What does this word “predestinated” mean? To be “predestinated” is to have one’s destination previously planned and fixed. Suppose it is my desire to go to Egypt. The necessary means are not at my disposal. Unless somebody undertakes to pay my fare I cannot go. A friend who is rich tells me that he will pay my fare. He goes farther than that: he purchases a ticket and gives it to me. He makes adequate provision for the supply of all my needs while *en route* to that land. I accept the ticket, and board the steamer. My friend “predestinated” me. If nothing happens to the steamer on the way, and I live long enough, I shall reach Egypt.

God had a destination in view for man when He created him. He knew that man would fall, and be unable to reach the destination God desired him to reach. So God, in

## HIS INFINITE MERCY,

devised the plan of redemption. The ticket to the desired destination has been purchased; it is offered to every member of the human family “without money and without price.” He who accepts it, and boards the ship, Salvation, and stays on the ship after having boarded it, will certainly reach the desired haven.

That to which God has “predestinated us” is “the adoption of sons.” The Greek word *huiothesia* is found five times in the Pauline Epistles. Three times it is rendered “adoption,” once “adoption of children,” and once “adoption of sons.” It means, not son-making, but son-placing. It comes from two words, *huiois*, which means son, and *thesis*, which means placing. It is something that is distinctively future. It is a mistake to sing,

I’ve been adopted, my name’s written down,  
An heir to a mansion, a robe and a crown.



If you are a member of the family of God you got into the family, not by being adopted into it, but by being born into it; in other words, you got in by means of the new birth.

Having been made a member of the divine family, you are on the ship, Salvation, and the destination toward which you are headed is "adoption," or son-placing. You are God's son by virtue of

#### THE NEW BIRTH,

and you will be placed some day by your Father into that position of responsibility and honour that you qualify yourself by your fidelity here to occupy in that realm beyond this turbulent sea over which you are now sailing. The Devil has raised many a storm in an effort to sink the ship or to persuade you to abandon it; and it is likely that he will raise many another storm before you reach the desired haven. But this ship is not like the *Titanic* which was reputed to be unsinkable, but which sank on its first voyage across the Atlantic; this ship is actually unsinkable; it will most certainly reach the haven toward which it is sailing.

Does this mean that there is no possibility of my being lost after I have accepted the ticket and boarded

the ship? Do I understand that I am certain to reach the shore yonder, it matters not what I do or fail to do? It means nothing of the kind. The ship cannot sink, but I can jump overboard and commit spiritual suicide, or I can fall asleep so close to the edge of the deck that when the Devil raises one of his storms, and the ship is being rocked by the waves I shall roll off into the sea and perish.

So it is not only important that you accept the ticket to the desired haven, and that you board the ship that is unsinkable and that will surely reach the port after a while, but that you stay on board; and in order that you may not roll off and be lost, it is imperative that you keep awake.

This is my understanding of what it means to be "chosen" and "predestinated."

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E. C. W. BOULTON.

A. E. A. HAYWARD.

O the glo-ry of the sto-ry of the won-drous Na-za-rene; How it

thrills me, Saves and heals me, Fills my soul with peace se - rene, I will

tell it, Glad-ly tell it, Till the world its won-der learns; How this

Sa-viour, Precious Sa - viour, Saves the soul that to Him turns.

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## Bible Study Helps

### THE APOSTLE AND HIGH PRIEST OF OUR CONFESSION.

(Hebrews iii. 1, R.V.).

Introduction: The difference between an apostle and a high priest is:

An apostle is God's representative to man.

A high priest is man's representative to God.

Christ came forth as God's Apostle; He went back as our High Priest.

#### I. Consider Christ: God's Apostle.

1. His character (Heb. vii. 26).
2. His conduct (John viii. 29b).
3. His ministry (1. Tim. i. 15).
4. His message (John xvii. 8).
5. His authority (Matt. xxviii. 18).

#### II. Consider Christ: Man's High Priest.

1. His priestly order (Heb. vii. 11-21).
2. His offering (Heb. viii. 3; ix. 26).
3. His ministry of intercession (Heb. ix. 24).
4. His return in glory (Heb. ix. 28b).

### SEVEN BLESSINGS FROM GOD'S PRESENCE.

1. Above you—to guard (Deut. iv. 38).
2. Underneath—to support (Deut. xxxiii. 27).
3. Behind as a reward (Isaiah lii. 12).
4. Before—to lead (Isaiah xlv. 2).
5. At your right hand—to protect (Psalm xvi. 8; cx. 5).
6. Round about—to shield (Psalm cxxv. 2).
7. Within—as Companion and Comforter (Ezek. xxxvi. 27; Gal. ii. 20).

# FAMILY ALTAR



The Scripture Union Daily Portion: Meditations by Pastor E. C. W. BOULTON

**Sunday, December 18th.** Ezek. xxxvii. 1-14.

"He said unto me, Prophesy upon these bones, and say, unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the Word of the Lord" (verse 4).

This certainly was a test of faith for the prophet. Yet God's Word was plain. Ezekiel was to obey the command to exercise that power with which God had endued him, and speak the creative word in the presence of the dry bones. Doubtless the servant of God had long since learnt that there was no miraculous energy in any utterance of his. The power to perform the apparently impossible lay in that word which God would put into his mouth. Blessed Master and Lord, teach me that Thou canst thus put Thy words into this mouth—words that shall bring sight to the blind, liberty to the bound, and life to the dead. That when my words are inspired by Thee they shall become instinct with creative virtue. Thou wilt give to these lips life-giving influence, that they may accomplish Thy perfect purpose.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

Special prayer for international peace and the extension of Christ's Kingdom among the nations.

**Monday, December 19th.** Ezek. xxxvii. 15-28.

"They shall be My people" (verse 27).

What an honour—what a privilege—to be the people of God; to bear His Name, to possess His nature, and share in the outworking of His plan on earth. Born into this living relationship with Himself. Members of His family and partners with Him in all that lies near to His heart. How we should cherish this God-given unity with God. Nothing should be allowed to dim the glory of this divine relationship with the Father. *His people.* Chosen and claimed to be for ever with Him and for Him. O my soul rejoice that God has thus taken thee from thy defilement and depravity and raised thee into union with Himself. Let thy boast be always in this that thou art His—eternally His. Let naught deprive thee of thy birthright in God.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

For blessing upon the daily meditations, that they may minister to the spiritual needs of God's people.

**Tuesday, December 20th.** I. John i. 1-10.

"That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you" (verse 3).

With what conviction must the witness of those early believers have reached those to whom it was addressed. No trace of ambiguity, but glorious certainty and assurance. Such testimony must

have proved irresistible. There was no gainsaying such intense and searching ministry. The theology of these disciples was born of radiant experience. They had *seen and heard.* God was a glorious reality to them. They lived, and moved, and had their being in the glad consciousness of Christ's risen presence. He was always with them. This conviction shed its spiritual lustre over all their life's outlook; everything was transformed by the thought of His nearness. So may it be this day as I move amongst men and things; may this heart burn with the joy of His enthronement within this life.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

That the light of God's Word may penetrate all priest-ridden countries.

**Wednesday, December 21st.** I. John ii. 1-17.

"An Advocate with the Father" (verse 1).

There in the glory is One whose presence on the throne means so much to those who now dwell on earth. His presence *there* is the guarantee of victory *here.* We are able for all things because Christ, the Sufficient One, reigns yonder. We have one well able to plead our cause. His precious blood provides continual justification before Jehovah. No accusation against the elect shall prevail. The efficacy of His advocacy is the ground of our confidence. Hallelujah! He is there as the Eternal Victor, having obtained redemption for the sons of men. Blessed all-prevailing Advocate, how I rejoice in this assurance that Thou art equal to the defence of my cause. Thou wilt not suffer Thy child to be confounded or condemned.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

The anointing of the Holy Ghost to rest upon all those who minister to the sick and suffering.

**Thursday, December 22nd.** I. John ii. 18-29.

"The anointing" (verse 27).

"*The anointing.*" It is this which makes all Christian ministry effective. Plus the *anointing* the "things which are not" may bring to naught the "things that are." This holy, heavenly unction will endue the weakest believer with a power of resistance which renders him invulnerable to satanic assault. But this is only true whilst we abide beneath the anointing; once this is removed we are weak as at other times. How much we need the anointing if we are to function as "priests and kings" for God. It is the anointing which will lift our worship on to the highest spiritual level. The sweet and fragrant incense of that worship will rise to God as we enter into His

courts bedewed with the anointing of the Holy Ghost. Every phase of our service will breathe the spirit in which the Lord delights.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

For blessing upon the work of Pastor and Mrs. J. Mullan in the Transvaal.

**Friday, December 23rd.** I. John iii. 1-12.

"Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God" (v. 1).

What amazing grace! What overwhelming love! What gracious bestowal! "That we should be called the sons of God." It is beyond human comprehension this far-reaching grace of Jehovah. How the revelation of this grace should kindle the fire of devotion in the hearts of all those who are thus chosen to be the offspring of God. What a solemn responsibility rests upon those who are called into relationship with the Father. That relationship may best be revealed by likeness in character and conduct. Life is the most effective medium through which that kinship with God may be expressed. Men may learn that we are the sons of God by the governing ideals and impulses of life. Blessed Lord, show me that Thy great grace places upon me the obligation of living virtuously and victoriously among men.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

That times of spiritual refreshing may be experienced during the forthcoming Christmas and New Year Conventions.

**Saturday, December 24th.** I. John iii. 13-24.

"Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you" (verse 13).

The hatred of the world should be to us an evidence of our fellowship with the Father. In union with Him life must of necessity become provocative to those whose hearts are set upon evil. Out and out Christian discipleship is sure to arouse the hostility of those who love not the Name of Jesus. They cannot tolerate the consecrated believer; his life brings condemnation to the confirmed unbeliever. The favour of the world should cause concern rather than gratification to the child of God. It is a sign of spiritual declension when the Church and the world can find a common ground of fellowship. Let us who are followers of the Lamb never enter into unholy compromise with those who would weaken our witness for righteousness and truth. Let us not falter in the pathway of separation.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

That God's grace may be upon those who minister in the Elim Bible College.

**HE WHO IS PLENTEOUSLY  
PROVIDED FOR FROM  
WITHIN NEEDS LITTLE  
FROM WITHOUT**

**T**HE Bible is a supernaturally inspired Book. It reveals the mind, the will and the love of God. The men who gave us the Bible frequently wrote better than they knew! They were illuminated by supernatural power. Their minds became channels of divine revelation. Their thinking was purified by divine light.

The Old Testament contains more than three hundred prophecies which reached fulfilment during the thirty-three years that Christ was in the flesh. Fulfilled prophecy is an unanswerable argument for the supernatural inspiration of the Bible.

With a few strokes of the pen Daniel used the second chapter of his book to describe the rise and fall of the Gentile empires, from Babylon to the second coming of Christ. If he was living on earth to-day as an historian, looking back, he could not write more accurately than he wrote as a prophet looking down the vista of the centuries.

*The Blood Line.* The major theme of the Old Testament is the promise of a Deliverer from sin. This subject runs like a blood line, a silver thread, through the first thirty-nine books of the Bible. We witness its culmination in the New Testament.

Genesis iii. 5 announces the coming of the Saviour and refers to His virgin birth. The path of divine heredity came through Abel, Seth and Noah.

#### THE PROMISE WAS REPEATED

to Abraham: "In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed." Jacob, in his dying breath, said: "The sceptre shall not depart from Judah nor a lawgiver from between his feet till Shiloh come."

The great drama of the ages centres around Satan's repeated attempts to break the blood line. Knowing that David was in the path, the Evil One caused "an evil spirit" to enter King Saul, resulting in a javelin being hurled at the young Psalmist.

In the eighteenth chapter of I. Samuel we read of Saul's intention to pin David to the wall of the palace by thrusting a spear through his body. Had this been done, the hereditary line from Eden to the Manger would have been broken. David escaped by a miracle.

The prophets proclaimed the same story about the coming of the world's Redeemer. Fulfilment of this great message is noted in the first verse of the New Testament: "The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the son of Abraham." I. John iii. 8 relates to the same matter: "He that committeth sin is of the Devil; for the Devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the Devil."

*Revealed Truth.* Polytheism (the worship of many gods) existed throughout the populated world at the time the Old Testament was written. Animals and creeping things were worshipped. Idolatry reigned

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By GERALD B.

*Holy men of God spake as they were mo*

supreme. Yet, in this environment, there poured forth a stream of crystal clear knowledge about

#### THE ONE GOD,

from the hearts and minds of Bible writers.

Greece had passed the zenith of her intellectual culture when Christ was born. Rome was enjoying her highest plane of thought. But, even then, these two races worshipped such pagan deities as Venus, Mars and Jupiter.

With idolatry and paganism existing for centuries, there was one group of men, whose writings promulgated the living truth about the true God. This must be considered as important evidence in support of the doctrine of divine inspiration.

There is no comparison between the Scriptures, for instance, and the Mohammedan Koran, the Hindu Vedas and the Persian Zend Avesta.

The original text of the Old Testament was almost entirely Hebrew although a small part was written in Aramaic. The New Testament was given to the world in Greek.

Hebrew is essentially a picture language. Its most superb thoughts are expressed in the poetic phrases of Job and the Book of Psalms. Israel's original language as a nation was Hebrew, but later, after the Babylon captivity, their speech deteriorated into Aramaic.

*The Septuagint.* The earliest translation of the Bible dates back to the days of ancient Alexandria, the celebrated seaport city of Egypt which was founded by Alexander the Great, about 333 B.C.

To this metropolis there migrated a large Jewish population. At one time, as many as 1,000,000 Jews lived there. Greece then

#### RULED THE WORLD

and a great demand developed among Greek-speaking Jews for the Old Testament in the Greek language.

The Hebrew Bible was translated into the Greek about 280 B.C. Included were several small books designated as "The Apocrypha." The new Greek Bible was called the *Septuagint* by its translators be-



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*inspired by the Holy Ghost.*—II. Peter i. 21.

cause seventy men collaborated in its preparation.

Alexander's conquests covered the entire civilised world, and wherever the Jew settled, there the *Septuagint* was found. Israel's dispersion had the beneficial result of carrying true spiritual knowledge to the frontiers of Grecian civilisation.

The Jewish people were providentially designated of God to give the Bible to the world. They were selected as the racial stock from whom the world's Redeemer was to come, on His human side. But since rejecting their Messiah, they have spent almost 2,000 years in spiritual darkness and abysmal apostasy which Gentiles could not possibly reach.

The *Septuagint* was everywhere used during the time when Christ was on earth. New Testament writers, particularly Paul, quoted from it frequently. It was the Bible of the early Church.

*The Vulgate.* Several Latin translations were made from the *Septuagint*, the best known of which is the *Vulgate*.

This work was produced by Jerome in the early part of the fourth century. It was a beautiful translation and became officially adopted by the Roman Catholic Church, at

#### THE COUNCIL OF TRENT,

April 8th, 1546.

*The Syriac.* During the second century, a special edition of the Old Testament was prepared for the Christians in Northern Syria. This involved a simple task of transferring the text from one tongue into another of great similarity. None of the apocryphal books were translated from the Latin into the Syriac.

Thus we learn that the Christians of the early centuries had three main versions—the *Septuagint*, the *Latin Vulgate*, and the *Syriac*.

Thriving upon persecution, Christianity constantly penetrated new areas and this progress was accompanied with the appearance of various translations of the Bible, including the Arabic, Ethiopic, Armenian, Gothic, Slavonic, and other tongues.

*First English Edition.* In the middle of the fourteenth century, John Wycliffe completed the monumen-

tal task of preparing an English version from the Latin *Vulgate*. Since the original Hebrew and Greek texts were not used, the Wycliffe Bible was a translation from a translation.

The sixteenth century found Tyndale preparing an English edition of the New Testament which was printed in Germany and circulated in Great Britain.

Those in authority at that time were determined to keep the Word of God from the masses of people. Tyndale was therefore looked upon as a heretic. He was kidnapped and imprisoned. After an incarceration in Brussels, that lasted several months, he was publicly strangled and

#### BURNED AT THE STAKE,

October 6th, 1536.

Such men are seldom appreciated until after their death!

Scarcely a year passed before King Henry III. placed his stamp of approval upon the work of this good man. Tyndale's production has to a great extent moulded Biblical thought down to the present hour. The construction and language of the Authorised Version, used so generally to-day, bears the mark of his labours.

*The Geneva Bible.* Then came "Bloody Mary." This cruel woman is always identified, in history, with her persecution of the early reformers. She caused such men as Ridley, Latimer and John Rogers to be burned at the stake for the crime of circulating copies of the Scriptures.

The year 1560 witnessed the first genuinely Protestant translation—the *Geneva Bible*. It was produced by such men as Knox, Calvin, Beza and Coverdale, who had escaped the wrath of Mary and other tormentors.

This was the original English Bible to be divided into verses. It was the first to print words in *italics* which were not found in the original text.

*The Authorised Version.* This is the Bible most used by Protestants to-day and for simplicity, diction and sublime language, it is unsurpassed.

King James I., who reigned during the years 1603-25, appointed fifty-four scholars to compile the Book. Forty-seven actually served on the commission. The finished product appeared in 1611 and became known generally as the "King James Version."

It has been correctly called

#### "A MODEL OF GOOD ENGLISH."

There is no way of estimating its influence upon human thought. Millions have been borne to their heavenly home upon its wings!

*Other versions.* Later versions have appeared, some of which have contained grammatical improvements, while others have done violence to great spiritual truths. The King James Version remains the most popular, and as a whole, the most practical Bible ever produced.



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## Special Christmas Number.

NEXT week the special Double Number of the *Elim Evangel* will be on sale, and we are hoping that this may have a record sale. This special number provides a splendid means of introducing to others the work which we love. A gift of this character may result in life-long interest in the Foursquare Gospel work. Some little time ago we heard of a person who became permanently attached to the Movement through the medium of the *Elim Evangel*, and we have no doubt but what cases of this kind could be multiplied. The Christmas Number of the *Elim Evangel* will be full of spiritual food and seasonable interest, and we trust that our readers will take advantage of this opportunity of spreading the influence of the work. Order your extra copies without delay in order to avoid disappointment.

## Prayer Changes Things

Philippians iv. 6.

### Prayer is requested for :

One who contemplates uniting her life with an unsaved man, that God may prevent what may mean spiritual disaster.

A dearly loved son who has lost his business through trade depression, and who is blaming God for his trouble, that he may be led to the Lord.

A mother suffering from internal trouble, that she may be completely delivered.—*M.H.*

A servant of God in China at present suffering with bad health, that the Lord may raise him up.—*C.H.*

One who suffers from acute nervousness, that God's hand may set this soul free for Christian service.—*B.B.L.*

Deliverance in the life of one addicted to the drug habit.—*Y.N.*

## THOUGHTS FROM THE THRONE

When you ask for the Pentecostal fire do you bring the Pentecostal fuel ?

Does your faith move mountains, or do mountains move your faith ?

If your foot slip you may recover your balance, but if your tongue slip, you cannot recover your words.

## Sowing and Reaping.

A WELL-KNOWN evening paper, *The Star*, commenting upon Mr. David Lloyd George's latest book on the history of the Mandates, says :—

"In no less detail does Mr. Lloyd George tell the story of the evolution, painful and hotly argued all the way, of the Mandate for Palestine. Three main causes created modern Palestine : the defeat and dissolution of the old Ottoman Empire, the Zionist Movement and Britain's promises to the Arabs who came in on the British side during the war.

"*Britain's promises.* Out of ancient Turkish satrapies, long fallen into neglect, a new country had to be created—a little land as big as Wales, seething with old animosities, new fears and enduring ambitions. *It is clear from Mr. Lloyd George's narrative, here particularly lucid, that Britain made confused promises to Arabs and Jews alike, and was left with the impossible task of squaring them.*"

This impossible task is still going on in Palestine with the loss of many lives on all sides, Arab, Jew and British. It is nothing but the absolute truth to say we are reaping in Palestine the harvest of confusion which we sowed when we made confused promises to Arabs and Jews alike.

## THE INFLUENCE OF A TRACT

A young Frenchman who had been wounded at the siege of San Quentin was languishing on a pallet in the hospital when a tract that lay on the coverlet caught his eye. He read it and was converted to God. You may see the monument of that man before the Church of the Consistory in Paris, standing with a Bible in his hand. He is known in history as Admiral Coligny, the leader of the Reformation in France. But the tract had not finished its work. It was read by Coligny's nurse, a "sister of mercy," who penitently placed it in the hands of the Lady Abbess, and she, too, was converted by it. She fled from France to the Palatinate where she met a young Hollander and became his wife. The influence which she had upon that man reached out into the Reformation on the entire continent of Europe; for he was William of Orange. How far that little candle threw its beams ! Who knows the power of a simple Gospel tract ?

# How to Get Your Loved Ones Saved

(Continued)

By Mrs. W. A. KORTKAMP

**I** HAVE heard good, well-meaning Christians say, "Well, all you can do is save yourself. You cannot help it if your loved ones will go to hell." Miserable comforters! God calls the Christian life a "reasonable service," and I, for one, believe it is. God would not mock us by bidding us to "rejoice evermore," when some of our loved ones were doomed for hell; and we need not expect more of ourselves than God expects of us. He knows our service would be hindered with that terrible dread on our heart. It is the old cry of Pharaoh (who was a type of Satan): "Let the Lord be so with you as I will let you go, and your little ones. . . . Not so: go now ye that are men, and serve the Lord" (Ex. x. 10, 11). Let us answer with Moses, "There shall not an hoof be left behind!" God will back us up in it, and send us out to work in His vineyard with a fresh inspiration, even meeting persecutions from our own household with joy, being able to represent truly the "Lamb for an house" by

## MANIFESTING THE LAMB SPIRIT,

knowing our course will bring salvation to them. "There shall not an hoof be left behind!"

*Conditions to be Met.* What are the conditions we must meet in order to make this Blood Covenant effective for our loved ones?

1. We must consecrate our own lives fully to God. Caleb and Joshua obtained the full inheritance for themselves and their children, because they "wholly followed the Lord" (Deut. i. 36, 38). Unless God could have said to Noah, "For thee have I seen righteous before Me in this generation," He never would have given the blessed invitation, "Come thou and all thy house into the ark." God tells us in Deuteronomy iv. 40, "Thou shalt keep therefore His statutes, and His commandments, which I command thee this day (each day) that it may go well with thee and with thy children after thee." And the reverse is equally true: "Seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children" (Hosea iv. 6). We must be "overcomers" in our own lives, overcoming daily "by the blood of the Lamb and

## THE WORD OF OUR TESTIMONY."

A half-hearted, barren, worldly Christian, or one refusing to walk in any light God has given, can lay no claim to these or any other promises; but as we, day by day, yield our wills to God and choose His will, we find our faith going out with ever stronger hold upon the covenant promises of God. And in turn, this claiming of the covenant reacts upon our own life and becomes one of the strongest incentives to overcoming.

2. Next we must spread out the matter before the Lord and put in a definite claim for the salvation of our kindred. To many whom I know, the Spirit has applied some passage of Scripture, perhaps one they had not thought of in this connection. Ask for this.

As you claim them, let the Spirit lead. Some are led, "with strong crying and tears," or "with groanings that cannot be uttered," to pray through for each

one individually; to others is given a calm, determined faith that sees the truth in God's Word and steps unwaveringly upon it. The same Spirit who is pledged to bring about their salvation is leading you in claiming it.

3. Then, in case of our children, we must "bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Eph. vi. 4), remembering not to "provoke them to wrath," but "unto love and to good works" (Heb. x. 24). We must lay

## A GOOD FOUNDATION

by teaching them God's Word, and freely talking the things of God over with them, "that our days may be multiplied, and the days of our children, as the days of heaven upon earth" (Deut. xi. 19-21).

Poor Eli lost his sons for ever because "they made themselves vile, and he restrained them not" (I. Sam. iii. 13), while of Abraham God could say, "For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment; that the Lord may bring upon Abraham that which He hath spoken of him" (Gen. xviii. 19). Real love, like God's love to us, will prompt us to seek their good no matter what the cost, and we will not try to be more loving than God when He says, "Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying" (Prov. xix. 18).

Perhaps someone says, "I have let my children rule the house so long, I could not make them obey me now," or "I was not saved when my children were growing up, and now they are gone from under my influence." There is no course for you but to confess the terrible wrong you have done them, first to God, then to the children themselves, then plead the promises. God may have to deal with them more sharply to make up for your lack of training, but even that is better than to lose their souls.

4. The fourth step, and one where so many fail is: Put your loved ones

## ON THE ALTAR,

and leave them there. It is the altar that sanctifies the gift (Matt. xxiii. 19), so do not draw them back and pray for the chastening rod to be lifted when God begins to deal with them. Jesus loves them more than you do. He died to save them, so you can trust them in His hands. He will not afflict them unnecessarily (Lam. iii. 33). Also He knows every corner of their hearts, and knows the course to lead them through in order to touch the secret spring that will open those hearts to Him.

5. The last condition—and a very important one—is to stand firm and believe God through thick and thin. Abraham "believed God," and we must "walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which he had" (Rom. iv. 12). If they seem to go farther from God after you have claimed them, just keep your eyes off them and firmly fixed on the God of the Covenant, and believe Him and praise Him for their salvation.



Nothing worth while ever came without a test, and always the darker the test, the greater the victory. Their present behaviour has nothing to do with the keeping of God's part of the covenant. It is only a call to a deeper faith on your part, the precious gold that God has been after all along. And while you must be sure day by day that you are not disobeying God in your own life, but that your will is yielded and submissive to Him, yet you must not let Satan get your eyes on your

#### FAILURES AND WEAKNESSES.

God said, "When I see." What? "The Blood."

## HE IS RISEN

By BETTY BURRELL BOWLSBY

**I**T was dawn on the mountains, but purple shadows enfolded the valleys in the semi-light of early morn, mysterious, holy.

A woman came hurrying along, with soft footsteps, in and out dark, narrow, winding streets of the slumbering city, out to where the faint rose-tipped rays of the rising sun rimmed the eastern hills. The barking of a dog, the lowing of kine, the twitter of a bird now and then were the only sounds that disturbed the sacred stillness of the hour.

Now the path dips into a valley dewy sweet with the odorous tamarisk buds. The lower portion of the woman's robe and sandalled feet are wet with the dew, tears of the night, for the thirsty grasses and flowers.

She came to a sepulchre on the side of a hill just as triumphal day in glorified robes of rainbow hues dispelled the dark night and flung a challenge to a new world in its impetuous birth of regal splendour.

She gazed in consternation upon the open tomb. The great stone with the seal of imperial Rome was rolled aside. Gone were the haughty, insolent Roman guards.

A feeling of awe—a vibrant joy pervaded the very atmosphere, intangible—expectant. The woman cried out in anguish of soul: "Oh, they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid Him. Why could they not have left His broken, bruised body to lie in peace? How dare they take Him away? Oh, that I might find Him and bring Him back again. Where, oh, where is He whom my soul loveth?"

Tears blinding her eyes, she stooped and looked within the sepulchre. Frightened, she drew away—then came closer.

Why—why—who are these arrayed in white robes and whence came they? Hark! Hark! My heart! What are they saying?

"Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here! He is risen! Come, see the place where the Lord lay. Christ is risen! And behold, He is alive for evermore!"

Ah! breathed the woman, joy flooding her soul, these messengers of such blessed tidings, in shining garments, with softly-folded white wings, surely they come from God!

Again from the open tomb came the words, "He is risen!" Like the sound of mighty waters, like the shout of victorious legions, the refrain thundered down the aisles of the earth and echoed throughout infinite space.

So believe and praise Him for the Blood.

Let us stand on the Word of God that abideth for ever, and say with Joshua. "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." God's Word will not crumble beneath your feet. He has said, "My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of My lips" (Psalm lxxxix. 34).

And when the dark trials come, when the floods threaten to overwhelm us, let us meet all Satan's darts with Paul's endorsement of the promise. Acts xxvii. 25: "For I believe God that it shall be even as it was told me."

Deep called unto deep—"He is risen! He is risen!" The melody rolled from mountain peak to mountain peak and crashed from crag to crag.

"He is risen!" All nature pulsated with a new life as the song of songs cleaved rocks, hills, and plains, in its outward flow of rejoicing power.

"He is risen!" Blazed forth the trumpeters of Jehovah above the stars and battlements of creation.

"He is risen!" Death and hell foamed and raged in fury as life triumphant emerged from out the tomb and flung wide eternity's portals.

"He is risen!" The soul of the woman was filled with ecstasy divine! Her Lord whom she so loved was not dead but was risen from the grave and was alive for evermore!

"He is risen!" How sweet, how wonderful! Oh, she must hasten, she must run to tell the blessed tidings to the others. The Lord was risen indeed! Then a voice, sweet as the fragrance of springtime lilies and roses fell upon her ear.

"Mary!"

Slowly she turned—her face aglow with faith and love. Kneeling she whispered, "Rabboni! My Master—my Lord—and my God."

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## BOOK REVIEW

By Mary Warburton Booth

"*Jewels of the King*," by Pastor E. C. W. Boulton, 2/6 net (by post 2/9). Victory Press, Clapham Crescent, London, S.W.4.

*Jewels of the King* is a book to be read and thought over; it is written especially for those who know the path of pain, and it brings an answer to many a questioning heart.

"They shall be Mine in that day when I make up My jewels," is God's Word. This book will tell you how His jewels are made and the why and wherefore of much that is baffling in life, and what suffering can lead to. The secret is revealed why they who suffer most have most to give.

Get the book and read it, it will help you to understand the value of suffering.



# RADIANT REVIVAL REPORTS

## Proving God's Power for Soul and Body—Remarkable Results of Faithful Ministry

### PROFITABLE BIBLE STUDIES

#### Enlarging Missionary Vision

**Wood Green** (Pastor A. E. Thorne). The Lord's people in this church are rejoicing in His abundant goodness through the days. The recent visit of Principal P. G. Parker left with God's children a far deeper and broader view of the prayer life. His inspiring messages have meant abiding blessing to the church. Added to this God has granted to His people a wider missionary vision. Self-sacrifice has made it possible to support three native



Pastor A. E. Thorne

Evangelists in the Congo as a blessed result of Mr. Leslie Wigglesworth's recent visit. May God continue to guide and bless. The usual services are still the scene of Holy Ghost manifestation. To God be all the praise!

### INSPIRING BIBLE STUDIES

#### Souls Seeking Christ

**Islington** (Pastor W. J. Patterson). "This Foursquare Movement is all a bubble that will soon break," so said the critics when the revival first came to north London. But praise God He has proved Himself true to His promises, and the blessing still remains.

For several weeks past, souls have been saved in the Sunday night gospel meetings, and have testified to God's saving power during the week. A sister recently received instantaneous healing after being prayed for. Jesus still heals!

A "Sunshine Corner" has been commenced for the children, and under the leadership of "Aunties" (Mrs. Patterson and sister Crusaders) and "Uncle" (the Pastor) and a "grandfather" (the organist) it is believed there are great things in store in these young lives that are being given to Him.

Pastor Boulton has recently concluded a series of studies on the "Work of the Holy Spirit." Much practical help was given in these studies covering "The Work of the Spirit before Christ," "The Baptism our Birthright," and "The Ministry of the Holy Ghost in the Church and in the Individual." Regret was expressed that these studies could not be continued for a few more weeks.

Praise God for the droppings! "Lord, send showers!"

### BLESSED REVIVAL RESULTS IN PETERBOROUGH CAMPAIGN

"I have proved God answers prayer"—yes, in 1938 God's people in Peterborough are proving this truth. After years of earnest prayer for a Holy Ghost revival to break upon this city, God has graciously answered.

The recent return visit of Pastor Gwilym Francis to continue the campaign which he commenced in June, was looked forward to with joyful anticipation. The Lord graciously set His seal to the great re-opening service with the salvation of souls.

Night after night new-born believers gather to hear "more about Jesus." Hearts rejoice to hear the congregations, filled with the joy of salvation, and anxious to pass on the joyful news, sing the chorus of the campaign, "Whosoever will to the Lord may come." It is evident that old things have passed away and all things have become new. Hearts, lives, homes, have been transformed; slumbering chords awakened as a result of the faithful preaching of God's servant.

The truth of the second coming of Christ, unheard of before by many, has been faithfully dealt with, and hearts have been solemnized as God's Word has gone forth under the anointing of the Holy Ghost.

Bodies held in the grip of disease are being delivered in the all-powerful name of Jesus; the power of the Lord is present to heal. Perhaps one of the most outstanding cases of instantaneous healing is that of a brother, well past his threescore years and ten, who for fourteen years has been a cripple, having to use a bath-chair. After being anointed and prayed with at one of Pastor Francis' divine healing services he was instantly healed, and recently walked twelve miles. This is but one of many marvellous testimonies from those who have experienced God is just the same to-day.

The following report is culled from the local Press:

### NEW ENGLAND REVIVAL Healing for War Nurse

The revival and divine healing services held under the leadership of Pastor Gwilym Francis has continued during the past week at the P.S.A. Hall, Lincoln Road, with more conversions and testimonies of bodily healing. There was an enthusiastic congregation on Sunday evening to listen to a forceful explanatory talk on God's power and willingness to perform miracles to-day as of old, for those who have scriptural faith towards Him. There were five conversions at this service.

A remarkable case of healing is that of

Mrs. Lillian Smith, of Atkinson Street, formerly a nurse of long practice, including war service, in the course of which she met with an accident which necessitated a series of major operations which did not effect the desired results, and owing to increasing weakness the specialists consulted decided that they could not operate again. She was unable to go out alone. After attending the meetings for ministry she wrote to the evangelist: "I am to-day a grateful and happy woman. . . . At the first meeting I went to I felt uplifted and relieved, and although it was not immediate healing, on the 2nd November (hearing at the meeting that a chill to the soul hinders not only oneself but others), I realised my position and accepted Christ afresh, and am now healed in body and soul."

A large congregation attended the evangelist's lantern talk on "From Haifa through Samaria to Jerusalem" in the weekly series on Palestine, last (Monday) night.

—"Citizen," Nov. 22nd, 1938.

### BLESSED TIMES OF FELLOWSHIP Remarkable Healing

**Aberdare** (Pastor J. W. Newman). Much Christian fellowship was enjoyed by the Aberdare Church over a homely welcome tea to Pastor Newman (who recently took charge) and Mrs. Newman.

The Church is enjoying real times of blessing. Crusaders are being revived and numbers are increasing. The Thursday evening Bible studies on the Book of Ruth yield real spiritual food.

The breaking of bread services are a precious time when the presence of the Lord is very real. Messages through the gifts of the Holy Ghost have proved a blessing to all. The meetings are charged with the power of God, and on a recent Sunday night several people signified that they had received a touch of healing after the laying on of hands, according to the Word of God. A child was brought to the meeting in a hopeless condition; he had never been able to walk, and as the Pastor prayed, the child's leg stretched out, as it received new life from God. To God be the glory! At a meeting a fortnight later, the mother of the child made a public acknowledgement of the healing, and the child walked down the aisle and on to the platform.

"The Great Physician still is here,  
Our Guide and Friend to be,  
The Healer of Gennesaret  
Still walks the rounds with thee."

The building of a new church is the object of much earnest prayer.

Two new members have been received into fellowship. The cry of the church is for a Holy Ghost Revival.

## THE HEALING POWER OF CHRIST

### Successful Campaign

**Barking** (Pastor J. McAvoy). The work in this church is showing signs of progress, especially amongst the young people. The Crusader numbers are increasing as friend introduces friend to the meetings, and it is good to see these



**Pastor  
J. McAvoy**

young converts praising their Lord so joyously. Under the faithful ministry of Pastor J. McAvoy souls have been added to the church, and backsliders restored to the fold, and are now worshipping with the saints. "My word shall not return unto Me void."

One dear sister who suffered with heart disease for twenty years (doctors and hospital X-ray photographs certifying and proving the disease) has recently returned thanks to her Lord for deliverance in answer to prayer. Since the Lord has undertaken for her the X-ray photographs taken at the London hospital reveal that "there is now no sign of anything wrong." Wonderful Jesus!

Mr. and Mrs. Nosworthy recently visited the church, and through their testimony real blessing was experienced.

Pastor W. E. Smith has just concluded a three weeks' campaign, and words cannot express the great blessing all have enjoyed as night by night he has unfolded the Word of Truth.

The breaking of bread services have been hallowed times with the Holy Ghost much in evidence.

At the close of the Tuesday and Thursday meetings the sick were prayed for, and those not able to attend sent messages asking that God would honour their faith and heal them. Many received a touch from the Lord both at the meetings and in their homes. One sister is rejoicing in the Lord's healing power. Since birth, for twenty-five years, she has been a victim of infantile paralysis, one foot always being several inches shorter than the other, which necessitated the use of a surgical boot. Her foot was twisted and her legs crooked, so much so that often she lost her balance and fell to the ground. God heard her prayer on October 27th, and healed her poor body. Both legs are the same length now, and she is wearing ordinary boots. Truly an evidence that Jesus Christ is just the same to-day.

Each meeting has been well attended, and some have outwardly confessed their acceptance of the Lord.

An unusual service was held on Saturday evening, when the meeting was thrown open for testimonies. Without a break friends stood up and testified how the Lord had saved and kept them—some fifty and sixty years. Pastor Smith finally invited everyone in turn to stand up and give the date of their conversion. Practically everyone responded—the majority giving the year 1925, the time of the Foursquare Revival Campaign at Barking.

At the final meeting on Sunday evening,

in spite of the inclement weather, the hall was packed, and Pastor Smith preached on that inexhaustible subject: "The Second Coming of Christ."

## UNITED OPEN AIR WITNESS

### Refreshing Prayer Gatherings

**Ealing** (Pastor D. E. Forsyth). A review of the work at Ealing over the past few months inspires much praise to God.

Thank God for the spirit of fellowship between this Assembly and St. Paul's Parish church. Throughout the summer the people of the two churches have united in an open air witness each Sunday after the Gospel service, and the Word of God has been faithfully proclaimed. During Crusader Week the church had a visit from the Young People's Fellowship, and it was a joy to be ministered to by these young people on fire for God. Pastor Forsyth has been the speaker at healing intercession services held periodically, and also at the Armistice Sunday afternoon service.

The prayer meetings recently have been great times of refreshing, as from time to time blessing and healing has been received in answer to prayer. Once a month a short time is spent in testimony, and this has been a source of much inspiration and encouragement.

A visit from Mr. Leslie Wigglesworth was greatly appreciated, and the Lord's people were led to pray yet more earnestly for needy Congo-land, as they heard of the difficulties encountered by missionaries and native Christians.



"Thine arrows are sharp in the heart of the King's enemies."—Psalm xlv. 5

Conducted by Pastor J. J. MORGAN

## For Sunday School Teachers :

### GIVING AN HOUR OF ONE'S LIFE

Rev. Carey Bonner tells a beautiful story which every wise teacher should lay to heart. "In the life-story of the late great composer and teacher, Sterndale Bennett, it is related that there came to him a noted artist-vocalist, one of his early pupils, who said: 'I have studied under masters in many countries, but I never received such inspiration to the highest art as came to me from you.' 'Madam,' replied the master, 'I always aimed to give you, not a music lesson, but an hour of my life.'" Can we say we aim to give not a Sunday school lesson, but an hour of our lives? An hour in which we impart our very life to the children?

### GIVE ME CHILDREN OR I DIE

"Give me children or else I die." I wonder how many teachers have pleaded thus with God. They have looked upon the empty benches or chairs, and then

upon the thronging streets with boys and girls who have no spiritual home, who attend no Sunday school. If the teacher has this passion for children, then some effort will be put forth to gather in the children under the sound of the gospel. "Give me children" will be the prayer upon the teacher's lips; may these children become mine; may I be a spiritual father or mother to them in bringing them into this life of blessedness in Christ.

## For Local Preachers.

### HOMILETICAL RULES

Let me give three rules for the composition of a sermon:

1. Go to the bottom of the subject, and think of all that should be said upon it.
2. Do not torture the subject by saying all that can be said.
3. Thirdly do not crowd your thoughts too thick. If you pour water too fast into the funnel it will run over.

—Dr. MASON.

1. Resolve to be brief rather than too long.
2. Be pointed; never preach all round your text without hitting it.
3. State your proposition plainly, but do not stop long to particularise.
4. Avoid long introductions, but plunge into your sermon like a swimmer into cold water.
5. Condense, . . . speak out in the plainest, shortest possible terms.
6. Avoid high-flown language.
7. Stop when you have done.

—"Revival Advocate."

## For Christian Workers :

### CROWDS AND INDIVIDUALS

From my own experience I am compelled to admit that preaching to crowds must be followed by conversation with individuals. For it is in coming into touch with individuals that the most important work is done. Some people may be stirred in a big meeting; but rarely does a man come into the light until he is led there by individual instruction. The getting of a crowd, then, is only a means to an end—that end being the coming into touch afterwards with individuals: and that can be done also in other ways even if the crowd is not gathered.

—L. B. FLETCHER.





# ELIM CRUSADER PAGE

CONDUCTED BY PASTOR DOUGLAS B. GRAY

## Notes and News

Crusader week was something new to the Crusaders at Finchley. It was looked forward to with eager anticipation. The dominating theme was an answer to the question so often asked—"Can Christ satisfy the youth of to-day?" The Crusaders as they sang, recited and testified bore an admirable and intelligent answer in the affirmative.

Grateful and sincere thanks is extended to the Birmingham (Sparkbrook) Bible Class, for their regular support to the Prison fund. Such practical help is more than appreciated, coupled with your continued prayers.

Mr. W. J. Bell (Choir leader of Ulster Temple Crusader Choir), when recently in London on business, called at Crusader Headquarters and had a very happy and helpful talk on things in general concerning the Kingdom.

We are glad to announce that arrangements have been made for the Bradford Crusader Choir to visit Wakefield Prison in January next. Pastor D. B. Gray, responsible for our Prison work, will accompany the choir.

Already the London Crusader Choir has nearly thirty prison appointments booked for 1939.

The monthly London Crusader Rally for January will be held in the Elim Tabernacle, Forest Hill. Watch for details of programme.

It is hoped to announce shortly particulars of a great united Yorkshire Crusader Rally to be held during the month of January next.

## London Crusader Choir's Full November Programme

"I am glad to say in the Christian work of this town there is no rivalry," said the Vicar of Barking, Rev. T. Bloomer, presiding at a service given at New Park Hall, Barking, recently. "We regard ourselves as co-operators in the work of Christ's kingdom, and we go about it in a sensible way," he added. "We do not say that we have no differences, but we recog-

*(continued in next column).*

## Becontree Crusaders

The local Crusaders recently took the Sunday evening service. How good to see these folk, from youngest to oldest, eager to share in this ministry for the Master, and working to see His name glorified. Much prayer was offered both before and on the day and God wondrously answered. In the prayer meeting before the service the Spirit of God descended.

From memory a sister gave forth God's Word, and how appropriate that it should be I. Corinthians xiii. Varied items followed, choir pieces, testimonies, recitations and a portion from the Word, but the basis and background for the whole meeting was found in I. Corinthians xiii., setting forth God's eternal love.

Grateful indeed are the Crusaders that in this their first effort God so graciously undertook. His the glory and His the increase!



Becontree (Essex) Crusaders  
with Pastor H. Jeffery

nise that differences exist and so it is better to recognise that and allow the Spirit of God to guide."

The Church was packed and the choir's song ministry was greatly appreciated. Major Ernst Rance, a most gifted Salvation Army musician and composer, also supported the chairman. Pastor E. C. W. Boulton's message was one of profound inspiration and of great edification. Pastor Gahan, the minister of Park Hall, very aptly and helpfully interspersed with sentiments of appreciation and spiritual uplift.

Two services at Wandsworth Prison were specially blessed of God. The choir's ministry was unusually stirring. The singing of the famous hymn, "Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee," at the conclusion, creating great effect on the large congregations. Following the visit the chaplain writes, "I would like to say how much we value your coming. It is a great help and blessing."

Another new door for service was opened when the choir recently visited the renowned Metropolitan (Spurgeon's) Tabernacle, London, and rendered several items in song, and rendered several items in song. Pastor P. N. Corry also contributed two vocal solos.

## National Crusader Week at Bath

A glorious time of blessing was received at Bath during the National Crusader Week. In spite of torrents of rain and boisterous winds on almost every night of the campaign, it did not daunt the energy and enthusiasm of the Crusaders, for they came out night after night, many straight from business, to do their part in the united effort.

The opening Sunday service was especially arranged as a service for youth, Pastor F. J. Stemming being in charge. During the week the following programme was presented: Monday: "Eye-gate to heart-gate," given in the form of illustrated sermonettes. Tuesday: "A Crusader Cavalcade"; this meeting was arranged to show how weekly Crusader meetings are conducted in the Elim churches all over the land. Wednesday: "The Christ of my Work-day Life." Testimonies were given at this meeting to the reality of the Saviour in everyday life. Speakers included: A housewife, domestic servant, and an engineer. Thursday: "What is an Elim Crusader?" This question being explained in an acrostic on the word "Crusader." Friday: "A Study on Archæology—the Bible and the Spade." A brother at this service gave an interesting lecture, combined with illustrated charts, on past and

present archaeological research in Bible lands. This study gave the congregation an insight into the land and life of the Bible, and explained that through the research at Lachish and other old Bible cities of Palestine, much has been unearthed to amply confirm the accuracy of the ancient writers of God's Word.

An open air rally of Crusaders in the local Square, as arranged was of necessity cancelled owing to the inclement weather. The closing service of the Crusade on the Sunday evening found a good congregation at the church, the special preacher being Mr. W. L. Pressey of Alderholt. Talking as his text John iii.

16, the speaker presented a clear gospel message which explained the purpose and provision of the love of God in the Lord Jesus. The Crusaders took a good share of the service by testimony and song, and brought to a close another successful Crusader week, full of the joy of our salvation in Christ Jesus.

## The Way of Salvation

# Was the Price Too Great?

By MARIA E. FROST

*But He WAS wounded for our transgressions, He WAS bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace WAS upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all!—Isaiah liiii. 5, 6.*

**G**OD looked down from heaven upon a dark sin-cursed world; His only begotten and much-loved Son, the Treasure of Heaven, hung upon the Cross, His hands and feet tearing and bleeding from the piercing nails; blood trickling down His face from the "thorn-crowned" brow. But more than all this physical suffering, Jesus was separated from God, the Father, whose presence had ever been with Him from the beginning of time—yea, before the foundations of the world were laid. He was separated with the heart cry, "My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" He was separated from God in our stead, because of our sin.

What a picture this brings to our memory! Do you catch the vision of our suffering Saviour? He suffered thus for you and for me. Was the cost too great? What does the sacrifice mean to you, dear heart, to-day?

I have recently been impressed with this question as I have been coming in contact with a man who gave himself that he might save his only and much-loved daughter from the burning flames of a tenement house. The family had retired as usual in the evening, but were suddenly awakened in the early hours after midnight to find themselves enveloped, on the fifth floor, in stifling flames and blinding smoke. All rushed for safety, which was not easily found. The daughter and one son jumped out of the window, where they thought there was a fire escape; but none was there and they fell to the ground below. The girl was killed instantly and the boy died from injuries a day later. The father, mother and three other sons escaped in some way by aid of firemen, the three boys being badly burned—one dying in a couple of days.

The father, though in safety, thought his daughter was still in the flames and rushed in to rescue her. In turn he too was badly burned and with the boys he was rushed to the hospital. It so happened that the father was placed on the floor where I was on duty. As I looked into his

most terribly swollen and burned face from time to time and saw his untold agony, my heart was strangely moved upon. His suffering was intense and as I waited upon him this question came o'er and o'er to my mind, "Was the cost too great?"

The daughter had not waited to be rescued—she took her own way—a short-cut to safety. Even while her father gave himself and endured all for her sake, she lay on the ground below—lifeless—not knowing the price that was being paid for her.

Was Calvary and Redemption worth the price that was paid? How many to-day are taking their own way in life—hoping that a "fire escape" may be somewhere beneath them and that they may be saved. Short-cuts will not take us to heaven. We must go the old-fashioned road of the Cross and true repentance. "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

How many to-day are dying, as this girl did, not knowing the sacrifice that was paid for them. Many poor heathen have never heard this glad news. Are we going calmly on and not carrying the message to them? Does the cost of Calvary not mean enough to you, dear heart, that you are eager to let others know about it? If not, Calvary was too great a price!

Does it mean enough that you will seek to enter in the strait and narrow way? "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat; because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it" (Matt. vii. 13, 14). He loved you enough to give His all for you. What are you giving Him? He wants your heart, your life, your best, your all, and in return He will give you His all, with "joy unspeakable and full of glory." Why, dear heart, would you take a "short cut" and leap out into eternal destruction? The price for eternal life is paid and Jesus is waiting to save you now.

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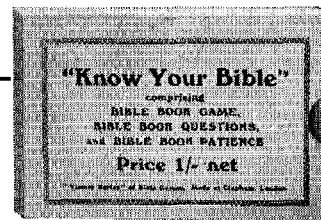
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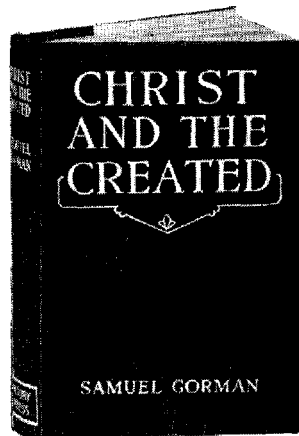
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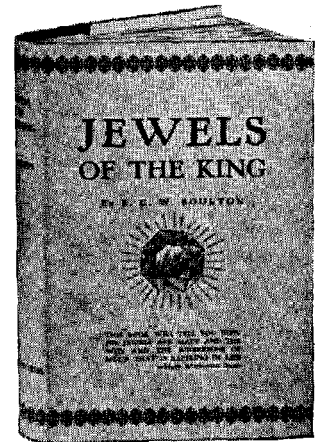


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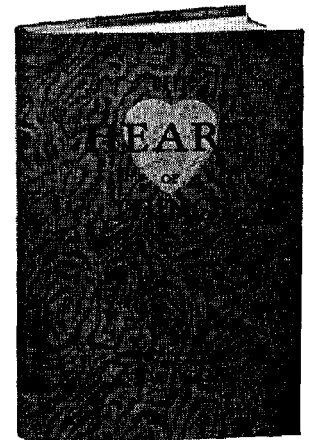


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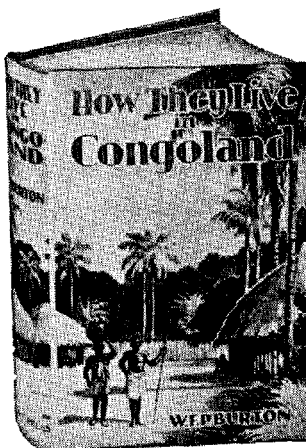
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