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# Elm Evangel

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## Foursquare Revivalist

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## " See that Ye be Not Troubled "

By W. C. MOORE

**N**OTICE the setting of these words, " See that ye be not troubled " (Matt. xxiv. 6). Jesus was a Prophet indeed. As He began to tell of the awful conditions which were positively coming on this wicked world—deceptions, false Christs, wars and rumours of wars, He knew that the hearts of the people would be terrified as they saw these prophecies being fulfilled. So, right in the midst of His foretelling of the commotions, etc., to come, Jesus injects this very necessary command to His people: " See that ye be not troubled."

It is the province of Christians to be different from the world—to shine as lights in the darkness of sin and despair. God desires that His people partake neither of the intemperate, pleasure-seeking, self-pleasing spirit of the world on the one hand, nor of the terror of heart on the other hand.

As a good Captain, our Lord warns us of the events to come in order that we may be aroused, alert, ever awake, watchful, and ready. It is that we may be prepared, not that we may be terrified or frightened.

Peter walked on the water so long as he kept

### HIS EYES ON JESUS,

but when he saw the wind boisterous he was afraid and began to sink. The Lord saved him when he cried out for help—and He will save those to-day who have become terrified because of the things coming on the world if they will look to Him and call on Him.

Oh how needful it is to-day that this note of faith, of encouragement, be sounded out in the midst of much preaching on the signs of the times. To provide " meat in due season " it is very necessary that sermons on the fulfilment of prophecy, etc., be given, but this one very important " note of faith " is often omitted.

God has ordained that we glorify Him by rejoicing in tribulation, praying for our enemies, believing Him in an age of unbelief—by being a separated, holy, happy people because we wholly trust in the Lord.

It is well to remember that no matter what storm may come, God has His way in every storm (Nahum i. 3). Regardless of what flood may break over your soul, brother, sister, that flood cannot go the smallest fraction of an inch beyond what God permits, for " the Lord sitteth upon the flood " (Psa. xxix. 10), and however it may roar around you, the Almighty Himself is sitting right on the top of it, controlling its fury.

With exquisite beauty the Scripture shows to troubled souls God's tender watch-care over His own blood-bought children. " Fear not; for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name;

### THOU ART MINE.

When thou passeth through the waters, I will be with thee: and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee" (Isa. xliii. 1, 2). Note here that not only is the sweet presence of God with us as we go through the waters of trial, difficulty, sorrow, etc., but also He is Master of the very rivers and will not permit them to overflow us; and again, in the fires of trouble, His loving, protecting Father-heart not only sees to it that we are not hurt, not burned by them, but He, the Almighty God, the Creator of all things, is absolute Master of that flame and positively will not permit it to " kindle upon thee." Not the faintest flicker can go beyond God's permissive will.

God loves us. He has so ordered all forces and powers of the universe that " all things work together for good to them that love God " (Rom. viii. 28).

Surely Jesus, the blessed Son of God, our soon-coming heavenly Bridegroom, would stir us and with utmost earnestness warn us to watch and pray, be ready, take heed to ourselves, etc., but along with all this He would have us to live so close to Him that our calmness, our joy, our faith in Him will be manifest in all terrifying conditions.

"In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world" (John xvi. 33).

For the spirit of heaviness, so prevalent to-day, God has provided a sure remedy—

#### "THE GARMENT OF PRAISE"

(Isa. lxi. 3). But to be effective this garment must be put on. It has worked for multitudes and, my troubled brother, sister, it will work for you if you will put it on and refuse to let the Devil or any circumstance or condition snatch it from you. Praise the Lord! Jesus is Victor.

As we see the many "signs of the end-time" shall

we not listen to the Lord's bugle call: "And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."

If we walk in all the light God gives us, putting Him first in our lives, loving God with all our heart and loving our neighbours as ourselves we have nothing to fear, for "As thy days, so shall thy strength be" (Deut. xxxiii. 25). "My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus" (Phil. iv. 19). If I am walking close to God and am called to stand in a martyr's shoes, God will give me a martyr's strength and a martyr's supply of grace, for "God is faithful."

## Mirror of World Events

By Pastor P. N. CORRY

### Too Private and Confidential?

In the "Railway Review" the General Secretary of the N.U.R. complains that this is a private and confidential war. He says: "We don't want doses of soothing syrup, scraps of information, and bits of inept propaganda. Only the truth, and the whole truth, will fortify this nation."

May we say "Amen" to this, as it affects our Christian witness in these days of trial? Would to God more of His children could say with Paul: "I kept back nothing that was profitable . . . I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God" (Acts xx. 20 and 27). The Word of God is not a confidential document to be stored away in bookcases, or used as "soothing syrup"; it is a sword to be used, and the truth that every man and woman, every boy and girl needs to hear from the lips of those who know God. Are we guilty? Tell people the truth, the whole truth, and keep on telling it, in season as well as out of season, lest we also have to echo Isaiah's lament: "Woe unto me, for I am dumb" (Isa. vi. 5, margin).

### What Shall We Do in the Black-out?

"Merely to sit at home in the evenings is agony to some people nowadays. I am not ashamed to confess that when I get the chance to do so, after a tiring day, a wave of thankfulness assails me that for one night more, at any rate, I can sit in warmth and comfort, still unbombarded, and enjoy the clock ticking out not 'Time is flying,' but 'Gather ye rosebuds while ye may,' even if my rosebuds are very modest ones."

"All kinds of old familiar things become fresh when one looks at them with fresh eyes. If only one dandelion were ever to bloom it would be trampled down by the hordes of people who would rush to see such a phenomenon. Even bread and butter tastes better when you consciously enjoy it."

"And when you think what it may cost to bring it to us, I think we ought not only to have Grace before Meals, but Grace before all sorts of other things."

This writer in an evening paper hits the nail on the head. But if this is so for the ordinary and the everyday things, how much more for the gift of the Grace of God and for the "all things" which are ours in Christ? These long evenings can be filled with untold blessing if we will not only gather rosebuds and dandelions, but join in prayer for revival. The Lewis revival, which is still going on, is not famous for its preaching or its services, but for the prayer meetings in which a few gather in someone's cottage and pray by name for loved ones still out of the fold. They pray them in, one by one, and thus the flame spreads. Why don't we do more in this way to spread the flame? Don't sit and mope, get on your knees and pray!

### A.R.P.

Precaution is the order of the day. Sandbags in the streets, balloons in the sky, water tanks at vulnerable points, fire stations all over the place, air raid wardens on their beat, and

every man, woman, and child hugging a gas mask. It's rather wonderful to see how we take these things as the ordinary and the normal way of life in these war days.

How about being just as keen to warn people of the danger of sin and death? The Lord said: "Fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul, but rather fear Him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell" (Matt. x. 28). So in these days when men fear them that have power to kill, why not be so "carefree" that your very confidence in God may prove infectious. This does not mean that you will not take precautions, but you will do so in a vastly different spirit from the ordinary person.

Every believer should be able to find a very modern illustration of the warning given by the Lord and lead sinners to the only One who can save from hell and from the fear of death. "Take warning" has as much Divine urgency in it as the sirens or the air warden's whistle. Therefore use the opportunity to witness!

### This is Heaven! ? ?

Followers of Father Divine, self-styled Negro "God," have recently had a feast of 200 courses. This included no less than fifty-five meat dishes, including rare game, pigs' snouts and ears. The feast lasted thirty-six hours, and between the courses 500 songs were chanted. Father Divine called the feast a "peace gesture," and said "This exhibition of peace plenteousness will have the effect of spreading a peace message round the world." While Poland writhed in agony, and rationing was the order of the day, how utterly foreign to the Spirit of Christ and to all godliness is this orgy of gluttony! Contrast it with this "The Kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost" (Rom. xiv. 17), and you will see how far away this Divine (?) Father has led his dupes.

### NEXT WEEK

Special Foreign Missionary Number  
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# The Benefit of Trials

By J. GALLOWAY

**T**RIALS are not popular. We would never have them if we could avoid them. Trials and suffering are great problems to us. Why do Christians suffer? However unpleasant it may be to be tried and tested, a trial is not a strange thing which has happened to us. It is not a calamity, but an opportunity; not accidental—but necessary; not on purpose for endurance, but for rejoicing; not a hindrance, but a help. Not something to which we have to be "resigned." That word "resignation" seems to stand for a sort of suppressed rebellion, not a very high state of grace. Trials are God's way of purging out our weakness and dross. They give us a chance to get acquainted with God.

It is said that in the combined oceans of the world there is gold to the value of one dollar in every 1,000 cubic feet of water. Enough gold to give more than a million dollars to every man, woman, and child living. But there is no known process by which this gold can be separated from the water. Not so with our Father's desire to take away our dross and purify unto Himself a peculiar people,

## ZEALOUS OF GOOD WORKS.

He uses trials and tests in accomplishing this most necessary work in us. This process is "for the present not joyous but grievous, nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby." We cannot do without testing. The law of *Test* runs through everything—from a wrist-watch to a skyscraper; from a coffee-mill to an airship; from a washing machine to a wireless set.

When the great cantilever bridge was thrown across the Niagara river, the first thing that was done before it was opened to traffic was thoroughly to test it. This was done by placing forty engines on it at one time. The bridge stood the test, and was then opened to all methods of travel. Trials are real helpers of God sent or permitted to relieve our congested condition.

Poor old Jacob didn't stand the test very well, and had a lot to worry over. "All these things are against me," he cried. He stood on the bank of the stream of God's providences and thought the water was all running the wrong way. It was only when he saw the full wagons from Egypt that he began to talk cheerfully. Abraham stood the test. Daniel stood the test. Joseph stood it; so did the three Hebrews; and many others. In Joseph's case,

## GOD WANTED AN EXPERT

to control Egypt for fourteen years, so He had to train a man to build corn-cribs and fill them. This training, at times, hurt Joseph badly. But no matter how discouraging the testing was, he emerged from

it on the side next to the corn-cribs. It was a long way around by Dothan and the old dried well, but he arrived, and built and filled the corn-cribs. "Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God, commit the keeping of their souls to Him, in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator."

Sometimes God's emery wheel hurts. But it hurts Him every time it hurts us. He would face the rough surface of that wheel with velvet—if it would do the work. He is after eternal results, and uses the only method to carry out those results. Many years ago I stood on the bank of a canal and saw a steam-dredge at work deepening the channel. From my point of view there seemed to be plenty of water. But the navigation authorities knew that there was not sufficient water to enable heavy traders to pass from one lake to the other; hence it was necessary to take from the bottom of the canal those huge shovels of deposit. Just so in our lives, there are times when the water of life is not more than sufficient to run a pleasure skiff now and then. And God has—in love to us—to permit the dredging to be done.

Job, and Paul, stood deep dredging and came into

## A MORE PRODUCTIVE LIFE.

To miss a trial may be to miss a miracle. When we come to a crisis we come to a promise. We have something better than unsound philosophy, such as that of the woman who claimed to have a promise of great comfort for all her needs. Her "promise" was, "Grin and bear it." Another woman commenting on it, said: "I think I bear my troubles pretty well, but I just won't grin." What about Paul's—"sorrowful—yet always rejoicing?"

Paul was God's best New Testament man, and he suffered terribly. He was a pattern of all long-suffering. But he made his sufferings pay by glorying in his tribulation. There are two ways of treating tribulation: one is to glory in it; the other is to growl in it, and at it. A good man in speaking of an insult he had received in the church choir, said when he was advised to forgive the parties: "I will, but it takes an awful lot of grace

## MY PRESENCE SHALL GO WITH THEE.

My presence shall go with thee,  
Beloved child of Mine;  
Then why shouldst thou be fearful,  
Or why shouldst thou repine?  
No danger can o'ertake thee  
When I am at thy side—  
My presence shall go with thee,  
And I will be thy guide.

My presence shall go with thee!  
Tho' heavy be thy load,  
Tho' dark may be the midnight,  
Tho' rough may be the road,  
In sunshine and in shadow  
Commit thine all to Me—  
My presence shall go with thee,  
And I will care for thee.

My presence shall go with thee—  
Why shouldst thou be afraid?  
When I, the Lord, am with thee,  
Thou canst not be dismayed!  
I am thy soul's Redeemer,  
And thou art all mine own—  
My presence shall go with thee,  
Thou shalt not go alone!

—E. Margaret Clarkson

to do it." The brother found enough grace, and scored a big victory! We need never to economize on grace. There is always enough and to spare. If we are wise we will help ourselves to all of God's grace that we need.

We are to "rejoice evermore,"—"pray without ceasing,"—"in everything give thanks: for this is the will of God, in Christ Jesus concerning you" (I. Thess. v. 16-18).

What a blessed and glorious will! May we quit grumbling, and in everything give thanks. Complaining does not pay. It is not on God's programme—for us.

### This Month's New Books

- "I Have a Message." By Leslie Greening. Price 1/- (by post 1/1).
- "The Keswick Convention, 1939." Price 2/6 paper (by post 3/-); 4/- cloth (by post 4/6).
- "Christianity and Conscientious Objectors." By Frederick Kirsopp. 2d. (by post 2 1/2d.).
- "The Miracles of Christ." By Frederick Kirsopp. 2d. (by post 2 1/2d.).
- "God and Man." By Frederick Kirsopp. 2d. (by post 2 1/2d.).
- "Floods on Dry Ground." By Eva Stuart Watt. 1/- (by post 1/3).
- "Prophecies I have Seen Fulfilled." By Paul Perret. 2/6 (by post 2/9).
- "How to Live Calmly in War Time." By a London Journalist. 1/- (by post 1/2).
- "These Things I Have Seen." By Mary Warburton Booth. 5/- (by post 5/6).
- "Prophets of Israel." By Maxwell Carnson. 3/6 (by post 3/10).
- "Fulness of Power—Talks on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit." By C. J. E. Kingston. 2/6 (by post 2/9).

[Any of these books can be obtained from the Elim Publishing Co., Ltd., Clapham Crescent, London, S.W.4.]

## Fulness of Power

Reviewed by W. G. HATHAWAY

*Fulness of Power.* By C. J. E. Kingston. (VICTORY PRESS, Clapham Crescent, London, S.W.4. Price 2/6, by post 2/9).

No Christian who truly knows a definite experience of Christ can but desire to know and to experience something, at least, if not all, of this fulness of power in the Christian life.

Pastor Kingston in this book has gone very fully into the matter and outlines in a masterly way the source and supply of Divine power. He shows the baptism of the Spirit to be the necessity of every believer, and gives chapter after chapter on the demonstration of the power of the Spirit in the miraculous gifts.

No writer has yet exhausted the subject and we welcome Mr. Kingston's book as a splendid contribution to this all-important subject.

His quotations from Church history, and his practical examples of the operation of the gifts bring a sense of conviction as to the practical, rather than theoretical value of these rivers of spiritual power emanating from the Holy Spirit. The pentecostal position is clearly stated, and we wish for the book a wide circulation.

## Bible Study Helps

VERY LOW  
(Philippians ii. 7, 8)

1. As to honour—"no reputation."
2. As to position—"took . . . the form of a servant."
3. As to human nature—"made in the likeness of men."
4. As to dignity—"humbled Himself."
5. As to beauty—"in fashion as a man."
6. As Redeemer—"became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."

THREE VERBS IN ROMANS SIX WHICH POINT THE WAY TO VICTORY

1. Know.—"Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him . . . that henceforth we should not serve sin" (v. 6).

This is knowing the doctrinal facts. As a starting point we must first apprehend the truth. Right Christian living must be based on right Christian doctrine.

2. Reckon.—"Reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord" (v. 11).

Intellectual assent to the truth is not enough. We must personally account it to be so; we must act upon it as though it were so; we must appropriate it experimentally.

3. Yield.—"Yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God" (v. 13).

An initial step of surrender is necessary, but alone it is not enough. It must be followed by a continual yielding of ourselves to God.

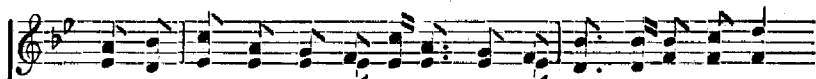
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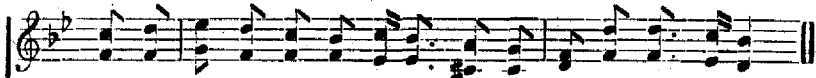
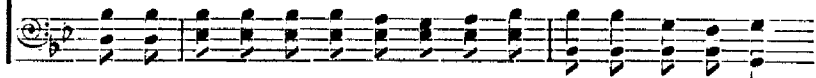
When my feet press pavements golden there be - side the cry - stal sea,



I shall know faith's con-sum-ma tion and my blest Re-deem-er see;



With im - mor-tals of all a - ges I shall know as I am known,



And go out no more for - e - ver from the ra-diance of His throne.



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# With the Evacuated Populations Splendid Activity and Efforts Maintained

By Pastor DOUGLAS B. GRAY

**W**HAT a rousing success was the first children's meeting in a new hall in the city of Bath! Sitting, squatting, and standing on the floor, 300 youngsters—including 60 evacuees—packed the building. A warm time, and a night of hard work, but a splendid achievement to the initiative and enterprise of Pastor F. J. Slemming. It would be great news to hear of other similar achievements. Let us see that the best is being done in all the reception areas where Elim Youth leaders and workers are to be found.

Well done, little Portsmouth scholar! In your taking all other evacuees from the house in which you are now living to the local Elim Sunday school, you have set a great example to many of us older Christians. Shall we, readers, copy this little act of personal work for Christ?

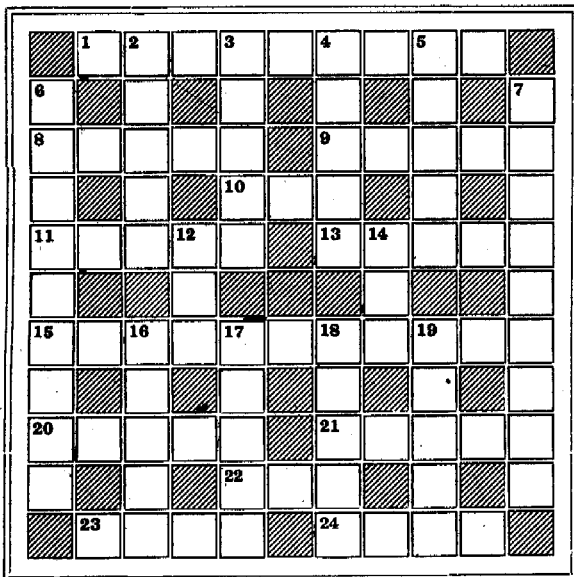
Hull (Mason Street) teachers have each promised to write regularly to the scholars of their respective classes, and to send them suitable reading matter for the dark evenings. Best news of all, however, is that every evacuated scholar is to be supplied with a New Testament. An excellent gesture and kind thought. For non-evacuated children special short talks are being included in the adult public meetings.

We are still receiving information of children of Elim Sunday schools sent to all parts of the country, yet there are still a number of our larger schools from

whom we await some news so that everything possible can be done to put these youngsters, wherever we can, in direct touch with Elim churches and their workers. We hope this appeal will catch the eye of any such who may have failed to take up this matter seriously and co-operate with us. I am of the opinion that we shall do more now to win the children's confidence than we could ever do at school in class, if only we take the opportunities. It may mean a bit of running around, and time spent in letter writing, and maybe a little expense, but this will be abundantly worth while. Children love receiving letters, specially now they are living in strange surroundings. Don't fail to send them regularly the *Young Folks' Evangel*, for when the time comes for the scholars to return we shall have some chance of getting those back who may not have been able to link up with Elim schools, provided we keep in touch with them. If we lose contact with them, they may go to other schools when they return. *Have you written to that evacuated scholar this week?* While the nation is rallying its every power in this present struggle, let us as servants of Christ leave no effort to others in the winning and saving of our young folk for the eternal Kingdom of Christ.

Remember to write to us concerning these matters. Thousands of our readers desire to hear of news from the evacuated members of the Elim family. Only YOU can help us week by week.

## OUR SPECIAL "EVANGEL" CROSSWORD For Increasing Bible Knowledge No. 51.



The solution will appear next week.

- CLUES ACROSS:**
1. Lineage.
  8. "I — you good tidings."
  9. Beneath.
  10. Full of nutriment.
  11. Circumstances (1 Cor. 7).
  13. With Ephraim, some were gray. (Hos. 7).
  15. A thief should make this fully (Ex. 22).
  20. Parts of a tree.
  21. A certain tree.
  22. One who took a strange wife (Ezra 10: 34).
  23. "Lord, it is good for us to be —" (Matt. 17: 4).
  24. Shushan was in this province (Dan. 8).
  3. Ehud's dagger had two of these (Judg. 3).
  4. "A time to weep, and a time to —" (Ecc. 3).
  5. Moses sent him to spy out the land (Num. 13).
  6. Out of this, the eyes of the blind shall see (Isa. 29).
  7. Captives.
  12. What Jesus was seen to do with publicans.
  14. This insect gathers food in the harvest.
  16. To take possession forcibly.
  17. Go out.
  18. Jonathan's relationship to David (1 Chron. 27: 32).
  19. A very well-known country.
- CLUES DOWN:**
2. Some believed that Jesus was this prophet.

### SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD NO. 50

- Across:** 1. Mules (Gen. 36: 24). 4. Leeks (Num. 11: 5). 7. Roman (Acts 22: 27). 8. Skill (Dan. 1: 17). 9. Get (Prov. 16: 16). 10. Husks (Luke 15: 16). 12. Shame (Prov. 13: 5). 14. Need (Matt. 9: 12). 17. Meal (Isa. 47: 2). 19. See (Mark 8: 24). 21. Imagination (Gen. 6: 5). 22. Ethan (1 Kings 4: 31). 23. Times (2 Tim. 3: 1).
- Down:** 1. Merchandise (Ezek. 27: 9). 2. Lamps (Matt. 25: 9). 3. Songs (Isa. 38: 20). 4. Lusts (1 Tim. 6: 9). 5. Elisha (2 Sam. 23: 25). 6. Silverings (Isa. 7: 23). 11. Kid (Gen. 37: 31). 13. Ham (Gen. 5: 32). 15. Elath (2 Kings 14: 22). 16. Ten. 18. Eliam (2 Sam. 11: 3). 19. Sion (Deut. 4: 48). 20. East (Matt. 2: 1).

# SECRETARIAL NOTES

By W. G. H.

Enquiries as to revised days and times of meetings in the London area should be made to 20, Clarence Avenue, Clapham Park, London, S.W.4, or if 'phoned, to Tulse Hill 2227.



Prayer is asked for Pastor A. E. Thorne, in charge of the Church at Wood Green, London, who is unable to attend his meetings owing to severe skin trouble.



The 'Elim Holiday Homes' Reunion, held at Elim Woodlands on Saturday, October 7th, was attended by quite a good number of friends. Holiday Homes at Eastbourne, Colwyn Bay, Hayling Island, and Southsea were represented, and a very enjoyable time was spent. There were many testimonies as to the practical, spiritual, and physical value of these Elim holiday centres.

## Coming Events

**BELFAST.** Commencing Oct. 8. Ulster Temple, Ravenhill Road. Revival Campaign by Pastor Gwilym I. Francis.

**BRIXTON.** Nov. 2. Wynne Road Chapel, Wynne Road. Pastor W. G. Hathaway, 7.30.

**ELIM WOODLANDS.** Oct. 28. Annual Crusader "At Home" and Hayling Island Crusader House Party Reunion, 3.30 p.m. onwards. Special speakers and programme. Tickets at door, 1/- each.

**HALIFAX.** Nov. 4, 5. Elim Tabernacle, Bond Street. Pastor E. J. Phillips.

**ROMSEY.** Commencing Oct. 8. Elim Tabernacle, Middlebridge Street. Revival Campaign by Pastor H. W. Fielding.

**WOLVERHAMPTON.** Commencing Oct. 15. Elim Hall, St. John's Street. Revival Campaign by Pastor W. E. Smith.

**WOOLWICH.** Elim Hall, Crescent Road. Oct. 25 at 7.45: Pastor J. Dyke. Oct. 28 at 7: Convention. Speakers: Pastors J. McAvoy and D. Vanstone.

**YORK.** Oct. 21, 22. Elim Tabernacle, Swinegate. Pastor W. G. Hathaway.

### MISSIONARY TOUR

Pastor and Mrs. H. C. Phillips

Oct. 22. Bradford. 23. Halifax. 24. Hull. 26. Letchworth. 30. Bristol. 31. Swansea. Nov. 1. Cardiff. 2. Bournemouth (Springbourne). 12. Letchworth. 14. Clapham. 15. Southampton.

## Prayer Changes Things

Philippians iv. 6

### Prayer is requested for :

The son of a Christian mother who has taken to drink and evil companions.—*M.T.*

A man suffering from poison in his system which has brought on great weakness.—*E.R.*

An elderly aunt, nearing her journey's end, who is a Roman Catholic, that she may be brought to see and accept the true Light.

The complete healing of a sister in Christ suffering from nervous trouble.



## Gleanings from Other Fields

### Dr. A. L. Slocum.

We extend sincere sympathy to Mrs. Slocum in the loss of her husband, Dr. A. L. Slocum, for many years a Pentecostal missionary in India. Dr. and Mrs. Slocum visited a number of our Churches in the early days of Elim.

### Mount Hermon Bible College.

The staff and students of the Mount Hermon Bible College have recently removed to new accommodation near Poole, Dorset, for the duration of the war.

### The Salvation Army.

The training of Salvation Army cadets is now being carried out at scattered centres throughout the country instead of at their Training College at Denmark Hill, to which premises their International Headquarters have been removed for the period of the war.

### "The Cliff Witness."

Owing to the closing of the Cliff College for the duration of the war, it has been decided to discontinue after next month the publication of "The Cliff Witness."

### Rev. T. Gear Willett.

After twenty-four years at the Headquarters of the China Inland Mission, Rev. and Mrs. T. Gear Willett have retired, partly owing to Mrs. Willett's physical condition. Mr. Willett has been with the C.I.M. for fifty years.

### Irish Missions.

The Scottish Association for Irish Missions reports that in the past twelve months its colporteurs sold 77,726 religious books, of which 48,966 were Scriptures, and of these 47,284 were purchased by Roman Catholics.

### Rev. F. J. Miles.

The welcome home meeting for Rev. F. J. Miles arranged for November 15th has been cancelled on account of the war. The date of his return to this country is now uncertain.

### Dr. A. C. Gabelein.

On the last day of this month, Dr. Gabelein, editor of "Our Hope," will have reached the sixtieth anniversary of his conversion, which took place in his eighteenth year.

### "A London Journalist."

Mr. Newman Watts, author of "Britain without God," "Why Sunday?" and other volumes under the pen name of "A London Journalist," has relinquished his post on the staff of a religious newspaper in order to free himself for public ministry.

### ANONYMOUS GIFTS

We wish to express our warmest thanks to those who have helped forward the work by the following anonymous gifts:

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# FAMILY ALTAR



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

**Sunday, October 29th.** Acts xviii. 1-17.

"Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night" (verse 9).

It is often thus in the soul's experience. It is *in the night* that God speaks His dynamic word, and reveals the good pleasure of His will. When the soul is wrapped in the folds of some threatening circumstance, then the voice or the vision of the Lord breaks upon the spiritual consciousness of the believer, calling him to service or constraining him to stillness. When other voices are silenced and other influences are excluded, then the soul is susceptible to the gracious approaches of the Divine Spirit. Blessed Spirit of revelation, come Thou and draw aside the veil, that this living spirit may perceive the mysteries of that inner place of fellowship with God!

PRAYER TOPIC:

That God will speak to many hearts to-day as His Word is faithfully proclaimed.

**Monday, October 30th.** Acts xviii. 18-28.

"If God will" (verse 21).

How happy life would be if only this limitation were gladly accepted. And how large and lofty life would also be if we would voluntarily live within this place of perfect good. Alas, too often we regard the demands of the Divine will as needless restraints that interfere with our freedom of action, and limit the scope of our ministrv. Yet could we but pierce the veil of the future we should learn life's largest and most glorious orbit is found only and always just where God's will appoints. It is this acceptance of the will of God which gives true dignity and spiritual splendour to life. They miss the best who fail to choose His plan for life.

PRAYER TOPIC:

That the Holy Spirit may pour comfort into the hearts of all those who are bereaved.

**Tuesday, October 31st.** Acts xix. 1-12.

"Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" (verse 2).

This was the Apostle's great concern. He realised the vital need of the power of the Holy Ghost in the life of Christian discipleship. To him this was fundamental to successful achievement in Christian ministry. And consequently he pressed home this important question. It opened to these Ephesian believers a new world of spiritual possibility. It was a challenge to greater things in God. In this way Paul was throwing the door wide open to a new life of victory and vision. We might well, and with profit, ask ourselves this question this morning: Have I received the Holy Ghost? Or am I trying to tread the path of triumph without Him?

PRAYER TOPIC:

For rich blessing on all revival campaigns now in progress in our churches.

**Wednesday, November 1st.** Acts xix. 13-27.

"So mightily grew the Word of God and prevailed" (verse 20).

Blessed indeed is the period of which the foregoing may be true. The periods in world history when the Word of God has prevailed have been those when men and women have experienced and enjoyed the greatest measure of liberty and light. The spread of the Truth as revealed in the Scriptures has always led to the mental, moral, and spiritual emancipation of mankind. The Word of God has broken the shackles of sin and superstition, and set the prisoners free. There is no force in the world that can withstand the Word of God when it is accompanied by the power of the Holy Ghost in its ministration.

PRAYER TOPIC:

For all sufferers in the nations now at war.

**Thursday, November 2nd.** Acts xix. 28-41.

"Some therefore cried one thing, and some another" (verse 32).

It is thus in the world of to-day—there is a confusion of philosophies of life. There are so many advocates of this and that panacea for the ills and woes of life. "Do this and thou shalt live" is the cry in various forms, that sounds in the ear. Even in religious circles it is so—some are crying one thing, and some another, to the bewilderment of many who sincerely seek light and truth. Oh that we might understand it is not men's interpretation of Christ that we need, but the Living One Himself. It is what men think and say of Christ that turns many a questing soul away from the Light. Their misunderstanding of the Master is the result of our misinterpretation of Him.

PRAYER TOPIC:

For blessing to rest on every tract and gospel leaflet printed by our Publishing Company.

**Friday, November 3rd.** Acts xx. 1-12.

"When the disciples came together to break bread" (verse 7).

Blessed hour of fellowship with God and with each other! When the saints keep tryst with their risen Lord. When He is wont to speak His own creative word in their hearts, and forth from their redeemed souls flows the pure stream of Spirit-inspired worship. Moments laden with the rich incense of thanksgiving and adoration. To that season of refreshing intercourse with God the soul looks forward with joyous anticipation. Around that Table, spread with the simple yet sublime emblems of redeeming love, gather those who have been cleansed in Calvary's Fount. Drawn by an irresistible attraction they come to this rendezvous of all real lovers of Jesus.

PRAYER TOPIC:

That all our Elim missionaries may be mightily used of God to extend His kingdom.

**Saturday, November 4th.** Acts xx. 13-24.

"How I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you" (verse 20).

How revealing are these words. His message and ministry was ever governed by consideration for the spiritual well-being of those to whom he ministered. "Nothing that was profitable." This was the touchstone of all his ministrations. Any personal speculations, however fascinating to him, were kept in the background, lest anything which he might give forth should prove unprofitable to his hearers. It was their spiritual development that he sought. Every other personal interest and ambition was subordinated to this supreme end. Moreover he allowed no misleading half truths to unsettle his followers—he kept back nothing.

PRAYER TOPIC:

The Divine anointing to rest upon all faithful preachers of the Word as they wait upon God for their ministry.

## Helpful Illustrations for Christian Workers

### The Return of Christ

We are informed that when Dr. Horatius Bonar retired for his night's rest, the last thing he did was to draw aside the curtain of the window, look up into the heavens, and say, "Perhaps to-night, Lord." Then the next morning when he arose he would first of all look out upon the new day and remark, "Perhaps to-day, Lord."

### Channels of Blessing

The attitude of different individuals toward money, and, indeed, toward all God's rich gifts to them, is well illustrated by the two seas of Palestine with which all Bible students are familiar. The sea of Galilee receives the river Jordan at the north and gives it off to the south. It is surrounded by verdant shores and life in many forms. The Dead Sea receives the river Jordan but holds it; there is no outlet. No life can live within this sea, and its very name is a synonym for desolation. The lesson is obvious. Lives that receive God's blessings and pass them along to others are beautiful and bountiful lives; lives that are selfish, receiving and keeping, are comparable to the despised Dead Sea.

God wants us to be channels of blessing, not reservoirs.

### REDUCTIO AD ABSURDUM

A sceptical reasoner once questioned a simple-hearted Christian woman regarding her faith in God. Said he, "You say that you are saved because God has said it in His Word. But what if He should not keep His promise?" "Oh, then He will have more loss than I, for I will only lose my soul, but God will lose His character." Her faith rested on His divine faithfulness. "He cannot deny Himself" (11. Tim. ii. 13).



**I** HAVE called this text: "God's Greatest Black-out." It describes in a unique way one of those remarkable happenings that occurred when Jesus Christ was crucified. There were quite a number of startling events that accompanied the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. The repentance of the dying thief at the eleventh hour is very striking, and upon it many sermons have been delivered, pointing out that repentance is sometimes possible even at the eleventh hour—not that men should put off their repentance until that hour, for they know not when to them that hour may come.

A mighty earthquake accompanied our Lord's crucifixion. When those hard, solid rocks of the earth were rent in twain, the people were filled with amazement. This is a picture to us of how God is able to deal with the hardest of hearts. Even if men's hearts be as a rock, God is able to send that which will break them, and as an earthquake was necessary so that the rocks might be rent in twain, so there are hard experiences in life that God allows to come to those who are gospel-hardened, in order that they might repent and believe. When things go along smoothly some folks do not think of God, and so often it needs some spiritual or physical

#### EARTHQUAKE TO AWAKEN THEM

out of their sleep.

There are many other events that surround the Cross. We read that in the last moments of His life, Jesus cried: "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" It strikes terror into our hearts to think that the Son of God should be forsaken and alone at a time when one would have thought that God would have been very near to Him. It seems to imply that the Father was passive. There was a reason for it—as there is for all the ways of God. The Bible tells us Christ was forsaken in order that we might *never* be forsaken. He was despised and rejected that we might never be. In obedience to Jehovah's command, there came a three hours' total black-out in the middle of the day. Is it possible for us in this service to imagine the effect on the lives of the people? We in our day are experiencing black-outs, and the children are asking what it means. It is not unreasonable to imagine that many children would ask in that day just as they are asking now: "What is the reason for this darkness?" There would be consternation everywhere. Probably some would see in this the foreshadowing of what was to come on the earth. Others would realise this was none other than the Son of God who had come to save them from their sins.

This Bible black-out is interesting from many points of view. Firstly, it was something *out of the natural order of things*. A black-out is an unnatural thing. It is something we do not like. It is contrary to the natural order of things. The darkness that gathered

## God's Greatest

[A sermon preached by Pastor H. Kitching at Elim Tabernacle]

"And it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the land."  
(Luke 23:44)

around Calvary was a most unnatural thing. Only once before do we read that

#### GOD VEILED THE SUN.

The Old Testament records that one of the ten plagues that came upon Egypt was one of intense darkness. It happened when Pharaoh refused to let the Children of Israel go out of bondage. God sent upon the Egyptians many and various plagues. Again and again Pharaoh repented, and as many times as he repented he hardened his heart and refused to let them go. So God poured out His wrath in an unusual way, and darkness came upon Egypt for three days. During that period many may have repented and turned to God as a result of that manifestation of His power. It is only hard experiences that will make some realise their need of Christ. It is pathetic yet true, that some only repent through the trying and bitter experiences of life. A further thing to note is that only upon great pressure does God alter the laws He has made. Very rarely does God intervene in the laws of nature. You remember He did in Joshua's day, to the deliverance of His people—He commanded the sun to stand still. I want to suggest to you to-night, that Calvary *was* such an occasion, when God veiled the sun and for three hours there was total darkness in the middle of the day. We have not witnessed anything like that yet. There is a time coming, my Bible says, when the sun shall be darkened. In the latter days God is going to manifest His power in that way.

Secondly, a black-out is *that which conceals*. In the dark many sins are committed and wrongs are done. Houses and shops are broken into and robbed. Only a few miles from this town, I saw upon the side of a bridge where someone had

#### PAINTED DURING A BLACK-OUT

the words: "Vote for Mosley." In Berlin they were to have had their greatest black-out for two or three nights, but at the end of the first night it was cancelled because so many anti-Nazis had painted on the walls, "Down with Hitler." Darkness conceals, and the darkness that God allowed to come upon the Cross of His Son, concealed Him while He bore the sins of the world. May I in this service emphasize one point, that your salvation, brother and sister, depends upon the Cross of Christ. If you forget every other word

# est Black-out

...e, Eastbourne, during the first week of the "Black-out."]

...darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour" (Revelation xiii. 44).

I have said, I want you to remember this, that there is no remission of sin except through the saving power of the Lord Jesus Christ. I have heard people say, "What do you mean by being saved?" Salvation means that by an act of faith you believe that Jesus Christ died upon the Cross for you. He died in order that you might be forgiven. If you accept Him by faith as your Saviour, at the same time all your sins of a lifetime are obliterated and forgotten.

It is ever the purpose of God to reveal and not to conceal His Son, therefore there must have been some reason for this black-out at Calvary. I suggest to you that it was a symbol of *God's judgment*. God wished to impress upon the world that sin was a very terrible thing. The Bible tells us that darkness is a picture of God's wrath. The plague of darkness that came upon the Egyptians was a sign of God's displeasure. Further, listen to these words: "And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and lo, there was a great earthquake and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood." There you have a

## PICTURE OF GOD'S WRATH

being poured out, and there was the darkness which was a symbol of His displeasure. You will find this in the Book of Revelation, chapter vi., and it refers to God's judgment upon the heathen people and their idols in the 1st and 2nd centuries. Generally, whenever you read of the sun, moon, and stars in the Bible they are symbols of heathen powers or gods. Here we have a period when there was a darkness and the falling down of many idols—a symbol of God's wrath and judgment—and it says the people cried that the mountains might cover them, and that the rocks might fall upon them and crush them that they might be saved from the wrath of God, for, they said, "The great day of His wrath is come and who shall be able to stand?" "The great day of His wrath" refers to the destruction of Babylon. Revelation vi. is already history. Furthermore, concerning the future state of fallen angels, the Bible says that for them "is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever," because they kept not their first estate. Darkness is a picture of God's wrath upon sin. The eternal black-out will be a very terrible thing for Christ-rejectors and for those who love not God.

Blackness is also a *symbol of famine and death*. Listen: "When he had opened the third seal I heard the third beast say, Come and see, and I beheld and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand. And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny, and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine." The four horsemen refer to the old

## PAGAN ROMAN EMPIRE,

and the riders upon the four horses are symbols of the various Emperors during that period. We have only to study our history to know that this was so.

Further, in the Bible darkness is a picture of *the things that are apart from God*—"God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all." Jesus said: "I am the light of the world." Upon the Cross, Christ was fighting against the powers of Satan and sin. Previously, in the Garden of Gethsemane, He had fought with the powers of darkness, and it was there in Gethsemane, under the darkness of sin, that my Saviour fought a terrible battle for my salvation; He cried out in the agony of His soul: "If it be possible let this cup pass from Me, nevertheless not My will, but Thine be done."

The darkness that surrounded Him on the Cross is a picture to us of the tremendous odds against which He fought—it is a symbol to us of Satan and sin, and there Christ fought the battle for human souls, and thank God, He gained the victory. He said, "Into Thy hands I commend My spirit," and so, when the battle of life is o'er, and the last stage of our pilgrimage is run, we shall be able to say by faith in our Redeemer: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that

## LOVE HIS APPEARING."

For those in this congregation to-night who are without Christ, in conclusion I would say, that the darkness that surrounded the Cross is a *picture of your life without Christ*. Romans i. 21 says: "Because that when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened." If you draw down the blinds in a room in the middle of the day you have a black-out in that room. Unbelief is like drawing down the blinds upon your soul—there is no light in your life apart from Christ, for thick darkness is around and in you until you allow Christ to come in. How do you let the light into a room? Why, just lift up the blinds and the light streams in! So if you want salvation lift up the blind of unbelief, and the light of Christ will come into your heart.

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### Germany and Russia.

A CONTEMPORARY publishes a letter of congratulation from a reader for forecasting the pact between Russia and Germany. In his letter the correspondent says: "You must have been almost the only London editor not thunderstruck" at the news of the pact.

We venture to reply that there must have been scores of editors of evangelical periodicals in London who, rather than being "thunderstruck" at the news of the Russo-German pact, saw in it a possible fulfilment of a prophecy they had long expounded. For with all the conflicting views put forth by the various schools of prophetic interpretation few fail to see in Ezekiel's prophecy the final union of Russia and Germany in a joint attack on Palestine.

This week we publish an article by a Christian editor entitled "Hitler and Stalin in Prophecy." Whether Russia and Germany will enter Armageddon as allies or with one in subjection to the other is not clear from the prophetic scriptures, but every fresh indication that the stage is set for the winding up of this dispensation and the ushering in of the reign of Christ in universal peace, causes us to lift up our heads in the certain knowledge that our redemption draweth nigh.



### Printed Matter Abroad.

SOME of our readers make a practice of sending their copy of the *Elim Evangel* to friends abroad, after having read it. We wish to draw attention to the fact that it is now impossible to send magazines or printed papers of any description to any countries in Europe, Asia, or Africa, apart from British Dominions and Colonies, Egypt, and France, without a permit. All printed matter sent by private individuals to such countries (whether posted in a letter or sent separately) is being stopped by the Post Office. Will all those who wish to send the *Elim Evangel* or any of our publications to such countries, please therefore write to the Elim Publishing Company, Ltd., who will be pleased to advise. Printed matter posted to members of the Expeditionary Force is not subject to this restriction.

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## Words of Cheer

for Days of Strain and Strife

By Pastor E. C. W. Boulton

SOME days ago, in the course of our morning devotional reading, we came upon those significant words in Hebrews x. 37: "Yet a little while, and He that shall come will come, and will not tarry." It seemed as though these words had been graciously dropped into our heart by the Lord Himself, as an answer to the fears that insistently sought entrance to the mind. They came with arresting force, reminding us of that "glorious appearing" for which all truly believing hearts hunger, and for which all really Spirit-illumined vision looks, conveying to our hearts a stimulating message for the moment. Instinctively we thought of those two lines, sometimes sung in our services:

Now the cross and conflict,  
 Then the perfect day.

"A little while." And yet the years seem so interminable, and evil so rampant. The storm-clouds hang so low, threatening to obscure the stars of promise with which hope would gild the eastern sky. And we are tempted to take up the cry of one anguished soul who, in passing through deep waters, cried: "It is so very dark!" Yet even the darkness hides Him not from the believing soul. He pierces the veil of night for those who long for His appearing.

Speaking of the dense darkness which seems to cover the earth just now, reminds the writer of an experience which he had some few days ago. The mantle of night had spread itself over the countryside, and a forbidding blackness enveloped the little township in the valley below. Suddenly out of the blackness a light shone forth, forbidden it is true, yet nevertheless bringing a welcome reminder of happier days. With his eyes glued to that unlawful light, the writer thought of the strange power of attraction which that light exercised over him. It was like a challenge to the prevailing darkness, and, moreover, it was that very darkness which seemed to increase the lustre of the lone light.

Is there not a spiritual lesson in this? The intense darkness which enshrouds the world to-day at least serves as an excellent background for that light which is within the Christian believer. Never was the light of Christian conviction more needed than now, and never was it more likely to attract attention than in these times. A great responsibility rests upon the individual disciple for faithful witnessing. "Let your light shine" said the Master. So often there are other, lesser things, that restrict the light. It is obedience to "the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus" that removes all obstructions to the effective shining forth of the indwelling Light. In the world ye shall have darkness, but in God ye shall have light. Hallelujah!

# Hitler and Stalin in Prophecy

By H. C. McKINNEY (Editor of "Word and Work")

**M**OST of us have lived in the day of great fulfillment of prophecy. Many of the events stand out like mountain peaks. The Balfour Declaration promised the land of Palestine for the Jews, and 400,000 Jews are already in the land. God said in the last days that He would bring Israel back. A little over one hundred years ago there were less than 500 Jews in Palestine. Another great fact has startled our hearts—Mussolini's announcement of his intentions to bring back the glory of the old Roman Empire. There are many other events such as apostasy of the denominational churches, the rise of Spiritism, abounding iniquity, heaping of treasures, world-wide unemployment, and men's hearts failing them for fear, all of which make us realise we are living in the day of His soon coming.

There are several confederacies or leagues of nations to take place in the last days according to Scripture. The antichrist kingdom is made up of a confederacy of nations existing in the territories of the old Roman Empire. In the East there will be a group of nations that will cross the Euphrates river, moving toward Palestine; then, there is

## A NORTHERN CONFEDERACY

of nations with Gog as its leader, portrayed in Ezekiel, chapters xxxviii. and xxxix.

To-day an outstanding event has occurred. Russia and Germany have entered into a league with each other. This fulfils the 38th and 39th chapters of Ezekiel. It came so suddenly and at a time when it looked impossible. Hitler had declared his hatred of Bolshevism many times. In fact, he came to power because he promised to destroy the "red" menace in Germany. The Communists, backed by Russia, were bitterly opposed to Nazi-ism. Not only was the above true, but also England and France were doing their utmost to make a league with Russia. With all the resources that England and France had to offer it would seem that a league of Russia and Germany would be impossible. Yet, in spite of the bitter hostility and all that France and England would do, Germany has made a league with Russia.

The prophetic proof for this league of Northern nations is found in Ezekiel xxxviii. and xxxix. Verse 2: "Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him." Verse 5: "Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them, all of them with shield and helmet." Verse 6: "Gomer, the north quarters, and all his bands; and many people with thee." The revised version of verse 2 reads "the prince of Rus, Meshech and Tubal." This land of Rus became Russia. Prophetic students have long recognised Meshech and Tubal to represent

## TWO OF THE PRINCIPAL CITIES

of Russia—Moscow and Tobolsk. They are to come from the North. God says that He is against this land and the reason is, that they are against Him. Russia is the great anti-God and anti-Christ nation

of the world. Prophetic students are generally agreed that Russia is to head this confederacy of nations. Persia, Ethiopia and Libya are clearly identified. Gomer is mentioned in Genesis x. 2 as one of the sons of Japheth. The Talmud says that Gomer and his descendants went up the Danube river to settle in what is now Germany. It was called "Gomerland," which became "Germany." One of the sons of Gomer is given in Genesis as Ashkenaz. The German Jews have been called even in recent years "Ashkenaz Jews." Ezekiel states that Gomer and all his bands will go with Gog. This indicates a grouping of nations with Germany. Togarmah of the North quarters occupied the region that is now Turkey.

This group of nations under Gog will march against Palestine in the latter days. Verse 8 reads: "in the latter years thou shalt come into the land . . . that is against the mountains of Israel." This event is to take place in the last part of the Tribulation, before the Millennium, or thousand years of Christ's reign. This Gog is not the same as the Gog of Revelation xx. The Gog of Ezekiel is to come from the Northern parts, while the Gog of Revelation is gathered from the four corners of the earth. The Gog of Ezekiel is destroyed

## BEFORE THE MILLENNIUM

on the mountains of Israel, and the Gog of Revelation is destroyed after the Millennium by fire from heaven. It would seem in the destruction of Gog's hosts as mentioned in Ezekiel xxxix. that Christ had already dealt with the Antichrist at the battle of Armageddon and "consumed him with the brightness of His coming." Then Gog and his hosts come down, only to be destroyed. This will be part of the judgment of the nations for their treatment of the Jews.

There are many reasons why Hitler and Stalin should enter into a league. Russia needs German machinery and technically-trained men. The Russian peasants and workmen have not been accustomed to the care and running of great machines. They have not been able to develop enough technically-trained men to create and run the vast industrial machines they so much need. For years before the rise of Hitler, they had been dependent upon Germany for machinery and trained men. Although they tried to gather technically-trained men from other countries, they have found that only in Germany can they gain a sufficient number. Germany needs the vast raw materials which Russia can supply. One is the complement of the other. This was clearly seen by the greatest of all German statesmen, Bismarck. The German military forces have always seen the necessity of an alliance with Russia. Even with the vast resources of England and France, Stalin saw that they could not do for Russia what Germany could. Those who have read the *Saturday Evening Post* have noticed the article by a

## FORMER RUSSIAN GENERAL,

telling how Stalin has long tried to bring Russia and

Germany together. Every move that he has made has been to make Hitler realise his need of Russia. The former president of the Danzig council in a recent book states that German leaders have recognised that Hitler was holding Germany's alliance with Russia as his final trump card.

Many writers have showed the similarity between Nazi-ism and Bolshevism. First, they are now both very anti-Semitic. We read a great deal of Hitler's treatment of the Jews but, in Stalin's Jew purge of the army, more Jews suffered than in Germany. Russia and Germany are ruled by intense propoganda and cruel, oppressive measures. The people can only hear and read what the dictators desire them to know. The Secret Police are everywhere. No one knows but what some member of their own family belongs to it. The Police can come in the middle of the night and send individuals to concentration camps or to death without a trial by jury. The State in both countries controls everything. In Germany the individual can own more than in Russia, but it can be taken away at any time by the all-powerful State. The religion of Bolshevism and Nazi-ism is more and more being seen as a worship of the leader of the State. This has always been true of Nazi-ism and has been true of Bolshevism since the rise of Stalin to power. The Nazis desire to do away with Christianity as much as the Bolsheviks, but are moving at a slower pace to accomplish this. Many other facts have been brought out to show the similarity between the two. The facts mentioned have been enough to

make us realise there is not much difference between **THESE FORMER ENEMIES** and it will be easy for them to continue in their league.

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## Irish Crusaders Visit Scotland

### Ulster Temple Crusaders on Holiday at Largs

The day dawned; Erin's fair isle faded in the horizon; we had set sail for bonny Scotland. With what keen anticipation we had looked forward to that holiday, and were we disappointed? A thousand times, No! What a week of happy fellowship, not only with one another, but with many of our Scottish Crusaders.

During our holiday we were privileged to visit our Elim churches at Glasgow and Greenock, and had the joy of telling forth in word and song of Him who satisfies modern youth to the fullest degree.

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We have returned again to the common round, but the fragrance of that holiday still lingers with us.

## CRUSADER BIBLE SCHOOL

By Frank W. Birkenshaw

Crusaders! For the benefit of those Crusaders and other readers who may not have read the announcement in last week's issue of the *Elim Evangel*, we are printing below particulars of our new Crusader Bible School, as well as the first set of questions specially prepared for Crusaders.

Every Crusader is invited to participate in these studies. The studies will be complete in twenty weekly editions. At the conclusion of the series the whole set should be sent to the National Crusader Secretary. Particulars, however, as to how these are to be fully and finally addressed, will be announced on this page towards the close of the school.

At the end of the series ten special awards will be given for the ten best complete sets of papers received. The names of those gaining these awards, as well as the name of the Crusader branch obtaining the largest number of correct papers will be published on the Crusader page.

Now to work! May these studies prove of great help, blessing you both mentally and above all spiritually.

*Read carefully the following instructions:—*

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3. The names of Noah's three sons were — — —.



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- 5. The name of Abraham's heir was —.
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*From* the number upon whom the tower of Siloam fell (Luke xiii.) *Subtract* the number of years that a certain woman had a spirit of infirmity (Luke xiii.).

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Which chapter is it?

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## The Blood upon the Altar

By A. N. O'BRIEN

**"F**OR the life of the flesh is in the blood; and I have given it to you upon the Altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul" (Lev. xvii. 11).

We have here the solemn way in which God has dealt with sin, and the blessed results which flow to the sinner.

The Altar was the first article of furniture the Israelite met with in his approach to God. It was just inside the door of that part of the tabernacle into which the people might come (Exod. xl. 29). Thus it stands for the way in which an awakened sinner may come to God. It was God's provision for man's guilt, so that man might be brought near.

The Altar was overlaid with brass. The furniture of the holy place and of the most holy was overlaid with gold, but in the court all was overlaid with brass. The Altar has to do with sin and the brass speaks of God's fearful judgments against it. Upon the Altar were laid sin offerings, peace offerings, and burnt offerings; the burnt offerings were entirely consumed; of the others the blood and the fat were offered to God.

The Altar then speaks of the holy hatred of God against sin, and it speaks of it in two ways; that is, in the brass of which the altar was formed, and in the fire that consumed the victim placed upon it. The brass indicating God's unchanging attitude toward sin, and the fire His active punishment of it. This points unmistakably to the Cross, for there God dealt with sin.

But in our present article we are specially concerned with "The Blood upon the Altar." The attentive reader of the earlier chapters of Leviticus will perceive that in every case the blood was upon this altar. Blood speaks of life given up on the part of the victim, and of life taken on the part of God—it speaks of death. Nothing short of this could be a sufficient atonement for the sinner.

Upon the altar the life given and taken was the life of a substitute; a clean animal without blemish and without spot. It spoke of the need for a sinless substitute, and its death spoke of the fearful judgment that sin deserved. The truly exercised Israelite in bringing

his sacrifice would feel the weight of all this. How blessed to know, when made to see the just desert of sin, that a Substitute has been found—"The Lamb of God," and that His blood, that His death, has satisfied all the claims of God! Judgment has been already visited; sin's punishment already meted out; but not upon the sinner. "Christ hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust," and this for the very purpose for which the Israelite brought his substitute, "That He might bring us to God" (I. Pet. iii. 18).

Nothing now hinders, on God's part, the approach of the sinner. The worst may come, for sin has been fully dealt with at the Cross. There are no human classifications, as great sinner or not so great, with God. "All have sinned" (Rom. iii. 23); but He "gave Himself a ransom for all" (I. Tim. ii. 6).

"Love's redeeming work is done,  
Come and welcome, sinner, come."

It was not Christ's life upon earth that put away sin, nor His teaching, however holy and precious the walk and the words of the Son of God were. And still less is it a sinner's poor attempts to imitate that holy example, or to conform himself to those wondrous teachings. "It is the blood upon the altar" that maketh atonement for the soul." Not by walking (or pretending to walk) in His steps, but by coming to the Cross, is sin's heavy burden lifted. Christ, by His death, met all the judgment due to the sinner; and now salvation comes through faith in His blood" (Rom. iii. 25). We are "justified by the blood of Christ" (Rom. v. 9); "Made nigh by the blood of Christ" (Eph. ii. 13); redeemed by His blood (Eph. i. 7 and I. Pet. i. 19); cleansed by the blood (I. John i. 7); purged from dead works by the blood (Heb. ix. 14); and we "enter into the holiest" by the blood (Heb. x. 19).

Well may we join in that wondrous song of Revelation i. 5, "Unto Him that loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood. To Him be glory and dominion for ever."

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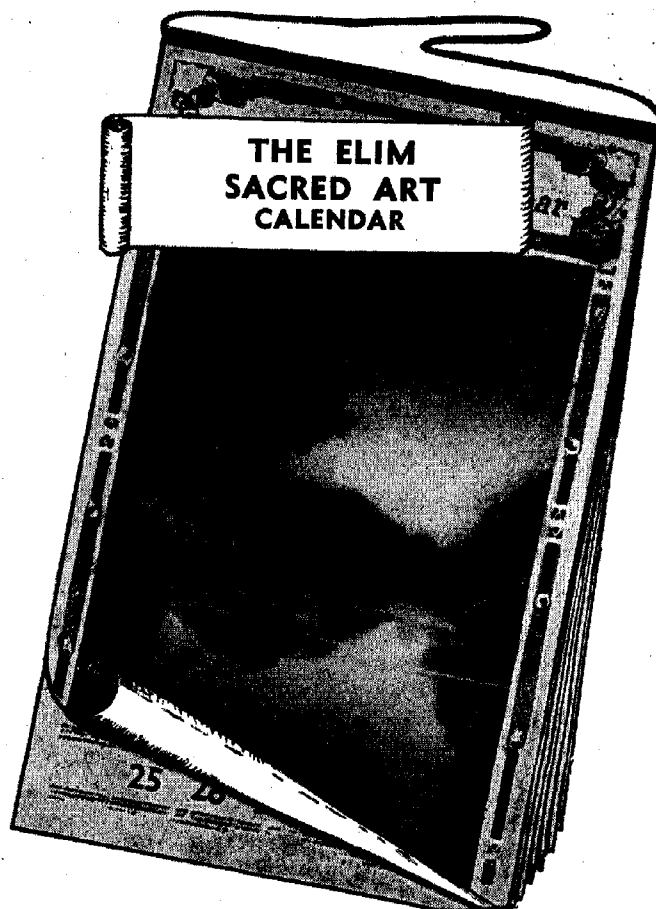
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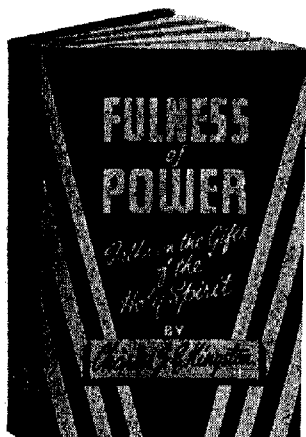
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