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

"Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city." (Rev. 22:14)

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HELL

By Elbert Dodd

"And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible." (Isa. 13:11)

"And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments." (Luke 16:23)

The subject of hell is a much neglected theme. It is not a pleasant subject to write about and the liberal minded, backslidden professors of holiness today are claiming that all the hell there is, is the punishment that men received for their sins here. But these arguments do not in any way remove the doctrine of hell from the Bible. One has said that there was a great shouting time in hell when the imps reported that the Protestant ministry had eliminated the doctrine of hell from their preaching. There are many false ideas about hell and some preachers are denying it and some are so busy preaching on other things that they do not have time to preach on hell, but Hell is just as rea} and just as hot as it has always been.

I believe in hell first, because hell is the natural and inevitable consequence of sin. Hell is the sure punishment for sin. Sin will damn you as sure as water drowns and fire burns. You may sneer at almighty God, trample His moral law under foot, curse Jesus and wade through His Holy blood but when you are through you will find that the blood hounds of hell have been on your trail and they will back you into the corner of God's universe and bring you to Hell to be punished for your sins.

There is a hell because it is necessary for God to separate the righteous from the wicked and ungodly. The state has a penitentiary to separate the bad from the good and a good Holy God will see that the righteous who have separated themselves from all sin and faithfully served Him will be separated from the bad in eternity.

I believe in hell, because hell is necessary to restrain men from sin. When men have a fear of punishment they are more careful. If the young hoodlums of this day, who slay, rape and steal had the fear of hell before their eyes it would restrain some of them from their wickedness.

The main reason that I believe in hell is because God's Word teaches there is a hell. "For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains." (Deut. 32:22) "Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels." (Matt. 25:41) "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal." (Matt. 20.46) "'And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched . . . And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched." (Mark 9:43-48) Surely, anyone who believes all the Bible, must believe in hell when he reads these scriptures. Because, I do firmly believe all the Word of God, I believe in a literal burning hell.

Consider, the nature of hell. There is only one real hell and that is the hell that is taught by the word of God. The hell of the Bible is a place of fire and brimstone and outer darkness. God speaks of a crowd who will have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone. "Put your finger in the flame," said John Wesley, "Can you bear it for one minute?" How then will you bear to have your whole body plunged into a lake of fire and brimstone?" Charles Finney spoke of "Waves of rolling fire into which lost sinners are thrown, who lash its burning shores and gnaw their tongues for pain for ever and ever." It is a horrible picture, but words really cannot describe all the nature of hell. We do know it is a place of fire and brimstone and outer darkness. Surely no sane person would think of going to such a place. Hell is a place of eternal torment, where one's conscience lashes him and his memory haunts him.

Notice, The Who of Hell. The Bible is clear at this point. "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolators, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone:" (Rev. 21:8) Every sin that can be committed will come under one of these general headings given here in this verse. Every

sinner will come under one of these general classifications. "The unbelieving." Those who do not believe all of God's word are in this class. A good man told me that a professed holiness preacher told him that there were portions of the scripture that he did not pay any attention to. This is unbelief.

"The Fearful" -- Afraid to take one's stand for the right. Right is right, regardless of how few there may be who are going right. The preacher that is afraid to take his stand and the laymen who is afraid to take his stand will have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone.

"The abominable." "These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands, that shed innocent blood, An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, a false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren. The fellow that spreads discord will have his part in the lake that burneth with fire and brimstone as well as the one with the proud look and lying tongue. Anything that is an abomination to God will be cast into the lake of fire. The slack wearing, blue-jean wearing, worldly women and the sissy, effeminate crowd of men are all in this class. "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the Lord thy God." (Deut. 22:5) "Thou shalt not bring the hire of a whore, or the price of a dog, into the house of the Lord thy God for any vow: for even both these are abomination unto the Lord thy God." (Deut. 23:18)

"Murderers" There are many ways to murder. One can murder a man's reputation as well as his physical body. Racial murder is the curse of this day. Unreasonable, unBiblical birth prevention is sin. Stopping a life unnecessarily is as much wrong as taking a life after birth.

"Whoremongers" This takes in the lustful and licentious. Those who practice the homosexual sins of this age. The adulterers and adulteresses are in this class.

"Sorcerers" Any religion that does not teach that Jesus Christ can and does save from all sin is a false doctrine.

"Idolators" Many people make the club or the lodge their god. Many are the little idols of this sinful age. The sports world, the television, the god of mammon, etc. Multitudes in America will go to hell worshipping idols.

"And all liars" Men who tell things that they cannot prove to be true and that they know are not true are liars and will have their part in the lake that burneth with fire and brimstone.

Consider the duration of hell. Hell is everlasting. It is the logical end of a life of continual sin. If a man goes on in sin until the desire to repent is gone then his only place will have to be an everlasting hell. All sin is against God and since God is an eternal being it will require eternal punishment.

Jesus said that hell is everlasting. Paul declares it to be so. "Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power." (II Thess. 1:9).

God is not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. Even though I know that hell is everlasting and the unrepentant will go to hell and burn for ever, I know also that Jesus died to save all who repent and turn from their sins. There is one way to escape this awful place called hell. "There is a fountain filled with blood." Praise God for this fountain. One will have to wade through the blood of Jesus to go to hell. If you will turn to God you can escape this awful hell and come at last to the city of God where there will never be pain or death. Praise God for Jesus and the great plan of salvation!

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EDITORIAL

By Spencer Johnson

THE UNITY OF HOLINESS

"For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren." (Heb. 2:11)

"And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me." (John 17:19-21)

The nature of the work wrought in the soul of man by the Holy Ghost unites the heart in love. The duplicity of the unsanctified heart results in strife and inner warfare "For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would." (Gal. 5:17) In the experience of sanctification the carnal nature is eradicated, the old man expelled, the heart united in love and perfect peace and harmony reigns within. The writer of Hebrews unequivocally states by the use of the present tense that there are some who ARE SANCTIFIED.

Holiness means heart union with Christ. The unsanctified man is double minded and is unstable in all his ways. The sanctified man is indwelt by the Holy Ghost and has only the mind of Christ. In sanctification there is a blending of the human personality with the Divine. This blending is illustrated in the Bible by the figure of marriage. As in marriage the wife lives for her husband and the husband for his wife until two personalities become lost in each other so in the beautiful relationship between the Sanctifier and the sanctified the will of man, though not broken, is wholly yielded to God until his desires are in complete harmony with the desires of God. The holy man is directed by the same motives and possesses the same objective in the world that Christ had here upon earth. "As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world." (John 17:18) The sanctified sustains the same relationship toward the world as did Christ and the world hates them the same as it hated Christ but He is not ashamed to call them brethren. The old

time holiness folk used to sing: "We two are so joined, that He'll not go to heaven and leave me behind." This blessed union will climax in the return of Christ to catch away His sanctified bride.

There is also a happy, harmonious relationship that exists among the sanctified. "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" (Psa. 133:1) True spiritual unity runs deeper than the shallow desire to make a good impression by presenting a united front. It is not based upon appeasement of carnality or compromise in the preaching of God's Word. Jesus prayed for the sanctification of believers that they all might be one. Talk of unity in righteousness on any other basis is but foolish and idle words. It is to the glory of Christ and His gospel that He imparts the power to men that lifts them out of sin and unites their hearts in love. The best man without Christ and holiness is not good enough and the worst man is not so bad that Christ cannot lift him. There is a strange and wonderful leveling power in the experience of Pentecost. There is no real brotherhood of men without holiness.

There was a sense in which the disciples had to iron out their differences and become united before they could qualify for the mighty baptism with the Spirit. "These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication." (Acts 1:14) "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." (Acts 2:1) The term "one accord" that is used here comes from the Greek word "Homothumadon" and refers to a musical instrument that is in perfect harmony. Before Pentecost there was manifest discord among the apostolic twelve and possibly similar conditions among other members of the group. No doubt some confessions and apologies had to be made and wrongs righted until they were all perfectly in tune before God could pour out His Spirit upon them.

The experience that came to the disciples at Pentecost was the great unifying experience that they needed to melt them together before going out to face a cruel and gainsaying world. They had come from varied backgrounds and different walks of life. Besides Jews, from every nation under heaven, dwelling at Jerusalem, there were representatives present that day from seventeen different nationalities of Gentiles. The effect was the same upon all who received the blessing. They were melted together and "great grace was upon them all." One cannot read the New Testament account of the early church without seeing that there were many adjustments to be made. But their hearts were so melted together by the fires of Pentecost that they were willing to give and take.

The true Church today is made up of a cross section of Christians from many denominations and groups and embraces all those-in whatever organization--who are born again, regardless of their nationality, name, affiliation or location. And because of this varied background it is reasonable to expect that there might be at least one issue upon which some might differ in theory, though in actual practice their actions would speak almost the same. And when we are sometimes tempted to despair because of the way the devil tries to magnify some difference it is well to remember that the trouble is nearly always in our heads and not our hearts and we should take courage in the fact that, even then, most real holiness folk are agreed on about ninety-nine and nine tenths per cent of the standards and ethics of holiness to say nothing of the agreement in doctrine. So it behooves us to have fervent charity among ourselves. Opposing lawyers in court often disagree vehemently but upon adjournment will go out to dinner together and be the best of friends. Surely the experience of heart holiness should do as much!

Discord within always hinders progress in spiritual things. It was so in the early church when the problem arose regarding the relation of the Jew and Gentile. It was at that time as serious a problem as that which has ever confronted any church. But the Holy Ghost was present and honored and the problem was met victoriously. The experience of holiness was so real in the hearts of those early Christians that there is no record of anyone ever bringing the issue up again. Again tension developed in the church at Corinth over leadership and some were saying, "I am of Paul" and some "I am of Apollos," and "I of Cephas." The progress of the kingdom stopped until they got their eyes back on the crucified Christ. (I Cor. 1:22-24)

Never in history has God called forth a group at a more needed time nor has any denomination ever had doctrines and standards that were more clearly stated or more solidly founded on the Scriptures than the Bible Missionary Church. Any change from its present position in doctrines or standards would be a deviation from the plain teachings of God's Word. It without doubt has "come to the kingdom for such a time as this."

If the devil could take some issue that no church or council of holy men, through the ages, has ever been able to settle to the complete satisfaction of everyone, and with it divide the people of God, he would have accomplished his hellish purpose. The world is no friend of Grace. In this dark hour the people of God should befriend one another and stand united against the common foe of sin and preach holiness to the ends of the earth. Never has there been a hungrier, needier humanity than we face today. It is the darkest hour in human history but a day of glorious opportunity for the old fashioned radical holiness church that is united together in love for the members of the body of Christ and a compassion for the lost about them. A weary generation, sick of confusion and turmoil looks for a light that will not flicker amidst the strong winds of hatred and strife. If there are those who seem to have time to talk and wrangle among themselves, they should be directed to the white harvest fields that are all about us with no one to reap in them. Millions of poor, lost, sin-benighted heathen who have never heard the gospel are waiting out there on the mission fields and they are depending entirely upon us to supply the finances and the workers to speed the light to them lest they go out into eternal darkness. The Day of Grace is almost over. A sorrowing world reels on its giddy, drunken way to hell. This is no time for bickering and backbiting or the dissipating of energies on anything less worthy than winning the lost.

The disciples had little effect upon the world before Pentecost. But after their hearts were melted together they cut a mighty swath for God. It works the same today. The unity of holiness is not a blind unity that preaches generalities instead of crying out against specific forms of sin. It is not a unity that demands its ministry to accept only the interpretations of the Word of God that are handed down by the edict of ecclesiastical leadership. The same Spirit that inspired the Word of God can and will inspire each Spirit anointed preacher to preach that Word. Conscience demands that a man preach exactly as God gives him light to see it and no man can violate his conscience without suffering damage to his soul. It is a unity and harmony of spirit that has for its basis the freedom from sin in the hearts of men. "Only b v pride cometh contention." (Prov. 13:10) Holiness makes one charitable toward the mistakes and blunders of others. It makes one patient and kind toward the person with whom he may disagree. Holiness helps one to place the best possible interpretation upon the words, actions and attitudes of others and enables him to withhold judgment

until the facts are all in. Praise God for this wonderful experience of holiness that unites our hearts in love and in the common objective of reaching the lost.

At the battle of the Pyramids, Napoleon challenged his men with these words: "Centuries are looking down upon you." Today, eternity is looking down on us. Whole continents are waiting to be captured for God. Let us lose ourselves in thrusting in the sickle. Let us stand united in holiness and love for a broken humanity until Jesus comes. His reward is to the faithful.

"Oh God, grant us the wisdom to see the real need of this hour and the courage to stand for the right. Give us a deeper appreciation for our comrades in this holy war. Put such a vision of the lost before our eyes and lay such a burden upon our hearts that we will hasten to the fray and stand shoulder to shoulder with true people of God everywhere in an effort to rescue the perishing and lift up the fallen. Keep us on the front line in the thickest of the battle so that there will be no temptation to become censorious or to jab at our fellow soldiers. Help us to storm the ramparts of hell. May we never forget that in such a worthy cause unity means power and oneness of heart victory. Help us to lift up Christ and stand united in holiness of heart that we may accomplish something for Thee before the sun goes down. Amen." "I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, With all lowliness and meekness with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." (Eph. 4:1-3)

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CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH By Glenn Griffith

(Continued from last month)

Contending for the faith! Paul said, now if you can't do it, if you are having a hard time, look at your uniform. Put on the whole armour of God. Why? That you may be able to withstand the wiles of the devil, Glory to God. He said we are not fighting against our brethren. We aren't going around to see if he is bald-headed or curly-headed. No sir. Not going around that way. But I want you to put on the whole armour of God. We're not wrestling against flesh and blood. We are struggling against rulers of darkness and powers of darkness and wicked spirits in high places. We are fighting an atmosphere where all hell is turned loose on us. The delinquency problem has filled the air and all the divorces and murders and everything wicked and vile until the love of many is waxing cold. I want you to put on the whole armour of God.

Put on the breastplate of righteousness. Keep your own life clean and then they can say He has jumped off the deep end and it doesn't bother you a bit. Hallelujah! And they can shoot at you from every angle but the fact of the matter is you have on the breastplate of righteousness.

He said, Put on the helmet of salvation. Satan is going to bruise his heel but God is going to bruise his head. Get the shield of faith, faith that can trust. Put up the shield of faith.

And then take the sword of the Spirit. Not a carnal weapon. Cut and slash with the sword of the Spirit, preach the word. Be instant in season and out of season, reprove, rebuke with all long-suffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine but will heap to themselves teachers having itching ears. From such turn away. But I tell you, said, Paul I've been through this, I've been shipwrecked on the ocean, beaten with stripes 40 times save one. They stoned me on the sidewalks and God put me on the elevator and took me up into the third heaven. He said, Timothy, you tell them I've fought a good fight, I've kept the faith. Glory. And there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge shall give me on that day and not to me only but unto all those that love His appearing.

I thought one night when I was a boy I was going to heaven, I really looked with anticipation. I shut my eyes and went away into a kind of a reverie or half-awake dream or whatever you want to call it. But I thought I was out in western Kansas where I used to go between school terms, I thought I went out there into the harvest field and the sun was down and all the

harvest was in and I thought about my blistered callused hands and I could see the old wheat straws with the heads on them hanging on the side of the header barge. They hauled the wheat to the stack or hauled the bundles to the threshing machine. There they hung. I thought everybody was in expectancy. There they were all looking toward the east. And someone said, Well, He may be here before we get the chores all done. There was something in my heart that thrilled me. Glory to God. Work's all done. When we pitch on the last load of bundles and the last load of wheat heads He may come. And that vision carried on until I felt the touch of my wife in the morning. I was dreaming.

Are you looking for glory J for Jesus to come? Jesus who died on the tree. A cloud of bright angels to carry us home. Oh, that will be heaven to me. We will be free from all the trials. Oh, this old fight. This old faith. I believe there are men and women who are not going to rely on the New Revised Standard Version, but will abide by the faith and die for that faith once delivered. Oh, have you been persevering in that faith? Have you been giving yourself? Have you been keeping that sacred faith? Have you had an evil motive, a selfish motive? An envious spirit? Was what you did so selfish that God culled it out? Was it just a tare that the enemy came in the night and sowed among the seed? You don't dare pull them up. Don't dare tear them up. Some are among the good people of the church and if you pull up the tares you might destroy a full cluster you know. God said, Let them alone. Let them alone till the harvest time. He said, I'm going to send my men, not angels to gather them first because they've got their heads up higher than the rest of the people. They are always giving dictation, you know telling folks that we are wrong and they are right. So it is not hard to locate them in the harvest. So, when we cut the wheat down, the bundles down you know, that old head, the tares, sticking up about six inches above the wheat you know. Just go along and take the sickle and cut them off and not bother the grain at all. He said, men will gather them and put them in the fire and they will burn. Then he said, we are going to gather the wheat into the garner. Say what you please, I'd rather suffer and keep the fire burning. Glory to God. I'd rather suffer and nourish that little bit of faith. There isn't much of it now days. God helps us to keep in the garden until God can revive and rejuvenate and regenerate and sanctify so the seed can live. If you are not willing to die in this hour--God needs somebody to stand in the gap. I believe God has given that spirit to this crowd, not just to the Bible Missionary Church, but this crowd that is in every church that the devil has not hurt. They want to serve Him but somehow the devil wants them. We'd better keep the fire on them and keep them in old fashioned meetings where God can come and somehow do something for our little group or we'll drop into hell with the multitudes of this generation. I want to intercede with all my heart and every ounce of my strength. I want to tell you God is helping folks but we need to get in there further. The old light is flickering.

You know there are young people that walk the side walks and come in and sit in the pews of holiness churches, who are becoming so accustom to the program of modern liberal holiness, until they are settling down in the atmosphere of entertainment and sports and recreation and psychology, and they have said, "maybe this is all right." There's only one thing -- all the doctrines we ever preach will never stir them. We can only stir them with the sacrifice on Moriah. We are going to have to take the persecution and the shame and the ignominy and the reproach that Jesus took and say, Glory to God, this old-fashioned way is it and we must practice it in prayer, and practice it in song and practice it in preaching and practice it wherever we work or wherever we are. We are the preservers of the faith once delivered to the saints. If you are not ashamed of it roll

up your sleeves and be a prayer warrior. Jude said, I exhort you that you earnestly contend for the faith that was ONCE delivered to the saints. It was handed to us a holiness people. Are we then going to contend for it, or are we going to submit? And if we lose it we lose ourselves.

It has not been long ago since I saw the faces of my friends. It is no merit of mine. They had meant a lot to me and I had traveled with them a long, long way on the road, but there came a time when there was a stand that I had to take and one by one they said, Good-bye. Why? If I wouldn't stand for this brother, I'd lose my own soul. If the fire goes out in my own heart I can't fan anybody else's into a flame. We must be singled out for God. He is not going to Dull us out by families nor b v churches nor by communities. He said, Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If any man will hear my voice and open the door I will come in and sup with him and he with me. He is counting on you and me as an individual one that will stand in the gap. What for? to contend for the faith which once was delivered unto the saints.

I can't go into detail for I'm through The space is gone. But the footprints of the men and the women that went this way are recorded, part of them in the 11th chapter of Hebrews. These all died in the faith. And God hath prepared for them a city and he is not ashamed to be called their God. Did you ever read that? You can read that about the 13th verse of the 11th chapter of Hebrews. Time would fail to tell you the suffering of John Knox, Martin Luther and the light they had. When they tried to get one of those old saints to recant with fires already lighted, when the flames were going up until the smoke began to choke him, one of those tormentors stepped up to him in fear and said, Mr. Huss, it is not too late to recant? We can put the fire out. He said, I have brought no evil gospel. I will not recant. And John Huss slipped out. But before the fire ever burned him he was shining in paradise somewhere in the great love of God. Listen, beloved it is either real or it is the biggest farce that was ever displayed in the universe. I believe it is the faith of our fathers. I believe it with every ounce of strength and every drop of blood and I mean by the last 33 years that I have put in there, and I mean to keep it. If I drop dead in the pulpit I'll go to heaven. Contend and not whine. God wants some that will suffer.

My friend E. J. Wilson said if I was starving to death I'd make the devil think I was fasting. He said, Brother Griffith, if I thought there was a compromising hair in my head and I didn't know which one it was I'd pull them all out. That's the way I feel, Brother, we are in the battle. We are not in a kind of old sham battle. We are not shadow boxing. We are not in a little old skirmish out here on the skirmish line, Brother, this is an all out war. This is a bloody war. This is a war unto death. Not human death but eternal death. It's worth fighting for. Glory to God! Contending for the faith.

I'm having a good time. My back has not bled any yet! I don't know whether it will or not. I believe when that time comes His grace will be sufficient. Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come. 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far and grace will lead me home. Let's stand up and sing it if you believe. How many have the faith? God help us to fight for it. God help us to suffer for it. God help us to die for it. Somebody suffered or you wouldn't be here. Let's be as fair as the moon and as clear as the sun and as ferocious as an army with banners. Hallelujah!

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TV CHEAP, VULGAR -- AND PLAIN DULL By Inez Robb

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Well, sir, nothing surprises me less than a survey of television habits in the Chicago area, indicating that both elementary school children and their parents are spending less time in a hypnotic stupor in front of the family television set.

Prof. Paul Witty of Northwestern University, who made the survey, did not use the phrase "hypnotic stupor" in his report. That's a phrase that came to me just like that--after an unusual spate of TV viewing. Or, maybe I should soften that phrase from "hypnotic stupor" to "hypnotic trance."

Prof. Witty finds that kids are spending two hours less time, or just 20 hours, viewing TV in 1958 as opposed to 1957. And that adults have gone on the wagon to the extent of watching television for only 19 hours a week in 1958 vs. 20 hours in 1957.

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This could be a trend, and I hope it is. If children continue to improve at the present or Witty rate, the TV set can be junked in another 10 years, unless -- as the statistics indicate -- it takes longer to wean the old folks.

Now I have nothing in the world against television except its content, which is cheap, vulgar, repetitious, phony, crude, violent, unimaginative, anti-intelligent, anti-intellectual and just plain dull. And puerile.. So puerile, in fact, that even elementary school children are beginning to turn from it.

Recently I have been confined to the house by a nasty ankle sprain. There were days, once the TV set was turned on for my entertainment, when I couldn't turn it off. I had to wait until someone heard piteous screams and came to my rescue.

This was my first real experience with daytime television, a traumatic bout at best. Such a sadistic interweaving, for hour after hour, of giveaways and soap suds! It's a toss-up which is worse.

The gambit I hated most were those indecent free-hand drawings of human innards, over which nature itself sympathetically provided the initial veil.

Innards are functional and best left unviewed. But not in the opinion of the sponsor who manufactures any nostrum to relieve headaches or other ills too private to mention except on television.

The intestinal tract, a complicated bit of plumbing that is useful but scarcely pretty, is a sponsor's setup: On TV, the stomach always looks like the Mediterranean in a March storm, with waves beating high, while the intestinal tract resembles a fire in a Bunsen burner.

Invariably, the sponsor's patented brew acts like a seasick remedy on the Mediterranean and firedamp on the Bunsen burner.

And like an emetic on me. Such TV pitches are the new-type organ recital that, in pre-video days, was supposedly the monopoly of old wives who were always poorly. -- From Detroit Free Press

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HOLINESS DEMANDED AND PROMISED

By H. A. Erdmann

It is but natural for us to suppose that a holy God would require holiness in His intelligent creatures. More than this, His own holiness is the basis on which He rests the requirements of holiness in His creatures. "Be ye holy, for I am holy." "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." This command, in one form or another, is constantly presented before us in His Word. It is thundered from Sinai's blazing mount; it is uttered in tenderest tones from Calvary. No one can doubt that God commands His creatures to be holy. There is no need of argument here. This is an axiomatic truth in God's revelation. The only questions which have arisen in the mind of man are; "Is it possible to be holy? Can man obey this divine command? Is not the command to be understood with certain limitations? Does it not have reference to a future world and a future state?" Multitudes have answered these last inquiries affirmatively, and have settled down on the conviction that it was useless to attempt to obey this command.

The question is narrowed down to a very few points, upon which there need be neither ambiguity nor obscurity. Has God required His creatures to be holy? Does this requirement pertain to this present time and this present life? The first question is readily admitted by all to be affirmatively answered. There is no escaping from such an answer. No language could make God's command plainer. . . But if He has required one of His moral creatures to be holy, then He has required all to be holy. This is His universal law. Wherever there is a moral agent in the universe, this command is obligatory upon him. It is a law of the heaven of heavens, of angel and archangel, cherubim and seraphim. It is the law of all worlds, "even as far as the universe spreads its flaming walls," -- even to the outer periphery of our firmament. It is the law of all our world, fallen, and sin-cursed, and ruined as it is.

The settlement of this point greatly simplifies the whole question of obligation. Every person should feel and say, "God requires me to be holy." This is the point which needs to be pressed upon the heart and conscience of every person. God has never altered, or relaxed, or lowered His commands to suit the whims, circumstances, or notions of any one. All down the ages, all through the universe, rising above the noise, and bustle, and confusion of men, sounding out amid the music of the spheres, may be heard the divine command, "Be ye holy, for I the Lord your God am holy."

But God is not a being of stern, inflexible justice merely, sitting upon His throne and commanding His creatures to do what He knows they cannot do without extending a helping hand

to them, and making provisions for their every need. The most loving, cheering, and inspiring words ever poured on human ear He utters to His children. The vocabulary of earth and all its babbling tongues is found insufficient to express the utterances of His love, the sweetness of His promise, or "the riches of His grace." Hence it is said, simply, "God so loved the world," and "Beloved, if God so loved us" thus indicating a profundity and an eternity of love which no human ken can ever fathom, and no archangel's plummet can ever sound.

Exceeding broad is His command, the breadth of His promise is commensurate with it. Does He command us to love Him "with all our heart, and soul, and mind, and strength?" His promise, "I will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live." (Deut. 30:6) Does He command us to be pure? He says, "Come now, let us reason together; though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." (Isa. 1:18) "If we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin. If we confess our sins, He is faithful to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (I John 1:7, 9) Does He command us to be sanctified? By the Apostle He has declared, "This is the will of God, even your sanctification." (I Thess. 4:3) Thus every command has its answering promise. What He requires us to be, to do, or to attain, He clearly and fully promises to help us, or to bestow upon us the gift or the grace. All the resources of redemption, yea, all the resources of God are placed at our disposal. His almightiness, His goodness, His justice and truth, are pledged to the performance of this work for every one who will avail himself of them. All the merits of the sacrificial suffering and death of the Son of God, and all the power of His blood, are ever ready, waiting, and almost pressing against human hearts, to cleanse and purify them. And all the Dower of the Eternal Spirit is available, by day and by night, for this same purpose. How then can we wait any longer? How can we hesitate for another moment? The universe is ringing with the invitation, "Come; for all things are now ready."

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THE IMMUTABILITY OF HOLINESS

By E. E. Michael

Holiness, sublime attribute of God! Truth of the ages! Light of the centuries: Originating in God, condescending to man.

Smiting sin and carnality with the eternal death strike, it lifts fallen man from the quagmires of iniquitous shame and woe, to the lofty sun-kissed mountain peaks of divine love and purity; thus blending the two personalities of God and man into one beautiful, harmonious whole. "For both he that sanctifieth, and they who are sanctified are all of one, for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren." (Heb. 2:11) What love! What ardor! What pathos! What affection! What marvelous condescension, that back in the council chambers of eternity; before the infant earth lay wrapped in swaddling clothes of light; before the valleys were scooped out, and the majestic mountains piled up, with their great feet planted firmly in the bowels of the earth, and their lofty heads towering into the ethereal blue. Before the blazing monarch of the heavens, the king of day mounted his fiery chariot in the east with sprays and spangles of golden light, splashing sunbeams here and there upon earth's beautiful carpet of green; and ascending the arched dome of the vast

universe, and reaching his zenith, glided down the sunny slopes to the ending of day, and disappeared among the spiraling hues of the West's golden mellow twilight.

Yes, before the dawning of creation's day God thought in terms of a holy manhood, clothed in Heaven's royalty, and regal splendor; to associate with Him to fellowship with Him on the high levels of a sinless life.

So He chose, He planned, He purposed. The blueprints were drawn up, the pattern set. And though, through His foreknowledge He saw that man would fall, He provided for his full and complete recovery through the blood atonement of Christ on Calvary's Cross. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16) "Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come." (Heb. 13:12-14)

Yes, holiness is the escape route from hell; the gate way to the Heavens; blest heritage of the saints of light.

Holiness is the grand depositum of all truth. It has shone through the centuries with scintillating light and radiating beauty, bathing Angels and redeemed saints in the effulgence of its ineffable glory.

It is the supreme will of God, and the highest law for man. It is as changeless as the Eternal, and as strong as the Divine Omnipotence. Devils and demons have marshaled their black-hearted, hell-instigated and satanically inspired forces against this holy truth and its Heaven-empowered warriors through ages past, only to fall back before the mighty impact of its onrushing advance.

Catholicism assayed to obliterate it. Mohammedanism, Buddhism and Confucianism endeavored to replace it. False heresies have tried to smother it. Modernism seeks to crush it. Worldliness and compromise fight frantically to counterfeit it. Communism, with its teeming millions of God-haters and Christ rejecters, backed by the black winged myrmidons of the infernal regions are hurling onslaught after onslaught of fiery invectives against it. But on every desolated battlefield holiness lifts its proud banners, while its sanctified, battle-scarred warriors shout with the exultant cry of victory.

Modern Ecclesiastics and compromisers of eternal verities are throwing the weight of their position, power and influence against its holy standards and precepts. They are seeking to make void its arguments, nullify its teachings, and to strangle its hold on certain issues. They will inevitably go down as have all their apostate predecessors before them. But Holiness is engraved by the omnipotent hand of God in the immutable Rock of Ages. It has survived every battle, outridden every storm; and is destined to shine on in all its resplendent glory and radiating beauty in the glad city of God and the saints of Light.

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"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise." (Psa. 100:4a)

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THE GREATEST OF "THESE"! By Joseph Hoffman

This text has its setting in the heart of the most controversial church in the New Testament. Undoubtedly the issue that gave birth to it was the varied opinions among the Corinthians. Mis-placed emphasis undoubtedly produced this great chapter of first Corinthians 13. The Corinthians were a fluctuating crowd. They were a vacillating crowd. They were a gift seeking crowd. They were a carnal people.

First -- There was partiality among them relative to the ministry. Some liked the preaching of the great Theologian Paul. Unless he became their pastor, they would split, or so it seemed to appear. Others liked the gifted orator, Apollos. He could sprinkle star dust upon them and lift them into the realms of the heavenly. A group of them insisted upon having him as their minister. Still another crowd wanted Cephas. Now beloved we know that somewhere there was a mistake. Or somewhere there was a misplaced emphasis, for had these brethren been right at heart, and followed a right teaching, it had mattered little who the preacher was by name, only that he should have preached the whole counsel of God. Divine love would settle the issue in most churches relative to calling a minister. If he is God's man, everybody ought to stand behind him.

Secondly, the Corinthians were NOT charitable with each other. When trouble arose they went to law with each other. They took their case to the courts of the land rather than settle it among the church. This is a tragedy in or among any people. Church problems should be kept among the professed Christians and not broadcast among the world.

Thirdly, the Corinthians tolerated lasciviousness among themselves. Morality was very low and sin was rampant on every side. They possessed not complete victory over themselves. It appears that a son would take his own stepmother and live in open sin. Paul, reprimanded them for this immoral conduct.

Fourthly, the Corinthians were gift seekers. If you played the sensational up to them, they all jumped on the band wagon and shouted. Or if you stressed the "TONGUES theory" they all said Amen. But brother when Paul wrote that Thirteenth chapter, he stressed something other than an unknown tongue, or a sentimental religion, or still further something more than "gifts," they were not too hilarious about this great treatise on Divine Love.

Note, he said after mentioning many things that the "greatest of these gifts is Divine Love."

Divine love is not dependent upon environment to retain its norm of function. Jesus said, "If thine enemy hunger, feed him." If he thirst, give him drink." Or again, if a man compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain. Divine love functions under the most trying circumstances. It never knows defeat. All other gifts may fail, but Divine Love never.

Divine Love does not delight in relating the errors of others. It lives not upon trash, neither does it thrive on the faults of others. Paul the author of these words said, "Divine love thinketh no evil." Evil surmisings are not of God. Neither is it becoming to one professing holiness to magnify the faults and the mistakes of others. Rather he should feel sorry and pray for those individuals who are in error.

Divine Love is not the author of confusion. When Divine love reigns the church experiences a harmony that earth cannot produce. It is a harmony that is akin to heaven. That is why a sanctified soul can exchange worlds with that peace and serenity of mind that no other class of people know anything about. It is not uncommon among sanctified people to hear of them shouting in their dying hour. Death holds no terrors for them. They are longing for that home that is akin to the experience they have lived upon this earth.

Heaven is a land of singing. On earth they all had a song. Heaven is a land of love. On earth, love reigned in their lives. In heaven there is harmony, so going to heaven only magnifies the experience they have already lived and experienced on earth. Heaven is a land of activities. This again has been the norm of their lives, so going to heaven only enlarges their activities. Why the Bible teaches that the saints will judge angels. It teaches that in heaven there is the tree of life that bears twelve manner of fruit, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

The greatest of all gifts is Divine Love. Greater than the writings of Socrates. Greater than the writings of Webster. Greater than the writings of Longfellow. Yes, this great treatise on Divine Love is the mountain peak of Divine revelation. It towers higher than the Himalayans. It towers higher than the Rockies. It towers higher than Pikes Peak. It is the summit of all religious experience. Its lofty "heights have been scaled by a very few. Its vision that unfolds before our eyes in panoramic beauty have been witnessed by a very few. Its resources and tributaries that flow like a meandering stream through a darkened, sin-benighted world have been explored by a handful, while the masses march on unheeding.

From this great fountain head flows all the rich gifts and graces of God. Out of it flows joy. Joy is not merely having fun. Thousands have momentary fun, but few experience real lasting joy. Joyful in tribulation. Joyful in sorrow. Joyful in poverty. Joyful in prison. How do we explain it? The answer is simply this, Divine Love, implanted, imparted, and igniting the soul creates a lasting joy.

From this experience flows peace. Someone has said that "peace" is love relaxed. Not worried, not restless, not fretting, not doubtful, but relaxed. Isn't it wonderful to meet a person like this in these days of atomic scare. In this age of hustle and hurry. In this age of speed, to find a person that is relaxed is like finding an oasis on the desert.

Again, we note this experience produces an even temperament. There is little fluctuating in the sanctified life. There is an evenness of disposition, personality, and temperament that obliterates the blues, the bad Mondays, the flustered Tuesdays, the trying Wednesdays and makes every day like the Lord's Day to the soul.

This experience is a "CONTROLLER" of our entire life. It controls and channels our desires. It controls and bridles the passions. It controls and channels the ambitions. Yes, this is a solution to every problem, mental, physical and spiritual.

You, dear reader can choose between gifts and the giver of the gifts, but as for me, I shall choose Divine Love. Unexcelled, and glorious indeed. The greatest of these is charity.

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THE QUESTION DEPARTMENT

By Dr. T. M. Anderson

QUESTION: -- Will you please distinguish between the church, the kingdom of God, and the kingdom of heaven?

ANSWER: -- The church is called the whole family of God. (Ephesians 3:15) If we take this view of the church, we are safe in our doctrine. There are no sinners in Christ's church and no children of God out of it. You cannot be turned out of it, but you can sin out of it.

I see no great distinction between the kingdom of God and the kingdom of heaven. Perhaps the only distinction that is safe to make is that the kingdom of God implies that God is Sovereign in His government over His saints. The kingdom of heaven implies that it is a heavenly realm in which the saints of God live in full obedience to the will of the King Immortal and Invisible.

The Scriptures show that we are born into the kingdom even as we are born into the church. It is also written that the kingdom is "righteousness, and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost." -- Rom. 14:7. It is also written that it is "your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." -- Luke 12:32. And again it is written that "an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom..." -- II Pet. 1:11. All my readers may make their own distinction in this truth pertaining to the kingdom.

QUESTION: -- Please explain John 5:16-17. What is the sin unto death and the sin not unto death referred to here? A Catholic priest referred to this sin as mortal sin and distinguished between it and little sins. Is such a distinction justifiable?

ANSWER: -- No such distinction as made by the priest is justifiable in God's Word. The fact is there is a sin unto death as Jesus has stated. Such a sin places the soul outside of the reach of prayer. John said"... I do not say that he shall pray for it."

I do not consider the sin unto death to be any one particular sin. It cannot be pointed out and classified. Such a sin is not revealed in the Word of God so that we may say this is the sin unto death, in view of this fact I am convinced that it is the persistent sinning against truth which brings death to the soul. We know that in the soul of man there are certain things that God appeals to in order to get us to yield to Him. Our conscience is one thing; our faith is another; our desires are another. But it is possible for one to continue to sin against light until conscience no longer responds to truth, faith dies, and all desire dies. Then the soul becomes the cemetery where the

better things of the soul are dead and no longer can be appealed to by the Spirit. Even God cannot stir the dead conscience, faith, and desire when asked to do so by some praying saint Such a state accounts for the indifference shown by some persons who have rejected light and truth so often. We pray for them but they are as unmoved as a dead man.

Thank God there is a sin not unto death, and we can pray for sinners to be saved, leaving it to the Lord to judge who has sinned unto death and who has not sinned unto death.

QUESTION: -- What is the three-fold witness spoken of in I John 5:6-8? What is the significance of this witness to us?

ANSWER: -- "For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness in earth, the spirit, the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one." We have two witnesses consisting of three in agreement in each witness three in heaven and three in the earth. It is surely true that God witnessed to His Son in the earth by the Spirit, by water when He was baptized, and when He died on the cross by the blood. The Father in heaven, the Word of God, and the Spirit witnessed to Christ in heaven and from heaven by many infallible proofs.

When we believe on the Son of God we have an assuring witness from heaven and in our hearts. "He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself..." -- Verse 10.

QUESTION: -- Please explain in Jude What is meant by the FIRE and the FLESH in this verse?

ANSWER: -- The passage reads, "And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh."

We are admonished by Jude to keep ourselves in the love of God. {verse 21) In order to do this we are told to do four things: First, "building up yourselves on your most holy faith." Second, "Praying in the Holy Ghost." Third, "looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ." Fourth, "others save with fear." In view of the fact that we must keep ourselves in the love of God, it is necessary to help save others who have fallen into the fires of sin and evil passions, and while pulling them out of the fire be careful not to get spotted or become unclean while trying to save others. For the sake of clarity let us consider the dangers one is exposed to while trying to help others. I know of some preachers who have fallen into grievous sin while trying to save some person from that same kind of sin.

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FOREIGN MISSIONS

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On the trail! Bible School boys in Guatemala, headed for the interior. They are carrying their clothing, blankets, books and instruments. There are at least 150 villages within 40 miles of Jalapa with no gospel work of any kind. A large percentage of these villages are accessible only on foot during the entire year and during the rainy season almost all of them must be reached that way.

A piano is needed for the Bible School in Guatemala. If someone has a small piano that you would give them contact Rev. Glenn Reiff, 1915 S. Perry Way, Denver, Colo. He possibly can take it and get it through duty free.

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SHE WALKED IN THE LIGHT By Ina Moyer

I met her for the first time just a few days after arriving in this colony. A lovely pretty Indian Mother, whose eyes fairly sparkled as she grasped my hand in a friendly hand shake. I loved her from the start, one look told me that she was not a Christian. She loved her jewels -- they hung from her ears, neck and wrists. Her husband is a holiness preacher and for years he had prayed and held on to God for her salvation.

We entered their humble little home -- such old fashioned hospitality from these we had known only a few minutes. We felt so welcome, it was a wonderful, but short visit. We talked freely of our purpose in coming to British Guyana. God's presence settled down upon us and I was conscious of her eyes upon me as I read "Divinely Led" from the poem book. I breathed an earnest prayer. "Lord, help me to show her the Way." Then we knelt to pray. Never in all my life had I felt so near to God as we prayed that evening, by lamp light -though I have often felt just as close.

We made ready to leave and they followed us to the car. As we were saying good-bye her husband shook nay hand and made the following statement that kept me on my knees and awake every night until the answer came. "Sis Moyer. I'm counting on you to help my wife get saved and get rid of this jewelry." She gave me that quick sparkling smile as her eyes searched mine. I smiled in return, put my arm around her and replied, "We will pray until God shows her and then she'll take it all off for Him." Again she squeezed my hand and then she threw her arms around me and planted a kiss on my cheek. I knew she was my friend.

We had a great service that night and she sat on the front seat with their little family of six children. That was the last I saw her for nearly a month. But it was only a week after that visit that God answered that simple prayer. Let me tell you the story in her husband's own words.

I left for work that morning and all was as usual. When I came home I looked at my wife and it was gone. She was stripped of every piece of jewelry. Sis Moyer, I can't tell you how I felt -- I'd prayed for years. I never loved her more. When I asked her how -- why -- she said, "I kept looking at the Missionary -- she was so different. If she can be like that for God, I can too. He went on to tell me how he had bought two dress lengths for she wanted to make some dresses. How

different their home was and how eager she was to obey God, to be and look like a Christian. It was some time before we visited them again -- for they live in the Corentyne across the Berbiee River. We were all seated in that little front room. She walked to the bedroom and came out with the dresses. It was her husband who spoke, "I love her, but when I saw her in these dresses -- I tell you, Sis Moyer I just love her even more." It brought tears of joy to my eyes, and we all knelt together praising God for answered prayer. I only wished you could know them. Bro. and Sis Naul Rambarran of Fyrish, Corentyne. She has been a living witness in that village, telling how God opened her eyes, and she walked in the light. Words fail me to tell you of this ripened harvest field -- already ripe unto harvest. May God help us not to fail in this hour.

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UP AND AT IT By M. Pumpelly

II Cor. 4:3 "But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost."

Suppose that you and I were standing by the side of a beautiful lake, drinking in the splendor of the surroundings, engrossed in talk, when all of a sudden we realize a storm is brewing. The clouds become ominous and lowering--the thunder crashes the sky and the waves begin to dash madly above the rocks. We start to run for cover when all of a sudden you stop! "What was that?" We look out and see a man fighting madly to keep his head above water. One look tells us that it will only be a matter of minutes before he goes down. You can't swim so you turn to me and say, "Quick, do something! But I don't know if I should or not." "Don't know! Man, don't you see that fellow is drowning? Yes, I see, but I don't feel any special pull toward that raging. I tell you what, let's pray for him. By now you are exasperated. "Pray! This is no time to pray. This calls for action." "But I wouldn't want to get ahead of the Lord and really I don't have a call to save that man. I'll pay any who feels called to do it, though."

Foolish, you say, Yes, but oh, so true to our own experience! Our generation has not had a fair chance at the gospel. True, there are churches on every corner but the gospel is so watered down that it is nauseating. I don't blame sinners for not attending the majority of churches today. I wouldn't either. Those of us who claim full salvation from sin and carnality seem so satisfied to tend to our own affairs, raise our own little families, build our own little nests, and if there is anything left over, we slip it into the offering plate with tears of self-congratulation rolling down our cheeks. My, what a sacrifice we made!

But, say, I've heard all my life that it took a special call from God to be a preacher. I firmly believe that, too, but I'm not talking about the ministry. Listen, friend, here is your special, divine call recorded in Matt. 28:19-- "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations--" If you are a true, born again Christian, that scripture applies to YOU. What further call are you waiting on? Do you expect God to appear in a dream, or a trance? Do you expect to hear a voice as thunder telling you to go? He will never go beyond His Word, and as long as we have the open Bible before us, we must get our instructions there. But you say, "I don't feel any urge to go." Then search your heart and see what's hindering. If you have no burden then, mark my word, you have not Christ. "But not everyone can go, so maybe I'm called to stay home." As long as there is one soul in your vicinity

without Christ, you MUST go. I'm not advocating selling out and going across the seas. How can we win those stooped in heathenism when we haven't made an attack on the devil right at home? Acts 1:8 says, "But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." First, we must reach Jerusalem, right around home. It's no use talking about the uttermost parts of the earth, when the average holiness professor hasn't won a soul to Christ for months and months. Amen, you'll have to admit it's the truth even though it does hurt. Do you mean to say that God expects a militant army, with the sword in one hand and the torch of vital Christianity in the other, marching on the devil's territory, snatching them by the hundreds from the clutches of sin? YES! Do you believe that God can fill us with holy fire, fervor, and zeal until the enemy will be forced to give way before us as we fight this holy warfare? YES! YES! YES! But that i~ an extraordinary Christian. NO! That should be the ordinary Christian--in fact, that's the only way to stay a Christian.

Several years back a young man of my acquaintance was crying his heart out at an altar. Someone asked the trouble and he replied, "I'm concerned over Acts 1:8. I'm not fulfilling that verse." They tried to comfort him with smooth words, but thank God he wouldn't be comforted! He started spending nights in prayer, seeking the face of God in behalf of a lost generation. It wasn't long until things began to happen. He proved God's word sure and faithful. His altars were lined (although he was not an eloquent preacher); people were under such pressure of sin they would cry aloud. Oh, that must be the usual thing if we expect to save this dying people. Doesn't your heart cry out for that? Then, go after it. It's for all who are willing to pay the price. Seek the mind of God; ask Him what He would have you do; be prepared for anything from His hand. Don't give into your feelings. When times of depression settle in on you, take courage and keep pressing the battle. God will never alter, His word shall come to pass. Grab a scripture and stand firm on it. Let the devil know you don't aim to back up s: whir! Glory, this is a wonderful warfare we're in and it calls for real soldiers.

There was a terrible train wreck at a certain place and the word went out quickly for volunteers to help pull the victims out. It was heart rending to see the mashed bodies and hear the pitiful wails of those underneath the wreckage. Someone called, "Is there a doctor around?" "Yes," came the answer from a fine looking gentleman sitting over on part of the wreckage. "Well, why in the world aren't you doing something to held these victims, then?" He replied, "I have no instruments to work with." What a pity! But doesn't that apply in the spiritual realm, also? The Father has planned Salvation, the Son purchased it, and the Holy Ghost applies it but He must have human instruments through which to work. He sees the need, His heart is burdened over careless, sin-callused humanity; He could make them whole again, but He can find very few who will empty themselves and offer their bodies as a channel. Will you, my friend, cease from your light, frivolous living and stay on your knees until earthly cares fade away and your one consuming cry is 'Souls, souls, souls'? You can, if you wish, pass this off lightly and go on in your 'God is so good and patient--He'll never cast me off' attitude but I warn you, according to the eternal word, you shall face it at the Judgment. There you will find out we are dealing with a loving but stern God who means to have complete obedience from His followers, or else they shall be cut off. Don't wait until your life is half gone-throw yourself into the soul saving business this very day. You will be glad you did when you hear the cries of that new born babe ushered into the kingdom.

Travail while you can--the night is upon us, the devil is mad, but God will cause us to triumph in the end!

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CHURCH NEWS

SALEM, OREGON

Rev. Turner, District Moderator, officiated at Salem, Oregon mortgage burning on church and three lots located at 4140 Gary St., (Keizer area), Aug. 28th. Praise the Lord! Regular services are times of refreshing and salvation because of the presence of the Holy Ghost! We are praying that He will be given first place at all times. Rev. Klinge resigned at the direction of the Holy Spirit and the church has called Bro. Wm. F. Majors as pastor. Bro. and Sister Majors live at 146 Evans Ave., N., (Keizer) Salem.

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JACKSONVILLE, ARK.

Purchased a lot and built a nice building and are having services in the building. Rev. Sterling Acton recently closed seven days meeting with them.

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CONCORD, N. C.

Rev. E. T. Harris reports organization of a church with these folk at Concord. Eleven charter members were taken in; we do not know who has been called as pastor.

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CANADA

Bro. H. B. Huffman reports a church organized, the pastor Rev. Lloyd Oliver, Alberton P.E.I., Canada. The church has to go through a process of law and be incorporated before it is fully organized, which is a Canadian law.

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STATE COLLEGE

Bro. H. B. Huffman also organized a church at State College; this pastor is Rev. M. E. Foltz, Pine Grove Mills, Penna. Pray for these people.

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MORGANTOWN, W. VA.

We just closed a four weeks meeting with Rev. Tony Bane from Washington, Pa. We had a good meeting with souls praying through to victory. There were some nights that God came in such a way that Bro. Bane didn't get to preach. There were some souls that came to the altar in the meeting that came in from the streets of the city as they heard the singing, shouting, testifying and preaching. This meeting not only reached church people but the down and out sinner. Bro. Bane has just recently joined the Bible Missionary Church and is called to the field of Evangelism. He will be a great help to any church that calls him and wants to have an old fashioned revival. He is a good preacher and carries a burden for souls. The last two weeks of the meeting we had the Gospel Duet from Tyrone, Pa. as singers. They are good singers and can sing and testify the glory down. We praise God for this good meeting here at Morgantown and believe it will be a great help in establishing the church here. -- Art Seevers, pastor

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HUNTINGBURG, IND.

A new church was organized here by Bro. Roy Lewis. They are off to a good start and have a nice building. Rev. Walter Boone is their pastor. We praise God for this group and their sacrificial effort to get the work started.

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TUCSON, ARIZONA

Bro. Harry McElrath has started a Bible Missionary mission in Tucson, with the expectation of organizing a church soon. The Sunday school and mission is at 1628 E. Broadway. Anyone having friends or relatives in this area or at the Davis Monthan air-base here, may write Brother McElrath and he will be glad to visit them. Pray for this work here.

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AMES, IOWA

Word came from Sister Evelyn Eddy of the Ames Church. Rev. Dwight Stevenson is the pastor there. God is blessing. The Lord has so wonderfully undertaken for our church and there seems to be a revival spirit starting in the hearts of the saints. God so sweetly settled upon the service a few Sundays past, there was just a melting of hearts. Remember these in prayer.

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ALAMOGORDO, NEW MEXICO

Rev. J. T. Stickney and wife held a revival at Alamogordo and organized a church with a nice group as charter members. Rev. Russell Ulrich was called as pastor. He would like to be notified of any who are in this city or at the air-base that he could contact. Address him, P. O. Box 1326, Alamogordo. New Mexico. We welcome this new church. The first Bible Missionary Church in New Mexico. Praise God!

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NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The North Central District Conference convened July 30, at 2 p.m. with Rev. Glenn Griffith, General Moderator presiding. Bro. Griffith brought the message of the afternoon from the book of Nehemiah, on the burden of the prophet, which made us all feel that we wanted to go a little deeper into the garden of Gethsemane. At 8 p.m. the Conference was called to order with Rev. Harold Will leading the singing. God came on the service and the Holy Ghost took over, for about an hour the people laughed, cried, shouted and ran the aisles after which Bro. Roy Lewis was elected as district moderator for another year. This was our best year with nine elders coming to us from other denominations and five licensed ministers which gives us a total of twenty-two elders and seventeen licensed ministers.

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DELAWARE COUNTY CAMP MEETING July 31- Aug. 10, Muncie, Ind.

The Delaware County Camp Meeting was owned of God and blessed from the start. Many new people prayed through who had never been saved before. Money came easy, over twenty-two hundred dollars was raised in cash, and pledges for missions after Rev. Victor Glenn brought a wonderful missionary message. The altar was lined with young people dedicating their lives to the service of the Lord. A hundred and twenty base accordion was given in the camp by Bro. and Sis. Rogers for the Moyers in British Guyana and money was raised to air mail it to them. Over eleven hundred dollars was raised in cash and pledges for the Orphanage at Beulah Heights and a good offering was raised for Bro. J. E. Ray. The workers, Rev. Glenn Griffith and Troy and Margaret Cook were at their best. Many said they had never seen Bro. Griffith more burdened and anointed. The people were fed free-will offering with no offering on Sunday. The crowd came from ten states and Canada. Our day services were will attended and the night services overflowed the tabernacle. Many of the people said this was the best camp they had ever been in. To God be all the praise. -- William R. Walker

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INTERMOUNTAIN DISTRICT TOUR

General Moderator Elbert Dodd and L. P. Roberts toured the Intermountain Conference District in the interest of Home Missions, the first District tour in the interest of Home Missions in the Bible Missionary Church. Ten services were held reaching all fourteen churches of this area. God graciously met with us in every service. There were shouts of victory and testimonies and such singing you seldom have ever heard in every service. Bro. Dodd preached under the anointing without fear or favor and God surely honored and the people shouted him on. Many places the house was crowded full with our own people and many outsiders. From the visitors came such remarks as: "this spirit is something like I haven't seen in years, i believe in this."

Nearly four thousand dollars was underwritten for Home Missions to be paid May 1st. It will go to help strengthen churches and start new ones. Also good expense offerings were received. If you live in Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, or Kansas west of Hwy. 77 and want an "Old Fashioned" holiness church, let us know and we will try to help you get one started. God bless our great crowd of preachers and laymen of this great area. We appreciate them and their wonderful sacrificial spirit. "We'll work till Jesus comes." -- L. P. Roberts, Dist. Moderator

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BLACKWELL, OKLA.

Bro. Leon Jackson, Bro. Wilbur Brown and Bro. Elbert Dodd were all used of God in conducting the meeting which lead to the organization of the church at Blackwell. Rev. Wilbur Brown was called as pastor.

KIRKSVILLE, MO.

Bro. W. E. Carlton held a meeting at Kirksville, God blessed and he organized The Bible Missionary Church at Kirksville. The charter was left open for a few days, and a pastor is soon to be on the field.

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DENVER CITY, TEXAS

Bro. and Sister Charles Dodd, pastor at Odessa held a meeting at Denver City, Tex. At the close of the meeting a church was organized. Bro. L. H. Newcomb has been called to pastor the church.

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GREETINGS FROM BEULAH MOUNTAIN CHILDREN'S HOME

We count it a ,joy to report to you from the hills of Kentucky and from the work here at the Beulah Mountain Children's Home of Beulah Heights. This October, we have been here one year as your managers. This has been new work for us but God has blessed and helped us in many ways. We have not been sorry that we obeyed the Lord and followed. His leadings. There have been times when the burdens were more than we could bear . . . but, we remembered in Psalms 55:22: "Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee." Often, the trials have been many

but we found "HIS GRACE SUFFICIENT." Many times, the hours have been long but in Psalms again we find "The Lord will give strength unto His people, the Lord will bless His people with peace." Praise His name forever! His promises mean so much to us. He will not fail us now. We wish to thank those that have been faithful to remember us in prayer. No doubt, your prayers have been a help to us, the other workers, and to the children more than you may ever know. To those that have written such encouraging letters, let us say that ofttimes they have been our promises and we stood on them and claimed them for the work here. To those who have supplied the finances and material gifts, we want to express our love and appreciation to you. A man m Springdale, Ark., gave us the new power chain saw, a pastor in Dexter, Mo., gave the sheet-rock and paint for the boys house, a couple in Charleston Heights, South Carolina, have just shipped us a 1958 deep freeze, and others have sent gifts. The needs are still many . . . especially the finances have been low and the state requirements have not all been met Have you prayed and minded God? If you do, then He will supply our needs. Surely in these last days, God has trusted us with a great work. He has given us some precious children to love and train. Our own children and your children could have been like these had God not been so good to us. We want to be faithful to each boy and girl and help them make it to Heaven. Surely we are living in the last days . . . homes broken, children unwanted and people so bold with sin and worldliness. Lord, help our little group to stay burdened, old-fashioned, and a sacrificing people.

We have 38 children enrolled in school again. We found this quite a job and expensive for a family of this size. We find more than ever, our need of our own school here at the Children's Home. We have the cement tile building and a nice library, but NO TEACHERS. Would you sacrifice to teach the children at Beulah Heights?

We had a good garden this year. The cellar was almost empty and the garden was late, but we prayed and it seemed to grow over night. We had the food canned and in the cellar by camp meeting time. We could have preserved more if we had had the workers and finances. But, God is still answering prayer for us. Just this week, a man came and gave us 19 bushels of peaches. We had to prepare them that night and worked late getting the firm ones frozen and the riper ones into preserves. We were thankful for these as we were very low on canned peaches and the children really like them.

We do not have a girls' matron at this time. We have tried to help them, wash for them, help with school work, and other jobs but it has been too much along with the other duties. We know God has a couple that would love to have 13 girls to love and train. Could it be you?

We invite our friends to visit your Home here in Beulah Heights. These are your children and they love to see those that have prayed for them and supplied their material needs. Beulah Heights is owned by the Bible Missionary Church and is operated under the supervision of the Orphanage and Genera] Board. We send financial reports monthly to our General Moderators and to the chairman of the Orphanage Board. We want our people to share the burdens and victories that are here. We have room for overnight guests and would enjoy showing you the buildings and children here. We have set the last two weeks in August as the yearly dates for our Camp Meeting. We have found this will be the best time for the workers and children to have the most time to enjoy the services. We have already begun to make plans for our next camp. Why not plan to attend? -- Yours in Him, Mr. & Mrs. M. H. Meek

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

My Dear Brother,

The Holy One of Israel has been mightily present with us in these early pioneer days of the Institute. At the present, the Holy Ghost is searching and moving, and we are trusting Him to get our young people firmly settled on the Rock, so that we may effectively meet the challenge of this crisis hour. The young people are some of the finest and God has given us a wonderful staff. There is a genuine warmth and unity within the staff. Our present prayer and soul desire is for a genuine revival -- where would be a better place for this to begin than at the school -- our whole movement is in need of such an awakening, is it not?

Now, in retrospect, we do praise the Lord for the measure of help the Holy Ghost gave us in that opening Camp Meeting. Brother Griffith and Brother Dodd preached well and the Troy Cooks were a real blessing in their singing. Especially, we are thankful for the help of the educational board in meeting the crisis in the matter of housing. Because of an early Fall, the air became chilly and something had to be arranged for housing. A nearby motel was procured, after the initial contact by Bro. Dodd. Also a school building was found nearby by Bro. Maxey. We have painted it inside and cleaned it up and we are well pleased with our temporary quarters. The construction of the new building is progressing well. We are working at the task of getting it ready for the second semester, if at all possible. We would like to have it as complete as possible for the young people to move into. Bro. J. E. Ray has been delegated the task of Business Manager and is doing a grand job of helping to bring the building to completion. Pray for us. Many of the pledges have been already paid. Praise the Lord. But also many have not yet been paid. We have some dire needs right now, so we trust the folk will really respond. If we need anything, we need Holy Ghost praying which always brings quick obedience to the voice of the Spirit in these matters. I would delight to get some more letters telling us that God had spoken and laid it on some hearts to really share the load with us and they will give accordingly.

Pray, Pray! God is deeply moving. The waters are troubled here -- there is a Holy Ghost expectancy in the air. -- In this holy war, R. C. Boynton

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTERMOUNTAIN DISTRICT PREACHERS MEETINGS

Nov. 25- 27- Denver, Colo. Workers: Elbert Dodd -- W. M. Tidwell -- For information write: L. P. Roberts, 1915 S. Perry Way, Denver, Colo.

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MISSOURI-KANSAS DISTRICT PREACHERS MEETING

Jan. 13- 15 -- Dexter, Missouri -- Workers: Glenn Griffith -- Elbert Dodd -- For information write Gerald McElrath, District Secretary, Dexter, Mo.

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PLEASE NOTE

Bro. J. H. Cashion has been hired by the board as a field representative for the Orphanage.

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RECORDS BY TROY AND MARGARET COOK

- 1. Amazing Grace & How Firm a Foundation
- 2. How Great Thou Art & Ship Ahoy
- 3. My God Is Real & When He Reached Down His Hand for Me.
- \$1.00 each or 3 for \$2.75 plus postage of 35 cents.

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SERMONS BY BRO. GRIFFITH

3 Sermons on one 1800 ft. tape -- \$10.00. Write Donald Hughes, 28720 Somerset, Inkster, Mich.

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RECOMMENDATION

Rev. L. S. Boardman of Onego, West Virginia who has been on the sick list for some time has made a wonderful recovery, gained about 14 pounds and doing fine. He is now ready and available for revivals anywhere in our movement. I can fully recommend Bro. Boardman as a great Bible preacher, a wonderful man of prayer, and a holy man of God. It is my sincere desire to see Bro. Boardman go all around in our churches. -- Rev. H. B. Huffman, Dist. Moderator

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HOLINESS CONVENTION

Pasadena, Calif. -- Nov. 11-12-13th

Such speakers as H. E. Schmul, E. Dodd, H. C. Van Wormer, Glenn Griffith and others. For information write Rev. Wayne States, 399 So. Mentor, Pasadena, Calif.

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GOD IS THE SAME

Elijah walked with God each day, A holy man who loved to pray. Because of sin a famine came, He prayed until God sent the rain.

He cried against the sinful land, And on Mt. Carmel took a stand. The people heard him humbly call, And saw the fire from heaven fall.

We need the fire from heaven above, To fill our hearts with Christian love. We need a Pentecostal flame, That all may know, God is the same.

Elijah's God is just the same, He answers prayer in Jesus name, With all your heart begin to pray. The fire will fall again today.

-- By Mittie Reeves

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LIMITING GOD By Anna J. Lindgren

"Child of Mine," speaks the still small Voice, "I would have filled you with My own fullness, taken possession of you, used you to My praise, but you would not. It was not your littleness, your limited capacity that hindered Me, but that you did not turn your littleness over to Me as a channel through which My fullness could have reached other lives. That was all I asked of you, but you limited Me.

"You wanted to be a reservoir, where the water is stagnant and soon dries up. I wanted to make you a spring, overflowing constantly to others. You wanted to be blessed. I wanted to bless others through you. I wanted you to become a living prayer, releasing My power; you made prayer a duty. I would have made you My mouthpiece, speaking forth My searching, convicting, saving, enlightening, comforting words, but you limited Me. You dabbled in the philosophies of mortals, you cringed before the opinions of men, you bowed to the popular, and I could not use you. I would

have made you a whirlwind to uproot and shake and sweep clean, and you preferred to be a nice little breeze that made people happy.

"My child, it is not too late. Much of your life has been wasted, but will you give Me what remains? 'Little is much, when God is in it.' Will you turn your ear from what men are saying and tune your heart to My message? You once said that you wanted My best at any price. Did you mean it, or was it only a well-sounding phrase of a public prayer? If you meant it, I will accept your challenge, for My power is limited for lack of people who want My best. Do you dare to be scorned, and misunderstood, and marked as a fanatic? Do you dare to risk your salary and your prestige among men? Do you dare to trust Me for the impossible? Then, O child of My infinite love, 'fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord.' " -- Anna J. Lindgren, in "In His Presence"

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"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." -- Philippians 4:13

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