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HOW THEY ENTERED CANAAN
(A Collection of Holiness Experience Accounts)
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Vol. I -- Named Accounts

W. H. HAY

In Brunot, Missouri, we were engaged in a meeting where God was wonderfully manifesting His power. Rev. Amos S. Clark, now of Topeka, Kansas, who was singing for us at that time, well remembers how the meetings would run until midnight, and how sinners were converted and believers were sanctified. When we began the meeting the people said, "There is one man in the Methodist Church they will never get sanctified, for he has the blessing if anyone has. He is Sunday school superintendent, and he gets happy in the prayer meeting; he is one of the best members in the Brunot Methodist Church." But Judge W. H. Hay was one of thy first seekers for holiness. He had been county judge for about fifteen years. Day and night he was at the altar, but one afternoon as we were reading and commenting on the fifth chapter of First Thessalonians, and Brother Hay was sitting right in front of us, when we came to the 23rd verse, which reads as follows, "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it," the Holy Ghost said to him, "Judge Hay, who called you?" He answered, "God called me." And the Spirit said, "What did God call you to?" The Judge said, "He called me not unto uncleanness but unto holiness." And the spirit said, "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it," and Judge Hay, with his face looking like a full moon, sprang to his feet saying, "He does it! He does it!" and the Holy Ghost came in to take the throne, and he was sanctified in a flash. In fifteen days more than one hundred souls plunged into the fountain of salvation, and many were sanctified. I have never known a more devoted, holy and faithful soul than this man. He was an inspiration to all the saints. He often got blessed and shouted aloud to the glory of God. Five years after that, as we were boarding the train in Des Arc, his home town, he put his arms around my neck and said to me, "I have a premonition that I will never see you again, but if I do not I will be at the Eastern Gate to bid you welcome home." About a month after that, while we were in another state in a meeting, we received a message saying, "Judge died in the triumph of faith, saying, 'Holiness is not only good to live by, but gives one a passport into heaven'. And after a brief conversation with his wife, he went home to God." In Brother Hay the Holiness Movement had one of the best friends it has ever known. In the preceding meeting at Des Arc, Missouri, we had one hundred and fifty souls saved and sanctified just as definitely and as instantaneously as that of Judge Hay, as Brother Clark will remember, and thus began the holiness work in Southeast Missouri that is still sweeping on.

Source: "Christ In You, The Hope Of Glory" by J. B. McBride

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