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HOW THEY ENTERED CANAAN
(A Collection of Holiness Experience Accounts)
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JIM, A DELIVERED ALCOHOLIC

In a Kansas town there was a revival in a Methodist church. Among the converts were "Drunken Jim" and his two daughters. They all joined the church on probation. The saloon men would get around Jim and get him drunk. He would cry and repent and beg the church to hold on to him. He would promise to be a man, but he seemingly could not stand. His two beautiful daughters graduated from the high school and were called "Drunken Jim's daughters." He drank on, wasted his fortune and was on the borders of delirium tremens.

Brother Rhodes went to the town with a little tent to hold a holiness meeting. One night the meeting had closed and every light was out but one. Poor Jim came forward, half drunk and said: "Mr. Preacher, did you say that God could sanctify a man and take the appetite for sin all out of him?" "Yes sir, brother, it is true." "Then," said Jim, "you have got a seeker on your hands right now." They gathered around him and prayed all night, and prayed him sober and to God. He begged the Christians not to leave him. He was all unstrung and on the borders of delirium, and his nerves were clamoring for drink. The doctor and health officers came and tried to take him away and give him drink. Jim cried, "Go away and leave me with these holiness people. You never helped me." They watched him and prayed for him for three days until he was sanctified, and the vile appetites were gone. He became a miracle of grace, and a mighty Christian worker, and an ornament to the community.

This is the kind of salvation this poor world needs, and a million people can testify that "Christ can Save to the uttermost all that come unto God by him."

Source: "Nazarene Preacher's Magazine, August, 1927"

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